Phillipsburg First Christian Church

SEPTEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

From the Pastor's Pen

- By Pastor LeRoy Herder

What are you worried about today?

If you're like most people, whatever you're worried about probably has something to do with the Coronavirus. A **recent survey** revealed that 90% of respondents reported increased worry, frustration, boredom or anxiety as a result of the ongoing pandemic. People reported feeling stress from isolation during the quarantine, worries about their health, fear about their employment, and uncertainty about what would happen to their loved ones. Another survey said that 70% of people worry about having enough money to pay their bills. Parents of school-age children worry about when or if the schools will reopen.

I can't blame anyone for feeling uncertain and even a bit uneasy about the next few months. No one knows what to expect.

Is worry beneficial? Does it help us? Does it really solve anything? Am I better off if I worry?. Of the 34 times worry is used in scripture most of the time the emphasis is DON'T WORRY!

Maybe it would be good to define worry. *Worry is excessive concern over the affairs of life*. The key is the word "excessive." Worry happens when you are so concerned about the problems of life that you can't think of anything else. It is an all-consuming feeling of uncertainty and fear. Worry squeezes the mind.

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How much do you think you worry? One report says Each week, we spend 14 hours worrying. That equals 744 hours of worry each year. This turns into over 45,000 hours of worry over a lifetime. That equals 1885 days in a lifetime spent doing nothing but worrying. This means that we spend 5 years of life captured by worry.

Here are some scriptures to follow when it comes to dealing with worry .

Philippians 4:6-7 Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

I Peter 5:7 Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you. Matthew 6:34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Love ya

Pastor

ABOUT THE RETURN

The Return is a movement, an appointed time, and a specific day set apart for one purpose – the return to God by coming before His presence in humility, in sincerity in prayer, and repentance. The movement begins now and will continue through the entire year of 2020 leading up to 10 Days of Vigilant Prayer – Starting with the Biblical Feast of Trumpets and ending with the Day of Atonement (September 18-September 28). The central day of The Return will be Saturday, September 26, 2020 on the National Mall and throughout the nation and world.

Please be in prayer now for this event. I have signed us up for a simulcast but we are having difficulty with download and upload speed and not enough wi-fi power. Still working on it but can't promise anything yet. We are at a very critical time in our nation, we have a clear choice as to which way America wants to go. Please,please pray 2 Chronicles 7:14 daily. Love ya Pastor

MEN'S CONFERENCE

Heartland Worship center is sponsoring a men's conference on September 18-19. If you are interested in going go to <u>www.legendarymen.life</u> for complete information and an opportunity to sign up for the conference.

Youth Group

Kick-off for this year's K-6th Youth Groups will be September 9th at 6:30 p.m. at the Phillipsburg City Park. The High School youth group is also set to begin meeting September 9th at 7:00 p.m.

September Birthdays

06	Lewis Dean Imm	21 Raymond Griffith
07	Angie Coomes	21 Jessica Hindman
07	Mitzi Weinman	23 Virginia Hopson
09	Kolton Griffith	25 Kayla Jarvis
10	Rita Hopson	27 Arika Aiken
16	Jeremy Ford	27 Beverly Jarvis
16	Joel Ford	27 Patrick Means
17	Meredith Jacobs	27 Justin Turner
19	Warren Sidman	28 Gwen Herder

- 20 John Hopson
- 20 Cory Jacobs





28 Travis Vrbas

29 Kenton Olliff

August Offering

02	\$2,985.00
09	\$2,215.00
16	\$1,956.00
23	\$2,478.50
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.

August Attendance

- August 02 56
- August 09 77
- August 16 99
- August 23 84
- August 30 unavailable

DEACONS

Becky Lanier

Michael Miller

Denis Miller

DEACONESS

Jan Means

ELDERS

Duane Harris

06 Tony Imm 13 Beverly Jarvis 20 Clark Hopson 27 Beverly Jarvis Shut-in Communion:

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