

Pinellas Park Church of Christ



When You Pray

About 33% of adults in our country have not attended church in the last year and 89% have not attended a Sunday School in the last year, but about 81% claim they have prayed in the last week. Christ knew that people would pray and in our key verses of the day teaches his disciples a bit about how we should pray, to whom we pray, where to pray and why we should pray. Today we are focusing on the importance of our prayer.

Matthew 6:5-8

I. We Have Been Invited And are Expected To Pray (v. 5, 6)

II. We Have Been Given Reasons To Pray (v. 6)

III. We Have Proof That Prayer Works

Conclusion – It is possible for us to offer Him empty words and pray to garner attention for ourselves and we must guard our hearts against such, but focusing on the real roots of prayer.

10 January 2016

6045 Park Blvd. Pinellas Park, FL 33781

Sunday: AM Bible study 10:00, Worship 11AM, 6 PM

Wednesday: Bible Study 7PM

Prayer Requests

Bill May's mother, Judy, came through her surgery just fine and continues to do well. She has opted to forego any type of Chemotherapy or Radiation treatment. Currently she is resting and in no pain.

John Pelley, Carrie's uncle, is having heart trouble and going for testing.

Carol Axe had testing done on her thyroid and had a breast biopsy

Steven and Brittini have asked for prayers to help them stay focused spiritually and for financial stability.

The Christman family requested prayer for a friend of the family, Jennifer Sabo

Rick Buonoguardo, continues to recover from the surgery

Sandy Christman is recovering from surgery and can receive visitors. She has mild back pain. She has recently finished with home health, but continues in rehab and due to some hard work has regained some feeling in her hands.

Amma Lou Koon, Polly's sister, started radiation treatment last week.

Shirley Dooley asked for prayers for her friend Heidi, for intestinal issues.

Helen Knese, Vivian Brush's sister, had a stroke, but is now in a rehabilitation hosp.

Linda Walden, asked for prayers for her sister's husband, Bob, who started chemotherapy treatment.

Vivian Brush for her friend Claudia Stewart, stage four pancreatic cancer.

John Klepzyk, nephew of the Stover's, had prostate cancer surgery.

Melissa Niven, continues treatment for cancer. Keep her in your prayers.

Diane Haff, friend of the Phillip Martin family, has brain 2 brain tumors

John Petersen, friend of Diane Martin, is in Hospice care for a heart condition.

Jeanne Coates, has been very ill and is in a lot of pain due to rheumatoid arthritis.

Polly Stover has been ill

Sam Halstead has been sick

Christine and Jose have been travelling and visiting with ill family.

Order of Worship – When You Pray

768 Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You

Announcements – Prayer for services

797 Lord, We Come Before Thee Now

Prayer Scripture Medley

Opening prayer

764 Teach Me Lord To Wait

Offering

176 Lamb of God

The Lord's Supper

Silent prayer

Sermon – Edward Benesh

800 What A Friend We Have in Jesus

848 Did You Think to Pray

Closing prayer

Ronald McDonald House Prayer list

Aaron Lopez - 8 mos Heart and Lungs

Beckham Prescott - 8 mos PLP1 - Spastic

Paraplegia (nerve & muscle disorder)

Anibel Zalgato - 19 yrs Lungs

Kailani - 5 yrs Leukemia

Thaddaas & Theodore Potrzuski Lung Problems

Announcements

- **The Power and Priority of Prayer** – beginning today we will start a study of prayer using the movie War Room as illustration. The study should last a little over a month and will encourage you to have richer and fuller prayer life. Be sure to take advantage of all that is being offered. We encourage you to complete the weekly notes, journal and post your prayers on our prayer warrior wall hanging in the foyer. Be sure to pick up new notes each week.
- **Stepping Up!** The next men's Stepping Up class will be held on January 28th, 7-8:30 in the youth room.
- **Ronald McDonald House.** Our team will be cooking in January.
- **Men! Check the service schedule.** Especially during the holidays, when many travel, check and cover your times to serve or call Dennis Folks.
- **Ladies, Don't Forget!** Our ladies class meets every Friday in the youth room at 1PM for Bible study. Their lessons follow our Sunday morning class.
- **Evelyn Bohn new address,** 1125 E. Old Pass Rd., Long Beach, MS 39560. Her cell phone number is 727-433-1342. She extends an open invite to visit.
- **Sister Donna Lampe** has arrived in Boardman, Ohio. Her new address is 131 Forest Park Dr., Boardman, OH 44512. ***Donna gave the wrong address previously. Note this change please.***
- **Men!** There is a new Wednesday evening speaking schedule posted. If you are part of this rotation it has changed in the last week and a half. New schedules are posted on the bulletin board. Take one.
- **Potluck change.** Many of our members will be gone next Lord's Day so our Potluck will be moved to January 10th.
- **Mexico Mission Fiesta.** Seems a little early to talk about this, but March 12 is not that far away and Ed needs to meet next week with anyone who would like to help with the fiesta and silent auction right after AM services. We will discuss various matters related to advertising, gathering the remaining auction items, food and other aspects of the work.

Calendar

January

- 10 – Potluck dinner after AM services
- 10 – War Room series on prayer begins today
- 17 – Leadership meeting at 5PM
- 17 – Lunch Bunch meets after AM services
- 19 – Men's ministry meeting 7PM
- 24 – WWCC presentation during evening services
- 31 – Men's Leadership Night

Our Leaders

Elders – Phillip Martin, Tim Martin, Dennis Folks

Deacons – Glenn Duncan and Keith Sabiel

Minister – Edward Benesh

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On the Web at www.pinellasparkcoc.org

Search for us as well on Facebook – get Ed’s “Monday Moorings” and “Friday Footing” by email – Watch our live feed on Ustream

Vital Statistics

Contribution **\$2417** Budget **\$2500**

Bible Class - **41** Worship - **71** PM – **49** Wed. PM Service – **52**

Minute Devotionals

God invites us to pray, but the hypocrite does the unthinkable. He or she uses the avenue of prayer to leverage attention for themselves and take God off the center stage of the their own lives and the lives of others. Their heart, words and action are far from what God intended for prayer. The only pathway back to correct footing is humble recognition of the one who invited us.

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