

Prayer Concerns:

- **Randy – Open-heart surgery – Pray: Successful outcome – 08/14/18**
- **Rose H. – Auto accident – Pray: Recovery from injuries – 08/13/18**
- **Ellen – Surgery complications – Pray: Repair & quick recovery – 08/12/18**
- Brian – Auto accident – Pray: Speedy recovery – 08/02/18
- Josh - Construction accident, badly hurt. Pray complete healing -- 07/31/18
- Rob C. – Terminal cancer – Pray for peaceful passing – 07/21/18
- Butch – Moved to assisted living; pray: successful transition – 07/14/18(upd)
- Dave J.– Hip surgery – Pray: Quick return to normal living! – 07/10/18
- Lori – Early cancer diagnosis – Pray: Speedy/complete cure – 07/09/18
- Scott – Kidney/pancreas transplant – Pray: No rejection – 07/09/18
- Amanda – Undisclosed medical issues – Pray: Resolution – 07/08/18
- Kevin – Recovery from prostate cancer– Pray: Total remission – 07/07/18
- Deb – Recovering from appendicitis – Pray: Complete recovery – 07/07/18
- Keith – Esophageal cancer, new treatment – Pray: Effective treatment – 07/07/18
- Larry – Cancer found, chemo, surgery – Pray: Remission– 07/07/18(upd)
- Mariah – Tumor removal was complete; no residual cancer– 06/30/18(upd)
- Vern – Heart issues – Pray: Successful treatment – 06/30/18
- David – Mental illness issues – Pray: Successful treatment/control – 06/22/18
- Alyce – Surgery– Pray: Successful outcome & speedy healing – 06/14/18
- Jeff – Farm accident/broken ribs et al – Pray: Speedy heal/recover – 06/03/18
- Mike – Possible cancer – Pray: Accurate diagnosis, resolve – 06/03/18
- Derek – Continuing struggle w/Crohn’s – Pray: cure – 06/03/18
- Hans & Ellen – Both w/medical issues – Pray: Resolve, cure – 06/03/18
- Joanne – Terminal cancer – Pray: Peaceful transition – 06/03/18

Consider-ables w/Max Lucado

The key question in life is not “*How strong am I?*” but rather “*How strong is God?*” Focus on his strength, not yours. Occupy yourself with the nature of God, not the size of your biceps. That’s what God told Moses to do. Remember the conversation at the burning bush? The tone was set in the first sentence. “*Take off your sandals because you are standing on holy ground*” (Exodus 3:5). With these eleven words Moses is enrolled in a class on God. Immediately the roles are defined. God is holy. Approaching him on even a quarter-inch of leather is too pompous...No time is spent convincing Moses what Moses can do, but much time is spent explaining to Moses what God can do. You and I tend to do the opposite. We would explain to Moses how he is ideally suited to return to Egypt... Then we’d remind Moses how perfect he is for wilderness travel...We’d spend time reviewing with Moses his résumé and strengths. But God doesn’t. The strength of Moses is never considered. No pep talk is given, no pats on the backs are offered. Not one word is spoken to recruit Moses. But many words are used to reveal God. The strength of Moses is not the issue; the strength of God is.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 34:1-8, 15-18

- ALL:** **Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed is the one who takes refuge in him!**
- 1-8 I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- 9-16 *My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.*
- 17-23 Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his name together!
- 24-31 *I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.*
- ALL:** **Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed is the one who takes refuge in him!**
- LDR: Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.
This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him
and saved him out of all his troubles.
The angel of the LORD encamps
around those who are in awe him, and delivers them.
- ALL:** **Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed is the one who takes refuge in him!**
- 1-8 The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous
and his ears toward their cry.
- 9-16 *The face of the LORD is against those who do evil,
to cut off the memory of them from the earth.*
- 17-24 When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears
and delivers them out of all their troubles.
- 25-31 *The LORD is near to the brokenhearted
and saves the crushed in spirit.*
- ALL:** **Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed is the one who takes refuge in him!**

Gospel: John 6:51-58

Jesus continued: “*I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.*”

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying: “*How can this man give us his flesh to eat?*” ...

Gospel... (cont'd)

So Jesus said to them: *"Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them."*

He finished by saying: *"Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."*



Announce-able(s)...



Please support the Gideons in their ministry of sharing the Word of God... donate either today or next week (checks made out to "**Gideons International**")

Upcoming Baptisms --

- ❖ Baptism of Brielle and Brody Jones on August 26th during the service.
- ❖ All are invited to Cully Wilson's baptism at 3pm on the 26th at the Wilson residence: 5848 213th St. N., Forest Lake.
- ❖ Baptism of LilyMae and Kylar Egan during the service on Sept. 2nd.

Sunday School Kickoff --

Keep in mind... Sunday School kicks off next month... September 9th!! (Yes, September is NEXT month!! :-) BTW, if you are interested in helping teach, please talk to Pr. Rob *very* soon!

Thanks to all – who so generously donated school supplies!

Salem contributed 6 worth of supplies!!!



Women's Bible Study

Resumes on Wednesday, Sept. 26th (future dates: Oct. 10th, 24th, & Nov. 7th)

Catechism-able...

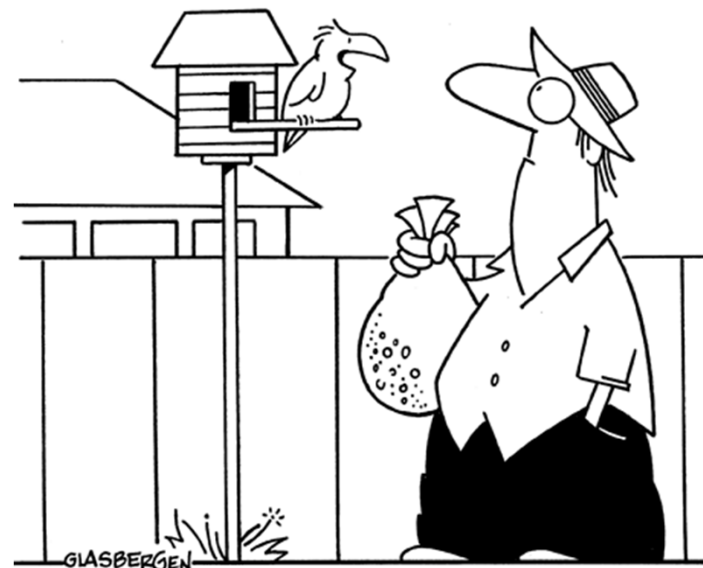
Daily Prayers – The “Evening Prayer” was suggested by Luther for use by Christians each day.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have graciously protected me today; and I ask you to forgive me all my sins and the wrong which I have done. By your mercy, graciously protect me from the dangers of this night. Into your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all that is mine. Let your holy angel watch over me, that the wicked foe have no power over me. Amen.



Grin-able(s)...

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Calendar...

- ❑ Next Council Meeting – September 4th
- ❑ Next Communion – September 16th