

Phillipsburg First Christian Church

MARCH 2019 NEWSLETTER

From the Pastor's Pen

'Ready for Some Spring'

If you're like me, you're probably ready for some spring. I know that there are many who love winter and I hope that you're having a good time; but as for me and my house – GIVE US THE WARM WEATHER!

I think of Gerald Minkler who is really looking forward to warmer weather along with many in our congregation

"We've all been experiencing a hard winter and we're ready for some spring." It's time for some sunny days and new life. It's time for some springtime in our souls. I would like to help us find that springtime.

Ephesians 4:22 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, 23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness. NKJV

There's not much you and I can do to control the weather outside.. The Bible says that to everything there is a season (Ecc 3:1), and surely this is true with nature. God knows how long winter should last and when springtime should come.

Church Events

- March 3 - Christian Men's Fellowship
- March 3 - Elders Meeting
- March 10 - Board Meeting
- March 11 - Material Girls Quilt Guild
- March 19 - Prayer Shawl Ministry
- March 24 - Elders Meeting
- March 25 - Missions Meeting
- March 6, 13, 20, 27 - Youth Groups
- March 7, 14, 21, 28 - Ladies Community Bible Study

MARCH SCRIPTURE

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." Lamentations 3:22-24 ESV

From the Pastor's Pen continued

I love the way this person explains this time of year. He says that winter and spring are in a wrestling match, each struggling for control. Though winter does all that it can to maintain its grip, spring eventually wins out.

The same is true spiritually. The Apostle Paul tells us that there is a great spiritual battle going on inside each of us. This battle is between our old nature (winter) and our new nature (spring). At times it may seem that the old nature will never loosen its grip; but through Christ, the new nature can win!

Though you and I may not be able to control the weather outdoors, we can have a lot of influence over what happens inside of our spirit. *"Throw off your old evil nature"* Paul tells us. *"Do not let winter keep its control. Instead, allow the spring-time of your relationship with Christ to blossom."*

We all know what's happening outdoors. Intermingled in our flower beds are patches of snow and the green shoots of daffodils. One moment the sun is shining and the next minute it's snowing. But, before we know it, spring will win and we will see this world come to life once again. But what about our inner man? Which season are we in? I pray that during our studies of scripture this week we will determine to put away winter and get ready for some spring!

Spring is coming praise the Lord

Love ya Pastor Herder

March Birthdays

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| 05 Randy Runnion | 16 Kirk Coomes |
| 08 Jerol Robinson | 16 Dorothy Mayhew |
| 08 Carolyn Babcock | 20 Deb Dreiling |
| 08 Carliss Lunsford | 25 Randy Schneider |
| 09 Andy Kenney | 27 Seth Jacobs |
| 10 Jacey Minkler | 28 Ron Heller |
| 10 Linda Imm | 29 Kyla Kenney |
| 11 Jacey Kellerman | 29 Tim Werner |
| 14 Becky Lanier | |

Thank You

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a funeral spray, if so we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend could say; Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much whatever the part.

The family & I want to thank you all for every thing you did for us.

The family of Wilmer "Cal" Calhoon

February Offering

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| 03 | \$4,801.00 |
| 10 | \$1,744.25 |
| 17 | \$2,161.10, |
| 24 | 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.



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