PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

December 3, 2023

Welcome!



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Prayer List

Maria Hunter Harrington is cancer-free!

Jack Martin is in the hospital with pneumonia

Patricia Stroud is home, but still dealing with effects of pneumonia

Steve Buchanan is dealing with bronchitis and shingles

Kristine Garrett is recuperating at home after her hospital stay

Diane Singleton continues to struggle with her health. They are considering surgery.

Continue to pray for: Michael & Regan Loosli, Steve Webb, the Walker family, the Mayo family, Doug Demonbreun, Belinda Mayo, Rebecca Brown, the Tabor family, the Buchanan family, Bige Shepherd, Forshia Pennington, Carol Saling, Keith Walker, Camille Brosky, those in Ukraine; Judy Cook, John Hayes, Nick Phifer, and Weston Johnson and Bill Gillock

We invite everyone to join us Wednesday night at 7 as Tim continues our study of Romans in chapter 15

Serving Today

Song Leader:

Steve Buchanan

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:30 am)

Scripture Reading:

Sam Baker

Praver:

Johnny Walker

WORSHIP (10:30 am)

Scripture Reading:

Mike Reed Ephesians 4:7-16

Wait On Table:

David Billingsley

Serve:

Charlie Baker Doug Demonbreun

Prayer:

Jeff Baker

Service Times

Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am Sunday AM Worship 10:30 am Sunday PM Worship 6:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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God's Mystery Revealed – Ephesians 4:7-16 Pleasant View Church of Christ – December 3, 2023

God's Gifts to Believers:

Apostles

Full representatives of Christ...Included the 12 (w Matthias Acts 1:15-26) as well as Paul

Prophets

Those with the gift of prophecy...spoke the word of Christ... Acts 13:1; 1 Cor 12:28; Eph 2:20; 3:5; 4:11

Evangelists

Those who take the word of Christ into places or hearts where it has not yet been proclaimed... Acts 21:8; 2Ti 4:5

Shepherds & Teachers

Local church
leaders. Two roles
regarded as
complementary and
often found in the
same person...1Ti
3:1-13;
Tit 1:5-9

1Co 13:11 James 1:6 ⁷But *grace was given to each one of us* according to the measure of Christ's gift.

⁸Therefore it says, "When he *ascended* on high he led a host of captives, and he *gave gifts to men*."

⁹(In saying, "He *ascended*," what does it mean but that he had also *descended* into the lower regions, the earth?

¹⁰He who *descended* is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.)

¹¹And he gave the *apostles*, the *prophets*, the *evangelists*, the *shepherds and teachers*,

¹²to *equip the saints* for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,

¹³until we all attain to the *unity* of the faith and of the *knowledge* of the Son of God, to *mature* manhood, to the measure of the *fullness of Christ*,

¹⁴so that we may *no longer be children*, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.

¹⁵Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, *into Christ*,

¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

<< Eph 3:19 - equipping
grace instead of saving
grace, as with Paul
-1 Cor 12:4-11
-Rom 12:3-8</pre>

<< Ps 68:18 - Partially
quoted here, but
modified as Paul is
writing new scripture!</pre>

The Purpose of the Gifts

Why were these gifts given to certain individuals?

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