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Call to Worship	Lacy Boggess	
Songs	Joe Lewis	
Communion	Peter Traisci	1000
Sermon	Gene Pollastro	
Closing	Lyle LaPlante	



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# Be Humble Like a Child

At that time, the disciples came to Jesus saying, 'Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?' Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever receives one little child like this in My name receives me." (Matthew 18:1-4).



Humility is a key factor in one's salvation. One cannot be saved by the gospel until he humbles himself in obedience to it. In the sermon on the mount Jesus said, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:3). In commenting on this verse, H. Leo Boles said, "'The poor in spirit' are those whose minds are suited to the humble station of life; 'poor' means destitute of something; poor in spirit means those who are destitute of the proud, haughty spirit of the world It is the same spirit that is required when we are told that we must become as little children, if we would enter the kingdom of heaven; 'The poor

in spirit' describes a state of men lowly and reverent before God; humble, not proud; contrite, not rebellious" (*A Commentary on the Gospel According to Matthew*, Gospel Advocate, *pp. 120-121*). Humility, submission of one's self-will and stubborn pride, is essential if one is to be saved.

The apostle Peter, writing to Christians in his first epistle, told them to be humble "...Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for 'God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.' Therefore, humble your selves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you" (1 Peter 5:5-7).

Though Jesus taught His disciples many <u>lessons on humility</u>, such as in *Matthew 20:20-28*, probably the most striking is found in *John 13:1-16*. Nearing the end of His life on earth, to illustrate the humility they needed to have, He stooped and washed their feet. Since He was their master, He could have demanded such an action of them but instead He performed this lowly task on them. You see, they needed to learn to humble themselves to one another and to other men *(Matthew 7:12)* if they were going to be able to full the tasks, He was going to give them.

We must have that same humility today. God still resists the proud and only gives grace to the humble. We must not be filled with pride but rather with humility, serving the Lord and ministering to the needs of others. As those disciples long ago were told to follow the example of Jesus, we must pattern our attitude and actions after it today. He humbled Himself in coming to earth, taking on the form of man and becoming the servant of all *(Philippians 2:5-8)*.

Let us be like that small child and like the Christ—meek and humble. Let us determine to be those who are willing to submit to the will of God in all things. It is only then that we will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven and great in the eyes of God.



### **Prayer Request**

- Jo Harvey's friend Eugene Ferrante had surgery on Wed., Mar. 6th for cancer. Surgery went well. Pray the rest of his treatments goes equally as well
- Sue Barbarotto pray for her employer Dr. Ron Warmflash's mother Camille who has shingles and has been hospitalized
- Continue prayers for Randy Walker's sister Becky who has stage 4 pancreatic cancer. Becky tumors have not grown but the tumors in her ovaries are 9 centimeters which is a not a concern. She is continuing with her chemo but is not getting sick. She is able to function and perform day-to-day activities. Becky's granddaughter Lizzie has lost feeling in her toes and lower third of her left foot which has been amputated. She continues to be happy and is thriving.
- Continue prayers for Doug Vile who has been diagnosed with Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) and his wife Jere who is always by his side and a constant support
- The work in Mozambique and Zambia
- Pray for our missionaries and families
- Pray for our leaders, teachers and each other
- Pray for safe travels for our congregation members

# PRAISES AND THANKSGIVING

- Karen Stanzione's son-in-law Jose Correia received both organs a kidney and liver on Thurs., Feb 22nd. Jose's surgery was performed on Fri., Feb. 23rd. Surgery went well. On Tues., Mar 6th Jose received the results of his biopsy. There is no signs of the giant cell hepatitis. If that was the case there is nothing that they could of offered him. His liver is going into rejection. They're able to treat it with medication. Continue prayers for his recovery
- On Sun., Feb 25th Lacy Boggess was on his way to church when he was broadsided by a woman who ran a red light. Lacy's car was totaled, but fortunately he escaped with minor injuries. He was taken to the hospital for evaluation

## Services & Meetings: Week of March 10, 2024

Sunday AM Worship 9:30 am Sunday AM Bible Classes for ALL AGES 11:00 am

### Wednesday Night Bible Study

w/Zoom component

7:00 pm— 8:00 pm

Jim Hopper

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#### **Event Calendar**

Mar. 10th	Daylight Savings—Sp	ring Forward		
Mar. 14th	Bowling Fellowship	12:00 pm—2:00 pm		
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Mar. 16th	Memorial Service- Bob Gibb DcOC B			
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### **Bible Classes**

11:00 am —Sunday Classes for ALL AGES

#### **Adult Class**

"The Prophesy of Simeon" —Gene Pollastro

### Ongoing Meeting (church building)

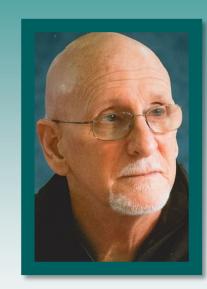
Rehearsals	7.00 pm		
⇒ Narcotics Anonymous	Thurs.	6:30 pm—9:30 pm	
⇒ Al-Anon	Thurs.	7:00 pm—9:00 pm	

Mad Hatters Barber Shop Tues





Sun., Mar. 10th Daylight Savings



Sat., Mar. 16th 11:00 am— Memorial Service Bob Gibb



Tues., Mar. 19th First Day of Spring

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\*w/ Zoom component\*
7:00 pm—8:00 pm
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It's a chance for us to connect, come together to share, laugh and see each other as we unlock the bible together.

Come join us!



### Weekly Fellowship

# Thursday—Bowling fellowship

12:00 pm—2:00 pm Strikers 840 Federal Rd., Brookfield

