

## New Announcements

Fall Work Day  
October 8, 2016

### Prayer Requests

- ◆ Marion Goodwin - health issues.
- ◆ Larry Butler - health issues.
- ◆ Brenda Butler - health issues.
- ◆ Victor Balsamo - health issues.
- ◆ Linda Barnes - health issues.
- ◆ Chris Stephenson - Depression/Job Loss.
- ◆ Keasha Marescot - Fractured Vertebrae.
- ◆ Brenda Shaw's Sister Vicky health issues.
- ◆ Maria Wickwar - Personal/Family health.
- ◆ Wealthie Perry - Pancreatic Cancer.

### New Prayer Requests

Contact Mike Wickwar  
text or call - (207) 432-2272  
Email - mickwick@yahoo.com

### Elders

Brad Shaw (207)878-4124  
Tony Lemay (207)651-3369  
Dennis Godin (207)651-3588

### Deacons

John Carter (207)229-8516  
Matt Sampson (207)251-3030

### Ministry Leaders & Staff

Education - Antonio Balsamo (207)286-0514  
Worship - Larry Butler (207)324-0264  
Grounds - Mark Foley (207)284-3816  
Building - Abe Damuth (207)608-1784  
Secretary - Mike Wickwar (207)432-2272

### Ladies Ministry

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

## Order of Worship

**Song # 469** Faith Is The Victory

**Announcements** - Shepherd

**Opening Prayer** - Larry Butler

**Song # 797** Lord, We Come Before Thee  
Now

**Song # 315** When I Survey The  
Wonderous Cross

**Lord's Supper** - Joe Romano, Chris  
Stephenson, John Marescot

**Song # 382** Why Did My Savior Come  
To Earth?

**Contribution**

**Song # 418** Breathe On Me, Breath of God

**Prayer** - ???

**Song # 387** Tell Me The Story Of Jesus  
**Scripture Reading** - Robert Balsamo  
Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

**Lesson**- Dennis Godin

**As We Have Opportunity**

Lesson text: 2nd Corinthians 1:3-7

**Song # 166** He's My King

**Closing Prayer** - Shepherd

Song Leader - Antonio Balsamo  
Greeter - Linda Barnes  
Communion Prep - Barbara Lemay

**Last Week's Numbers:**

Attendance: 60 Contribution: \$1436

## 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**

**SEPTEMBER 25, 2016**

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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:** Apple Picking

**Wednesday 9/28:** Singing 7-8 PM

**Thursday 9/29:** Bible Study 6-7 PM

**Sunday 10/2:** Life Groups

**Saturday 10/8:** Fall Work Day

### Happy Birthday!

October 4 - Matt Sampson

October 5 - Antonio Balsamo

October 6 - Candis Lawrance

### Happy Anniversary!

October 7 - Larry & Brenda Butler

### Next Week's Service Schedule

Song Leader - Robert Balsamo

Opening Prayer - Brad Shaw

Lord's Supper - John Carter, Matt

Sampson, John Marescot

Prayer - Antonio Balsamo

Scripture Reading - Abe Damuth

Greeter - Barbara Lemay

Communion Prep - Jessica Damuth

## As We Have Opportunity

*Therefore, as we have opportunity,  
let us do good to all,  
especially to those who are of the  
household of faith.*

*Galatians 6:10*

This week has caused me to reflect on our theme verse and to pause for a moment to watch it in action. God calls for us to look for opportunities, which at times seem not so difficult to find. For this past year your willingness to serve people, "especially those of the household of faith" has been nothing short of heartwarming. The recent events with Bert and Ana, the assistance given to members in need and of course, the recent events surrounding the Butler's. It is during such adversity that question, real and hard questions. One of them being, "Why?" I will not be so bold to suggest I can answer such a question with a few short words; but faith says there must be some kind of answer to be found.

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord  
Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies  
and God of all comfort, who comforts us in  
all our tribulation, that we may be  
able to comfort those who are in any trouble,  
with the comfort with which  
we ourselves are comforted by God.*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 1:3-4*

I realize that Paul is speaking of suffer-

ings that stem from a person who encounters persecution for being a follower of Christ. The principle of receiving comfort from God and sharing that with others can also be true of the "trials" (James 1:2) we face as we journey homeward to God. This has never been so vivid to me than what I witnessed this past week. "You have cancer," were the penetrating words that echoed in the hospital room. What took place in the following days spoke volumes of the people seeking to take the opportunity God presented to them. Calls, text messages, visits, inviting someone over all were examples of God's people seeking to do good, "especially to those who are of the household of faith." One stood out to me, as they offered comfort to someone, a comfort they themselves experienced only weeks before. A comfort that they received in part, through the body of Christ.

The more we grow in our relationships with one another, taking advantage of opportunities to serve each other, the stronger we will become as His church. Thank you for being Jesus's disciples, which was so clearly seen through the actions of your love. "Love never fails" (1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 13:8) to leave its impression on the hearts and minds of those watching.

*Dennis*

## Sermon Notes

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