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Sunday Worship: 10:00am

Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00pm

Wednesday Bible Study:
 7:00pm

If you are interested in a home Bible study or would like a free Bible correspondence course with which to study by mail, please inform the minister or any of the men leading worship services. We are glad you are here!

HOW TO GET OUT OF THE GRAVE OF GUILT

related the following story which reminds us we all mistakes. On the last day of kindergarten, all the children brought presents for the teacher. The florist's son handed the teacher a gift. She shook it, held it up and said, "I bet I know what it is it's some flowers." The little boy shouted, "That's right!" Then the candy store owner's daughter handed the teacher a gift. Again the teacher held it up, shook it, and said, "I know what it is it's a box of candy." The little girl shouted, "That's right!" The next gift was from the soda pop bottling company owner's son. The teacher held it up and saw that it was leaking. Touching her finger to a drop of the leaking liquid, she tasted it and asked, "Is it cola?" The boy answered, "No." The teacher again touched a drop to her tongue and asked, "Is it grape soda?" Again the boy answered, "No." Finally, the teacher said, "I give up. What is it?" The boy shouted, "It's a puppy!" Oops ! A big mistake that left a bad taste ! Matthew 26:75 finds the apostle Peter with a bad taste not in his mouth but in his heart and soul. On the heels of denying he knew Jesus three times, "Peter remembered the word of Jesus who had said to him, 'Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times.' So he went out and wept bitterly." Peter is now buried in a grave of guilt. He truly failed the Lord in a serious and hurtful way. Had he not denied the Lord, his courage would not have saved Jesus from death, but it would have saved Peter from a burden that threatened to bury and debilitate him under a suffocating load of guilt and shame. But there is good news about Peter's failure— and about our's! It was not final! In John 21 we read of a post-resurrection appearance by Jesus to Peter and several other disciples. The chapter reports not only that Jesus had been resurrected but provides a fascinating report of how Jesus raised Peter from a grave of guilt and shame! As the chapter opens Peter has left the task of fishing for men which Jesus called him to three years earlier and is again fishing for fish. The Lord shows up for breakfast and after a period of food and fellowship Jesus repeatedly (verses 15, 16, 17) presses Peter with a penetrating question, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" Peter responds that he does. The chapter ends with Jesus calling Peter once again to "Follow me" (verse 19b, 21b). The entire encounter reminds us that guilt need not permanently bury us. God is eager to raise us up from graves of sin and shame and restore us to His service. The question is not does God love us and will He forgive us. The question is, do we love Him and will we follow Him again?

Marcelle Van der Spuy

STOP COMPLAINING

WELCOME!

Welcome to the services of the church of Christ of the Palm Beaches! You are our honored guest!

We are a congregation of the church of which you can read in the Bible. We strive to do Bible things in Bible ways and to call Bible things by Bible names; to be Christians and Christians only. It is our goal to simply and plainly preach and teach New Testament Christianity.

You will find our worship simple and according to the New Testament pattern. We worship the same way that Peter, Paul, and John worshipped—In spirit and in truth (John 4:24).

Our Headquarters is in heaven, our Creed is Christ and our book is the Bible. The Bible only will make Christians only and that is our plea.

We certainly hope that all we do will be encouraging and uplifting to you. Please take a moment to fill out a visitors' card located in the pew in front of you and place it in the card holder at the end of the pew.

