

Prayer Requests

- ◆ Matthew Godin - Germany Deployment then Warrant Officer training.
- ◆ Brian Blake - Cancer.
- ◆ Mike Wickwar his brother's health issues; Sandra - heart surgery, Bob - Cancer.
- ◆ Keasha Marescot Mom Barbara - Dementia
- ◆ Joey Godin stomach issues
- ◆ Gabby Little personal & family health issue
- ◆ Brad & Brenda Happiness in new home.
- ◆ Linda Barnes Ongoing Health Issues
- ◆ Marion Goodwin Ongoing health issues
- ◆ Godin Family health, SIL Alzheimers
- ◆ Mary McVicar chronic kidney disease
- ◆ Glory Parker family health, traveling
- ◆ Lisa Carter's Friends Jenn & Jayne battling health and life issues
- ◆ Sampson Family health & family healing
- ◆ Our Congregation

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Order of Worship

Song 2 *We Praise Thee, O God*

Announcements Angel Velez

Opening Prayer: Shepherd

Song 122 *The Love Of God*

Song 315 *When I Survey The Wondrous Cross*

Lord's Supper: Matthew Sampson, Erik Cote, James Butler

Song 83 *God Is So Good*

Contribution

Song 768 *Jesus, Let Us Come To Know You*

Prayer: Angel Velez

Song 634 *We'll Work Till Jesus Comes*

Scripture Reading: Jon Erickson

Text: **Psalm 27:1-3**

Lesson: Dennis Godin

Who Can Be Against Us?

Lesson Text: **Romans 8:28-39**

Song 851 *I'll Fly Away*

Closing Prayer: Tony Lemay

Song Leader: Robert Balsamo

Greeter: Jessica Damuth

Communion Prep: Brenda Butler

Last Week's Numbers:

Attendance: ??

Contribution: \$???..00

*Live the Gospel at all times;
When opportunity is there...
Share the hope you have!*

THE BIDDEFORD CHURCH OF CHRIST WELCOMES YOU!



Lamentations 3:22-23 ESV

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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 10/20
Life Groups

Tuesday 10/22
Singing

Saturday 10/19
Work Day Breakfast (rain date)

Birthdays
Luke Lawrance 10/18
Jacob Romano 10/26

Thank You For your Service

*Matthew Godin
Sam Higgins Jr.
Taylor Carter*

(we have boxes in the back to send to them)

Next Week's Service Schedule

Song Leader - James Butler
Opening Prayer - Shepherd
Lord's Supper - John Carter, TJ
 Balsamo, Jacob Romano
Prayer - Mike Wickwar
Scripture Reading - Abe Damuth
Greeter - Brenda Horowitz
Communion Prep - Deborah Godin

Who Can Be Against Us?

I found myself thinking about last week's lesson and the implications of it for all of us. Realizing that God has and will continue to be so intimately involved in His children's lives, including those times when He needs to get our attention through discipline, is challenging. Looking at Jeremiah's words in Lamentations, the great anguish he expressed, has caused me to want to build on it even further. So, my intent today is to draw our attention towards our hope through all that life may bring us..

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

Romans 8:28

The apostle Paul knew all too well the cost of serving Christ, for he experienced it from both sides. He knew the anguish he caused so many as he persecuted the church, only to experience some of it himself once he gave himself over to Christ. He knew what it was like to undergo the discipline of God, as he agonized over his thorn in the flesh (2nd Corinthians 12:7). Still, it was he who penned the words above, giving us insight into how to deal with life in this world. So, where do you place your confidence? Do you see God as being on your side regardless of where you are at? Paul wants to make it clear, that if God truly gave us redemption through His Son's sacrificial death, **"shall He not with Him also freely give us all things" (Romans 8:32)?** The Psalmist would write, *"I will fear no evil, for You are with me..." (Psalm 23:4). Psalm 27:1, "The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?"* If our focus is on God, then we can face whatever life may send our way.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

Romans 8:35

I am challenged by that list, are you? Still, God yearns for us to grasp the vastness of His love, knowing that in doing so, we can face such events with hope and assurance. Thus, he goes on to say, "Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us" (Romans 8:37). Like with Jeremiah, understanding God's love for His people can help us see life with greater clarity, especially during times of distress. Paul worded it this way, "For I am persuaded..." of "the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 9:38, 39). If I am persuaded about God's overwhelming love for me, then I can say with all assurance, "If God is for us [me], who can be against us [me]?" (Romans 8:31). May the love of God empower you to live this day and every day, victoriously.

Dennis

Sermon Notes
