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Prayer Request / Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

How may we help you?

☐ I am a visitor.  
☐ I have a prayer request.  
☐ My contact information has changed.  
☐ I would like to know more about this church.  
☐ I would like to know more about Christ.

Thank you to the CE Committee for  
decorating the display case.  
**Display Case Volunteers Needed!**  
Please talk to Beth Hendricks if you have  
something you could share.

You are invited to ...

Tom & Mary Lou Ogle’s  
50th Wedding Anniversary  
Celebration

August 31<sup>st</sup> at the church  
5:30-9pm (supper will be served)



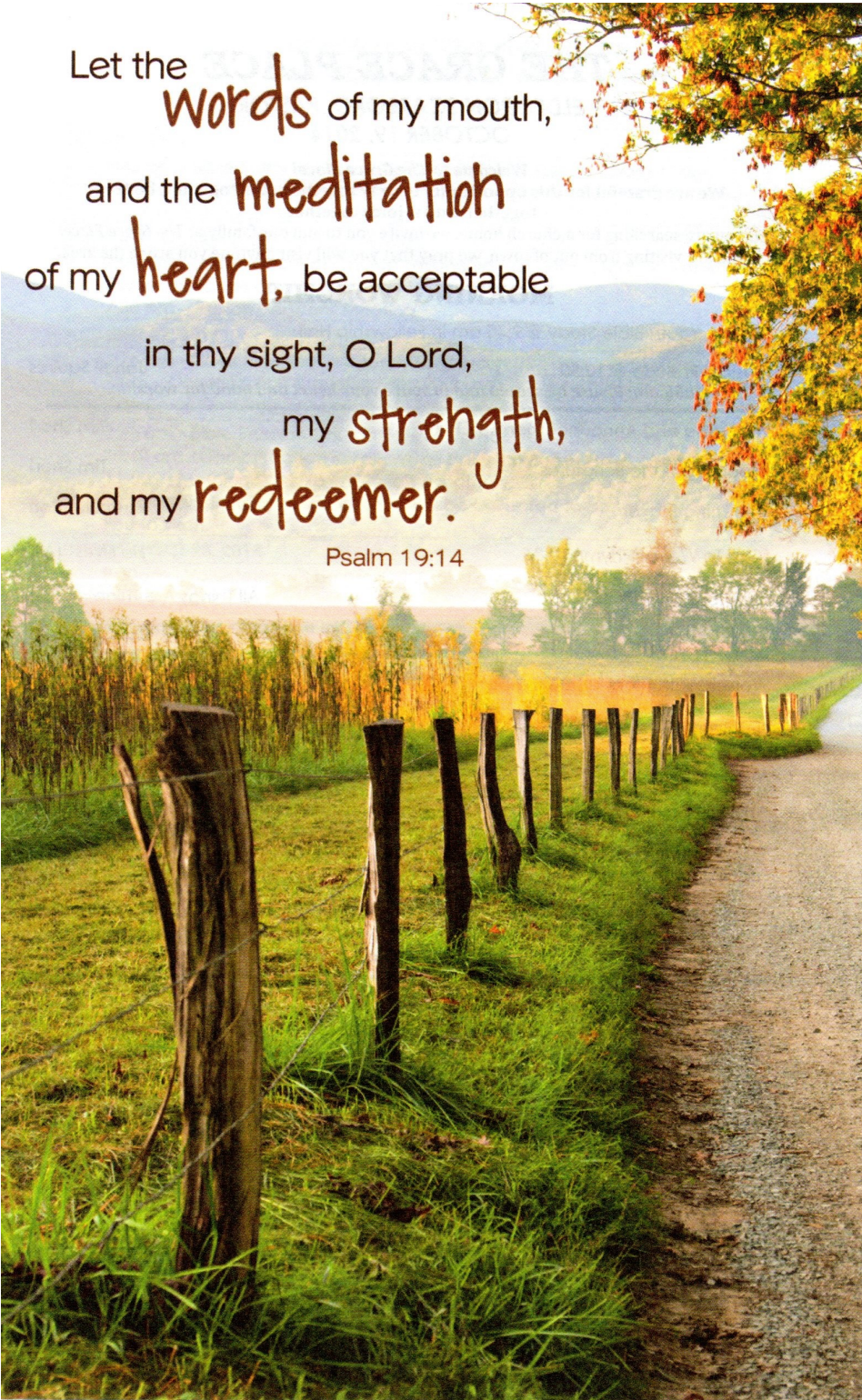
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Prelude "Believer" Video

Welcome to Worship  
"He lifted me out of the pit of despair,  
Out of the mud and the mire.  
He set me feet on solid ground  
And steadied me as I walked along."  
Psalm 40:2 NLT

Announcements & Greeting Time

Worship through Music

Victory in Jesus	#511
Lay Me Down	
Living Hope	
Lord, I Need You	

Open Worship \*

Receiving of the Offering

Offertory	"You've Always Been"
	Lucy Nieuwsma

Proclaiming the Word

Message	"The Power For Oneness"
	Pastor Steve

\* In a Friends (Quaker) meeting for worship, this is a time when the congregation sits in silence and personally communes with God. If moved by the Spirit, individuals within the church body may speak to share their thoughts with those gathered.

