

# TIMBER RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

October 2015

## BELATED BIRTHDAY WISHES

We extend belated birthday wishes to Tiffany Jennings, who celebrated her 16<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 26<sup>th</sup>. May God bless her with many more!!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCT 3 -	COAT DRIVE 9 AM – 3 PM (SEE ARTICLE)
OCT 4 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
	WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
	SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE 6 PM
	DWAIN AND JANET FRIES ANNIVERSARY
OCT 6 -	CHASE ALAN BRILL'S 6 <sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY
OCT 11 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
	SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE 6 PM
OCT 16 -	HARVEST PARTY 6:30 PM (SEE ARTICLE)
OCT 18 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
	SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE 6 PM
OCT 22 -	SUZANNE REID'S BIRTHDAY
OCT 24 -	ANNUAL TURKEY & OYSTER DINNER 3:30 PM (SEE ARTICLE)
OCT 25 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
	REFORMATION SUNDAY
	SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE 6 PM
	OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BEGINS
OCT 28 -	TOM & NANCY PUGH'S 59 <sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY ABIGAIL SMITH'S 5 <sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY

## TURKEY AND OYSTER DINNER

Our annual Turkey and Oyster dinner will be held on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 3:30 pm. As usual, we will need to have items donated in advance and people to help on both the 23<sup>rd</sup> for preparing food and the 24<sup>th</sup> for cooking, serving and clean up. A donation signup sheet will be available at church each Sunday until October 18<sup>th</sup>.

## CHURCH YARD/BAKE SALE

Once again this year the Yard/Bake sale was a great success, generating just over \$1,900.00 in net proceeds. We wish to thank everyone who contributed to this worthwhile event.

## ANNUAL HARVEST PARTY

The annual Harvest Party will be held on Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm in the Sunday School building. There will be games, refreshments, including a hot dog roast and a hayride. Please invite a friend and join us for an evening of fun and fellowship. It would be helpful for Jeanie to know how many will be attending, so please let her know your plans. If you would like to help, donate food, or have any questions, please contact Jeanie Spaid. We look forward to seeing you there.

## OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

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

"Adiaphora" - one may refer to it as the "great grey area of life". What does the term mean? It refers to a person engaging in an activity that Scripture neither specifically permits nor prohibits. As the calendar turns to October, our society once more finds itself full circle with the "spookiest night of the year" - