

The header features a vibrant, multi-colored geometric background with shades of yellow, orange, green, and blue. In the center is a white circle containing a small gold cross. The church's name is written in a large, teal, serif font across the middle of the circle.

# Phillipsburg First Christian Church

APRIL 2018 NEWSLETTER

## From The Pastor's Pen

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17

OUR BLESSED HOPE

Our world is not a place that lends itself to hope. In fact, when you consider the death, diseases, natural disasters, evil, and all the other negative things that fill our world, there is just not a lot of room for hope.

**Hope is a powerful thing.**

- G. K. Chesterton said, *"There is no medicine like hope, no incentive so great, and no tonic so powerful as expectation of something better tomorrow."*
- Emily Dickinson, in one of her poems said, *"Hope is a thing with feathers,/That perches in the soul."*
- O. S. Marden said, *"There is no medicine like hope . . ."*
- Pliny the Elder, an ancient Roman philosopher wrote, *"Hope is the dream of a waking man."*
- Martin Luther said, *"Everything that is done in the world is done by hope."*

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## Church Events

- April 1 Sunrise Service
- April 8 Christian Men's Fellowship
- April 9 Material Girls Quilt Guild
- April 15 Hallelujah Luau
- April 16 Elders Meeting
- April 17 Prayer Shawl Ministry
- April 23 Missions
- April 4, 11, 18, 25 Youth Groups
- April 5, 12, 19, 26 Ladies Community Bible Study

## Pastor's Pen Continued:

Here is how the dictionary defines hope: *“to have a wish to get or do something or for something to happen or be true, especially something that seems possible or likely.”*

Hope, from the world's viewpoint is just what that definition describes. The world sees hope as a wish or a desire. Hope, as the world sees it, is *a longing for something that may or may not take place.*

The Bible teaches us that biblical hope is something entirely different than the wishful thinking of the world. Listen to the words of **Psalm 31:24**, *“Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all you who hope in the LORD.”* And again from **Psalm 71:5**, *“For you are my hope, O Lord GOD: you art my trust from my youth. “Hear also Paul, “And now abides faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love,” **1 Cor. 13:13**.*

The world says that hope is merely *a fond wish or desire*. The words used for hope in the Bible, on the other hand, tell an entirely different story. They teach us that biblical hope is *“A deep settled confidence that God will keep His promises!”* Biblical hope is a *“joyful, confident expectation”*.

In the face of the hopelessness that grips our world, there is one group of people that possesses genuine hope. The believer has hope!

I do not know what tomorrow will bring my way. It may bring death, disease and disaster. It may bring sorrow, pain and hardship. It may bring blessing, joy and happiness.

I may not know what tomorrow will bring, but I do know for sure that tomorrow might bring Jesus. **Titus 2:13**, *“Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ.”*

Praise God for Hope in Christ.

Love ya

Pastor Herder

## LAKEVIEW CHRISTIAN CAMP SCHEDULE

[lakeviewchristiancamp.org](http://lakeviewchristiancamp.org)

1st & 2nd Grades	July 5-6
3rd Grades	July 1-4
4th Grade	June 27-30
5th Grade	June 17-22
6th Grade	July 8-13
7th & 8th Grades	June 10-15
9th - 12th Grades	June 3-8
Challenge Camp	July 15-20
(Challenge camp is a more in depth camp for grades 7th thru 9th)	

## HALLELUJAH LUAU



Plan to join us for our upcoming Hallelujah Luau on Sunday, April 15th following church service. Kalua Pig and all the trimmings will be served. Wear you best Hawaiian outfit and join us for food, fun and fellowship! There will be games, prizes and music. See you there!





# LAKEVIEW CHRISTIAN CAMP

## Early Bird Registration:

Campers registered by midnight on April 15 will receive \$20 off their camp fee **as long as a deposit of \$50 per camper is paid by May 1. Any remaining balance is due July 31.** This discount is not available for 1st & 2nd Grade Camp.

## Registration, Refund & Payment Policy:

By submitting the registration form you are agreeing to pay for the spot you are registering for. There will be no refunds given for cancellations made after April 30. Cancellations made up to April 30 will be subject to a \$10 administration fee. If for some reason your camper cannot attend, another camper from the same church can take his/her place with no penalty, but no refunds will be given after April 30.

You are responsible for payment whether or not you have actually paid by April 30. Full payment is due by July 31.

Once you fill out the registration form, you are agreeing to pay for the camper's spot regardless of when we actually receive your payment or when your invoice is emailed out. Again, registrations can be transferred to others (from the same church) but cannot be refunded, cancelled or taken off invoices after April 30.

If you attend a sponsoring church, payments should be arranged through your church. If you are not attending with a sponsoring church, an invoice from PayPal will be emailed to the email address you provided during registration. **Invoices do not have to be paid via PayPal - simply mail a check to the address on the invoice.** Payments paid electronically will be charged a small processing fee by PayPal. A \$50 deposit per camper is due by May 1 in order to secure the Early Bird Rate for registrations received by April 15. Deposits not paid by May 1 will result in the Early Bird Discount being removed from the invoice and you will be responsible for the full amount. All invoices must be paid in full by July 31 unless payment arrangements have been made in advance with the Executive Director.

We are looking forward to Summer this year! We have lots of improvements to our grounds to show off and we also have some exciting new games that we are going to be announcing soon. Please keep us in your prayers and make sure that you are following us on Facebook!

In Christ, Brian Barr

Executive Director

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## EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Easter Sunrise Service will be Sunday, April 1 at 7:30 a.m. with breakfast following in the Fellowship Hall.

Mark your calendar for

2018 Lakeview Christian Camp Women's Retreat  
April 27-29, 2018

Main Speaker- Heather Dowling of Alton, KS

There will be: workshops, small groups, fellowship, games

For more info visit the website:  
[www.lakeviewchristiancamp.org](http://www.lakeviewchristiancamp.org)

This weekend retreat is for  
women of all ages who  
have a desire to know and  
follow God daily.

CHOOSE  
**Joy**

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 Derick Coomes	15 Zachary Jacobs
1 Jason Dibble	16 Carrie Babcock
1 Ashley Constable	23 Michelle Jacobs
5 Jack Siglinger	24 Eunice Boeve
9 Delaine Thomas	25 Donna Farr
10 Mickalee McCartney	27 Wendy Turner
13 Jeremiah Minkler	28 Harlan Nonhof
14 Laura Bogart	30 Peggy Minkler
15 Kay Burns	30 Brielle Werner

## MARCH OFFERING

04	\$2,915.00
11	\$ 1,572.00
18	\$1,807.00
25	\$948.00

Each Sunday we need to collect \$2,596.15 to meet our budget.

Please pray about your giving.

**Remember, you cannot out-give God.**

### April Memory Scripture

**II Corinthians 5:17**

Therefore if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.



## COOK MISSION

**\$98.74 for March**



## April 2018

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