

## Prayer Requests

- ◆ John & Keasha Marescot Surgery Recovery
- ◆ Cindy Fortier – strength and direction.
- ◆ Gabriele Little Husband-III, Brother-ALS.
- ◆ Lisa Carter's Friends-Jenn(Breast Cancer), Jayne(Life Struggles, Cardiac Issues)
- ◆ Mary McVicar Erik's friend kidney disease
- ◆ Linda Barnes MMC Room 722.
- ◆ Marion Goodwin heart issues
- ◆ Wife of Dennis' brother - Alzheimer's
- ◆ Glory Parker - Health/travel.
- ◆ Spiritual and Physical well being of the church and all its members.

**We need to schedule people to make food for John Marescot according to his diet. Tell Barbara or Debbie if you can help.**

### Elders

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## Order of Worship

**Song 745 *Humble Thyself***

**Announcements - Shepherd**

**Opening Prayer - Brad Shaw**

**Song 87 *Sing Amen***

**Song 337 *Hallelujah What A Savior***

**Lord's Supper - John Carter, Erik Cote, Jacob Romano**

**Song 960 *It's Me***

**Contribution**

**Song 129 *Amazing Grace***

**Prayer - Matthew Sampson**

**Song 648 *Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus***

**Scripture Reading - Jon Erickson  
*Exodus 16:1-3***

**Lesson - Dennis Godin**

***Maturing One's Attitude***

**Lesson Text: *Philippians 2:14-16***

**Song 851 *I'll Fly Away***

**Closing Prayer - Shepherd**

**Song Leader - James Butler**

**Greeter - Brenda Butler**

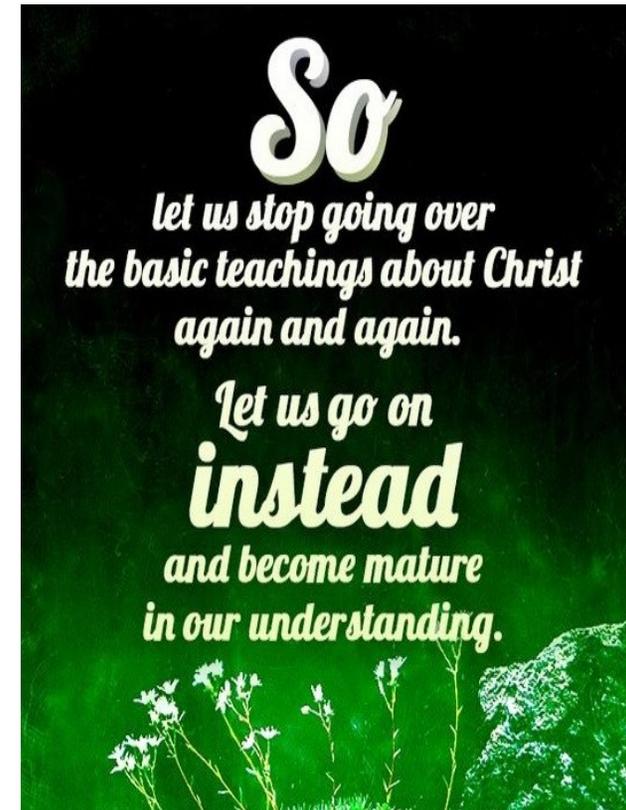
**Communion Prep - Jessica Damuth**

**Last Week's Numbers**

**Attendance: 46 Contribution: \$1789.35**

***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

Today 8/12  
Pot Luck

Tuesday 8/14  
Bible Study

8/16 thru 8/19  
Church Camping at Gander Brook

Birthdays  
Marion Goodwin 8/25

### New Email Addresses

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### Next Week's Service Schedule

**Song Leader - Antonio Balsamo**  
**Opening Prayer - Brad Shaw**  
**Lord's Supper - Joe Romano, Clifford Parker, Lenny Spano**  
**Prayer - Angel Velez**  
**Scripture Reading - Robert Balsamo**  
**Greeter - Jessica Damuth**  
**Communion Prep - Barbara Lemay**

## *Maturing One's Attitude*

So, of all the topics I have talked about this year pertaining to spiritual growth, I have yet to talk about one of great importance; that is, our attitude. One person writes, "We cannot change our past. We cannot change the fact that people act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude." Like so many areas of our lives, attitudes are cultivated and nurtured through our thought life. Our ability let alone willingness, to bring "every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ" (2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 10:5) is inextricably linked to the conditioning of the mind.

*Do all things without complaining and disputing, that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world...*

### *Philippians 2:14-15*

What is interesting to me about the verses above, is that they follow the exhortation given by Paul to the Philippian church to "*work out your salvation with fear and trembling*" (Philippians 2:12). Matthew Henry writes, "Those who complain most are most to be complained of." Ouch! If there is a battlefield in my mind at times, it is this fight against complaining. God wants me to "do all things without it"! In the Greek Old Testament, this word is used to describe Israel's attitude as they journeyed toward the promised land (Numbers 11:1). Paul, using the events of Israel of old as "our examples" (1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 10:6), encourages the Corinthian

church to avoid complaining because it doesn't end well (1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 10:10). Whether intentional or not, the word that follows seems only reasonable; that is, disputing. People who are not content, who are caught in this vicious cycle called complaining, tend to be contentious. I know this to be true personally.

*...holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain.*

### *Philippians 2:16*

Our attitude towards our daily walk as Christians is not always easy... right? We live in a "crooked and perverse" world that is constantly knocking on the door of compromise. But we choose to hold "fast the word of life," enabling us to "shine as lights in the world," all for the glory of Christ our Lord and Savior. So today, maybe it's time for an attitude check: I know it is for me. As one person put it, "The greatest day in your life and mine is when we take total responsibility for our attitudes. That's the day we truly grow up." I hate to admit it, but sometimes I simply need to grow up.

*Dennis*

Sermon Notes

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