

## Prayer Requests

- ◆ TJ Balsamo off to Marine Boot Camp.
- ◆ Mary McVivar Erik's friend kidney disease
- ◆ Joey Godin unknown health issue.
- ◆ Steve Shaw health issues.
- ◆ Linda Barnes - Health Issues
- ◆ Brenda Butler prayers for father's health
- ◆ Marion Goodwin - Health issues.
- ◆ Lisa Sampson unknown health issues.
- ◆ Victor & Rita Balsamo - Health issues.
- ◆ Marescot's - John-Cancer, Keesha-Back.
- ◆ Glory Parker - Family Health/travel.

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## Order of Worship

**Song 387 *Tell Me The Story of Jesus***

**Announcements** - Shepherd

**Opening Prayer** - Mike Wickwar

**Song 509 *I Will Sing The Wondrous Story***

**Song 315 *When I Survey The  
Wondrous Cross***

**Lord's Supper** - Angel Velez, Jacob  
Romano, Rufilo Lawrance

**Song 555 *Seek Ye First***

**Contribution**

**Song 800 *What A Friend We Have In Jesus***

**Prayer** - John Carter

**Song 882 *No Tears In Heaven***

**Scripture Reading** - James Butler  
*Philippians 2:5-11 (ERTV)*

**Lesson** - Dennis Godin

*Christ's Gift Of Humanity*

Lesson Text: *Hebrews 2:18; 4:15*

**Song 904 *Have You Been To Jesus***

**Closing Prayer** - Shepherd

Song Leader - Robert Balsamo

Greeter - Jessica Damuth

Communion Prep - Jessica Damuth

**Last Week's Numbers**

**Attendance: 46 Contribution: \$856.00**

***Preach the Gospel  
at all times;  
When Necessary  
Use Words***

## THE BIDDEFORD CHURCH OF CHRIST WELCOMES YOU!

Jesus Christ is...  
the brightness of  
His glory.

Heb. 1:3



The law  
is only a  
shadow of  
the good  
things that  
are coming...



...not the realities themselves.  
**Hebrews 10:1**

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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

**Tuesday 11/28**  
**Singing**

**Sunday 12/3**  
**Life Groups**

**Saturday 12/9**  
**Singing**

**December 10 - Yankee Swap**  
**January - Financial University**

### Birthdays

12/4 David Lawrance  
12/13 Barbara Lemay

### Next Week's Service Schedule

**Song Leader - James Butler**  
**Opening Prayer - Brad Shaw**  
**Lord's Supper - Joe Romano, Robert Balsamo Lenny Spano**  
**Prayer - Matthew Sampson**  
**Scripture Reading - Abraham Damuth**  
**Greeter - Barbara Lemay**  
**Communion Prep - Deborah Godin**

## Christ's Gift Of Humanity

With Christmas right around the corner, the fact that the birth of Jesus is celebrated, causes us to consider for a moment the humanity of Christ. Presently, we are going through the book of Hebrews in our mid-week study. The writer wants us to grasp that "inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same" (Hebrews 2:14). Most of us are familiar with the words of John 1:14, which says, "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us..." What became flesh? God did, according to John 1:1. Why is this so important to our faith? Why would God do such an act of love?

***For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted,  
He is able to aid those who are tempted.***

***Hebrews 2:18***

Of course, Jesus came so that mankind could have the chance for salvation, and I do not want to minimize that at all. Jesus said it plainly, "***For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost***" (Matthew 18:11). But the writer of Hebrews wants us to go deeper, more personal if you will. His life and death was not simply to save, but to aid us in this life. When He was tempted in the desert by Satan, do you think what He heard was tantalizing to him? (Matthew 4:1-11). How do you think He felt when His own people thought "he was out of His mind" (Mark 3:21). Or when they came to take Him captive and "they all forsook Him and fled" (Mark 14:50). Of course, I could

go further, to the event of the cross. The fact that Jesus "***did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men***" (Philippians 2:7); did so, in part, so He could relate to our troubles.

***For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses,  
but was in all points tempted as we are,  
yet without sin.***

***Hebrews 4:15***

The birth of Jesus ushered in an aspect of God's love that is amazing. He wanted to go through the trials and temptations, so on the one hand He could aid us. The word for aid means to run to the cry (of those in danger); hence, to help or bring aid. He also did it so that he could sympathize with us. That word literally means to be affected with the same feeling as another. Our perfect High Priest knows what it is like to be... me. Thank You God for coming not only to save me, but to understand me. What an amazing gift!

***Dennis***

**Sermon Notes**

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