



15, 2025

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

WORSHIP TIME

Sunday Morning
8:30 Bible Classes
1 Samuel 14

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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Bible on your phone

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Important Dates
and INFORMATION

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

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

June 19 - Thursday night dinner at 5:30

June 29 - Song and Supper

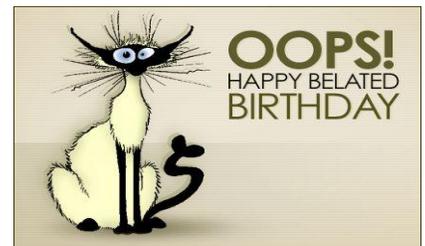
July 12 - Women's Prayer Breakfast at Debra's at 9:30
Men's date to be determined

Sharon Phillips

last Sunday, June 8th

Chris Booth on June 11th

Esmeralda Moreno on the 12th



TODAY - Trina Pflugh and Buggie Piazza

18th ~ Natalie Booth

20 ~ David Moreno

25th ~ LaDona Rawlins

30 ~ James Pflugh



Ron and Lynn McDougal

on June 29th

COOKS FOR JUNE/JULY

19 - Adrienne and Barbara

26 - Barbara and LeRoy

JULY

3 - Debra and Sally



PASTOR'S CORNER – The Road of Quiet and Calm

Living our life with God requires that we frequently sit quietly and be honest with ourselves. We must ask what worries are occupying our minds and maybe controlling our behavior more than they should? Sitting quietly is difficult, and we don't like what often happens. All the troubling moments that have occurred and that we have silenced in the business of the day come bubbling to the surface. When we are still and quiet, the pains, insecurities and thoughts that worry us try to take control. While our busy distractions may push these situations away from our minds, they do not lead to healing. The book of Psalm offers a different path. In the presence of the Lord, we acknowledge these pains/worries and allow them to come to the surface. The good news is that the Lord brings things to the surface that He intends to heal. The last half of Matthew 6 is the Lord teaching us the importance of trusting in the Father to get us through our trials. Romans 8:28 further instructs us to know He is working things out in our lives.

Many of the things that concern us should be lifted up and given over to the Lord for His resolution. But there are a lot of things that simply shouldn't concern us, and worrying about them never makes things better. They only diminish us. Let us echo the words of the Psalmist: "But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother; like a weaned child is my soul within me." (Ps 131:2) To an infant every meal is an emergency, every hunger pain a panic. Only after a consistent experience of being fed, never going without care and attention, does a child learn that when hunger comes, it's going to be okay. While an infant grows an instinct is being developed. WE must be intentional about it: intentionally seeking God's presence, taking a deep breath, and remembering all the times and ways in which He has saved us. An infant cannot feed itself, and we cannot appropriately heal our wounds and emotional entanglements. Growing in spiritual maturity requires remembering we have never gone without care and attention from God. When the pain and sadness come, it's going to be okay. The Spirit has always been near, and He will be near again. Let us seek the Lord, opening ourselves to Him, hoping not in our self-management but in His presence and power.



I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.

~ Ephesians 3:16-18

*God's care comes in many forms. In his patience,
God cares enough to give ample time for his
grace to do its transforming work.*

When was the last time you reflected on the amazing patience of your heavenly Father? When was the last time you thanked him for his willingness to wait? Do you know that without God's incredibly patient heart, you and I would have no hope? God's patience is what gives time or this grace to do its work.

When I read through the Old Testament, I am blown away by the extent of God's patience. I have often thought that if I were on the joystick, given the degree of my impatience, Adam and Eve would've fallen in the morning, and Jesus would've come in the afternoon and then died and risen again that evening. But God's ways are not like my ways. Year laps upon year, decade upon decade, century upon century until literally thousands of years pass before Jesus comes to deal with the disaster of the fall. Yet Scripture says that Jesus comes at just the right moment (Rom. 5:5). This means that for all those years, God is preparing the world for the coming of the Savior.

I am also impressed by God's patience with Israel. We are hit with this when we read through the prophets. God doesn't just send one prophet to give one warning. No, in an amazing display of divine patience, he sends prophet after prophet, giving his children opportunity after opportunity to respond to his mercy.

I am also convicted by the patience of Jesus with his disciples. They never seem to get it quite right. Even as he is ascending, they are asking the wrong questions. But Jesus doesn't give up on them. He doesn't tell them that he has had it and that he is going to go out and pick new disciples. He gives time for his grace to transform this group of arrogant and confused men.

How can you and I not be grateful for God's patience with us? He doesn't demand of us instant maturity. He doesn't require that we get it right quickly. He doesn't teach us a lesson just once. He comes to us in situation after situation, each controlled by his sovereign grace, each designed to be a tool of transformation, and he works on the same things again and again. I don't like to have to repeat myself. I tend to want the people around me to understand quickly. I am grieved that my heart is still not like that of my Savior.

So God's care cannot be detached from his patience. It is his tender willingness to wait that allows his powerful grace to finish its transforming work. Thank God today for that patience. It is your hope. And as you are thanking him, pray that he will make you more like him - willing to give time for his mercy to do its work.

For further study and encouragement: 2 Peter 3:8-9

(Taken from new Morning Mercies by Paul David Tripp)

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.

NEW

- ❖ **Lord, give me concern and compassion for the lost I meet today. Open doors so I might share YOUR message.**
- ❖ **Robert** is in rehab; pray for a speedy recovery
- ❖ **Sandy's** had cataract surgery went well
- ❖ **Oliver McKenzie** is also recovering from back surgery
- ❖ **Trina** left last Tuesday to Oklahoma and returned yesterday
- ❖ **Ron/Nancy** traveling this week
- ❖ **Leah** and her family were traveling last week and will arrive at Jan and Garry's at the coast today
- ❖ **Syble and Scott** will be heading to Shafter this week to see Leah's family
- Vivian's** cousin, who lost her son recently, fell but thankfully was not hurt badly.
- Nancy** David's friend, is suffering from a lot of pain
- Nina** has family members traveling the next couple of weeks
- Adelfa's brother-n-law** from Mexico passed away after his surgery on Thurs
- Hannah**, Trina's daughter, is home from the hospital and is job-seeking
- Buggy's** surgery was successful; pray for full recovery
- Lupi**, Gonzales's granddaughter, is struggling with mental health issues
- Casey**, young friend of Nancy's, still on feeding tube; prayer for continued healing
- Charles Jones**, a brother at Central, is having serious liver problems.
- Syble** struggling with various health issues; most likely will need back surgery
- Oliver**, Earl's friend, started his chemo treatment for his throat cancer
- James**, Darlene's brother, chemo; possible surgery after chemo and radiation
- Joyce** is doing better with pain after surgery; has people there to help her
- Sammy** ulcer
- Barbara Pflugh** is struggling with back pain
- Rhonda**, Nina's niece, hemoglobin still going low;
- Ronnie**, Nancy's son, is need of prayers for physical, mental and spiritual health
- Tom and Joyce** are struggling with some issues
- Jessie**, Earl's relative, had his cancer return and has spread throughout his body
- Kristina**, Debra's co-worker, is struggling with serious liver/kidney problems
- Bill**, Debra's brother, cancer treatments
- Ron's brother/wife**, serious health issues and other difficulties
- Wendy**, member of Debra's family, brain cancer
- One of Earl's nephews** is serving in Syria; prayers for all our first responders
- Everett**, a relative of Nancy's, is nearing his final days due to his cancer.
- Chris and Jonah**, friends of Trina's who are soldiers in the Middle East
- 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