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

TODAY (August 25)

9:15 am - Sunday School

10:30 am - Worship

11:45 am - Coffee Time

12pm - Friendly Fantasy Football Draft

TUESDAY

1:30 am - The Seekers Bible Study

6 pm - Grief Share

WEDNESDAY

7 pm - Choir Practice Resumes

SATURDAY

5:30-9 pm - Tom & Mary Lou Ogle's Anniversary Celebration (at church)

September 4

6 pm - young Friends Resumes (K-8)

September 8 - Promotion Sunday

12 pm - Business Meeting

4 pm - Women's Retreat Planning Meeting (Barb's)

September 13-15

Family Camp at Quaker Heights

September 15


4:30 pm - Kessler Cook-Out

September 22

Lunch Bunch at Pagliai's (Note - date change)

September 29

Worship a Different Way Service (with potluck at noon)



Pastor Steve is looking for helpful suggestions/  
requests on topics or passages to preach on.  
Have an idea? Let him know.

Name (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Idea: \_\_\_\_\_

## “The Power For Oneness”

**FOCUS: Unless you can genuinely answer “Yes” to all three questions, you will lack the POWER to build your home with the oneness God intends.**

1. Are You and Your Spouse \_\_\_\_\_?

If you DO genuinely recognize that marriage belongs to the Lord, then you also need to recognize that YOU must belong to the Lord if He is to help you have a successful marriage.

- **Genesis 3:23-24**

Nearly everyone knows **John 3:16**. But many never go on to read **John 3:36** (NIV): “Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God’s wrath remains on him.”

We don’t like to think much of God’s wrath anymore, but we dare not ignore it. God’s wrath does NOT bring His love in question. Actually, it’s just the opposite. God’s wrath is a **necessary** expression of His love. GOD MUST ONE DAY FINALLY PUT AN END TO THE SINFUL REBELLION THAT HAS TAKEN OVER OUR WORLD! His love demands it

- **Matthew 25:41**
- **2 Peter 3:9**
- **Romans 6:23**

Sin is the seed of Death – both physical and **spiritual** – which dominates our condition. We can never go **back** to a time before our sin, but God does call us **forward**.

- **Acts 2:21**
- **Revelation 20:11-15**

If you HAVE been born again, and are married, you may be wondering why you STILL are having so much trouble

experiencing the oneness God ordains.

**Have YOU been living like a “cheese and cracker” Christian?** Do you genuinely grasp that Christ WANTS you to have real oneness in your marriage? And do you understand it is part of what He bought for you on the Cross?

Don’t just take a little of what Christ has for you? Don’t keep him in a corner of your life and marriage. **Let Jesus Christ not only be your Savior, but let Him also be your Lord!**

Dr. Billy Graham has observed that most Christians today live in “self-imposed spiritual poverty.” Is one of them...YOU?

That leads us to our second question...

2. Are You and Your Spouse Both Allowing Christ to Control Your \_\_\_\_\_ Lives?

- We call this FULL CONSECRATION. It is where you truly submit all of your life to God. It is an act of both Faith and Obedience. It is where one truly receives Christ as both Savior and Lord!
- **Romans 12:1-2**

3. Are You and Your Spouse Both Allowing the Holy Spirit to \_\_\_\_\_ You?

- **Ephesians 5:15-18**

The Holy Spirit fills individuals AND marriages. It involves a humble submission to God and to each other. Selfishness is cast down, and Oneness takes its place - a Oneness with God, and a Oneness with each other in marriage.

**Women's Prayer Group** — Leader: Velma Burnham

We're a group of women who love the Lord and believe amazing things can happen when you take your requests to the Lord. We pray for the needs of our church, our church leadership, our communities and country. Each church family is prayed for at least once during the year. If you have a prayer need, we would be privileged to pray for you. Everything discussed is kept confidential. Mothers with little children too young for Sunday school are welcome to bring their children. Come join us!

**Truth Seekers** — Leaders: Donna Hoeksema/ Lowell Vanderploeg

The Fall 2019 Sunday School lessons are from the Gospel of John. We will be exploring the central themes of Word and Light.

**Owner's Manual for Christians** — Leader: Kathy Kessler

The upstairs adult class is currently studying Leviticus. This is an in-depth study of scripture where discussion is encouraged and humor is enjoyed.

**Kitchen Discussions** — Leader: Brent Hendricks

A topical "Life application" class dealing with current issues as it relates to a Biblical perspective. More than a book study or a review of Scripture, it is about dealing with other people in our circles of common relationships and those outside of them. It is about daily life. We meet in the kitchen so you can come late or leave early if you are so inclined. Everyone has a story, and we have a place to talk about it. And enjoy a cup of coffee...

*Coming in October!*

**Forgotten God** — Leader: Anthony Nieuwsma / Matt Heston

This seven-session video resource by author Francis Chan offers a compelling invitation to understand, embrace, and follow the Holy Spirit's direction in our lives. It is designed to initiate and facilitate discussion, interaction and practical application of the message of his book, "Forgotten God".

# SUNDAY SCHOOL

## Children/ Youth Classes

*Childcare available for children 2 years old and younger (upon request)*

Little Lambs (Ages: pre-K and K)

*Leaders: Gail Clark / Kathy Vanderploeg*

Early Elementary (Grades: 1st - 3rd)

*Leaders: Elizabeth Schalmo / Rebecca McKinney*

Pre-Teen (Grades: 4th - 9th)

*Leaders: Megan Crawford*

High School (Grades: 10th-12th)

*Leader: Rick Ethington*

*Give It A Try!*