

New Announcements

August 28 Springfield Church of Christ
70th Anniversary

AM Service 10-12 * Cookout & Fellowship
972 Chester Road (Route 11), Springfield, VT

Prayer Requests

- ◆ Marion Goodwin - health issues
- ◆ Brenda Butler - health issues
- ◆ Chris Stephenson - Depression
- ◆ Keasha Marescot - Fractured Vertebrae
- ◆ Brenda Shaw's Sister Vicky recovering from stroke.
- ◆ Maria Wickwar's nieces recovering health
- ◆ Maria Wickwar's death of step-brother

New Prayer Requests

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

Order of Worship

Song # 474 Thank You, Lord

Announcements - Shepherd

Opening Prayer - Brad Shaw

Song # 396 No Not One

Song # 349 Ten Thousand Angels
Lord's Supper - John Carter, Mike
Wickwar, John Marescot

Song # 745 Humble Thyself

Contribution

Song # 794 Unto Thee, O Lord

Prayer - Matt Sampson

Song # 647 Soldiers Of Christ, Arise
Scripture Reading - Lenny Spano
Romans 8:31-39

Lesson- Dennis Godin
Like Newborn Babes

Lesson text: 1st Peter 2:1-3

Song # 957 This World Is Not My Home

Closing Prayer - Shepherd

Song Leader - Robert Balsamo
Greeter - Barbara Lemay
Communion Prep - Jessica Damuth

Last Week's Numbers:

Attendance: 42 Contribution: \$862

THE BIDDEFORD CHURCH OF CHRIST WELCOMES YOU!



*Therefore, as we have
opportunity,
let us do good to all...*



*..Especially to those who are of
the household of faith.*

Galatians 6:10

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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.

This Week's Events

Today: Life Groups

Wednesday 8/24: Singing 7-8 PM

Thursday 8/25: Singing 6-7 PM

Happy Birthday!

August 25 - Marion Goodwin

Happy Anniversary!

August 26 - Lloyd & Sarah Small

Next Week's Service Schedule

Song Leader - James Butler

Opening Prayer - John Marescot

Lord's Supper - Joe Romano, Matt

Sampson, Rufilo Lawrance

Prayer - Larry Butler

Scripture Reading - Robert Balsamo

Greeter - Brenda Butler

Communion Prep - Ana Bouchard

Because of Love

In our Sunday morning bible class, we are seeking to better understand the "one another" verses of the bible; that is, the positive ones. Each of them, and there are many, are reflections of love towards our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. Recently someone shared with me the challenge of such love and the only source from which one can exhibit this love. 1st John 4:19 says, "We love Him because He first loved us." Our call to love others is driven by our understanding of His love for us...for me. So I ask the question, are you convinced of God's love for you?

Paul, as he seeks to encourage the church in Rome, speaks of the love of God and His commitment towards the redeemed: Saying things like, "If God is for us, who can be against us?" (v31) and "Who shall bring a charge against God's elect?" (v33) The conviction of his faith that it is "God who justifies" (v33) and has done so through the resurrected Christ (v32, 34) goes further as he writes, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?" (v35) He then lists hardships that would appear, to the unbeliever and possibly a struggling believer, that God's love must have been removed, but it hasn't!

Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:37-39

Not defined by our circumstances, he proclaims their spirituality and ours, "WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS!" Not based on our own performance; but rather, on His ultimate expression of love. Paul worded it this way, "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8) Paul prayed that those in Christ would be "rooted and grounded" in this love (Ephesians 3:17) and at the same time come "to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God." (Ephesians 3:19)

When we seek to grasp the enormity of God's love for us and live within the framework of that truth, we can be persuaded that nothing outside of us will ever "be able to separate us from the love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." It is the comprehension of this love that generates within us the desire to love others as God would have us to do.

Dennis

Sermon Notes
