

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.

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.

Some suggestions from John Piper on how to pray for power
<http://www.desiringgod.org/articles/15-prayers-for-god-s-power>

"Lord, make me so mighty against the powers of self-justification that I never lose the humility to repent and weep for my sin." (James 4:9; 5:16)

"Lord, make me so mighty in resisting the bait of frenzied productivity that I never cease to enjoy the still waters of prayer and your sweet presence."
(Psalm 23:2; Isaiah 46:10; Luke 10:42)

For Our Mission

We are committed to **Worshipping, Serving, and Growing.**

- Pray for our leaders, staff, and volunteers who live to serve people at every age and stage of life. Sensitivity and wise decisions come by God's grace and gifting.
- Is there a ministry you're burdened for? Share your thoughts with someone who will listen and pray with you.

For Our World

- Paul, in Romans 15:20 (NLT) - My ambition has always been to preach the Good News where the name of Christ has never been heard, rather than where a church has already been started by someone else.
- Who do you know with that ambition? It's following Jesus example and command - taking light into darkness. It's leaving the familiar and "safe" to risk everything on the faithfulness of God. Pray for them, and covet a similar courage.

For Our Congregation

- For the following people who continue to struggle with a variety of health issues: David Wilson, Pat Dermenjian; Lynda Weber (Dave Weber's wife); Will Truppe; Michele Nielsen; Judy Lediet; Harvey Gabriel
- For David Foster who left on Jan. 26 for a 3 week trip to Tanzania where he will be providing training to believers to help reach out to the large Muslim population in that area.
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WORSHIP GUIDE

Summerside Community Church

January 29, 2017

Pastor Deven K. MacDonald



HEARING:

Marriage Matters

1 Cor. 7:17-40 (pg. 1147)

Marriage is hard:
But, by grace, it can glorify God and be a beautiful gift.

★ Remember that Marriage is _____

Flesh + Satan + World

★ Remember that Marriage is _____ (7:10, 11)

📖 Genesis 2:24

1. It is a picture of Christ and the _____
2. It is created to be permanent
3. God _____
4. The marriage vows are a _____

★ **So, Be Content where God has you (7:17-28)**

📖 Proverbs 5:15-20 –

★ **So, Let your Marriage Feed on and _____ the
_____ (7:12-15)**

7:14 - "Sanctified":

7:14 - "Holy":

★ **So, Be _____**

- 📖 1 Corinthians 6:9
- 📖 1 Corinthians 6:18
- 📖 Galatians 5:19
- 📖 Ephesians 5:3
- 📖 1 Thessalonians 4:3

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

Community Group Questions

1. Review again, why is marriage so hard? Why is it so easy to mess up?
2. Read Genesis 2:24. Take some time and talk through this verse. What is it saying? What is it implying? What does this involve and mean?
3. This will be fun: Read Proverbs 5:15-20 again. Pretty striking and vivid language, right? What's the heart of this? What does this say about the beauty of marital love and physical intimacy? It is written from a man's perspective. How would you state it if it was a woman to a man?
4. If you are married: In what area could you and your spouse develop and grow? Is there anything in this passage that you can apply or work through in your marriage?
5. Read: 1 Corinthians 6:9, 18; Galatians 5:19; Ephesians 5:3; 1 Thessalonians 4:3. What do these verse say about sexual purity? What is the standard they demonstrate? What struck you from these passages?

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.

That is why a man leaves his father and mother
and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.
Genesis 2:24^(NIV)