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In Psalm 34, David is on his knees pouring out his heart to God in repentance, thanksgiving, faith, and in request to God for assurance, strength, deliverance, and instruction. He says, "I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears" (34:4).

A main theme in this Psalm is peace: "What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good? Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile. Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it" (34:12–14).

Peace comes to those who refrain their tongues from evil. The tongue can be one of the most evil members of our bodies if we allow it to be so (Proverbs 18:8; Titus 3:2). It can make the whole body ugly. The tongue is not bad in and of itself. It is only the instrument used to convey thoughts and feelings. James said: "And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell" (James 3:6).

We must keep our tongues bridled (James 1:26). Our tongues will be used for good or for evil (Proverbs 13:3; 21:23). Our tongues will be used to gossip or to tell the good news. It is important to ask, "How do we use our tongues?"

**Peace comes to those who depart from evil.** Christians must shun evil every time they come in contact with it. We must never follow that which is evil (3 John 1:11; John 7:7). Real peace is found in our relationship with God. That relationship is established when we oppose the things of the world (2 Timothy 2:3–4; 1 John 2:15–17). We are warned to "abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul" (1 Peter 2:11). Attain real peace by departing from evil.

**Peace comes from doing good.** We glorify God by our good works (1 Peter 2:12). I realize that there are some who believe that good works are not important, but the Bible clearly teaches otherwise (Matthew 5:16; Ecclesiastes 3:12; James 4:17; 3 John 1:11). As Christians we must set our minds to do good things. What is good? Anything and everything that God has chosen for us to accomplish (Ephesians 2:10). "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven" (Matthew 7:21).

To have peace we must speak no evil, depart from evil, and do good. Seek peace.

— Toney L. Smith

# **NEWSLETTER**

Aug. 21, 2016

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# Schedule of Services

Sunday AM Bible Class 9:45 AM
Sunday AM Worship 11:00 AM
\* Sunday PM Worship 6:00 PM

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Wednesday PM Bible Class 7:00 PM

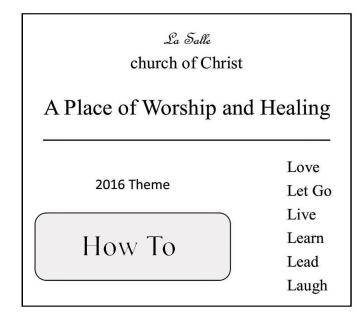


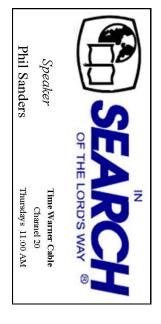
# We welcome all who are here today.

If you are a visitor we are honored to have you with us. Please fill out a *Visitor Card* (on the back of the pew in front of you) so we may have a record of your visit. Later in the service we will pass around a collection plate. As a visitor you are obviously not expected to give but we would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in the collection plate. Thanks.

There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs for infant care.

# Please silence cell phones and any other noise making devices during worship.





<sup>\*</sup> There is no PM service on the 5th Sunday of the month.

### **Baptized Into Christ**

This past Sunday after the morning service Angela Kyle was baptized. Let's help and encourage her.

#### Acts 2:47

praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.

**Condolences** Ray Hoffman in Ohio, friend of Leo and Jeanne, recently had a massive heart attack and was on life support. He passed away last Sunday.

**Condolences** James Greene, Charles Bennett's cousin - age 50, had a motorcycle accident in VA and was killed.

Praver List *In our prayers let's praise God, recognize His greatness, and thank Him for His blessings.* 

Let's Keep These Folks In Our Prayers: Joe Pitts, Mildred Lynum, Bill Flanagan, Anna Brink, Red & Goldie Crow, Frank Marsden, Bill Kinney, Tony and Egla Grana, Pat Hazlett, David Alcorn, Willow, Darlene Reed, Leo & Jeanne Johns, Butts & Edie Sumner, Rick & Fran Fees, Chris Highway, Keith & Glory Marten, Bev McArthur, Candi Butcher, Cheryl Mellott, Ron & Jean Cameron, and Jodie Kelly.

