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

WORSHIP TIME

Sunday Morning

8:30 Bible Classes

Ephesians 1:5

Classes in English & Spanish



9:00 Prayer Worship

Please give us your requests

9:30 Worship Service

Worship in English & Spanish

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TODAY'S MANNA

*You keep him in perfect peace whose mind
is stayed on You, because he trusts in You.*

Isaiah 26:3 ESV

True prayers are born out of present trials and needs. Bread received today is the strongest pledge that there will be bread tomorrow. We must trust God today and leave tomorrow entirely with Him. The present is ours; the future belongs to God.

As every day demands its bread, so every day demands its prayer. No amount of praying done today will be sufficient for tomorrow's praying.

Today's manna is what we need; tomorrow God will see that our needs are supplied. This is the faith that God seeks to inspire. So leave tomorrow with its cares and troubles in God's hands.

*Dear God, please help me to trust you for today's
Needs and to leave tomorrow entirely in Your
hands. I know You will provide. Amen.*

(Taken from The Power of Prayer by E.M. Bounds)

Dates to Remember

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

If you will help out with a dessert or cookies let
LaDonna know.

August 14 - Thursday night dinner at 5:30 - Darlene

**August 16 - Water Slide Event for the kids and lunch
11:00 am to 2:00 pm any questions see Debra**

August 31 - Song and Supper 6:00 p.m.

September 2 - Elders Meeting at 8:00 a.m.

September 6 - Prayer breakfasts

Men's at 8:00 a.m. in the kitchen

Women's at 9:30 - Vivian's home

**September 27 -Ladies Day at Visalia Church of Christ
8:30 - 1:00; see Debra if you are interested**

COOKS FOR AUGUST

14 - Buggy/Sharon

21 - Adrienne/Barbara

28 - Barbara/LeRoy



PASTOR'S CORNER – Wounded Healer

1 Peter 2:24 “He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; for by His wounds, you have been healed.”

Isaiah 53:5 “But He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed.”

We have just recently celebrated the resurrection of our Lord and praise be that we can enjoy this celebration. But just like the “Celebration of Life” that we enjoy with the passing of a loved one - this Easter Celebration comes at a price. The resurrection first required a death, and this was lovingly paid by our Savior. The sinless one became the sin bearer for our healing. Those physical wounds O a rugged cross by God's grace became the healing agent in our salvation. On the cross, Jesus Christ became heaven's apothecary, dispensing the one medicine our souls desperately needed - His blood.

His Flesh was torn apart by a Roman whip; His head was punctured with a crown of thorns; metal nails were pounded through wrists and feet; His side was lanced with a spear and death was (momentarily) victorious! What was the nature of these wounds? Wounds that did not heal themselves but healed others. Wounds that healed me and you. How is it that God could or would allow Jesus to be so stricken and we be so strengthened? How could Jesus be tortured but we be “treated”? How could Jesus be harmed so grotesquely but we be healed so completely. The answer for these questions and many more is found in **John 3:16** “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.” **Heb 10:4-6** tells us that God did not take pleasure in the sacrifices and offerings under the Mosaic era but that these were accepted until the body “prepared for the ultimate sacrifice” was accomplished. The next time we celebrate the Lord's Supper, let us look at these symbols with a new awareness and appreciation of the true cost these items represent.



TALK LESS

*If you talk a lot, you are sure to sin;
If you are wise, you will keep quiet.
Proverbs 10:19 NCV*

We are told throughout Proverbs to be selective with our words. For those of us who are chatty, this can be a challenge, but it's an important discipline to cultivate. The more space we leave in conversation, the more we will hear. The more we hear, the more we will know the griefs and challenges of people around us. The more we know our people, the better we can show up to support them with wisdom.

Being quiet doesn't come naturally to us all. We have to cultivate the practice. Listening is a powerful tool for wisdom, not only in how it protects us, but also in how it grows our compassion for others. How amazing that we can learn a few simple disciplines that help develop our character in big ways.

