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## READING

We believe that regular Bible reading is the most important step we can take to grow spiritually. If you need a tool to help you be consistent, check out the options at the Resource table in the foyer.

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## PRAYING

This information is intended to help you pray for specific needs in our congregation and the world. Updates to prayer requests for individuals will be added as information is provided.

Any man who thinks he is a Christian, and that he has accepted Christ for justification, when he did not at the same time accept him for sanctification, is miserably deluded in that very experience.  
- A. A. Hodge

### For Our Mission

- Pray for leaders and members who plan activities and coordinate care contacts with Summerside seniors. Pray that they would share the love of God with creativity and faithfulness.
- Pray for all of those engaged in the ministry of music and audio-video support, that God would enrich their personal experience of worship and share that vitality with us.

### For Our World

From the Prayercast video on Pakistan:

- Pray for the spiritually oppressed in remote areas to encounter the Gospel.
- Pray for the Church to multiply in the power of the Spirit as persecution intensifies.
- Pray for the strongholds of Islamist extremism and terrorism to be demolished and rendered powerless.

<http://prayercast.com/pakistan.html>

### For Our Congregation

- **Doug Gibb** has been diagnosed with a cancer that has spread to several organs and cannot be successfully treated;
- **Dana Orchard** is on a waiting list for a kidney transplant;
- **Justin Thomas** continues to struggle with some ongoing health issues;
- **Shari**, Ian Houghton's sister-in-law, is on a waiting list for kidney transplant
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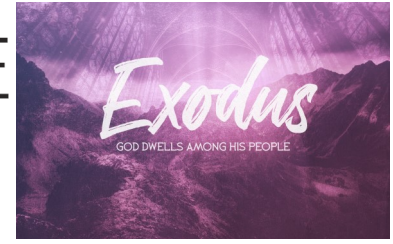
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# WORSHIP GUIDE

Summerside Community Church

August 5, 2018

Speaker: Pastor Mark Cuthbert



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## HEARING:

**Take Time To Celebrate!**  
Exodus 23:14-19 (pg. 79)

### Festival of Unleavened Bread (23:15)

(see also: Ex. 12:34; 34:18-21; Lev. 23:5-8; Num. 28:17-25; Deut. 16:1-8, 16-17)

**TIME:** Spring at first harvest of winter barley; day after Passover

**LENGTH:** 7 Days – beginning and ending with Sabbath

**REQUIREMENTS:** no work; eat unleavened bread; present a food offering every day; gather for a sacred assembly on 1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> days

**PURPOSE:** Celebrating the \_\_\_\_\_ from Egypt

### Festival of Harvest (...of Weeks; ...of Pentecost) (23:16a)

(see also: Ex. 34:22; Lev. 23:15-21; Num. 28:26-31; Deut. 16:9-12, 16-17)

**TIME:** Early Summer - \_\_\_\_ Days after Passover – end of the wheat harvest

**LENGTH:** One Day (a Sabbath)

**REQUIREMENTS:** people present “first fruits” of wheat harvest; priests present burnt offerings; gather for a sacred assembly

**PURPOSE:** Celebrating the giving of the \_\_\_\_\_

### Festival of Ingathering (...of Tabernacles; ...of Booths) (23:16b)

(see also: Ex. 34:22; Lev. 23:33-43; Num. 29:12-38; Deut. 16:13-17)3


**TIME:** End of Summer and all harvesting – 5 days after Day of Atonement

LENGTH: \_\_\_\_\_ days

**REQUIREMENTS:** no work; people camp out in huts made from leafy tree and palm branches; they present and eat food in fellowship with God; the priests offer 199 animal sacrifices through the week

 Leviticus 23:40

**PURPOSE:** Celebrating the wilderness \_\_\_\_\_

 Deuteronomy 16:14-15

### Warnings (23:17-19)

- a. Temptation to think you don't have \_\_\_\_\_ (23:17)
- b. Temptation to ignore the details (23:18)
- c. Temptation to be \_\_\_\_\_ (23:19a)
- d. Temptation to imitate false practices (23:19b)

### The Festivals for Us

 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

 2 Corinthians 5:1-4

 1 Peter 1:17

 1 Peter 2:11

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## DEEPENING

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## APPLYING

It's one thing to hear God's Word, it's another to apply it! Answering the questions on your own before your group meets will help you be fully engaged in the discussion.

### Community Group Questions

1. What traditions do you have on statutory holidays and vacations?
2. What was the most significant lesson you learned from this weeks' message?
3. Review each of the 3 festivals and what they meant.
4. Review how each of the festivals relate to us today. How should that change the way you think about how we celebrate as a church and how you celebrate holidays as an individual?
5. Think about some habits, practices, or traditions you currently have or can start to make your holidays more meaningful and a true celebration of what Jesus has done for us? How would that change your perspective on holidays and make them "holy days"?

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## REMEMBERING

Memorizing is one of the best ways of making truth stick. You can memorize something if you repeat it enough times. Try reading the verse 5 times a day until it sticks! Choose a part of it for your kids if needed.

"Be joyful at your festival."

Deuteronomy 16:14 <sup>(NIV)</sup>