

Prayer Concerns

- **Mike – needs heart transplant, pray for heart/success – 09/08/13**
- Gordy – lung infection – pray for speedy recovery – 09/05/13
- Harlan – terminal cancer – pray for peace and comfort – 09/01/13
- Ruthie – pregnancy issues, pray for resolution – 09/01/13
- Pearl – medical issues, pray for strength and courage – 08/18/13
- Sherri – pray for strength and courage – 08/11/13
- Larry – cancer threat, pray for courage & strength – 08/11/13
- Maddy – continued recovery prayers – 08/04/13
- Jan – continued prayers – 08/04/13
- Guy – pray for continued recovery from brain cancer – 07/28/13
- Dan – diabetes, pray for strength and recovery – 07/14/13
- David – spots found on liver, pray for strength/courage – 07/14/13
- Pr. Rob’s extended family – various things – 07/13/13
- Cory – multiple fracture (leg) pray for speedy recovery – 07/08/13
- Cole – optic nerve tumor, pray for strength, healing – 07/04/13
- Margaret – cancer may be returning – pray for strength – 07/04/13
- David – pray for recovery from bad fall - 06/23/13
- Chuck – recurring cancer, pray for recovery– 06/21/13
- Warren – several medical issues, pray for recovery – 06/20/13

Prayer Concerns will be kept for 90 days . Entries may be updated prior to that. time. Contact Jerry Youngquist – 651-237-1003 (press 1)

Quote-ables:

“Any concern too small to be turned into a prayer is too small to be made into a burden.” – Corrie ten Boom



Grin-ables:

Children in church:

A Sunday school teacher asked her little children as they were on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."

Note: This is NOT Salem!

Responsive Reading: a montage of Psalm 119: 169-176; Psalm 23; Hosea 14; and John 10:27-28

Men: Let our cry come before you, O LORD; give us understanding according to your word!

Women: Let our plea come before you; deliver us according to your word.

Everyone: We long for your salvation, O LORD, we have gone astray like lost sheep; seek us, your servants.

Pastor: Our God says, “Come back to me w/ all your heart”. Our Savior says, “My sheep hear my voice and I know them and they follow. I give them eternal life and they shall never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand.”

Everyone: The LORD is our shepherd;

Anyone: I shall not want.

Anyone: He makes me lie down in green pastures.

Anyone: He leads me beside still waters.

Anyone: He restores my soul.

Anyone: He leads me in paths of righteousness.

Everyone: Even though we walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
We will fear no evil,

Anyone: You are with me;

Anyone: Your rod and your staff comfort me.

Anyone: You prepare a table for me.

Anyone: You anoint my head with oil;

Anyone: My cup overflows.

Everyone: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives. We shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

1st Lesson – Ezekiel 34:11-16a



For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. I

will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak.

2nd Lesson – 1Timothy 1:12-17

I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gospel – Luke 15:1-7

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. The Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.” So he told them this parable: “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. When he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

“Lost” prayer:

Good Shepherd, help me to pursue the lost sheep You have put in my life. Guide me in sharing with them about how You pursued me when I was lost. I pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

—Dr. Michael Youssef

Noteworthy Event

Concert – Sandi Patty, world famous soprano gospel singer will be performing at Bethel University, October 12. See the web page: <http://www.bethel.edu/events/arts/music/performances/2013/sandi-patty>

Announcement(s)-

Remember:

**The worship service time changes
OCTOBER 6 to 9:30 A.M.....
and Sunday school begins that day at 11:00 A.M.**

Calendar

- ❖ The next council meeting will be at 6:30pm, October 8, 2013
- ❖ The next communion – October 20, 2013