Lord, I want to be a person that people feel safe to share their real struggles and victories with. Help me to listen well and lean in with wisdom in my relationships.

(Taken from Daily Wisdom; a 365 Day Devotional)

ENDURANCE, STRENGTH, and CONFIDENCE

We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. And this hope will not lead to disappointment for we know how dearly God loves us.

Romans 8:3-8 NLT

Athletes know that when they push their bodies, putting stress on them, their bodies' muscles grow stronger and their endurance increases. Athletes head into competition with confidence in their bodies' abilities because they know that their bodies are in peak condition, thanks to weeks and months of practice.

The Bible promises you so many good things – but it never says that troubles won't come your way. Instead, it says that you too, like an athlete, can build endurance, strength, and confidence as you live through problems and trials. Hard times won't destroy you. Instead, you will be blessed in ways you may never have expected.

*Remind me, God, that even in
the midst of hard times, Your love
is with me, helping me grow strong.*

(Taken from God Calls You Blessed)

Prayer Request

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

If you need prayer, please let the Elders know, put a note in the box in back of the auditorium or call Vivian Fisher (889-4075) to start the prayer chain.

TRAVELERS

Nina has several family members traveling this week

Garry, Jan and grandson Konnor leave on Wednesday for Montana, Wyoming & S. Dakota

PRAISES

Vickie Grimes, best friend of Barbara S. is home from the hospital

Hannah, Trina's daughter, got moved to Tucson

NEW THIS WEEK

Buddy had an MRI on his shoulder

Earl's aunt is struggling with various health issues

Debra pulled a muscle around her rib cage causing pain but recovered from stomach issue

Janae, Nelson's daughter, is experiencing extreme edema and will be seeing her nephrologist; possible Lupus flare

Buggy's husband is having a rough time mentally and emotionally

Adrianne is still waiting for a doctor's appointment for a spot on her lungs

Leanne Brock was in the hospital this week and will be going to a rehab center; Please remember her and her son, Kevin

Health issues:

Christine, Sally's daughter, upcoming surgery ~ **Tate**, Anne's son and Nina's grandson, health issues ~ **Casey, Charles Jones, Joyce & Tom, Nancy** (David's friend) ~ **Syble ~ Tyson ~ Sammy, Barbara P, Rhonda, David & Millie,**

Tammy (a relative of the Fisher's son-n-law) paralyzed from waist ~ **Paula** (Nancy's friend) sepsis ~ **Chris** (Buggy's friend)

Serving in the Military: One of Earl's nephews is serving in Syria; ~ **Chris** and **Jonah** (friends of Trina) who are soldiers in the Middle East

Recovering from surgery:

Mary C's daughter, Robert Tucker, Oliver McKenzie, Carrie (Buggie's friend), **Tonya** (Earl's daughter) ~ **Janifer** (Westbrook's granddaughter)

Cancer and treatments:

James (Darlene's brother) ~ **Jessie** (friend of Earl) ~ **Kristina** (Debra's co-worker) ~ **Bill** (Debra's brother) ~ **Wendy** (member of Debra's family) ~ **Oliver** (Earl's friend) ~ **Everett** (relative of Nancy's) is nearing his final days due to his cancer ~ **Pat** (Debra's co-worker) ~ **Cathy Turner**

Physical, mental, and spiritual health:

Lupi (Gonzales's granddaughter) ~ **Ronnie** (Nancy's son) ~ **Hannah** (Trina's daughter) ~ **Jerry** (Nina's son) ~ **Sharon ~ Richard** (Sammy's friend) ~ **Bonnie** (April's daughter) ~ **Jason** (Borjas's son)

Our Youth to pray to make good choices

For those that have upcoming tests this week or test results

Unspoken Prayers. We know their names, and, above all, God knows them



I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation, He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

~ Isaiah 61:10 NKJV