

BIDDEFORD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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OUT OF APPRECIATION ARTICLE BY DENNIS GODIN

My appreciation for the sufficient work of Christ on the cross has grown since we have been studying Leviticus. One of the tasks of the Mosaic Law was to help to reveal sin (Romans 7:7). No matter how hard one would try, it could never be good enough (Galatians 3:10). Thankfully, Christ “wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us...He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross” (Colossians 2:14). Through the victory that is found only in Christ, we can know that there is “no condemnation” (Romans 8:1), for we have been “justified by faith” (Romans 5:1), being brought to a “newness of life” (Romans 6:4), when we were baptized into Christ. Jesus did all this because of our sin problem. So then, if one is in Christ, how should we see sin?

Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God...

Hebrews 3:12

Our confidence in Christ and our appreciation for His sufficient, redemptive work are not



intended to lull one into a false sense of security. The writer of Hebrews cautions his readers, exhorting them to “beware”; that is, *to turn the thoughts or direct the mind* to a thing. That “thing” we are to pay close attention to is our heart, which is the center of our intelligence. It is the place where we reason and make decisions. Such advice is not without merit, for Jeremiah says, “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; Who can know it?” (Jer. 17:9) The heart of a Christian can move from belief,

SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

SUNDAY
BIBLE CLASS 9:30A.M.
WORSHIP 10:45 A.M.
MID-WEEK STUDY
TUESDAY 7-8 P.M.
(BIDDEFORD)

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Ladies Ministry

Debbie Godin (207)286-4821
Barbara Lemay (207)850-0084

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AS EACH PART DOES ITS WORK

How important is encouragement to you? Note someone you have not seen in worship lately and give them a call or send them a card. Who knows, your words of encouragement could make an eternal difference.

"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" - Acts 16:30

Hear the Gospel - John 6:44-45; Romans 10:14, 17

Believe [trust in] God - John 3:16; 8:24; Ac 16:31; Heb 11:6

Repent of sins - Luke 13:1-5; Acts 2:38; 3:19; 17:30

Confess Christ - Mt 10:32-33; Ac 8:36-37; Rom 10:8-10

Be baptized - Mk 16:16; Ac 2:38; 8:36; 22:16; 1 Pet 3:21

Be faithful unto death - Mt 7:21; 10:22; Heb 5:9; Rev 2:10

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"Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."

~ Acts 4:12 ~

Ladies Corner

Our next Ladies meeting will be during the congregational breakfast on July 8th.

The Ladies Get Together

Scheduled for July 14

Has been cancelled.

It will be rescheduled unless someone else can host.

Thank You,

Debbie and Barbara

Last Week's Numbers:

Attendance: 40 Contribution: \$ 1397

ONE ANOTHER ENCOURAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

to unbelief. How though? How can someone move from hope in Christ to such disbelief?

...but exhort one another daily, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

Hebrews 3:13

Sin is deceitful! It offers everything and only causes bondage. Paul exhorted the Christians in Ephesus to "put off...the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts" (Ephesians 4:22). We all are familiar with Proverbs 14:12, "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death." That "way of death" is what happens when we believe less in God and what He says, and more on what we want, which results in "departing from the living God."

So, out of appreciation for what God has done for us through Christ's completed work on the cross, let us be purposed in our efforts not to be ensnared once again to sins deceitfulness. And as the text reveals, we need to be encouraging one another often in our journey homeward. Lord, we are thankful for the confidence we can have through Christ. May His love for us inspire us to seek You and Your will daily, to the glory of Your name.

Dennis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We're on Facebook– Biddeford church of Christ is on Facebook! There is a profile, which is public, and there is a closed group, for current Biddeford church family only, where we can share photos, prayer requests, announcements, etc. The public cannot see posts in the BCOC FB group. Only members can.

Men Leading in Worship - The men who serve in worship are asked to meet in the cry room or, if it is in use, a classroom promptly at 10:30 to confirm assignments and go to God in prayer.

Building Lights - If you are the last person leaving the building, please be sure to turn off all the lights, check that all windows are shut, and the doors are locked.

Bulletin /- Prayer List - If you have a prayer request or an announcement for the bulletin, please contact Mike Wickwar at 432-2272 or email him at mickwick@yahoo.com by Friday of each week. Anything given after Friday may not make it into that Sunday's bulletin.

Reminder: Please turn off your cell phone or place it on vibrate during Bible study and worship.

We care what you think - If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, feel free to write them down on a piece of paper, then sign it and place it in the box. We will get back to you as soon as possible. Thanks for your help.

Monthly Bulletins– One per family, please. If you would like another copy, you can find it on our website, biddefordchurchofchrist.com. You can also listen to sermons on the website.

Updating the Prayer List - Please review the prayer list. If there is a prayer request initiated by you, it is important you contact Mike Wickwar with updates. Thank you.

Upcoming Events - Please check your calendars

Life Groups– July 2nd and July 16th.

Congregational Breakfast - July 8th at 8:30 am.

Potluck - July 9th

Singing Nights - Tuesday July 25th (7 p.m. Biddeford)

Happy Birthday!

- Cheri Erichson July 1
- Keasha Marescot July 2
- John Marescot July 6
- Laura Romano July 8
- Mike Wickwar July 26
- Linda Barnes July 27
- Ian Sampson July 28
- Lenny Spano July 28

Happy Anniversary!

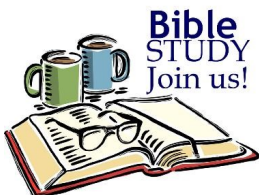
- Raymond & Mariob Goodwin July 1
- Louis & Kelly Bureau July 9
- John & Keasha Marescot July 15
- Bradford & Brenda Shaw July 27

Newest Member

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MID-WEEK BIBLE CLASSES

Biddeford
Tuesdays
7:00-8:00 p.m.



Sanford
Cancelled
Until further notice

YOUR ATTENDANCE WOULD BE SUCH AN ENCOURAGEMENT!

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR TODAY

Song 869 *We're Marching To Zion*

Announcements—Shepherd

Opening Prayer - Abraham Damuth

Song 768 *Jesus Let Us Come To Know You*

Song 313 *The Old Rugged Cross*

Lord's Supper - John Carter, Rufilo Lawrance,
Erik Cote

Song 450 *Give Me The Bible*

Contribution

Song 699 *I'll Be A Friend To Jesus*

Prayer - Mike Wickwar

Song 647 *Soldiers Of Christ Arise*

Scripture Reading - Lenny Spano
Ephesians 6:10-13

Lesson - Dennis Godin

Out of Appreciation

Lesson Text: Hebrews 3:12-13

Song 867 *To Canaan's Land I'm On My Way*

Closing Prayer—Shepherd



Song Leader: James Butler

Greeter: Barbara Lemay

Communion Prep: Deborah Godin

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICE SCHEDULE:

Song Leader - James Butler

Opening Prayer - Brad Shaw

Lord's Supper - Joe Romano, Robert
Balsamo, Angel Velez

Prayer - Matt Sampson

Scripture Reading - Abraham Damuth

Greeter - Jessica Damuth

Communion Prep - Brenda Butler

WELCOME VISITORS



We here at the Biddeford church of Christ pray your visit with us today is enjoyable and uplifting. Please stay around after services so that we can get to know you better. We all strive to put Christ first in our lives and make the Bible our principle guide for living.

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

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