Christ-centered people rarely complain, but unconverted men complain at the slightest inconvenience. This is why we are reminded to “Do all things without murmurings and disputings” (Phi. 2:14). The temptation to complain is one of the five kinds of sins which can cause Christians to fall from grace (1 Cor. 10:6-10). A grumbling spirit tests the patience of God and others. To silence a murmuring nation, God once sent venomous snakes (Num. 21). What does the Bible reveal about a complaining spirit? 1. Complainers reveal their character (Exo. 15:24-26). Three days after passing through the Red Sea, God deliberately led a thirsty Israel to Mara, a pool of undrinkable water. He did this to test their faith (v. 25). Their murmuring revealed much about their tongue. What you complain about tells much about the condition of your heart. A grumbling heart is symptomatic of a petty, self-centered and distrusting heart. Only by obedience to God can our hearts be changed (v. 26). 2. Complainers often exaggerate their misery (Exo. 16:2). After one month of freedom, Israel accused Moses and Aaron of trying to starve them to death. “Egypt’s flesh-pots were better than this!” Were the “good-ole-days” really that good? Had Moses and Aaron really cooked up some diabolical plot to kill Israel? Today, grumblers often try to gain sympathy by overemphasizing their suffering. 3. Complainers resent discipline (Num. 16:11). After complaining against Moses and Aaron, Korah and 250 leaders in Israel died when the earth swallowed them up. The next day, Israel accused Moses of killing the 250, thus God slew an additional 14,700 with a deadly plague. Even today, many people seem to resent standards of discipline. Those in leadership are told, “You expect too much,” or “You are too harsh.” However, if these complainers got their way, all standards of excellence would be watered down to levels of mediocrity. Personal accountability and craftsmanship usually mean little to the complainer. The only legitimate time one can complain with God’s approval is when we express disapproval over a wrong situation. Yet, even then we must accept responsibility to correct the wrong. When Grecian widows were neglected by the church, Greeks began complaining against the Jews. But the ones who had complained became a part of the solution. Seven men with Greek names were chosen to deal with this problem. They served faithfully and the church “multiplied exceedingly” (Acts 6:7). A grumbling disposition is like a bitter poison in our hearts. But by cultivating a spirit of thanksgiving, we can purify our souls and become more Christ-like.

2022 JULY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	 4 Richard & Ginny Gathright	5	6	 7 Jon & Jenny Jordan	8	9
 10 Hermen Vasquez	11	 12 Loretta Ogden	 13 Wynona Bowman Norman DeLong Benita Ramsey	14	 15 Terry West	16
17	18	 19 Sterling Frederick	20	 21 Sandy Mann	22	 23 George & Melva Pollard
24	25	26	27	28	29	 30 Ginny Gathright
 31 Send & Save Sunday						

WEEKLY BIBLE READING

June 26th	Lev.1-3	Matt. 27:45-66
27th	4-5:13	28
28th	5:14-7:10	Acts 1
29th	7:11-8	2:1-21
30th	9-10	2:22-47
Jul.1st	11:13-23	3
2nd	13:24-14:32	4:1-31

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THE PREACHER'S FILES



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“What does it mean to preach the gospel in season and out of season? Well, in season-when they like it and out of season –when they don’t like it. With many folk the gospel is out of season today.”
 – Marshall Keeble

FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

“If you want to be there when the roll is called up yonder, shouldn’t you be present when the roll is called down here?”

GEMS FROM GREEK

Abba (Noun). Gr. ἀββᾶ

“Father, a term of endearment by a child to their father.”

Abba is an Aramaic word translated into Greek which translates to the English word “Father.” However, this word carries with it the sense of an intimate relationship with one’s father through obedience. When Abba is used we are acknowledging God’s authorities as our father and our need to be obedient to Him. (Matt. 6:9).

PEARLS FROM PROVERBS

“Listen to your father, who gave you life, and do not despise your mother when she is old.”

Prov. 23:22

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PRIVILEDGED TO SERVE

Sunday Morning Worship

SONG LEADER: Sterling Frederick

OPENING PRAYER/ SCRIPTURE

READING: Joe Lewis

PRESIDING: Chuck Canteen

SERVING: Mike Morakis, Carlos Echeverria, Gary Lester & Tom DiNetta

CLOSING PRAYER: Jim Bowman

Sunday Evening Worship

SONG LEADER: Norman Delong

OPENING PRAYER/SCRIPTURE

READING: Joe Lewis

PRESIDING: Jim Bowman

SERVING: Gary Lester

CLOSING PRAYER: Richard Gathright

Wednesday Bible Study

SONG LEADER: Norman Delong

OPENING PRAYER: Jim Rogers

CLOSING PRAYER: Chuck Canteen



Keep in your prayers...

