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ginal areas of town. They dressed differently, drove different vehicles, ate different foods and were all about “Soul” this and “Soul” that.

We, on the other hand, were not like them. We left areas when they began to become run down, moving further into the suburbs. We preferred to shop in our own area of town, eat in our own restaurants, and enjoy our own entertainment. We just did normal things, typical things, things like everyone else who were like us.

We were being told that we needed to do mandatory things that we didn't like and shouldn't be forced to do. Like bussing from one district to the next. The whole reason we bought houses in this district was because we liked the schools here. The makeup was to our liking. A nice balance of all us and none of them.

We didn't think of it that way. We used terms for them, “funny terms”, things we would laugh at under our breath. Terms that we've become ashamed of and won't put in print in public places. But we used them.

What allows me to keep silence? Is it really so hard? I keep silence because I see it as “their” problem and not the problem of one made in God's image.

*Grace and peace,  
Carl*

*Where belonging to God means belonging to each other.*

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## The Day Is At Hand

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June 24, 2018

So, how can I keep silence in the face of injustice, or turn a blind eye to the abuse of others?

Now before you think I am going to post one of the memes that you've seen in Facebook of little children separated from parents, or not separated from parents. Or a meme that wraps itself in a mantle of righteousness espousing one political agenda over another, you are going to be disappointed - if that is your expectation.

There is enough corruption in the camps of any political camp that I will not align myself with any, as well as some well documented truths that cause me to momentarily gasp just a see bit of hope.

I so love people on both sides of every issue that I want to support their movement toward a loving God rather than question their sense, integrity, and loyalty by blindly lumping them into disposable categories and pushing them aside.

My question is some pondering for myself. What is it in me that allows me to keep silence in the face of injustice? I grew up in the 1960s-70s, used language of bigotry, and acted as though the circumstances of the inner city blacks in Detroit was the result of their own choices. After all, they chose to live in mar-

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**SUNDAY:** Leisure Homestead Service—9:30 am  
Bible Study for all ages—10:00 am  
Worship Service—10:45 am  
**WEDNESDAY:** Varies by Time of Year (*refer to Bulletin News*)  
**ELDERS:** Richard Breensing, Teddy Gingrich, Terry Sallee,  
George Shelton, Tom Turner  
**DEACONS:** Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril  
**TREASURER:** Richard Breensing

## WORSHIP ORDER FOR JUNE 24, 2018

SONG LEADER: Richard Breensing  
GATHERING SONG: No. 155—Highest Place  
WELCOME: Tom Turner  
SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 100 (Dominic Rogers)  
SONGS: No. 66—Doxology  
No. 103—He Has Made Me Glad  
No. 435—Come Into His Presence  
No. 578—We Will Glorify  
No. 803—Turn My Heart  
PRAYER: Orrin Feril  
SONG: No. 176—Lamb of God  
COMMUNION: Fred Johnson  
Chris Mansel  
Teddy Gingrich  
Jerry Kinnamon  
MEMORY WORK: Carl Feril (Romans 13:11-12)  
SONG: No. 533—I Am a Sheep  
LESSON: Carl Feril (*Children's Bible Hour*)  
SONG: No. 922—Jesus Paid It All (vs 1)  
PRAYER: Joe Cornwell

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## WELCOME VISITORS

We are pleased you have joined us in worship and hope that you will come again!



Church Family,  
Thank you for the sheets, towels, and kitchen items. We are using all of them and enjoy them very much.  
—Dylan & Destiny Huffman—

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Harper Sallee—June 26

### Dates for Silver Maple Camp:

- First Session: July 8-14 (Ages 9-13)
  - Director: Steve Sears
- Second Session: July 15-21 (Ages 13-18)
  - Director: Bruce Dimick
- Third Session: July 22-28 (Ages 9-18)
  - Director: Mark Haas
- Day Camp: July 10 or July 11 (Ages 7-9)
  - Director: Bonnie Ward

More information on the website: [www.silvermaplecamp.com](http://www.silvermaplecamp.com)

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Gayle Byer**—had knee surgery last week  
**Dena Mansel**—health concerns  
**Kyler Kinnamon**—diagnosed with mono  
**Martha Cutright**—appreciates our prayers for her recent surgery; she is recovering well  
**Darrell Willinger**—health concerns  
**Doug Austin** (Lloyd's son; Barbara's husband) - doing better  
**Rick Toland** (Marla's cousin in Topeka) - chemo for Stage 4 bladder cancer  
**Stan Aldrich**—health concerns  
**Vince, Teddy's brother-in-law**—heart problems  
**Glennys Sallabedra** (Tom's mother) - in Leisure Homestead in Stafford  
**David Sizemore** (Ben & Hannah's dad) - recovering from surgery  
**Kaylee Welch Brown** (Debbie Welch's granddaughter) - now home  
**Gayle Sears** (Marla's friend) breast cancer; chemo  
**Kim Staub**—Parkinson's  
**Diane Campbell**—MS  
**Jim Walton** (Stafford) - throat cancer  
**Katherine Suiter**—cancer  
**Crystal Easley** (Terry & Linda Welch's daughter) - cancer  
**David Ivy** (Marilyn's brother) - Emphysema  
**Jim Sorensen** (Tara's brother-in-law) brain cancer  
**Jenny Walker** (Carol's sister)  
**Roger Dick**—ongoing cancer treatments  
**Theo Birkett** (Tara's mother)  
**Jim Soukup** (Gingrich's son-in-law [Shari's husband])  
**June Cornwell**—Kenwood Plaza

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