

READING

The following plan is designed to take you through the New Testament in one Year and the Old Testament in two years.

Aug 7 - Jer 35, Luke 4	Aug 10 - Jer 38, Luke 7	Aug 13 - Jer 41, Luke 10
Aug 8 - Jer 36, Luke 5	Aug 11 - Jer 39, Luke 8	Aug 14 - Jer 42, Luke 11
Aug 9 - Jer 37, Luke 6	Aug 12 - Jer 40, Luke 9	Aug 15 - Jer 43, Luke 12

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.

A prayer in the Celtic tradition from "thesanctuarycentre.org":

Circle me Lord, let hope be my lens, let despair be exiled.

Circle me Lord, let perseverance be my passion, let slip roads to the wide path be closed.

Circle me Lord, let love be my reason, let hate be a stranger.

Circle me Lord, let joy be my comfort, let sadness be no more.

Circle me Lord, let peace be my aim, let conflict be resolved.

Circle me Lord, let patience be my reward, let striving have no hold.

...continued next week

For Our Mission

- Consider this challenge to stretch your "prayer muscles". Read the weekly "What's Happening..." and "Ministries" sheet carefully and see if you can develop a prayer with a biblical basis in respect of the items and events.

For Our World

From "worldinprayer.org" - In the violence of this week's news we pray for those caught up in the events of the natural world:

- for those struggling to survive the heat and dust of a desert summer in the Syrian refugee camps;
- for the people of South Sudan where poverty, lack of food and water combine to bring war again to the world's youngest country;
- and for the dozens killed in Nepal in flash floods even while so many there still live in tents a year after the massive earthquakes devastated so many communities.

For Our Congregation

- Brittney Murray serving in Montreal Lake Cree Nation Reserve, SK, again this summer. For a regular newsletter, email brittneymurray@hotmail.com
- For the following people who continue to struggle with a variety of health issues: Steve Field, Dave Wilson, Dana Orchard, David Wilson, Pat Dermerjian; Lynda Weber (Dave Weber's wife); Will Truppe; Michele Nielsen

WORSHIP GUIDE

Summerside Community Church

August 7, 2016

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HEARING:

Offer Hospitality to One Another

1 Peter 4:8-9 (pg. 1203)

Examples from Jesus' Ministry:

- In Luke 5 Jesus eats with tax collectors and sinners
- In Luke 7 Jesus is anointed at the home of Simon the Pharisee during a meal
- In Luke 9 Jesus feeds the 5000
- In Luke 10 Jesus eats at the home of Mary and Martha
- In Luke 11 Jesus condemns Pharisee and teachers of the law at a meal
- In Luke 14 Jesus is at a meal when he urges people to invite the poor to their meals rather than their friends.
- In Luke 19 Jesus invites himself to dinner with Zacchaeus
- In Luke 22 Jesus is at the Last Supper
- In Luke 24 Jesus, the Risen Lord, eats with his disciples.

"Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality."
(Rom 12:13)

"Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling."
(1 Peter 4:8, 9)

An elder/pastor must be, "hospitable" (1 Tim 3:3).

"Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers," (Heb 13:2)

"But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind," (Luke 14:13)

1. Hospitality is an act of _____

Luke 14: ¹²Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴ and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

**We are called to carry on Jesus' mission to love, serve, and care for people.
We are called to make disciples and live with intentionality.**

Who do you know that you could have over to your house for "strategic hospitality"?

2. Hospitality is an act of _____

We are the temple of God (1 Cor 6:19).

When we get together as God's people - it's sacred!

Big Idea: Hospitality is far more important & impactful than programs for us here

Practical Applications:

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| 1. Be friendly here on Sunday. | together |
| 2. Don't over think it (K.I.S.S.). | 4. Start with one meal a week. |
| 3. Include prayer in your time | 5. Be fully present with people |

Communion: A way to remember and anticipate the hospitality we've received in Christ.

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.

Suggestions for Community Groups or Personal Reflection:

1. Have you experienced tremendous hospitality? If so, how did it make you feel?
2. What about a time when it felt forced, or it felt like a performance rather than true hospitality? How did this make you feel?
3. Do you have a tendency to "grumble" when offering hospitality?
4. How does Jesus show us hospitality (or: welcome, peace, care, love)?
5. List some practical suggestions for how to grow in hospitality this week. How can you make it happen?
6. How can you practice "strategic hospitality"? Begin praying about people who God would have you invite into your home and show love to.

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.

Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling.

1 Peter 4:9 ^(NIV)