

# TIMBER RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

## NEWSLETTER

February 2017

*Happy Valentine's Day  
February 14th*



### NURSERY SIGN UP SHEET

There will be a nursery signup sheet for the month of February in the back of the church. Anyone wishing to volunteer is asked to please list your name on the Sunday that you will be available.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEB 3 -	SHARIE ECKENRODE'S BIRTHDAY
FEB 4 -	ERIC REID'S BIRTHDAY
FEB 5 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
FEB 6 -	TOM JENKINS' BIRTHDAY
FEB 8 -	HARRY SPAID'S BIRTHDAY
FEB 9 -	ROSIE REID'S BIRTHDAY
FEB 12 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
	LARUE KUMP'S BIRTHDAY
FEB 17 -	PIZZA AND GAME NIGHT (SEE ARTICLE)
FEB 19 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
FEB 26 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
	HOME MISSION OFFERING

### BREAKFAST TO BENEFIT HOSPICE OF THE PANHANDLE

On Saturday, March 11, from 7:30 am – 10:30 am, the deacons will be having a Pancake breakfast, where all the receipts will benefit Hospice of the Panhandle. We will be serving both buttermilk and old fashioned buckwheat pancakes, bacon, sausage, sausage gravy, fresh fruit and applesauce, coffee juice, cocoa, etc. Representatives from Hospice will be on hand to answer questions and provide information on services offered by them. The cost for the breakfast will be a donation to Hospice. We welcome anyone from the congregation who would like to help. We will be gathering on Friday evening, March 10<sup>th</sup>, around 6:30 pm to prepare for the next day and again at 6:00 am on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. We are asking folks to donate items for the breakfast. A donation signup sheet will be available at church each Sunday beginning on February 12th.

### BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study group continues to meet on Monday mornings, beginning at 10 am in the Parish building. Can't make it to the Monday Morning Bible Study but longing for meaningful time in God's Word? Timber Ridge has started a Thursday Evening Bible Study from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Come out and join us as we grow together by studying God's Word. (We are presently studying the book of Hebrews, and will soon be studying the book of James.)

We welcome any comments and suggestions.  
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### PASTOR'S PEN

The other day my wife and children were having an English lesson in which they had to discuss the meaning of the term "propaganda." She tried to explain it to them, and with just a little searching around the house they soon found a perfect example of it on the back of my stick of deodorant. It read:

This product contains: "ODOR-FIGHTING 'ATOMIC ROBOTS' THAT SHOOT LASERS AT STENCH MONSTERS..." Really? ATOMIC ROBOTS? Well, no, not literally, but the makers of Old Spice sure wanted to convey to the purchaser that their product is far superior to anyone else's.

Over the course of human history, many people have thought that the Bible was nothing more than "religious propaganda." All it contained they contended was nothing more than a bunch of exaggerated claims about sin in the world to prey on the weak-minded, gullible masses so religious folk could control their morality. Nothing could be further from the truth! The Bible does have a lot to say about sin, and mankind's responses to it -- not because "churchmen" want us to respond a certain way with our lifestyle choices -- but because God does. The Bible is not propaganda, it is TRUTH.

America is full of vicious political rhetoric right now that is full of propaganda. Voices from both the right and the left screaming at us about what is right or wrong and how we should think about things. Do not give in to human propaganda! There is but one voice we need to hear to make right decisions in this life, and that voice is God's as He has spoken to us through His Word. Make it a point this spring to study it. You'll be amazed how much God's Word has to say about this life, if only we stop and listen to Him instead of the world's propaganda.

### **Pizza and Game Night**

Calling all children, youth, and adults: Permission granted to "BEAT" your Pastor!

Timber Ridge will be hosting a "Pizza and Game Night" on Friday, February 17th from 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. We invite you all to bring a board game and come on out for a night of fun, food, and fellowship. Pizza and drinks will be provided – just bring a finger food, game, family member and guest. (In the event of snow, the event will be held the following week on February 24th.)

### **Save the Dates**

Our annual area Men's Rally for Christ will take place on Sunday evening, April 23rd.  
Our first annual Ladies' Rally will take place the following week on Sunday evening, April 30th.  
More information will follow.

### **Men's Fellowship Breakfast**

Come on out to Shiloh on Saturday, February 3rd for our area churches Men's Fellowship Breakfast. 7:30 - 9:00 a.m.

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### 2017 CHURCH OFFICERS

Trustees –

Jonathan Brill  
Galen Spaid  
*Betty Wingfield*

Ed Kline  
Tim Wingfield  
*Natalie Oakes*

Deacons –

Marlene Cornwell  
Ginger Brill  
*Dwayne Seldon*

Ruby La Follette  
Tom Pugh  
*Harry Spaid*

Church Clerk –

Sharie Eckenrode

Church Treasurer –

Kay Kline  
Nancy Pugh, Assistant

Members at Large –

Jeanie Spaid  
Nancy Pugh  
Betty Wingfield  
Elizabeth Wingfield

Mission Committee –

Ruby La Follette  
Jeanie Spaid  
Dawnna Seldon

Choir Director –

Ruby La Follette

Pianists –

Nancy Pugh  
Ruby La Follette

Auditors –

LaRue Kump  
Nancy Pugh

Ushers –

Harry Spaid  
Shelva Switzer

*\*Italics denotes new Deacons and Trustees elected this year*

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### ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Congregation met on Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> for the annual congregational meeting. In addition to the receipt of activity and treasurer's reports from the various entities of the church, a change to the Church Constitution was voted upon and approved. This change was made to resolve an issue that has been discussed at different times over several years. The change will create an active and an inactive list of membership. Going forward, only members on the active list will receive meeting notifications and be entitled to vote. The Deacons have been tasked with making recommendations to the congregation as to who should be on the two lists based upon criteria shown in the Constitution. The membership will make the final decision.