

## Prayer Requests

- ◆ Keasha Marescot Back Surgery Recovery
- ◆ John Marescot surgery 7/20.
- ◆ The Balsamo Family - loss of Tony's father
- ◆ Cindy Fortier – strength and direction.
- ◆ Gabriele Little Husband-Ill, Brother-ALS.
- ◆ Lisa Carter's Friends-Jenn(Breast Cancer), Jayne(Life Struggles, Cardiac Issues)
- ◆ Mary McVicar Erik's friend kidney disease
- ◆ Marion Goodwin AFIB at MMC 7th Floor
- ◆ Wife of Dennis' brother - Alzheimer's
- ◆ Glory Parker - Health/travel.
- ◆ Spiritual and Physical well being of the church and all its members.

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## Order of Worship

**Song 678 *More About Jesus***

**Announcements** - Shepherd

**Opening Prayer** - Brad Shaw

**Song 342 *We Saw Thee Not***

**Song 334 *Tis Midnight***  
*And On Olive's Brow*

**Lord's Supper** - Angel Velez, Lenny Spano, Jacob Romano

**Song 309 *In My Life Be Glorified***

**Contribution**

**Song 214 *Have You Seen Jesus My Lord***

**Prayer** - Mike Wickwar

**Song 121 *Come Let Us All Unite To Sing***

**Scripture Reading** - Robert Balsamo  
*Matthew 5:17-20*

**Lesson** - Dennis Godin

*An Inside Job*

Lesson Text: *Matthew 5:27-30*

**Song 611 *Heavenly Sunlight***

**Closing Prayer** - Shepherd

Song Leader - James Butler

Greeter - Brenda Butler

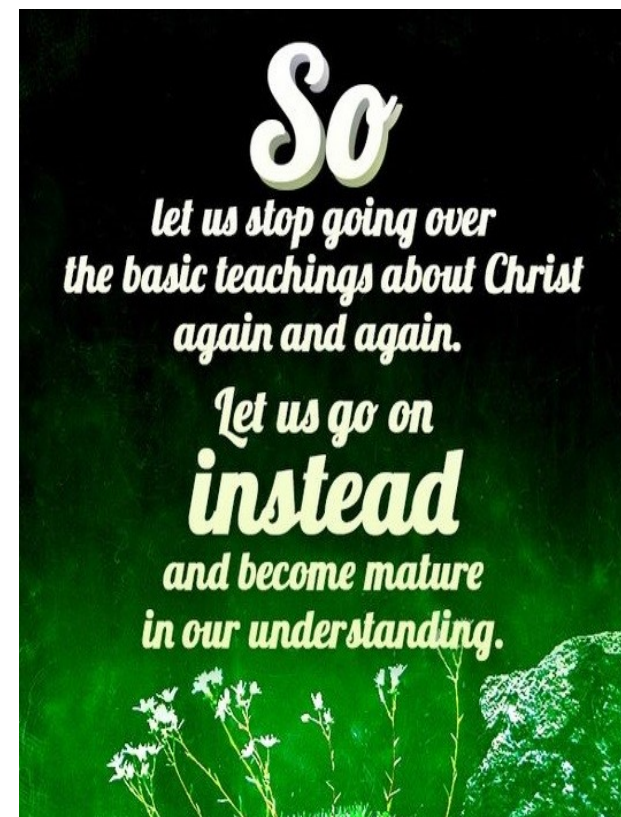
Communion Prep - Barbara Lemay

**Last Week's Numbers**

**Attendance: 46 Contribution: \$2241.08**

***Live the Gospel at all times;  
When opportunity is there...  
Preach It!***

**THE BIDDEFORD  
CHURCH OF CHRIST  
WELCOMES YOU!**



**JUNE 10, 2018**

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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 6/10  
Pot Luck

Tuesday 6/12  
Bible Study

Saturday 6/30

Ladies Night Out starting at 4PM  
Finger Foods \* Games \* Devotional  
Sign Up Sheet In the back of Auditorium

Birthdays  
Abraham Damuth 6/9  
Jessica Damuth 6/12  
AJ Damuth 6/17

Anniversaries  
John & Cheri Erickson 6/17

### Next Week's Service Schedule

Song Leader - Antonio Balsamo  
Opening Prayer - Matthew Sampson  
Lord's Supper - John Carter, Ruffolo  
Lawrance, Clifford Parker  
Prayer - Joe Romano  
Scripture Reading - Lenny Spano  
Greeter - Jessica Damuth  
Communion Prep - Gabriele Little

## An Inside Job

One of the most powerful chapters in the New Testament, to me, is found in Matthew 23, where we find Jesus speaking sternly concerning the religious elite. One of the thoughts that stands out to me is found in v5, which says, ***“But all their works they do to be seen by men.”*** The transformation which God yearned for in these people was only superficial, an outward disguise covering an inner problem. As much as I wish to distance myself from such a thing, I know all too well how easy it is to get to such a place; where what others see is all there is to see.

*You have heard that it was said to those of old, “You shall not commit adultery.”*

*Matthew 5:27*

The scene of Matthew chapter 5-7 must have been amazing, with multitudes before Him, Jesus sits down and begins to teach His disciples and those who had come to hear Him. His teachings “astonished” His listeners (Matthew 7:28), “for He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes” (Matthew 7:29). I think one of the things that was so astonishing is that what He taught went beyond the surface, as the teaching about adultery reveals. Jesus wants His followers to go to the root of the problem, their hearts. Jesus says that ***“whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart”*** (Matthew 5:28). So critical is this matter, that Jesus uses extremes to make His point! Pluck out the eye, cut off the hand, for that would be better than

***“your whole body to be cast into hell”*** (Matthew 5:29). Jesus wants us to go beyond surface change.

Some have said that if you change the outside, eventually the inside will come along. Apparently, that was not the case with the scribes and Pharisees. There was a time that I thought that to be true, but not anymore. Transformation, if it is to be what God yearns for, must go beyond the surface, changing the way we think: it needs to be an inside job.

With that in mind, I realize that much work needs to be done with my inner man. I am thankful for God's mercy and grace over the years, for it has been needed. Still, I don't want to abuse that kindness. So, help me, Lord, to grow in Your likeness as I ***“run with endurance the race that is set before”*** me (Hebrews 12:1), always ***“looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith”*** (Hebrews 12:2). May You be glorified, as You mold me into the image of Your Son and my Savior, from the inside out. Amen

*Dennis*

Sermon Notes

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