COCOPB Members

Maureen Machan, is sick.

Lena Morris, will be having surgery and needs our prayers.

Family of COCOPB Members

Marie Sullivan, Nancy Sparks Grandson's wife, had to have an emergency c-section.

Kristina Machan, Maureen Machan's daughter-in-law, had gastric surgery and is home recovering.

Beach Aten, John Smith's brother-in-law, Has a Lymphoma.

Bryan Ogden, Shea Ogden's husband, was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer and is starting treatments.

Tony Flegert, Maureen Machan's son in-law, is home from the hospital but continues to need prayers.

Jan Richardson, Marsha Morakis's mother, was diagnosed with stage 1 lung cancer.

Hazel Voight, Nancy Sparks' sister, is in hospice care and is suffering with bed sores.

Laverne Byzek, John Smith's sister, continues to need our prayers.

Friends of COCOPB Members

Patricia Hitman, a friend of Young DiNetta, had hip replacement surgery.

Robin Landen, is home recovering.

Monika Sinclair, Will be starting chemotherapy on June 28th.

Tina Wagner, continues to need our prayers.

COCOPB Members Traveling

Randy Cramblet (Pensacola), **Tiffany Hart** (GA)

Shut-ins

Jack Lee

Lena Morris

Responses to the invitation

Manoella Mendieta

Catherina Zacaria

NEWS & NOTES

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

JENNY JORDAN 6/3

TOM RAMSEY 6/28

KIM GUZIK 6/7

RICHARD GRAY 6/30

LINDA MARTIN 6/15

RICHARD GATHRIGHT 6/18

IVA WALKER 6/26

ANNIVERSARIES

LINDA & ROBERT MARTIN 6/8

ERIBERTO & CANDI VASQUEZ 6/16

TOM & BENITA RAMSEY 6/27

ATTENDANCE June. 19th

Sun. Bible Study: 27

Sun. A.M: 64

Sun. P.M: 29

Wed. Bible Study: 26

Contribution: \$3,903.53

Weekly Budget: \$4,252.00

Variance: -\$349.47

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: "AN ALL SEEING EYE"

PM: "WHAT AMERICA
NEEDS"



We rejoice that another soul was added to God's Kingdom! **Catherina Zacaria** decided to be baptized for the remission of her sins on June 22nd. Please keep her in your prayers!



Make sure to mark your calendars! Our next send & save Sunday will be on **July 31st 2022!** We will also be having our annual 5th Sunday Q&A **July 31st 2022** Sunday evening!



Members if you have any information that need's to be announced before services that is **not currently in the bulletin**, please go to the AV room window and fill out the announcement request form we have put out for any additional information that needs to be announced. Please do not shout from the pews during services! Thank you.



The pantry is in need of: **Bags of rice, black bean's-- canned or dry, peanut butter and jelly, canned vegetables, canned meat, No tuna please! \$25 Gift cards for Publix, Aldi or Walmart, for perishable items.** there is a pantry donation bin in the foyer! If you have any questions please see **Maureen Machan!** thank you.



Insight-God's Holiness

Because of our wickedness, humanity has a hard time realizing how holy God is. As the children of Israel praised God for deliverance them from Egypt they said, "Who is like You, majestic in holiness" (Exodus 15:11). Grasping the majestic holiness of God will cause us to say what Isaiah said when he saw God's holiness – "Woe is me, for I am ruined! Because I am a man of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips" (Isaiah 6:5). Seeing God's holiness motivates us to come out from sinful people and live holy lives (2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1; I Peter 1:15-16). It will also cause us to go on God's mission telling folks about God's holiness (Isaiah 6:8). Our nation needs a big dose of seeing God's holiness. Let's each do his and her part to try to grasp how holy God is and let that holiness motivate us to help others see God's holiness!

Wayne Burger



GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear God's Word

Romans 10:17

Believe the Gospel

John 20:30-31

Repent of Your Sins

Luke 13:3

Confess Faith in Jesus

Romans 10:9-10

Be Baptized

Acts 2:38

Live Faithfully

Revelation 2:10



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