

# THOSE TO SERVE

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## COMMUNION MEDITATION

Sunday, August 3, 2008

	AM	PM
<b>Song Leader</b>	L. Wright	B. Christensen
<b>First Prayer</b>	C. Stutzman	P. Starling
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	A. Phillips	L. Wright
<b>Head Table</b>	M. Baker	K. Wilson
<b>Assist Table</b>	B. Christensen	
	F. Findley	
	M. Steele	
	W. Newton	
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	M. Steele	W. Bradford
<b>Communion Prep.</b>	Doreen Kisacky	
<b>Greeters</b>	M. & S. Steele R. & D. Lawson	
<b>Count Contribution</b>	Oliver Sallett Tim Bryant	

Sunday, August 10, 2008

	AM	PM
<b>Song Leader</b>	C. Grinnell	L. Wright
<b>First Prayer</b>	P. Starling	C. Grinnell
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	T. Bryant	T. Meredith
<b>Head Table</b>	M. Baker	K. Wilson
<b>Assist Table</b>	R. Lawson	
	B. Hammond	
	W. Newton	
	O. Sallett	
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	L. Wright	T. Bryant

*He was despised and rejected by men,  
A man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering  
Like one from whom men hide their faces  
He was despised, and we esteemed him not. – Isaiah 53:4*

At times the crowds followed Jesus – mostly to see one of his miracles, but they also heard him gladly – some of the time. At other times, they said, “These are hard sayings” and left him. Once so many were leaving him he even asked his chosen twelve if they would also leave.

Today, we often praise the *idea* of Jesus, while refusing to come to the *actual* Jesus. In this, we still despise him, even while we praise his name.

Why did the Jews reject him? Wasn’t it because he saw right through their hypocrisy? If he were here in the flesh among us, would he rebuke us as he rebuked them – and pretty much for the same things?

How would I respond? Would I bluster, become belligerent, and then demand his crucifixion? I have seen preachers who spoke of the failings of the church treated that way.

In this fellowship meal with him, I need to learn to accept him for what he is – and bow in subjection to him. Why should I reject him when he has done so much to receive me and draw me to him? Accepting him as Savior also means accepting him as my Lord. Do I do this? Will I now begin to do this?

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### Schedule of Services

**Sunday**  
Bible Class 9:30 am  
Worship 10:30 am  
6:00 pm

**Wednesday**  
Bible Study 7:00 pm

**Elders**  
Bert Christensen  
Jerry Starling  
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Accept Pregnancy Center  
Food Pantry  
Christian Home & Bible School



Today:  
\*Prayer Time @ 5:30-5:45 pm

**Bible School work day**

August 9<sup>th</sup>/Saturday: From 9 am until ?? Bring a lunch to be able to work through on cleaning class rooms and preparing for the beginning of the new curriculum on September 7<sup>th</sup>. There will be work for both men and women to do that day.

**Creation Seminar**

We are rescheduling the Creation seminar from August 29-31. We did not receive any promotional materials from them in time to advertise and promote it – and it will cost us too much money to do it and have it be poorly attended.

**Potluck Dinner**

August 31<sup>st</sup>/Sunday: Potluck Dinner and monthly Birthday & Anniversary celebrations after AM worship service.

**There is a copy of the July 29<sup>th</sup> email from Monti on the bulletin board in the foyer.**

Elder of the month – August – Bert Christensen  
(all announcements to be given to elder of the month)

**APPRECIATION CORNER**

***I APPRECIATE ZONA CHRISTENSEN FOR ALL SHE DOES FOR OTHERS.***



**THE ENDANGERMENT OF FAITH**

**Our faith is being assailed on every hand. There is no rest. Satan throws his darts relentlessly. He sleeps not, shows no mercy, and has as his goal the death of faith. Faith turned to doubt, doubt to disbelief, and disbelief to infidelity is his objective. He is persistent in his efforts. Jesus warned Peter, Luke 22:31-32 (KJV) <sup>31</sup> And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired *to have* you, that he may sift *you* as wheat: <sup>32</sup> But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren. Later, in Peter’s first epistle, he made this comment about the devil: 1 Peter 5:8 (KJV) Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:**

**What can be our strategy against such a formidable foe? Peter provides us with the answer. 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 1:5-8 “... giving all diligence, add to you faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness, to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love. He concluded, Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble.**

**Fortification and preparation are key elements in our strategy to keep our faith. We are motivated to do just that by God’s promise to reward us for our faithfulness.**

 *Today’s Scriptures*  
**Worship am: Jude 20-25**  
**Worship pm: Rev. 1:1-8**  
**Wednesday (August 6th) Rev. 1:9-16**

**For The Record Last Week**  
Bible Classes: 34  
Worship AM: 56 PM: 22  
Mid-week: 21  
  
Contribution: \$1,225.01

Please call or Email the office and update this list.  
(Names will be on list for two weeks, if you want to extend prayer request call the office.)

**Plymouth Family Prayer List**

All Plymouth church travelers – especially Monti & family, for families within the Plymouth church that are having financial difficulties, Willene McCabe was scheduled to come home Friday with Home Health, Dwain Taylor, Louise Stone, Cliff & Dawn Harden, Jennifer & Baby, Naomi, Caro family.

**Friends of Family Prayer List**

David & Patsy Scott (David is home from the hospital), Keith’s mother just finished having radiation treatments – Keith’s father is in intensive care at Waterman, Myrtle Ayers hospice care, Bobby Knight (Cheryl’s father), Albert Mikolajcik, Van & Gloria Ingram, Marvin’s friend Ron, Chris Stutzman, CFBC, Brent Adams.

**Shut-in/Recuperating**

Daris Chastain, Bob Mobley, Hank Stone, Ed Bottoms.