Phillipsburg First Christian Church

May 2020 Newsletter

From the Pastor's Pen

Several weeks ago the New York Times listed over **thirty** concerns about the COVID-19 pandemic for which we currently have no answers. Here are **seven** of them:

- 1. We don't know how many Americans are infected already and how many of those will die
- 2. We don't know what the long-term health impact will be on those who get the virus.
- 3. We don't know if or when researchers will develop a successful, lasting vaccine.
- 4. We don't know when the nation will open back up again and whether people will be afraid to gather.
- 5. **We don't know** what effects months of lost school time will have on the future of our children.
- 6. We don't know when any of this will end for good.

However, for all of us who love the Lord, the Bible promises hundreds of realities that we know for sure. Here are seven of them to get you started, seven promises that offset whatever anxieties you may be having right now.

Pastor's Pen Continued

- 1. We know for sure "that in everything God is working for the good of those who love him and are called according to his purpose" in Christ Jesus. (Romans 8"28)
- 2. We know for sure "that God who has begun a good work in you will bring it to completion right up to the Day of Christ Jesus." (Philippians 1:6)
- 3. We know for sure the Christ "in who I have put my trust, is able to safely guard everything I have committed to him until that Day." (2 Timothy 1:12)
- 4. **We know for sure** "that suffering produces perseverance; and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love in Christ Jesus has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit." (Romans 5:3-5)
- 5. We know for sure "that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:38-39)
- 6. **We know for sure** "that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance...so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain." (Philippians 1:19-21)
- 7. We know for sure the reality that Job uttered in the midst of his many plagues—words that have now been fulfilled in God's Son, our Savior, in ways Job never could have imagined:

I know that my Redeemer lives,

and he will stand upon the earth as last. And after my body has decayed, yet in my body I will see God! I will see him for myself. Yes, I will see him with my own eyes. I am overwhelmed at the thought!

So, strongly embrace the promises, throw your fears upon Jesus, and surrender yourself wholly to him once again.

Love each one of you,

Pastor

Prayer Needs

This whole situation has changed many lives and brought many challenges. Our Church has a number of prayer needs that we need to bring before the Lord. Pray for peace, trust and blessings for all! Pray for those in assisted living and the nursing home as they are quarantined:

> Lewis and Darlene Imm, Jack Siglinger, Lyle Allen and Lyle Rose,

Calls and cards are greatly appreciated. Pray for Tyna Stoutimore and her family in the loss of Scott. Pray for Norma Hodge who is currently in a swing bed in the Hill City hospital. Give her a call or send a card. Pray for total healing for Shelley Cote. She is doing well. Pray for Deb McConnell and Anita Elliott as they wait to have surgeries.

Pray for Jana Nyland's parents. Her father needs surgery. Pray for Laura Bogart's parents in Nebraska.



Pray for all who have been affected with their jobs during this time.

Pray for any others who need our prayers. (Please let us know of prayer needs.)



Let's pray for rain.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Gwen and I would like to thank you for the phone calls asking how we are doing and for those who have stopped by with thoughtful gifts. All are much appreciated.

As your pastor I want to thank our church family and friends for your prayers and your appreciation for the videos I have put on Facebook.

My goal is to make them encouraging. We at FCC do not have all the sophisticated software, cameras or a dedicated laptop which many ministries have for such productions.

We do the best we can with what we have. We hope to be able to do our whole service on Facebook once this is all over.

THANK YOU for your continued support financially of our Church. You have been so faithful in your giving.

THANK YOU for trusting during this difficult time. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart; Do not lean on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge HIM and He will make your path straight." Proverbs 3:5-6. He will bring us through in His way and in His time.

If you have needs of any kind, please let us know. We have people who have called and said they would be glad to help.

You can contact us via Facebook, computer or phone.

PRAISE THE LORD. HAVE A GREAT DAY. LOVE YOU, PASTOR AND GWEN



Mare Robinson is turning "80". We are honoring this milestone with a card shower. If you'd like to participate please reply to 302 W. "H" St, Phillipsburg KS 67661.

Thank you, Kristin

Church Events

- May 10th Mother's Day
- May 17th Board Meeting
- May 24th Elders Meeting
- May 25th Missions Meeting
- May 25th Memorial Day

Visit Our Website



2020 GRADUATES

I PERSONALY FEEL BAD FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL WITH NO FORMAL GRADUATION, PROM AND ALL THAT GOES WITH YOUR LIFE MEMORIES. It is okay to mourn what you are missing, but through it all, keep looking up, knowing God loves you; He understands and He is with you through it all and into your future.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES:

Emily Schneider Emmie Kenney Parker Dibble Abagail McCartney Trent Herrick EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATES:

Sophia Riffel

Emma Dibble

Gwen and I pray for each of you and we know that the Lord will bless you and hold you in his loving arms. I would encourage all of our church family to lift up these graduates in prayer.

(P.S. If we have missed any graduates, ncluding college, please let us know. We do desire to include all.)

CONGRATULATIONS!



2020 CAMP SCHEDULE

LAKEVIEW CHRISTIAN CAMP 1380 10 Road Stockton KS 67669

1st & 2nd Grades - July 9-10 3rd & 4th Grade - July 5-8 5th Grade - June 28-July 3 6th Grade - June 21-26 7th & 8th Grades - June 14-19 9th thru 12th Grades - June 7-12 Challenge Camp for 7th thru 9th Grades (A more in depth camp) July 12-17

Registration information is available at www.lakeviewchristiancamp.org

May Birthdays

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

April Offering

05	\$0.00
12	\$3,535.25
19	\$3,895.00
26	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.

Cook Mission Offering

\$228.00

Thanks for remember our missionary.



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ELDERS

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- **10 Duane Harris**
- 17 Clark Hopson
- 24 Beverly Jarvis
- **31** Pastor Herder

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