PHILLIPSBURG FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

May 2017 Newsletter

From the Pastor's Pen ...

MAY is for MOTHERS and GRADUATES

Everyone in our church either: HAS a mother, HAD a mother, IS a mother, is MARRIED to a mother, or KNOWS a mother.

Personally I thank God for his plan for MOTHERS! My mother was a cook. She could cook as easily for 20 as for 2 (probably easier) and oh, how she loved to make desserts! (Thanks, Mom, for getting my sweet tooth going.) My mother was a hugger! She demonstrated her love to everyone.

On the other hand, cooking was more of a challenge than a joy for Gwen's Mom. But Mom Johnson was a PRAYER WARRIOR! She blessed me and the entire family through her faithful prayers.

Luther Little pastored in Charlotte, NC, in the 1920s and 1930s. In his autobiography, he tells about his mother, who never had the opportunity to hear him preach. When Luther announced to his family of God's call into the ministry, his father and brothers harassed him mercilessly; only his mother was pleased. The day Luther was to preach his first sermon, his mother became ill and was unable to accompany the family to church. She brought her young son near and said, "Son, you go on and preach. I'll stay behind and pray for you. When you get back, you can tell me all about it." His mother's health grew worse and soon he said his goodbye to his mother. Dr. Little writes, "I was so blessed to have such a godly,

praying mother. Through these many years of laboring in the Kingdom, I have known that the day will come when I will greet my precious mother again. We will sit down together, and with all the time in the world, I'll tell her all about it."

Thank you, Father, for my Mother! Thank you for all Mothers. And Moms, may you be especially blessed this month.

GRADUATES:

Let me give a bit of a challenge to our graduates. You are stepping into a dangerous world that is governed by Satan. "Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News. They don't understand this message about the glory of Christ, who is the exact likeness of God." **2 Corinthians 4:4** Your faith will be challenged in every possible way. What will help is if you will spend time studying the Word of God. "I have thought much about your words and stored them in my heart so that they would hold me back from sin." Psalm 119:11 The Lord will direct you through his Word. There is not a situation in life that God's Word does not cover. So please spend time in God's Word so that you will be able to overcome the challenges that the god of this world will throw at you.

MOTHER'S DAY MESSAGE

For the past two years Gwen has been giving the morning message on Mother's day. I have asked her to do it again this years and she has agreed. Let's get all mom's out for this special day. You will be blessed. Oh, bring Dad's as well. Pastor LeRoy

BACCALAUREATE

Baccalaureate will be held Wednesday, May 3rd at 7:00 pm. at the Community Church of God. This year's service will include some new elements that should be very exciting, so plan to attend.

"FAITH IN PROGRESS" Windows Replacement Project

The Faith in Progress Window Replacement Project has raised almost \$40,000.00 in pledges and donations from our church members. Thank you for your faithful giving and prayers toward this project!

2017 GRADUATES

College

Tanner Aherin
Jaron Kellerman



High School Seniors

Mark Coomes
Seth Jacobs
Nathan Minkler
Rheanna Peterson-Shea
Royce Turner



8th Grade

Johnathan Boeve Zoey Dinkel Meredith Jacobs Alex Minkler

May Memory Scripture

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. Ephesians 2:8-9

WINDOWS REPLACEMENT PROJECT BEGINS

On April 25th, the Sisson windows crew began work on the Windows Replacement Project for the church.





Lakeview Christian Camp

Summer 2017 Camp Schedule

June 4 - 9 High School

June 11 - 16 7th & 8th Grade

June 18 - 23 6th Grade

June 28 - July 1 4th Grade

July 2 - 3 1st & 2nd Grade

July 5 - 8 3rd Grade

July 9 - 14 5th Grade

July 16 -21 Challenge Camp 7th-9th

For more information on pricing and to register online, visit their website at: www.lakeviewchristiancamp.org
Lakeview Christian Camp
1380 10 Rd. Stockton, KS 67669
(785) 839-4404

www.phillipsburgchristianchurch.com







Church Family:

I would like to thank everyone for the birthday and get well wishes sent my way. Thanks also for all the prayers and concerns on my behalf. It is so nice to belong to a caring church family. Also, thank you for the food gifts.

Carolyn Babcock



Pastor Herder and the Congregation of the First Christian Church,

Thank you for your kindness and support during this difficult time. What an excellent job you did honoring Sharon (mom) Pastor Herder. Thank you for your gift of Gideon Bibles donated in Sharon's memory. We appreciated the wonderful lunch provided and the use of the church. Your friendship meant so much to mom.

God Bless.

Tracy and family of Sharon Hodge



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<u>ELDERS</u>	<u>DEACONS</u>
07 Stuart Jarvis	Kerry Kellerman
14 Marilyn Jansonius	Dan Crist
21 Beverly Jarvis	Michael Miller
28 Clark Hopson	Denis Miller
	Pat Means

GREETERS DEACONESS 07 Floy & Karen Bruning Carliss Lunsford

14 Floy & Karen Bruning 21 Carliss Lunsford

28 Volunteers needed

April Offering

92,581.00

09 \$1,565.50

16 \$3,080.00

23 \$2,845.00

30 unavailable

Each Sunday we need to collect \$2,596.15 to meet our budget. Please pray about your giving. Remember, you cannot out-give God

MAY BIRTHDAYS

01	Alexander Minkler	19 Kayla Vrbas
04	Anita Elliott	20 Dylan Means
06	Marie Robinson	21 Dustin Aherin
06	Kerry Kellerman	21 Amie Griffith
07	Emma Hunnacutt	22 Fred Robinson
07	Tracy Hunnacutt	24 Larry Prewitt
07	Tyler Thomas	24 Jordan Kellerman
08	Philip Bauer	26 David Hindman
09	Mary Heersink	28 Donna Jarvis
09	Wanda McConnell	29 Hendrix Jarvis
10	Cody Jarvis	31 Ashley Thomas
10	Lois Runion	31 Clark Hopson
18	Derek Rowland	31 Darlene Imm

May Church Events

May 4 Ladies' Community Bible Study

May 7 Christian Men's Fellowship

May 8 Material Girls Quilt Guild

May 11 Ladies' Community Bible Study

May 15 Elders Meeting

18 John Jarvis

May 16 Prayer Shawl Ministry

May 21 Board Meeting

May 22 Missions Meeting