### **Updates:**

**Joyce Cameron** was released from the hospital on Friday.

Carol Jones has been dealing with pain in her right shoulder and had a workers comp hearing Aug. 18th.

Glory Marten She had a doctors appointment on Friday. She can have visitors at this time.

Charles Bennett had surgery on his neck Friday for an enlarged lymph node. On Aug. 23 he has a followup doctors appointment concerning his leg.

Brenda Nelson is asking for prayers to help her deal with struggles in her life.

Jennifer Walters, daughter of Jeff & Debbie Seevers in VA (friends of Mark & Audrey), is still dealing with health issues.

Renee Kinney continues to deal with cancer. She had an abdominal scan on Monday Aug. 15.

Diane Fritton, a friend of Diane Mellott, had a double mastectomy recently. Please continue prayers as she undergoes chemo and radiation.

Billy Stine, Sonny & Linda's son, has some major heart issues and also a kidney stone.

Wednesday Rahelich, George and Peggy Golias' granddaughter, is having stomach issues and is at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester. She may be moved to a hospital in Boston.

Congressman Ted Poe, (from Texas, a member of the Lord's church, father in law to Grana's grandson Anthony), has leukemia. He is being treated at the University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center.

**Doreen Woods**, a co-worker of Glory Marten, need prayers for health problems she is having.

Denise Garlitzs' daughter's mother-in-law **Betty Leistner** .... Her cancer has spread to her lungs. Chemo is not working. They are going to try radiation again. Prayers for her are needed and appreciated.

- J. P., a good friend of Wayne Carter's youngest brother Ralph in VA had surgery July 8 for a brain tumor the size of a baseball. They were not able to get it all and are still awaiting pathology reports. He is undergoing therapy. The doctors are pleased with his progress.
- T.J., Anna Brink's nephew in PA was taken to the ER. He is diabetic and his kidneys are failing.

#### Connie Stewart

(in Fairmont, WV, sister in law to former member here Janet Smith who is now living in Charlottesville, VA) Please see posted email from Janet Smith to Wayne & Sherry Carter. Connie and her family need our prayers. Marvis Garrett will conduct the Adult Bible Class.

Rodney Jones will deliver the sermon.

**Sermon Topic Today:** A Reason To Live. A Reason To Die.

**Scripture Reading:** Ecclesiastes 3:1-8



Trays Today: Sherry Carter

## Uncoming Events (Lord willing) (see web site for extended list)

**Aug. 21 Today.** Men's Business Meeting

Sep. 04 **Potluck** (Groups 1, 2, & 3 to setup & cleanup)

Sep. 17 Men's Breakfast

## **HELP NEEDED**

We are so excited! Our first issue of *House to House / Heart to Heart* has arrived and is ready for us to mail to our neighbors around the LaSalle church building. We have 1,000 copies of the brochure that need folding and labeling. Your help is needed on Friday, September 9th at 10AM at the church building to help with the mailing. No experience is necessary, we will train. Please pray for open hearts in the homes we will be mailing to. See Audrey if you have questions.

## LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Please join us for Ladies Bible Class on Tuesday, September 6 at 10AM sharp. We will be opening God's Word and studying, "Apples of Gold" the power our words have on our lives and how the words we use influence others. We urge you to join us to deepen and grow in love for God and His Word. Jean Cameron will be facilitating our first class. Please see Sharron Gantt for a copy of the lesson series so you can be prepared to join in the discussion. Lesson packets are \$3. We hope to see you on Tuesday, September 6th.

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer" Psalm 19:14

## **Update Tim & Stephany Nelson**

Tim and Stefany Nelsen and family have arrived in Knoxville and are settling in to school life.

Notes of encouragement can be sent to their new address at:

8541 Harold Duncan Way, Knoxville, TN 37931

The address is posted on the back message board.

Trip to Letchworth State Park by bus Oct. 6 to see the Fall foliage. The cost is \$75 per person. See Denise Garlitz for details. Seats are filling up fast.



