The Lord's Pay Lenten Season—Sunday, March 17, 2024 Sandy Creek United Wesleyan Church Reverend Brian Snyder: 315-387-3199 6224 N. Main St., P.O. Box 298 Sandy Creek, NY 13145 www.sandycreekunitedwesleyan.com

Today's Prayer

Heavenly Father, As we start a new day we give You praise and glory for You are the Almighty God. From the beginning to the very end, You have been with us. You are with us now, and You will always be with us. You are unchanging, You are faithful. As we go about our day, help us to serve You and to love others in all we do. We ask for divine favor, wisdom and the leading of Your Holy Spirit. Bless Your people today financially, physically and spiritually Lord, as You light and guide our way.

In Jesus Name, Amen

The Morning Message

Reverend Brian Snyder

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR

The Family and Friends of Warren Townsend

Leon Redden • Ron Shirley Mary Hesford • Alice Ridgeway George Seymour • Annie Grant • Ed Gilson Jack Harrison • Karen Barney • Lyle Robbins Jim Ballou • Phillip Seymour • Rebecca Nelson Glenroy Wright • Norma Ballou • Beverly Snyder Burt Goodnough • Stanley Perzan • Colette Cross Bonnie VanDyke • Mark Freeden.• George Steven John Shatraw • Jared Eldridge • Dan Race • Daniel Shirley Norm Kepner • Lynn & Stan • Shaun Hull • Patricia Myers • Ron Latella Doris Bates • Donna Thurston • Stanley Kepner • Karen Ross • Randy

MISSIONS: John White, Regroup Ministry to Pastors

ALL MILITARY SERVICE PERSONNEL

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, March 24, 2024

<u>Greeters</u>: Karen Snyder / Bill Butman <u>Security</u>: Volunteer Needed / Cristina Davis / Steve Berkman Sundays, 9:00 AM: Connection Groups, Classes for All Ages Today, March 17, 11:15 AM: Security Meeting Today, March 17, 5:00 PM: Youth Group and Membership Class Monday, March 18, 6:00 PM: Ladies Bible Study Tuesday, March 19, 9:00 AM: Men's Bible Study Wednesday, March 20, 6:00 PM: Men's Bible Study. Wednesday, March 20, 6:00 PM: Activ8Her Chapter Meeting Wednesday, March 20, 7:30 PM: Prayer Meeting Good Friday, March 29, 6:00 PM: Easter Cantata at SC Bible Church Sunday, March 31, 8:00 AM: Easter Morning Breakfast Sunday Evening, March 31, 6:00 PM: Easter Cantata at our Church Monday, April 1, 7:15 PM: Christian Appalachian Project Meeting Saturday, April 6, 10:00 AM: Spring Fest—Sign up at Welcome Desk

Peace Like A River

The song, "When Peace Like A River," was written by Horatio A. Spafford after he and his wife lost their four daughters at sea during a boat collision and then sinking. Years later, Spafford and his wife traveled back out to sea and he's said to have written this song as they were passing over the approximate area where his girls had died.

Each of us is subject to our own trials and tribulations in this life whether it be a loved one lost too soon, a financial hardship, a broken relationship, or a mental illness. How can we sing and believe the words, "it is well with my soul" at times when it feels anything but? How can we walk through the "valley of the shadow" when it feels like another trial or loss might be the one that finally breaks us?

It's at times such as these that we must trust God as our all-knowing, all-loving Shepherd. We may not see where He's leading us and maybe we can't possibly understand how we can follow Him through the fiery trial in front of us, but he promises that He will comfort us, He will guide us and He will be with us. <u>"And the peace of God which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7</u>

When peace, like a river, Attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well, It is well with my soul.

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