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The Power of the Holy Spirit

"The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God."— <u>Luke 1:35</u>

In the angel Gabriel's announcement that Mary would bear God's Son, we learn several important things about the Holy Spirit. We discover that the Holy Spirit is God. We also learn that the Holy Spirit plays an integral role in God's plan of salvation for humankind. The Spirit miraculously initiates the conception of Jesus, the Christ, in Mary's womb.

But this passage also raises an important question about the power of the Holy Spirit: Does he overpower people? The key concept here is "overshadow." The idea of "overshadowing" reminds us of the Lord's presence hovering over the tabernacle as a "pillar of cloud" in the wilderness (Exodus 40:38). It also looks forward to the cloud that hovers over Jesus and the disciples on the Mount of Transfiguration as a sign of God's presence (Matthew 17).

So the Holy Spirit overshadows in the sense of demonstrating God's presence, but not in the sense of dominating Mary, or anyone else. Mary, in the awesome presence of God in the person of the Holy Spirit, bends her will to do God's will.

When the Holy Spirit presents himself in your life today, remember Mary's words, "I am the Lord's servant," and serve God with all of your heart, soul, strength, and mind

Holy Spirit, overshadow us today with your presence, and help us to bend our wills to do your will. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Kurt Selles

NEWS & NOTES

Wed. Night Bible Study via zoom -7pm

Ladies Devotional 3/11 @ 10 am at the building

Feb., 25th - 6:30 pm Beyond Reasonable Doubt John Cooper video series Barnahas Project if interested in

Barnabas Project if interested in joining contact Mary Lou (475) 529-5751

Tidal River Christian Camp-50th anniversary-flyers on the back table. If able to help out with camp contact Pat Keller

To Our visitors: We welcome you to the worship service of the church of Christ that meets in Trumbull. Please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the collection plate when it is passed so that we may have a record of your attendance. If you have any questions concerning why we worship the way we do or what we believe, please feel free to ask. We would be happy to set aside time to study the Bible with you. Please let us know if we can be of service

Prayer Requests

- *Pray for the **family of Kristin Barnes** (friend of Chelsey Eddy) who recently passed away.
- *Pray for all those affected by the earthquake in Turkey and Syria.
- *Pray for **Gary and Sue Babcock**, both have covid. Sue is in the hospital with pneumonia and a UTI.
- *Pray for **Joe Nuzzo** and family, his mother passed away recently.
- *Pray for **Maureen** (Leah's coworker), recently diagnosed with cancer.
- *Pray for Ashley Stevens's sister- **Debra Finklea** who is in the ICU after having gallbladder surgery, and for her family. *Prat for **Pat Yaglowski** who will be seeing a pain specialist for chronic pain.
- *Pray for **Joane DiScalia** who will had shoulder surgery, she has a 12 week recovery period.
- *Pray for **Virginia DiScala** who is recovering from a stroke. *Pray for **Grace Christianson** who is recovering from surgery.
- *Pray for **Jasmyn** (Lisa's daughter) who is going through a rough time.
- *Pray for Debbie Christy's brothers- **Frank** recently diagnosed with multiple myeloma and **Clarence** recently lost his son
- *Pray for **Emily and Jose** (friends of Kristen Wilson) who are going through IVF treatment.
- * Continued prayers for **Flo**, her procedure went well and her daughter **Lauren** who is having many health issues and awaiting medical test results.

- *Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- **Judith Gomez, David Fritzinger, Cohen** (Ron's friend), **Sarah** (Angela's niece), **Teri** (Ray's S-I-L)
- *Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past year.
 *Pray for our country & our leaders in government ,first
- responders and health care workers.
- *Pray for families, relatives, friends and people we are reaching out to, that they may turn to the Lord.

Special prayers for our church leaders.

Prayers for all families caring for their elderly or sick loved ones:Allie Saracino-Cherie, ,Bob and Joanne Discala-Virginia

- *Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses: Judith Gomez, Jeremy Sazone, Flo Repecko, Pat Yaglowski. Meegan and Irene, Sylvia Sandoval, Nuris Gomezl, Mildred, Gladys Howley, Karen O, Angela's mom Connie Scalzo, Anthony Katz., Jasmyn Malagutti, Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes., Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Cyrus (Zach's friend) dad who has brain cancer, Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes.
- *Anyone interested in helping with **World Bible School** contact Ron
- *Opportunities to serve: any men willing to participate in worship service in other capacities for the church, please contact Bruce Post. Anyone interested in leading and/or helping with the building or church house maintenance please contact Bruce Pancoast.

Please bring nonperishable food items for the **Spooner House** - a list of all items needed is on back table: Jelly/Jam/Peanut Butter, Cereal/Oatmeal, Canned Meats: Chicken, Tuna, Corned Beef Hash, Canned Ravioli/Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit/Applesauce, Crackers/Snacks, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Ramen, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Baked beans/Pork and Beans, Canned/Dried Beans (i.e. Black, Chick Pea, Cannellini, Kidney, Pinto), Rice/Rice-A-Roni, Soup/Stew/Chili, Instant/Canned Potatoes/Yams. Bring these food items to the building to be delivered to the Spooner House. Please make sure that items do not have expired dates. Thank you

Sunday Bible Class 10 am @ church building Wednesday Bible Classes: 7:00 p.m canceled til further notice, participate online via Zoom

Worship Service @ 11 am

Elders: Bruce Pancoast 203-452- 0426 Ron Saracino 203-913-8345 Minister: Ron Saracino 203-913-8345 Spanish Ministry: Elmer Sandavol

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Bible service and worship service
Go to our website
trumbullchurchofchrist.org
Week o2/12//23
Song Leader:Derin Wilson
Song leader:Bruce Pancoast
Lord's Table:Kris Eddy
Closing Prayer: Pat Keller

Week of 1/30/23-2/11/23 Donations: \$6745 Expenses: \$5994