

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.

We have come to worship Him!

Pastor Mills will be sharing from the Sacred Scriptures today.

Please continue to pray for the Summer Children's Camp. The Seventh of Eight busy weeks are completed and we are thankful to God for His continued blessings, safety, and help. *End of Summer Barbeque, NEXT Sunday August 27, after the morning service, please sign up today to attend and help with food. If you can help with food preparation and organization please see Patricia. Thanks!*

Sunday Youth Classes are in the Foyer Room, August 20, 27.

Music Club-Thursdays @ 4PM (see Pastor Marco)

Basketball Club-Thursdays @ 5 PM. @ ROCC

Youth @ KSM Gym: Saturdays, at 12 PM: August, 26.

YOUTH, All-Night Sleep-Over, August 25 & 26/see Pastor Marco or Berenice

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.



The Lord's Prayer remains as the supreme example of how we should pray and what we should pray about. We must remember that believers have been exploring the depths of this deep treasure of thoughts since the first century. It is a spectacular picture of Christ's inmost being and a revelation of how humanity should approach the Creator in worshipful communication. When one truly meditates upon these Everlasting Words we can sense the moving of Christ's Spirit upon each syllable. Christ was answering the request (prayer) "Lord, teach us to pray..." (Luke 11:1) from his followers when he spoke the prayer aloud.

"But deliver us from evil" is the seventh and final petition in His prayer. It is the finishing touch on what we should be asking God for. The other six petitions are important too but it appears to me that this was of great concern to Christ. What evil was He referring to? Sadly, there are a lot of evils to choose from; they press in upon us from every angle. But Christ is saying deliver us from the evil that comes from our sinful natures. It is not a coincidence that this concluding request is linked to the forgiveness of others and the avoidance of temptation. It is intentional. Life is pregnant with offences, disappointments, hurts and pain. We have ample opportunity to allow these life inflictions to ignite hatred, envy, retaliation, and bitterness but Jesus calls us to ask for deliverance. For you see, He knew that hatred produces hatred, wickedness births more wickedness, and strife leads to more strife.

Deliver us, oh Father of Creation from the temptation to embrace evil; help us to reach out to you. You hold the power with your everlasting love and forgiveness to absorb our hurts and heal our wounds.