

**Sunday, July 15**

As we gather for worship, prepare your heart by focusing on God and offering this prayer: **“Living God, as we gather to worship you today, help me to encounter you, to truly worship you, to hear from you and to have my life changed by you. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”**

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19; Psalm 24; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29

**Prayer List**

For relief from the heat and drought

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| Alicia Clary     | Dorothy Shields   | Jerry & Linda Huff |
| Ashley Grant     | Edith Tanner      | Jim Kouffman       |
| Barbara Callis   | Edna Bagley       | Judy Kemp          |
| Bertha Arthur    | Edward Wright     | Junior McHenry     |
| Betty Thompson   | Elizabeth Barker  | Martha G. White    |
| Cindy Barnes     | Elizabeth Reese   | Mary Mills         |
| Courtney Layman  | Family of Pleas   | Roger Tanner       |
| Coy Mitchel      | Jackson           | Sean Farrell       |
| Danny Bagley     | Frances Hawthorne | Tom Tanner         |
| Diane Bacon      | Henry Lee Cundiff | Vickie Poole       |
| Dorothy Driskill | Jerry Davidson    | Virginia Overby    |

**Please note the names of people needing prayer who were named in church this Sunday:**

**Others I would like to pray for:**

# Transformation Journal

July 8, 2012



*Inviting you to daily time with God.*

Every day the Transformation Journal will offer you a scripture passage and a question or two for reflection. Take a few minutes each day, and see what God has for you! The prayer list is also on the back, so please take time to pray for those we have lifted up on Sunday.

**Sunday, July 8**

Sermon Notes:

In 2 Corinthians 12:9, Christ says to Paul, “my Grace is sufficient for you.” Sufficient means all one needs; it is enough, ample and satisfactory. What does that mean in your life? Are there things which are admittedly not as important as you treat them?

*Prayer focus: Pray that God would open our eyes to see what is truly important in our lives.*

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**Monday, July 9**

Read Ezekiel 2:1-5.

God told the messenger to tell the people “The Lord God proclaims.” We might ask, “proclaims what?” but the point is to accept and trust whatever our loving God says. Are you willing to be obedient to God today, even if it means doing something you do not want to do?

*Prayer Focus:* Pray for wisdom to discern God’s guidance and direction from your own desires.

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**Tuesday, July 10**

Read Mark 6:1-6.

Place yourself into the scene as one of the hometown church-goers. Think about how it feels to not believe Jesus’ message because of who he is, who his family is. Now, reverse roles. How does it feel to not be taken seriously because of your appearance, name, gender, etc.?

*Prayer Focus:* Pray for the strength to be faithful to God, for yourself, your church family, individually and as a group.

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**Wednesday, July 11**

Read Mark 6:7-13.

Having experienced rejection, Jesus equips and then sends his disciples out to minister to the people. How have you experienced spiritual growth as a result of failure or disappointment?

*Prayer Focus:* Pray for Pastor Alan and Julie.

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**Thursday, July 12**

Read 2 Corinthians 12:7-10.

With the help of Christ, Paul has come to understand that his weakness as a person is an opportunity for God’s gifts to shine. Identify one thing you enjoy doing, which you do well. Give thanks to God for this blessing.

*Prayer Focus:* Pray for Charis Storms that she be renewed and refreshed with the love of God so that she can continue to share God’s love.

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**Friday, July 13**

Read James 3:13-18.

Humility is a sign of “wisdom from above.” Name a couple of people in the community; identify their gifts and give thanks to God.

*Prayer Focus:* Pray for the churches of the Lunenburg Charge and all churches in Lunenburg.

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**Saturday, July 14**

Read Mark 6:14-29.

In your desire to be liked, have you ever done something which compromised your values?

*Prayer Focus:* Pray for the church universal – in Asia, Africa, South America, Europe and the United States.

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