



The TrumBulletin

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4 Expressions of the Cross

What is MOST important to you??? Paul said in 1 Corinthians 15:3-4, “For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.” The death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ should be our central message. Not only a message to live by, but also one to pass on to others. Why? I would like to suggest four reasons in this article.

Four expressions of the cross.

One, the cross of Christ points to mankind’s sinful state. The cross is a reminder that “I am a sinner and that I am lost.” Jesus took the punishment I deserve for my sin, upon Himself, on the cross. And for that, I am thankful.

Two, the cross expresses the great love of God for mankind. God’s love for us is so strong, He gave us everything so we may be saved. He gave us His one and only Son. The sacrifice Jesus made for us is an example of God’s perfect love for us.

Three, the cross is the only means of salvation. The world says there are many ways to heaven. The Bible says there is only one way to heaven; the cross of Christ. The world will tell you to find hope and peace and joy in worldly possessions and worldly success and worldly relationships. However, true hope and peace and joy only is found in Jesus Christ because what Jesus offers is eternal; eternal life.

Four, there is the challenge of the cross. The challenge of the cross is twofold. First, there is the challenge to believe in it and obey it. That is, to die to sin and be raised to a new life in the waters of baptism as commanded by our Lord. In Mark 16:16, Jesus said, “believe and be baptized and you will be saved.” Second, there is the challenge to take up our cross daily. That is, to make our lives a living sacrifice for the Lord. Essentially, giving all of self for Him. Are you up for the challenge?

What is most important to you?

~ Ron Saracino

NEWS & NOTES

Sun. Aug.31-Pot Luck
right after worship
Sept. 13 10-12-First
Saturday morning Ladies
Bible Study
Sept. 16 begins Tuesday
Ladies Bible study via
zoom

Sept. 28-3:30pm Area
wide Hymn Sing hosted
by Trumbull Church of
Christ

***Our in house food pantry could use
a boost***
**If you are not receiving Sat, e-mails
check your spam or junk folder
and move to inbox to get future
emails.**

Prayer Requests

*Pray for **Patrick and Nadine Keller** as they drive to Canada.
 *Pray for safe flights for **Margaret and her brother** as they travel to California.
 *Pray for **Justin Coon** who is moving to Pennsylvania to begin college.
 *Pray for **Bob Discala's** healing after surgery
 *Pray for **Mick McReanor** who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer.
 *Pray for Larry's friend **Tom** whose wife **Kathy** is on hospice care.
 *Pray for **Kimberly and Nadine**, their close friend, Tyrese died in an accident. Prayers for his family.
 *Pray for Joanne and Bob's grandson, **Leo**, who is being treated for acquired aplastic anemia
 *Pray for **Allie and Cherie** as Al cares for her and decisions concerning her care.
 *Pray for **Desirine Forbes** who is home and undergoing further testing.
 *Pray for the **family of Mildred Perkins** who passed away last week.
 *Pray for Nancy Melson's husband, **Gerry**, recently diagnosed with cardiac amyloidosis.
 *Pray for Doreen Palmer's dgtr., **Christina**, hospitalized for malnutrition and several medical issues.
 *Pray for **Rosalyn Thomas** who is returning to Grenada to care for her mother.
 *Pray for **Olivia Likely** (Ashley's sister) who is dealing with severe pain due to Trigeminal neuralgia.

*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- **Judith Gomez, Cohen** (Ron's friend), **Tom Byer**
***Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past year.**
 *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, Gina Porto
***Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses:** Deserine Forbes, Emille Jones, Mike Ross, Ted & Toni Bonadio, Kevin Early, Nadine Keller, Greg & Linda Cerminara, Pat Yagowski, Meegan and Irene, Nuris Gomez, Karen O, Anthony Katz, Jasmyn Malagutti, Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes, Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes.
***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,

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Wednesday Night Bible Study

7:00 pm via zoom

Bible class Sun. 10 am, worship service 11am

Online bible class and worship service go to our website:

trumbullchurchofchrist.org

Week of 8/17/25

Song Leader: Derin Wilson

Lord's Table: Bruce Post

Closing Prayer/Announcements: Ray Fernandes

Usher: Andrew Langalis

Week of 8/10-8/16/25

Donations :\$1804 Expenses:\$2153

