

WELCOME



If you are a first time visitor please fill out one of our **Information Cards** available at the Information Center or in the Sanctuary. We want to thank you for joining us today as we celebrate God's grace and goodness together. Please be sure to introduce yourself to us and thanks again for coming.

"...But the greatest of these is love"

Pastor Mills will be sharing from the Sacred Scriptures today.

Thank you for giving a generous amount of food to "We Care" last Sunday.

Wednesday Prayer, Fellowship, and Bible Study, Wed. Feb. 15, @7:00 pm

YA gathering Wed. Feb. 15, @ 8:30 PM

Deacon Board Meeting/Tuesday Feb. 21, @7:00 PM

Adult 5 Pin Bowling, including pizza and goodies, Thursday Feb. 23, 7-8:30 pm @ Hopedale Mal, Oakville. Sign Up/Tickets on sale today!

"New Gathering Time" for praise, worship, prayer, testimonies, and fellowship. Once a month on Communion Sundays, 6:00-7:00 PM. (next meeting Sunday, March, 5)

JUST FOR KIDS

Our children join us for worship in the main Sanctuary until they are called to the altar area for prayer. They will then attend Sunday School and will be supervised by our capable workers. Their special Bible lesson will conclude at the same time as the adult service.

On the first Sunday of each month (Communion Sunday) our children will stay with their parents in the main sanctuary for the entire service. Nursery will function as usual and be available every Sunday.

Nursery is supervised and available when the children are dismissed from the sanctuary.



Our love, especially in the marriage/family relationships must be constantly expressing itself in very practical ways. Otherwise as Paul expressed in 1 Cor. 13 ***"I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal."*** **Actions do serve to verify our confessions of love.** The very real challenge to expressing love in concrete ways is our own selves. We are all born with natures that have a tendency to favor self, more than others! Sometimes the harder we try to do better in our relationships the more we flop. Paul reveals the weakness of human nature in Roman 7 when he confesses ***"For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do."*** It is true that most feelings like irritability, impatience, anger, cynicism, and unkindness are linked more to self, than to others. Our human spirits alone are not near enough **when our relationships are challenged; we need God!**

The greatest thing our human natures can do is to humbly yield to God; to personally confess "Holy Spirit I need you". Galatians 5 states ***"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control."*** The Scriptures are clear that ***"God is Spirit"*** and the fruits of His Spirit are life changing and revolutionary to our interactions. It should be the goal of every believer to spend quiet time with the Spirit of the Living God. As we rest in His presence and meditate upon the wisdom of His Word, we are endowed with the characteristics of His Spirit. ***"God is love"!***

CARPET CAMPAIGNE UPDATE

We are anticipating that the new carpet will be installed before Easter. Thanks for your faithful giving!