

**CHRIST HAS RISEN!  
HE IS ALIVE!!!**



*Today's Sermon..... Lost It*  
*Next Week's Sermon..... Victory In Jesus*  
*Sunday Adult Bible Class... Demonology- Ben*  
*Sunday Night..... No Service Potluck*

Service Times: *Sunday: Bible Class..... 10:00 a.m.*  
*Worship:.....11:00 a.m.*  
*Evening.....6:00 p.m.*  
*Wednesday:..... 7:00 p.m.*

# **Coldwater Church of Christ**

Welcome to our services! September 16, 2012

*Potluck today. Please plan to stay if you are able. No evening services tonight.*

*Barb Langley is having hip surgery on Oct. 22 at Bronson Hospital. Please keep her in your prayers.*

*Joyce Fosdick fell and had to be taken to the hospital for treatment, she is recovering and living with her daughter in Indiana at the moment. Please continue to pray for her*

*Sharon will be seeing her doctor on Nov. 1 to determine if her tumor is growing. The doctor says there is one more chemo treatment that can be tried if that is the case. Prayers are urgently needed right now.*

*As many of you already know, Lucille Snyder left her home to the church. There are quite a few items in the house which Lu wanted offered to anyone here that could use them. There is some kitchen stuff, a couch and chair, and lots of miscellaneous items in the garage. Dave and Loretta will be at the house this Friday evening, from 5:30 to 6:30 to give you a chance to go through these things, first come, first served. On Saturday morning, any remaining items will be packed up and donated. We could use help packing and cleaning the house to prepare it for selling. If you are able, help is appreciated. Meet us at the house at 9 a.m. Saturday, 9/22. It shouldn't take too long to make the house ready. The address is 106 Henry St., Coldwater.*

*Joe Fitts has been moved to Liberty Haven, which is currently called Sandy's Place. It is located on US 12, at 10320 W Chicago Road, Allen, MI 49227. Cards would be appreciated.*

*Wendi Baker is once again doing a Friendship Basket to be given to someone in need of cheering up. This one will go to an elderly lady. If you'd like to donate, place your items on the table in the vestibule. Anything appropriate is appreciated.*

*On November 10<sup>th</sup> we will be showing the movie "Bound: a faith based movie" here at the building. Showtime is 4 p.m. An alternative movie will be shown in the back for children and snacks will follow the film. This will be offered to the community. Please show your support and mark your calendars now.*

*If you have someone that can be removed from the prayer list, please let Loretta know. She doesn't want to remove someone that is still in need so she needs to hear from you. Thanks!*

**Upcoming Events: Mark your calendars....**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday night- Devotion: singing, prayer service

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – potluck – no evening service

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Night - Youth Group

September 22 – Goshen CoC Ladies Day

October 20 - Camp Fire - Sherfield's @6:00pm

Nov. 10 - "Bound" movie - 4 p.m. at the building

**\*\*\*Prayer List\*\*\***

Evan and Jane and family – moving back - jobs

Linda – Wanda's daughter-in-law - cancer

Charles Scott – health – re-check in 6 months

Tom Keifer – Marvin's brother – pancreatic cancer

Karen – friend of Joyce Aker – disease damaging bones

Dick Trine – Tom's step-father – cancer

Shirley Flaughter – healing

Cox's granddaughter - Paige

Joyce Fosdick – heart and colon problems-eye surgery

Loretta's Aunt Goldy – lung cancer- no treatment-hospice

Sharon Keifer – liver cancer – treatment slowing

Diane – Ruth's daughter –lymphoma

Thad – Beth's son-in-law – foot infections - healing

Dorothy Janusz – mother - and family problems

Prayer Box Requests



**Know Your Bible TV. 10:30 pm Mon-Thurs.on channel 19**

**Church email: [coldwatercochristoffice@gmail.com](mailto:coldwatercochristoffice@gmail.com)**

**Website: [coldwatercoc.com](http://coldwatercoc.com)**

**Steps of Salvation**

**Hearing** Rom 10:14, 17 **Believing** Acts 16:31

**Repentance** Acts 2:38 **Confessing** Acts 8:36-37

**Being baptized** Acts 2:38 **Faithful unto death** Mt 7:21

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## The Love We Need!

**Psalm 118** begins with . . .

"(1) OH GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD; FOR HIS STEADFAST LOVE ENDURES FOREVER!" ( **Psalm 118:1** )

That statement regarding God's STEADFAST LOVE is made four times before listing some of the specific ways in which that love was displayed. Then the last verse of this psalm ends with the expression again. (verse 29)

Acknowledging love is shown in a variety of ways, do we appreciate them all? Are some perhaps more pleasant than others? Still, can we accept the necessity of even what has been called "tough love" in order for our life to ultimately gain proper direction?

Among the displays of God's STEADFAST LOVE we read. . .

"(17) I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.

(18) THE LORD HAS DISCIPLINED ME SEVERELY, but he has not given me over to death." ( **Psalm 118:17-18** )

Though there is a sense in which it might be more pleasant in the present, we don't need a love that merely allows us to do our own thing. We need a love that keeps directing us to the right path. Sometimes painful discipline is necessary to fulfill that aim. There are times when God's hand needs to withdraw from us, allowing us to fail in order to once again recognize our need for relying on Him and turning back to following His Will. His Will has our life in mind. (note **Psalm 119:25 & 29**)

His discipline is a gracious thing in that He has not given us over to the death deserved for our sin and times of rebellion against His Will. Yes, it is a sign of HIS STEADFAST LOVE which endures forever! Those who claim a loving God does not condemn or discipline, neither know God nor understand His love as He has revealed it through the Scriptures. God's discipline is not abusive as His STEADFAST LOVE has our eternity in mind. He disciplines those whom He loves. (see **Hebrews 12:5-11**) Through the loving provision of it, we become trained in righteousness. May we remain open to the many ways in which God's love touches our life. He always knows exactly what we need.

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