

Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it... Psalm 127:1a

Ministry Opportunity:

The Table

Every Wednesday Evening

Washington & Chestnut Sts. 7:00 pm

Things to Remember :

Remember: we are always collecting items for the Women's Center.

Please bring small soaps, shampoo, toothpaste, washrags, towels, lotions, disposable razors, large plastic zip lock bags, etc. to Sunday Tabernacle Service.

Mary Toney is moving on November 6. Will you consider helping her?

Franny wants to plan another church dinner. Please see her if you want to help.

We are now members of the TCCN community. We are looking to partner with them in ways to bring Christ to our community, and those with little to the community's attention. Please pray for God's leading and His move as we partner with them.



We are serving Thanksgiving Dinner at the Pottstown Consumer Center again this year. We are scheduled for Friday, November 24th at 5:00 pm. Please see Missy if you would like to volunteer to serve or prepare food. Thank you!

Your Prayer Reminders:

We are looking to begin a homeless shelter in Pottstown. Bill and I have talked with several folks who want this too. Are you interested in helping? Please pray.

Melvin Moore has finally received his new prosthetic leg and is learning how to use it while recuperating at Towne Manor East. He will be coming home as soon as he can function with it. Please continue to remember him in your prayers.

Please pray for Leona Zupko who has returned home from the hospital after colon surgery; for Randy and Shane as they struggle to let go of things that hurt them; remember to pray for Lori's two son; and for the Rabenold family as they struggle to be obedient to God.

Your Prayer Notes:

Next week... November 5, 2006: Proper 26 (Year B)

Psalm 146, Ruth 1:1-18,

Mark 12:28-34, & Hebrews 9:11-14

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"He restores my soul ...
surely goodness and mercy will follow me" Psalm 23



The Week of October 29th, 2006

Worship

psalm 34

job 42

mark 10

hebrews 7

Benediction

Our Mission

To pursue God's heart and mission of building a worshipful faith community within the Pottstown area, through good works and home churches; recognizing Jesus as King of the universe, and worshiping Him privately and publicly because He is worthy.

[Worship]

psalm 34::1-8, 19-22

1 I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. 2 My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. 3 O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together. 4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. 5 Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed. 6 This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD, and was saved from every trouble. 7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. 8 O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD rescues them from them all. 20 He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken. 21 Evil brings death to the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned. 22 The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

[Think & Pray...]

Meditation: *Bartimaeus said to Jesus, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go, your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.*

Reflection: What a difference it makes how we answer the same question! On their journey to Jerusalem, Jesus asks the squabbling disciples, "What do you want me to do for you?" They answer him, "Grant us to sit on your right and left hand" (Mark 10:36-37). A few days later, Jesus is accosted with the shouts of the discriminated against, disenfranchised blind beggar, Bartimaeus. "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asks him, and he replies, "Teacher, let me see again." (Mark 10:51)

Jesus cannot answer the request of the disciples, because they are seeking self-aggrandizement and its worldly power. Jesus can help Bartimaeus because he understands the true nature of his condition: He is blind.

[The Scripture]

mark 10::46-52

"Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me. I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you"

46 They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. 47 When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" 48 Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" 49 Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." 50 So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. 51 Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." 52 Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.



Read job 42::1-6, 10-17
& hebrews 7::23-28

Your Action: If Jesus were to ask, "What do you want me to do for you?" how would you answer? How have you "misrepresented God's intentions with ignorant words"? Where have you discovered God's rescuing from hardships?