

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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THE LORD'S DAY

August 6, 2017 8:30 & 10:15AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Organ Prelude Carol Dammann

Piano Wendy Baldwin

Doxology		Ron Mock
Prayer and Scripture Reading	Psalm 27-responsively	
Hymns 210, 655	"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"	
Pastoral Prayer		
Choir Anthem	"Like a Lamb Who Needs the Shepherd"	2 nd service
Communion followed by hymn	688 vs1, 4	
Message	Rejoice in the Lord	
	Philippians 3:1-8	Pastor Cal VanderMey
Closing Hymn 426	"Blest Be the Tie that Binds"	
Benediction		

THE MINISTRY OF MISSION

For the glory of God, Bible Fellowship Center is committed to spreading the Good News of salvation, equipping the believers, that they might become more Christ-like, worship God and enjoy Him forever.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Youth Group Monday at 6:30pm
 Tuesday Bible study at 7pm on Titus- Pastor Cal teaching
 No Choir Rehearsal Wednesday at 7pm
 No Precept study Thursday at 9:15am till Sept – "Romans"- Margaret Was
 No Ladies fellowship Thursday at 10am – Elsa Peters
 Adult Bible study Friday at 7pm - John Woodell teaching

The offering box is located in the back of the sanctuary

Anyone interested in joining the choir please see Dawn Fraser

Sunday messages are available online, CD or e-mail. See Bill Schultz

"Christian Hospitality in Particular"

III John 5-6

Beloved, you do faithfully whatever you do for the brethren and for strangers, who have borne witness of your love before the church. If you send them forward on their journey in a manner worthy of God, you will do well.

John now becomes more specific in his commendation of Gaius. He especially appreciates the manifestation of Christian hospitality which this beloved brother has shown. From verse 5, we see that Gaius was doing a work that sprang from his Christian faith. The New Testament makes it clear that genuine faith is a faith that produces good works. In the case of Gaius, his faith was expressing itself in hospitality. Traveling teachers and evangelists would come to his town, and he would provide for them. What we marvel at is that brethren came to Gaius who were truly "strangers" (not know to him, and he provided for them also).

The beneficiaries of that faith were the ones who told John of the faithful work of Gaius. They were the ones who came to Ephesus and bore witness concerning Gaius' love before the church. Using the word "love," John makes it plain that Gaius' hospitality was not out of necessity but out of love. The Greek *agape* speaks of an intelligent, deliberate, outgoing, self-giving love patterned after the love of God Himself. The real basis of such love is not the personality characteristics of the person being loved, but rather that the person is a brother in Christ, born of the same heavenly Father and sharing faith in the same Savior.

Vacation Bible School August 7-11 from 9am -11:30am

Youth Group Campout August 11th-12th begins at 1pm

Church Picnic August 19th begins at 2pm with dinner at 3: please sign up

Baptisms August 20th – see the Pastor today if desiring to be baptized

Church Family Prayer Page

Pray for our members and families

Vi Anderson

Warren Hardy – continued health and strength

Elaine Woodell – upcoming surgery

Dyann Johnson – health improved Glory to God!

Catherine Woodell – health

Lean Bouchard – spinal test results

John and Melissa Hoegg for wisdom and thankful for safe travel

Doug & Judy Smith – Doug’s mom Irene in hospital

Peggy Whitmire – health and strength

Elsa Peters – health

Diane Scott – health

Delores Hoefner – eye surgery- thankful for Gods continued healing

Gail Click and family in loss of Bill Click

Ernie Beck and Asbach family in passing of Kathy Beck Asbach

Ron Mock and family in passing of brother Rick Mock

Pray for our Missions & Outreach

Pray for our church

Pray for our leaders and military members and families

Pray for our first responders

“O God, You are my God, earnestly I seek You”

Psalm 63:1