

# My Way

by Glen Elliott Greenbrier church of Christ Greenbrier, AR

Some will remember an old French song supplied with English lyrics by Paul Anka and immortalized by Frank Sinatra in 1969. It's expanded title, "I Did It My Way", seems to imply a certain nobility about a stubborn conviction to do things in accordance with our own desires. However, much of the pain suffered in our world today is the result of this self-centered and selfish attitude. In contrast, the Bible is all about doing things God's way. In reading the Bible, we soon discover that God's way is always the best way. It is a way marked by unselfish love rather than self-centered pride. As an example, consider these words of Paul: "Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others" (Philippians 2:3-4). This Christ-like attitude produces harmony and good will. In contrast, the "I Did It My Way" attitude results in many of the social ills that plague our world today. "My Way" is not necessarily the right way. "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death" (Proverb 14:12).

Instead, we must lose ourselves in the will of God. Paul writes, "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me" (Galatians 2:20). In another place, he says, "For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain" (Philippians 1:21). We identify ourselves with Christ only as we give ourselves to Him in humble obedience to His will. Our lives take on His purpose. We want to do things His way. Jesus asks, "Why do you call Me Lord, Lord, and do not do the things I ask?" (Lk. 6:46). Our goal is to lose ourselves so completely in the will of our Master that His will becomes our will.

In the end, when we stand before our Lord in judgment, what comfort will be found in singing, "I Did It My Way"? Everlasting joy will be for those who did it God's way. These are the ones who will hear Jesus say, "Well done, good and faithful servant!" (Matthew 25:21, 23).

# NEWSLETTER

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We seek to be a place of healing and worship.

# Schedule of Services

*Our current schedule is:*

Sunday Bible Class 10-10:45 AM

Sunday AM Worship 11:00 AM

*La Salle*  
church of Christ

*We Meet At*

1121 N. Military Rd.  
Niagara Falls, NY 14304

Phone (716) 283-1214

**Our Website:** [lasallechurchofchrist.org](http://lasallechurchofchrist.org)

Please check the website for bulletins,  
*House to House Heart to Heart* magazine,  
and other things.



## 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). We would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in one of the receptacles provided at the front and rear of the auditorium. There will be an opportunity to give but as a visitor it is not expected of you. Thanks.



*There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs if you need to care for your infant.*



Read God's Word

We offer a **free** Bible Correspondence Course

**Please keep cell phones and other noise making devices silent. Thank you.**

## Condolences ...

to family friends and loved ones of Jeffrey Elder's 91 year old uncle who passed away in Alabama recently.

## Prayers *In our prayers, let's praise God, recognize His greatness, thank Him for His Son and His blessings.*

**Jessica Alcorn** As of now she is hoping to have her surgery in early September.

**Rick Fees** will begin therapy on his arm soon.

**Marietta McArthur** (Ray McArthur's mother). Let's keep her in our prayers as she deals with health issues. Ray is asking for prayers for his mother and the family to deal with situations involving his mother. She is now back at home in Syracuse.

**Donnie**, Jim Mellott's son, is recuperating at home dealing with a torn stomach lining. He is seeing a urologist and will be having tests soon.

**Richard Blakelock**, Kent & Phyllis Blakelock's son, had surgery on his right arm recently and is now doing fine.

**Karen**, Linda & Diane's sister, has rectal cancer and is presently having chemo and radiation treatments.

**Linda**, Marge and Nancy's sister in GA, was in rehab recovering from surgery from a broken shoulder. She is now home from rehab.

**Walter Weiss**, Father of Denise Garlitz' boss, was recently given about 2 months to live. He is now at Schoellkopf Health Center and has not been moved to Hospice yet.

**Dan Callari** (from Amherst congregation). His cancer is back and he isn't doing too well.

Louella Hopkins' sister in law is dealing with an ear and eye infection.

**Glen Mueller** He is the preacher at the Sardinia church of Christ. Let's keep him and Edna in our prayers.

**Amy** (30 yr old daughter of Joe & Sherry (friends of Louella Hopkins)) is addicted to heroin. Louella is asking for prayers for them and also herself as she tries to help them in this situation.

**Erin Orton's supervisor** was riding a bicycle recently and had a heart attack and had to have two stents.

**Erin Orton's sister-in-law's family** is dealing with devastating loss as a result of the fires in Hawaii.

**Toni**, a neighbor of Barbara Oliver, is recovering from a stroke.

**Bryan**, Denise Garlitz' son-in-law, is dealing with health issues.

**Candi Butcher** It was good to see her with us last Sunday. Please see the card from her that is posted in the back. She thanks everyone for calls, cards, and prayers, concerning her recent surgery.

**Ron Cameron** sent an email for Mark to read last Sunday thanking everyone for cards, calls, and prayers concerning his recent ordeal involving his pacemaker.



## Attention Ladies

Louella Hopkins will not be able to hold Ladies' Bible Class on Tuesdays.

## Order of Worship

Songleader Today: Rodney Jones

Call to Worship

Song

Opening Prayer

Song

Sermon

Song of Invitation

Song for Communion

Communion

Announcements

Song

Closing Prayer

## Upcoming Events *(Lord willing)*

**Aug. 20 Today.** Men's Business Meeting

**Sep. 04** Labor Day

**Sep. 10** Men's Business Meeting

**Sep. 16** Potter Children's Home *Fall Festival*. See posting.

**Sep. 17** Membership Meeting. Nominate men for trusteeship.

**Oct. 01** Membership Meeting. Vote for men for trusteeship.

Weekly Budget Amount \$1,843.00

Contribution Last Sunday \$3,295.16

Attendance Last Sunday 49

Financial Reports and Meeting Minutes are posted in the back.



Smile and pay someone a compliment today.



## Mission Info

Please check the *Mission Board* in the back.

## *Ukraine Relief*

John Kachelman, Jr. Cell (901) 626-4538 john@kachelman.com <https://kachelman.com>

For updated reports go to John's website and click on the tab for *Mission Work*.

## *Philippines*

Caleb Callari with his wife Vanessa and family are doing mission work in the Philippines.

Caleb & Vanessa Callari

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Radio Program .... "Everyday Follower" can be found on YouTube.

Do a search on youtube.com for "School of National Evangelism Philippines."

## *Zambia*

The LaSalle congregation has been involved in the Zambia mission work for many years.

If you would like to help support the *Zambian Mission*, please place funds in the offering basket marked for Zambia. More information may be found at [www.zambiamission.org](http://www.zambiamission.org)

Matthew 19:14

*"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."*