



The Story of the Praying Hands

All of us have admired the art masterpiece known as “The Praying Hands.” Here’s the fascinating story behind that masterful work of art.

In the late fifteenth century two struggling young art students, Albrecht Durer and Franz Knigstein, worked as laborers to earn money to continue their art studies. The work was long and hard; it left them little time to study art.

Finally, they agreed to draw lots and let the loser support them both while the winner continued to study. Albrecht won. If and when he attained success, Albrecht agreed to then support Franz so that he too could finish his studies.

After Albrecht achieved success, he returned to keep his bargain with Franz. He soon discovered the enormous sacrifice his friend had made for him. As Franz had worked at hard labor, his fingers had become twisted and stiff. His long, slender fingers and sensitive hands had been ruined for life. He could no longer manage the delicate brush strokes so necessary to execute fine paintings. In spite of the price he had paid, Franz was not bitter. He was happy that his friend Albrecht had attained success.

One day, Albrecht saw his loyal friend kneeling, his rough and gnarled hands entwined in silent prayer. Albrecht sketched his friend’s hands. From this sketch, he later composed a truly great masterpiece. He gave it the simple but moving title, “The Praying Hand.”

Prayer Requests

Lyle Wakely— has been diagnosed with cancer.

News and Notes

Soup Kitchen- Our next soup kitchen will be this Tuesday at 5:00pm. There is still a need for volunteers. Please help the church continue to care for the hungry in our community.

Birthdays

Shannon Griffitts 11/06 Jaime Frederickson 11/13
Jeremy Sanderson 11/14

If you birthday has been inadvertently left off this list please let Shannon know.

Those Serving

11/13/2016

Opening Prayer Gary
Song Leader Shane
Scripture Reader Tim
Closing Prayer Nate
Devotion: Prayer

Announcements: Chris

Table: West James
Center Gary
East Shane
Preacher: Tom
Song Leader: Chris

11/20/2016

Opening Prayer Shane
Song Leader James
Scripture Reader Pablo
Closing Prayer Shane
Devotion: Shane

Announcements: Shane

Table: West Gary
Center Chris
East James
Preacher: Tom
Song Leader: Jay

November: Lord’s Supper: Amy

Sidewalks: