# Phillipsburg First Christian Church

MAY 2021 NEWSLETTER

# From The Pastor's Pen

- By Pastor LeRoy Herder

### The Bible and Christian Mothers (and Fathers)

*"Children are a gift from the LORD, they are a reward from Him."* Psalm 127:3 All parents and grandparents would agree. I praise the Lord and thank him for the precious babies in our church who are not only a gift to their parents and grandparents. They are a gift to the church! Thank you, Lord.

Did you know that studies have shown that babies do respond to input from their mothers while they are still in the womb? When a mother sings, reads or talks to her unborn child, the baby responds. And then when they are born, those things more wonderfully continue to help the baby grow.

God's Word has specific instructions for parents: "And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise." Deuteronomy 6:6-7 That's quite inclusive. Parents are to be diligent about teaching their children the ways of God.

*Train up a child in the way he should go (according to his bent); even when he is old he will not depart from it.* Proverbs 22:6 Every child has a certain bent. Parents need to pay attention and know each individual child and train accordingly. The bent of some children is toward athletics, others are more artistic, others are mechanical, and the list goes on and on. Some are more people oriented, others not so much. This scripture proclaims that parents need to know their children and train accordingly. Gwen and I have two great-grandsons. They could not be more different. Archer is a happy child, laughs and smiles

## The Pastor's Pen Continued

all the time, responds easily to Grandma and Grandpa. On the other hand, Owen examines everyone and everything. You can almost hear the gears in his head grinding, thinking things through when you talk to him. These boys each need to be trained according to their bent.

The Bible says that those whom the Lord blesses to be mothers and fathers should take the responsibility seriously. Each parent has a unique and crucial role in the lives of their children. Motherhood is not a chore or unpleasant task. Just as a mother bears a child during pregnancy, and just as a mother feeds and cares for a child during infancy, so mothers also play an ongoing role in the lives of their children, whether they are babies, preschoolers, school age, teenagers, young adults, or even adults with children of their own. While the role of motherhood must change and develop, the love, care, nurture, and encouragement a mother gives should never cease. We are all thankful for the sacrifice our Mothers made for us.

As a church family lets really keep our young mothers and fathers in our prayers. It is not an easy time to raise children, so let's love them, pray for them and help them in any way we can.

> Love ya Pastor Herder



## Mother's Day May 9<sup>th</sup>

Last year we were closed on Mother's Day due to the pandemic. We are so thankful we can meet together this year. For several years our custom has been to have Gwen bring a message for Mothers and others on Mother's Day. I look forward to her sharing again this year. Gwen will be giving some thoughts she has gleaned from reading about David in the Old Testament. You will be surprised at all the lessons we can learn from him. We all love our Mothers and we want to encourage all our Mothers, Fathers, Grandmothers, Grandfathers and everyone to come and join us on this special day.

Welcome May

May You be happy. May You be well. May You be safe. May You find comfort. May You have strength. May You have courage. May You have courage. May You have peace. May You have peace. May You have joy. May You be filled with loving kindness. MAY YOU BE BLESSED

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## **2021 GRADUATES**

#### **8TH GRADE GRADUATES:**

#### **HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES:**

Hannah Kennedy

**Ryann Moffatt** 

Meredith Jacobs

Collette Kennedy

Congratulations



June 19, 2021 Challenge Camp **July 17, 2021** Day Camp Pre K –1st

**June 27-30, 2021** Worship Camp July 18-22, 2021 5th & 6th Grade

July 1 & 2, 2021 1st & 2nd Grades

**July 5-10, 2021** 9th-12th Grades

**July 11- 16, 2021** 7th & 8th Grade July 23-26, 2021

3rd & 4th Grade

To register go to : www.lakeviewchristian camp.org

# **Church Events**

- May 2 Christian Men's Fellowship
- May 9 Mother's Day
- May 10 Material Girls Quilt Guild
- May 11 Prayer Shawl Ministry
- May 16 Board Meeting
- May 23 Elders Meeting
- May 24 Missions Meeting
- May 30 Old Fashioned Potluck Dinner
- May 31 Memorial Day, Office Closed
- May 5, 12, 19 High School Youth Group

Salvation is found in no one else. For there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.

Acts 4:12

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

18 Derek Rowland

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# APRIL OFFERING

04	\$7,106.92
11	\$2,783.00
18	\$2,575.00
25	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

#### \$224.87

# APRIL ATTENDANCE

04 - <b>165</b>	18 - <b>89</b>
11 - <b>96</b>	25 - TBA

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#### <u>ELDERS</u>

**02** Beverly Jarvis (guest)

09 Stuart Jarvis

- 16 Tony Imm
- 23 Beth Norris (guest)
- 30 Pastor Herder

Shut-in Communion: TBA

#### DEACONS

Anthony Imm

Dan Crist

**Terry Babcock** 

DEACONESS Pam Crist

## <u>FACEBOOK</u>

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