O LORD, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of Your possessions- May the glory of the LORD endure forever; May the LORD rejoice in His works. He looks on the earth, and it trembles; He touches the hills, and they smoke. I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. May my meditation be sweet to Him; I will be glad in the LORD.

Bless the LORD, O my soul! Praise the LORD! Psalm 104:24, 31-35

It has been said, "A Sunday without worship is like a day without the sun." It is with joy then that we gather in the Lord's house to express our love and reverence to God; and it is with joy that we welcome all who have come to praise our Creator.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- August 28 Youth/Family Night. Come whenever you can after 6:30 PM.
- **September 13** 3 PM Corn Roast & PVBI Concert at Rockwood. See Mrs. Owens for details.
- September 19 7:30 PM Zone Rally at Rockwood
- **September 22** 7-9 PM Sunday School Seminar with Brian and Cheri Spangler speaking. See the flyer on the bulletin board in the foyer.



Tell me again why I should trust scientists' ability to be accurate about life on Earth "millions of years" ago...

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- This week remember to pray for our sister church in **Endicott**. At present there is no pastor.
- Naomi (Mrs. Millard) Downing went to be with the Lord Thursday night. She was 90 years old. Please pray for comfort and healing for the Downing family.
- Physical Needs -
  - **Rosemary Snyder** and **Cathy Posson** are to have medical procedures done this week. Remember them in prayer.
  - Let's be faithful to pray for Brian Edwards, Don Shirk, Noel Scott, Violet Hollingsworth, David Rison, Ernest Cook, Mark Vosburgh, Robert Ford, Don Elmore, Lillian Jamison, Jean Ford, Bob Zeh, and Kathy Moltzen.
- Recent requests from our Cobleskill church include Ralph Parry, Kathleen, Leo, Bruce, Judy, Sharon, Genevieve, and Amy.
- Continue to pray for:
  - Our **young people** returning to college, especially Lyndsay France, Keith Posson, Seth and Isaac Owens. Pray for God's power for their lives.
  - The village of **Middleburgh**, that we will reach people with hungry hearts and have fruitful results in our ministry.
  - Our service personnel, especially Ryan Mills, Wesley Lum, Jacob Eggleston and Donnie Gray (in Iraq), Anthony & Joyce Willey (Italy), Charles Laraway (Afghanistan), Eric Wells (flight school), and Brian Sickler.
  - The upcoming elections; our country, and our President and government leaders, that they may make Godly choices.
- Please let us know of anyone who is ill, facing a time of hospitalization, or would like a home visit.

## Suggested Daily Scripture Reading

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
OT	Job 12:1-15:35	Job 16:1-19:29	Job 20:1-22:30	Job 23:1-27:23
NT	1 Corinthians 15:29-58	1 Corinthians 16:1-24	II Corinthians 1:1-11	II Corinthians 1:12-2:1
PSA	Psalm 39:1-13	Psalm 40:1-10	Psalm 40:11-17	Psalm 41:1-13
PROV	Proverbs 24	Proverbs 25	Proverbs 26	Proverbs 27
	Thursday F		Saturday	
	Job 28:1-30:31	Job 31:1-33:33	Job 34:1-36:33	

Job 28:1-30:31 Job 31:1-33:33 Job 34:1-36:33 II Corinthians 2:12-17 II Corinthians 3:1-18 II Corinthians 4:1-12 Psalm 42:1-11 Psalm 43:1-5 Psalm 44:1-8 Proverbs 28 Proverbs 29 Proverbs 30 Probably the most successful artist in America today is Thomas Kinkade, sometimes called the painter of light. Kinkade is a devout Christian who tries to allow God to speak to people through his paintings. His work usually portrays Victorian-type villages featuring inviting churches, attractive cottages often made of stone and lighted from within by romantic fireplaces, candles and lamps. The alluring home and the evergreen trees generously placed in the landscape may be covered by snow. Each of Kinkade's paintings purposely carries a message of faith, family and love.

A recent painting done by Kinkade is called The Mountain Chapel. It has a mountain landscape with light suggesting the glory of God pouring through the clouds, and a little chapel by a lake. Someone can see a little country church, he says, and be reminded that faith is a foundation for living. A cottage reminds one of family and home.

Kinkade signs each painting with the ancient Christian symbol of a fish and a Bible reference. His Christian witness is through art that lifts up the themes of faith, family and love. His work offers him a method of bearing his Christian witness. The paintings are meant to inspire and help us remember that the loveliness of much of nature and the warmth of a peaceful home can lift our spirits and spur our gratitude to God.