

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.

**Please review Prayer Requests
Submit all updates to
Mike Wickwar**

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Order of Worship

Song 587 *Sing And Be Happy*

Announcements - Shepherd

Opening Prayer - Brad Shaw

Song 474 *Thank You Lord*

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

**Lord's Supper - John Marescot, David
Lawrance, Erik Cote**

Song 477 *There Is A Place Of Quiet Rest*

Contribution

Song 753 *Farther Along*

Prayer - Angel Velez

Song 490 *It Is Well With My Soul*

Scripture Reading - James Butler

Philippians 3:7-11

Lesson - Dennis Godin

Becoming Who We Are

Lesson Text: *Colossians 2:9-10*

Song 851 *I'll Fly Away*

Closing Prayer - Shepherd

Song Leader - Robert Balsamo

Greeter - Barbara Lemay

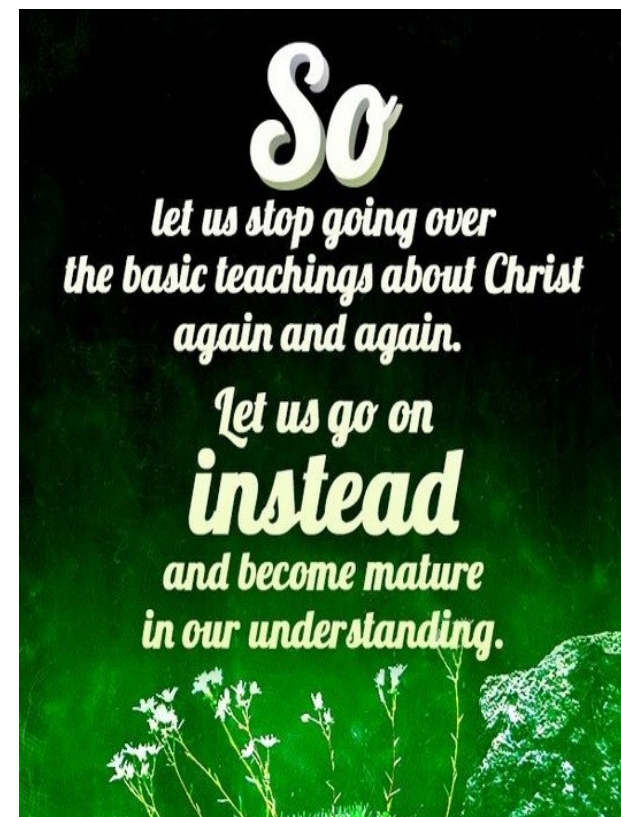
Communion Prep - Deborah Godin

Last Week's Numbers

Attendance: 40 Contribution: 710.21

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

**THE BIDDEFORD
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WELCOMES YOU!**



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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 6/26
Singing

Saturday 6/30

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

Birthdays

Cheri Erichson 7/1
Keasha Marescot 7/2
John Marescot 7/6
Laura Romano 7/8

Anniversaries

Raymond & Marion Goodwin 7/1
John & Keasha Marescot 7/15

Next Week's Service Schedule

Song Leader - James Butler
Opening Prayer - Brad Shaw
Lord's Supper - Joe Romano, Ruffo
Lawrance, Lenny Spano
Prayer - John Carter
Scripture Reading - Abraham Damuth
Greeter - Brenda Butler
Communion Prep - Jessica Damuth

Becoming Who We Are

This year, as you well know by now, my lessons have centered around the idea of growing in Christ. In a world where complacency is so prevalent, where "just doing enough" is all too often the motto, we, as Christians, seek to fight against that tendency, as we walk with our Lord. The battle against complacency is nothing new to God's people. Listen to these words found in Zephaniah 1:12, "And it shall come to pass at that time that I will search Jerusalem with lamps and punish the men who are settled in complacency." It is in part, for this very reason, God echoes to His children, words like: "for this very reason, *giving all diligence*" (2nd Peter 1:5), "*pursue* peace with all people, and holiness" (Hebrews 12:14), "*be diligent*" (2nd Timothy 2:15), "*grow* in the grace and knowledge" (2nd Peter 3:18), "*be* imitators" (Ephesians 5:1) and the list could go on. Each of these speak loudly to the Christians walk, that it is one that is intentionally walked. But, as we journey towards our heavenly home, we need to be reminded of something that is equally important.

For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.

Colossians 2:9-10

Did you hear the words? YOU ARE COMPLETE IN HIM! All those who are in Christ Jesus, from day one of that relationship, are completely saved! No work from that day forward can change that reality. No work from that day forward can improve our status. I think of the apostle Paul, who under the

old law, pursued righteousness with great fervor. His credentials, found in Philipians 3:4-6, would proudly be displayed on any Jewish resume at the time. But listen to what Paul came to understand, "I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith" (Philippians 3:8-9). Paul had come to realize something so very important; that is, what he so desperately sought after could only be found in Christ Jesus. He became all he needed to be when he became one with Christ, and so it is with us as well.

Well, if that is the case, and we find ourselves in Christ through obedience to the gospel, placing our hope in Him who has thus made us complete, then all this endeavoring is for naught...right? Actually, if you are in Christ and understand the righteousness that has been imputed upon you through Him, your mission has changed. How so you ask? Well, instead of endeavor to become something we are not (becoming righteous through works), we endeavor to become more like what Christ has made us to be in Him. I seek to be more like Him because I am complete in Him.

Dennis

Sermon Notes
