



Phillipsburg First Christian Church

OCTOBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

From the Pastor's Pen

- By Pastor LeRoy Herder

KNOW and GO!

The story is told of the pioneer days in our country. A man was making his way west when he came to the Missouri River. It was winter and ice covered the river from bank to bank. But how could he be sure it would hold his weight? He knew people often drowned in that river when the ice broke. Yet he had to cross. He walked out a little way, then gripped with fear he crawled on his hands and knees. He looked back and saw how far the bank was now behind him and knew he would drown if the ice broke and the frigid water swallowed him up. To spread his weight even more, he lay out flat on his belly and slowly drew himself sliding across the river a few inches at time. All of a sudden from behind him he heard whistling. He whipped his head around and there saw a big man, a farmer, walking across the ice leading a team of horses drawing a heavy wooden sleigh full of hay. The local man smiled and tipped his hat. The timid man stood and brushed off the ice crystals and managed a sheepish smile. That old farmer had crossed the ice many times and knew it could be trusted.

Church Events

- **Oct. 1 Christian Men's Fellowship**
- **Oct. 1 Prayer Shawl Ministry**
- **Oct. 9 Material Girls Quilt Guild**
- **Oct. 11 Evangelism Meeting**
- **Oct. 15 Elders Meeting**
- **Oct. 23 Missions Meeting**
- **Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25 Youth Groups**

Pastor's Pen Continued

A question for us today is: Do we KNOW Jesus enough to trust Him and to share about him?

A recent survey finds many unchurched would come to church if invited. *Ninety-six percent of the unchurched are at least somewhat likely to attend church if they are invited.* I repeat: . **More than nine out of 10 unchurched people said they would come to church if they were invited.**

About 160 million people in the United States are unchurched or attend church two or less times a year. **Another research showed that only 2 percent of church members invited another person to church in the last year.** Perhaps even more surprising was the mostly positive attitude the unchurched had toward the church. The vast majority of the unchurched still perceive the church to be relevant in society today.

Jesus did not appoint angels to share his message. He has given us that task! We have three months left in 2023. It's a great time to invite people to church – for Thanksgiving, Christmas and definitely for our Creation Museum and Seminars on January 14,15,16, 2024. People need the Lord! Let's share the wonder of how He loves us! Love you all, Pastor LeRoy

October Scripture

Praise be to ... the God of all comfort,
who comforts us in all our troubles,
so that we can comfort others.
2 Corinthians 1:3,4



New Church Directory

Our Church is in need of a new directory. The current one is outdated, so we are compiling information to create a new directory. We have a sheet for each individual or family to fill out with information needed for both the directory and also for church records. Linda Imm and Lois Runion will be working to get completed sheets from everyone.

We will also use the information to create a new birthday list that is printed each month in the newsletter. If you want family members listed for the birthday record, make sure they are on your information sheet. If their address is different from the family's address, add that by their name and birthdate. The new birthday list will begin January 1.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda at 785-302-1774, Lois at 785-543-2545 or Jana at the church office at 785-543-5069.

The Phillips County Community Cantata

Rehearsals for the Phillips County Community Cantata will be held on Sundays, beginning October 1 at 2:00 p.m. Rehearsals will be at the United Methodist Church, located at 593 3rd Street in Phillipsburg. The performances will be December 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. and December 17, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at the Huck Boyd Center in Phillipsburg.



Creation Truth
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Matt Miles of Creation Truth Foundation will have a Mobile Museum of Earth History and will present Creation Seminars at the First Christian Church, 7th & Park in Phillipsburg, on January 14-16. Sunday the 14th seminars will be at 9:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Monday and Tuesday's seminars will be at 7:00 p.m.

Come early to see dinosaur fossils, replicas and other items. Come see the Museum!

MOBILE
Museum
of EARTH HISTORY

Thank You!

Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, words of encouragement, and the special coffee cake for Raymond's health issues and his birthday. We appreciate all of you!

Raymond and Ruth Griffith

Thank You

To the Congregation of First Christian Church:

You're so thoughtful!

Thank you for the visits, calls, cards, flowers and time for me. I am so lucky to know each of you. Thank you.

Sue Dulaney

A HUGE THANK YOU

Thank you to ALL who prayed, invited and attended BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY and to ALL who helped with cleanup on Saturday. You are ALL so appreciated. THANK YOU! Our work for the Lord never stops. Keep on PRAYING and INVITING. God is blessing!



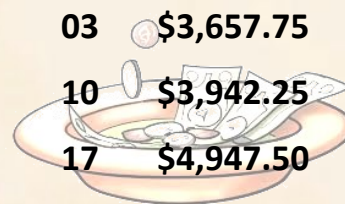


October Birthdays



01 Kelly Cote	12 Mariah Coomes
01 Shelly Cote	12 Jonathan Hunnacutt
01 Beth Norris	12 Cory Johnson
01 Emily Schneider	13 Scarlett Jarvis
02 Beacam Byerly	13 Penny Moffatt
05 Tony Thomas	15 Locke Korobka
06 Camie Schneider	14 Brecklyn Imel
07 John Brandon	15 Beth Vrbas
07 Bailey Byerly	18 Clairra Dibble
08 Dan Crist	20 Jessica Pugh
08 Parker Dibble	25 Tara Hopson
08 Trenton Weinman	29 Miley Moffatt
09 Avery Aiken	30 Jake Epley
09 Pam Crist	31 Sherry Calhoon
10 Sonya Aiken	

September Offering



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

Please pray about your giving.

Remember, you cannot out-give God.

September Attendance

03 - 88	17 - 149
10 - 103	24 - 143

Just a Reminder

The Church's kitchen towels are missing and we would like to remind everyone, if you take them home to wash them, be sure to return them. Thank you.

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ELDERS

01 Tony Imm

08 Stuart Jarivs

15 Clark Hopson

22 Jim Lanier

29 Pastor Herder

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DEACONS

Denis Miller

Terry Babcock

Dan Crist

Miley Moffatt

Ryann Moffatt

DEACONESS

Jessica Hindman



Back to Church

SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 17
2023

Food & Fellowship

