

Pierced

do you see her?
while bounding from place to place
creating endless streams of motion,
the strangest object
dances from around her neck.
a slender triangle of smooth metal,
it was supposed to be used
along with a hammer
to hold objects in place.
but as Caesar's Roman warriors
fashioned new legacies with it,
it became a part of
their greatest weapon
and greatest shame.
criminals laid bare on
prickly wooden beams
had their hands and feet punctured
by its unforgiving force.
and amidst this acclaimed justice
one of complete innocence
was voluntarily led to this brutal marriage
of wood and metal.
not for the chance to save those who loved him,
but so the most unforgivable felon,
could find forgiveness and love.
now as it swings to the rhythm
of her hectic life, she recounts this tale
of unfathomable love and sacrifice.
and with a quick upturn of lips,
retells it for those
who need to be pierced,
with selfless love.

Daphne Matthews

Purpose Statement:

To show my excitement when I'm asked what my nail necklace is and the story behind it.



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October 4, 2015

WELCOME!

Sunday Bible Class- 9:30 a.m.

Worship- 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Class- 6:30 p.m.



- **Today's Sermon: *Is Christ's Work Finished?***
- Sermons are recorded and are available for listening on the church website.
- Bulletins are archived on the website.

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Scripture: Philippians 3:1-11

Hymns: 907 Hark The Gentle Voice; **3** Hallelujah Praise Jehovah; **578** We Will Glorify; **628** Will You Not Tell It Today? **288** Fairest Lord Jesus

UPCOMING EVENTS...

- **Men's Breakfast**, Saturday, November 7th.
- **Ladies Class**, Tuesday, September 6th. Maxine will facilitate the discussion about pages 129-135 of our study book. Please invite friends!
- **Potluck Dinner**, Saturday, October 17th, at Arthur and Sandy's house.
- **Regional Singing**, here at Valley Cities church, 4:30pm, Sunday, November 29th. We will provide snacks and desserts, coffee and drinks.



- **We have classes for children!** Cindy and Megan Patrick teach the primary class, and Sandy Barry teaches the middle school age kids.
- **We can use help!** Teachers, crafters, organizers and other kinds of helpers would be greatly appreciated.
- Arthur and Sandy would like to invite one and all to their home in Dryden, NY for a **fall afternoon get-together, including a visit to the local cider press and a potluck supper**, Saturday, October 17th from 2pm until ?.

PRAYERS...

- Emily and Aidan Barry moved into a house of their own yesterday with their dog. Emily has completed her first week of school bus driving successfully. Prayer of thanks!
- Maxine Shiel has been sick this week with a bad cold.
- Pray for our children's classes that are getting started and for the teachers.
- Pray for Katie Grissies, the friend of Tiffany Cantrell from Prattville, AL, who has cancer. She had her baby a few weeks ago and is now going through an aggressive form of chemo, which is making her really ill.
- Pray for Amy Palmer, from Kittanning, and her new baby.
- Pray for Rhonda Washburn's friend, Brenda Clair's son, Phillip, of East Midfield, PA.
- Pray for Suzie Temple's sister-in-law, Martha Todd, with secondary breast cancer that has spread to her lungs and brain.
- Pray for Marilyn Patrick's health to continue to improve.
- Ron Moulton is in a lot of pain daily from his MD. Pray that he can find relief.
- Pray for the families of the victims of the shooting in Oregon, and for the improvement of the survivors.
- Kevan Barry is on a mission in Afghanistan this week. He is an Air Force pilot flying a C-17. Pray for the safety of his crew and success of their mission.
- Felicity Hicks' mother, Linda, was asking for prayers for her father, Bill Hughes, who was in hospital in Indiana last night. Doctors were trying to keep him from having a heart attack.

If you have any prayers or news that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy Barry barncat7237@gmail.com or text or call (607) 261-0911.