



## **Prayer Requests, Thanksgivings and Family News April 17, 2020**

*“For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge — that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.”*

***Ephesians 3:14-19***

**Michael’s devotional message will be posted this Sunday on our church website ([dgchurch.org](http://dgchurch.org)). Please listen.**

**We could use food items for our pantry (especially, stews, soups, and easy to microwave box meals).** The grocery cart will be outside our building (weather permitting) so you will not need to come inside. Those needing food just give the office a call for an appointment to come by.

### **Prayers Requests:**

**Dan and Teri Dupey:** Prayers for our son-in-law, **Carl**. He hurt his back at work. Continued prayers for **Larry Grow, Carole Fredrikson, Dave Hopkins, Ron McIntire, Kathy Roberts,** and **Bob Brown**. Also, pray for CCS school. Many parents are hurting and without jobs now. Pray for God's healing

on an isolated nation that we can come back together soon.

**Church Office:** **Jon O'Neal** is home from the hospital. Please continue to pray for his health.

**Shelia Bucher:** Pray for all the schoolchildren who are struggling with working from home. They are missing their friends and teachers. Also, prayers for the mama's who are now full time teachers!

**Katrina Swaim:** Please continue to pray for **Amber & Daniel Lufiyele** as they look for work. Pray for our brothers and sisters who are essential workers in healthcare, food services, and other fields. Pray that they will stay healthy and know how much we appreciate them.

**Tracy Mitchell:** Please pray for our family to get back together. Pray for **Shantel, Misty, Tracy**, and our kids.

**Church Office:** **Pat Riggs** has started palliative care with Hospice. Please keep **Pat** and her daughter, **Debbie Yanzick** in your prayers. She will not be able to have visitors.

**Garden of Prayer:** Please continue to pray for **Pam Knapton**. She is home from the hospital but still needs prayers for healing. Pray my medical insurance will approve laser back surgery. Thank you for this beautiful garden.

### **Thanksgivings and Blessings:**

**Katrina Swaim:** Praise God for His blessings throughout this time of trial—time with our loved ones, the chance to slow down for reflection and prayer, the relationships we share in the body of Christ, and the opportunities we've been given to serve others in the midst of this crisis.

**Marsha Becker:** Thank you to the So in Love group who rallied anybody with a sewing machine, fabric, and/ or scissors, to make masks for the congregation. Your time and love are appreciated!

**Wanda Wilson:** Thank you to everyone for the prayers, calls, and cards with the loss of my daughter. Please continue to pray for our family. Also, prayers are appreciated for my health. I am slowly improving.

**Wayne & Debbie Frisbie:** We are so blessed to have such a loving church

family and we are so thankful for all the prayers, calls and cards that have encouraged us through the last couple weeks, we love you all and pray that you are well. I would ask that we all continue to pray for one another as we continue through this trying time and to lift up all those in need as there are so many. Keep a kind and loving heart for those around and be mindful that everyone is dealing with something in these trying times.

**Betty VanVoorst:** What a caring, loving church family we have! I so appreciate all the cards, and calls for my birthday. The day was more than special because of all of you! Thank you.

**Shelia Bucher:** Our house is almost complete. We have two more weeks to go. Our family is feeling blessed. The insurance company has been taking such good care of us.

**Carrie Forbush:** My new grandbaby, **Levi** was born Tuesday night, April 14. Prayers for **Tucker, Dani** and family.

**We continue to encourage our congregational members to write notes they would like to share with others. Here are some examples that have come to the church office to date.**

### **Simple Reflections – Dan Dupey**

I remember when you could hug your family and grandchildren with joy & admiration, but even with mandates everywhere, we can still simply visit through FaceTime, zoom and at a distance from across the street.

I remember when you could walk into a store without gloves or masks and leisurely shop for your needs, but it is, at least somewhat exciting seeing groceries delivered to your door. (A new experience!)

I remember when store shelves were full of hydrogen peroxide (now recommended as a throat and nasal spray), hand sanitizer, and toilet paper. Now will we ever run out, with neighbors cautiously helping neighbors in need?

Not long ago, I remember when gas was \$2.58 per gallon. Is anyone driving? And, consequently, a bit of good news, seeing the current rate drop to \$1.68 per gallon.

I remember when spring was March Madness and hopes, again, for a ZAGS championship. Because of isolation, we might have time for a few recorded highlights!

Spring was baseball, hearing a hard ball hit wooden bats and leather gloves, not empty fields, with no one in sight, except killdeer, flickers, and crows. But, good baseball memories can be shared and experienced especially on those neighborhood walks. We just need to keep our distance.

I remember when spring meant resuming my title as "Auction Coordinator and Donation Director". Those activities have screeched to a sudden halt. Spring meant S.A.T. tests and recess outside in the sun. But, now we see more individualized tutoring, parents and teachers working together, zoom meetings, and encouraging phone calls.

Spring meant remembering our Savior in a cool morning Prayer Garden with Michael's message and Georgette controlling the smoke. A special breakfast before a Christ-focused day. The mandates have kept us all home, but gave us the opportunity to hear encouraging words from Michael, Scott, Andy, and David.

But God's omnipotent presence is still with us. In fact, He brings the sunshine, the smile, the endorphins that flow, lifting our mood, as we walk with Him, and PRAY to Him. His hand still heals, His power still controls, His Hope is still there and our faith is still alive.

He is before ALL things, and in Him all things HOLD together! Col 1:17

### ***Make Your Own Communion Bread***

***By Bonnie Boulton***

2 tablespoons flour

1½ teaspoons **cold** water

1½ teaspoons oil

Mix oil and water together and pour into flour.

Roll out rounds. Sprinkle with a bit of salt if desired.

Bake at 375° 5-10 minutes

*Please feel free to send any prayers requests to the church office and we will get them out to the congregation. [office@dgchurch.org](mailto:office@dgchurch.org)*