

READING

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

Nov 13 - Amos 2, Ps 81-82	Nov 16 - Amos 5, Ps 86	Nov 19 - Amos 8, Ps 90
Nov 14 - Amos 3, Ps 83-84	Nov 17 - Amos 6, Ps 87-88	Nov 20 - Amos 9, Ps 91
Nov 15 - Amos 4, Ps 85	Nov 18 - Amos 7, Ps 89	Nov 21 - Obad 1, Ps 92-93

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.

He watches us with fatherly care, keeping all creatures under His control, so that not one of the hairs on our heads (for they are numbered) nor even a little bird can fall to the ground without the will of our Father.
-The Belgic Confession, Article 13

For Our Mission

Rick Warren has collected some biblical prayers for spiritual growth at

<http://pastorrick.com/devotional/english/how-to-pray-for-spiritual-growth>

"May you be able to feel and understand ... how long, how wide, how deep, and how high [God's] love really is; and to experience this love for yourselves" (Ephesians 3:19a TLB). Who do you know that may be struggling and needs God's love in their life right now? Bring them to mind and say, "God, let them know today how much you really love them."

For Our World

From 2016 Day of Prayer for London Ontario

WE LOVE LONDON, this city where we live.

Jeremiah 29:7 says: "Also seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper."

PRAY FOR THOSE AT RISK AND WHO ARE VULNERABLE:

- our homeless, orphans, and widows - those who are alone
- our weak and frail due to aging or sickness
- our fellow citizens who wrestle with mental illness
- our caregivers of these people at home, in organizations, and in ministry

For Our Congregation

- For the following people who continue to struggle with a variety of health issues: Don Cross, David Wilson, Pat Dermenjian; Lynda Weber (Dave Weber's wife); Will Truppe; Michele Nielsen
- Elmer Williams is still in the hospital with some health issues
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WORSHIP GUIDE

Summerside Community Church

November 13, 2016

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HEARING:

When a Saint acts like a Sinner

1 Corinthians 5:1-13 (pg.)

1 Cor 5:1-5 It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that even pagans do not tolerate: A man is sleeping with his father's wife. And you are proud! Shouldn't you rather have gone into mourning and have put out of your fellowship the man who has been doing this? For my part, even though I am not physically present, I am with you in spirit. As one who is present with you in this way, I have already passed judgment in the name of our Lord Jesus on the one who has been doing this. So when you are assembled and I am with you in spirit, and the power of our Lord Jesus is present, hand this man over to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved on the day of the Lord.

1. God's People: _____ with sexual sin _____ the church.

1 Cor 5:6-8 Your boasting is not good. Don't you know that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough? Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old bread leavened with malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

1 Cor 9-12 I wrote to you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people— not at all meaning the people of this world who are immoral, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters. In that case you would have to leave this world. But now I am writing to you that you must not associate with anyone who claims to be a brother or sister but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or slanderer, a drunkard or swindler. Do not even eat with such people. What business is it of mine to judge those outside the church? Are you not to judge those inside? God will judge those outside. “Expel the wicked person from among you.”

2. **God's People:** _____ **with the sexual sin**
_____ **the church**

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. Have you ever seen or heard of church discipline being done in a restorative, loving way? What about in a destructive, punitive way?
2. Why do you think that some Christians tend to want to avoid “sinners”? Look up Matt 9:9-13; How does Jesus interact with sinners?
3. In your experience, have Christians you've known tended to be more concerned with the sins of those outside the church, or those inside? Why do you think that is?
4. Look up 1 Corinthians 5:9-11. Read it through slowly as a group. In your own words, explain Paul's argument. Why don't we “judge” those outside the church? Why is it such a big deal if someone calls themselves a “Christian” and lives like the devil? Why do you think Paul urges his readers to “not even eat with such a person”?
5. What would it look like for you to practice Matthew 18:15-19 in your Community Group or close relationships here in the church? Why is it so important that we take our responsibility seriously to graciously approach people when we see them making terrible, sinful decisions? Have you ever had to do this?

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.

But now I am writing to you that you must not associate with anyone who claims to be a brother or sister but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or slanderer, a drunkard or swindler. Do not even eat with such people.

1 Corinthians 5:11^(NIV)