



26, 2026

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 850 MINTER AVE., SHAFTER, CA 93263

WORSHIP TIME

Sunday Morning

8:30 Bible Classes

Mark 10:28 ff

Classes in English & Spanish

**PRAISE &
WORSHIP**

9:00 Prayer Worship

Please give us your requests

9:30 Worship Service

Worship in English & Spanish

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Bible on your phone

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What's Happening

Reminder...The sign-up list for the building cleaning for August is on the back left table. Please sign up.

August 1 - Men's and Ladies Prayer Breakfasts

Men's in the kitchen; ladies location TBD

August 4 - Elders' Meeting at 8:00 a.m.

August 6 - Thursday Night Dinner @ 5:30 p.m.

August 20 - Thursday Night Dinner @ 5:30 p.m.

Need someone for Aug 20th and if you think you can do in
Sept. Please! Please! Let Debra know now.

September 1 - Elders' Meeting at 8:00 a.m.

September 3 - Thursday night Dinner @5:30 p.m.

September 6 - Men's and Ladies' Prayer Breakfasts

September 17 - Thursday Night Dinner @5:30 p.m.



Yesterday was a beautiful celebration of life remembering our beloved sister in Christ, Nina Keeley.

Nina will be sorely missed. A quiet, gentle soul, she was kind and sweet to everyone and a wonderful example of someone with a servant heart devoted to her Lord and Savior. She was a fervent prayer warrior who, over the years, has lifted up each one of us in prayer at one time or another.

Nina is at peace and present with her Savior, but our earthly world is now dimmer without her bright light shining among us.

*I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me
will live, even after dying. Everyone who lives in me and believes
in me will never ever die.*

John 11:25-26

Pastor's Corner of Light

Consider Anger and its Fruit

Eccl. 7:9 "Do not be quickly provoked in your spirit, for anger resides in the lap of fools."

At its best, anger alerts us to danger and inspires action. But anger is an emotion characterized by feeling antagonism toward someone or something that has wronged you, *according to the American Psychological Association (APA)*.

When anger experiences are too frequent, too intense, last too long, or are out of proportion to the triggering event, the emotion can have problematic effects on our well-being and our health, according to Raymond Tafrat, PhD, a clinical psychologist and professor at Central Connecticut State University in New Britain.

We experience physiological effects like an increased heart rate and blood pressure, rapidly pushing blood to the heart. The body is physically preparing to fight to defend itself or flee from danger. While this stress response system in our body has evolved to protect us, in most cases, we don't need that extra energy boost to deal with whatever is causing our anger and chronic activation of stress hormones leads to serious physical and mental illnesses. Here are some health effects of anger: 1. Stresses out the heart 2. Increases risk of heart attacks 3. It can disrupt digestion 4. Hinders mental health 5. Disrupt your sleep

Anger isn't just a fleeting feeling — it affects your body and mind in serious ways.

POEM: (source unknown)

Stay away from anger; it hurts only you and nobody else.

If you are right, then there is no need to get angry;

If you are wrong, you don't have any right to get angry.

Patience with family is love;

Patience with others is respect.

Patience with self is confidence;

Patience with God is faith.

Never think hard about the past, it brings tears.

Don't think more about the future, it brings fear.

Live this moment with a smile, it brings cheer.

Every test in our life makes us bitter or better;

Every problem comes to make us or break us.

The choice is ours whether we become victims or victorious.

Search for a beautiful heart not a beautiful face;

Beautiful things are not always good, but, good things are always beautiful.

Happiness keeps you sweet,

Trials keep you strong,

Success keeps you glowing,

But only God keeps you going!

James 1:20 "for the anger of man does not achieve the righteousness of God."

Prayer REQUESTS

If you need prayer, please let the Elders know, or call Vivian Fisher (889-4075) to start the prayer chain.

Lord, give me concern and compassion for the lost that I meet today. Open doors so I might share YOUR message!

NEW

Prayer for all of the Keeley family who will be traveling home this week and for peace and comfort.

Tristan's grandmother, Kitty Jo, passed away (Ronnie Sue's mother)

Lora, Jan's cousin passed away unexpectedly on July 17th

Trina's dad's carotid artery surgery went well.

Debbie, Glen and Matt, friends of the Hoopers; Debbie's son, Matt had a stroke and is in the hospital;; Debbie's husband, Glen is undergoing chemo and having heart issues; Debbie as she cares for everyone, including her mother who is in assisted living

Adrianne's family will be traveling; prayer for a safe journey

Chad, Janae & Nikki Morris (Nelson's daughter's family) flew to Ohio yesterday for a week; prayer for safe travel

Jan's biopsy showed an early stage skin cancer

Sandy has a follow up with cardiologist on Wednesday and has an upper GI scheduled before they make an appointment with the surgeon

Mike has an appointment with the neurologist August 19th

Continued Prayers

Joyce's family as they grieve the passing of her brother-in-law

Three of Earl's family members (cousins) were killed this past week in a car accident.

Jennifer, one of our Thursday night members, begins her chemo treatments this week.

James, Darlene's brother, is improving but has a long way to go; needs prayer

Debra Continued prayers for her strength in her health and the ability to walk easier

Borjas/Sally's children are struggling in various areas and need to find the Lord

Earl has a relative who is in his final days; prayers for peace and comfort

Grandson of Sally and Borjas is struggling to find his way with the Lord

***Several on the list were moved last week to the long-term prayer list.
Please continue to remember them also in your prayers.***



Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long. Psalm 25: 4-5

***Since God writes your story, he knows what you're facing
and exactly what grace you'll need to live his way.***

Admit it: your life hasn't worked out according to your plan. Last month didn't work out according to your plan. Today won't work out according to your plan. All of this is true because you aren't the author of your story. You don't need to read a mystery novel; your life is a mystery to you. You and I don't have a clue what is around the next corner, let alone where we will be and what we will be doing a decade from now. But even though there is very little that we know for sure about our lives and we experience constant surprises along the way, we need not give way to panic. Yes, our lives are out of our control, but that doesn't mean they are out of control. No, our lives are under the careful administration of the One who had the wisdom and power to be the great Author of it all.

Since God is the Author of every detail of your story, since he writes into your story every situation, location, and relationship, then he knows exactly what you're facing and precisely what grace you need to face it in the way he has planned. You could say it this way: his sovereign control is the guarantee that you will have everything that he has promised you. His sovereign control means he knows what you need because he has planned for you everything that you're now facing. But more needs to be said. His sovereignty is your surety because he can guarantee the delivery of his promises only in the location where he rules. Because he rules over all things at all times (since he wrote the story that includes it all), he can guarantee that you and I will have what he has promised us in the places and at the times they are needed.

Paul says it this way: "And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us" (Acts 17:26-27). Paul doesn't think of God as an "out-there and distant sovereign." He reminds us that because God is involved with every detail of our lives, he is near. He is so near that at any moment we can reach out and touch him. This means that every grace that you and I will ever need is near and available to us as well. So reach out today. The Author is near and he has grace in his hands.

***For further study and encouragement: 1Peter 1:13-25
(Taken from New Morning Mercies by Paul David Tripp)***

***We're not perfect, Father, but we are yours. We're not what we should be,
but we do claim your salvation and your grace. We ask you to make us
every day more and more into the image of Jesus Christ. We stand amazed
that you would have such mercy upon us to forgive us time and time again.
Thank you for the immeasurable depth of your grace.***

~ The Inspirational Study Bible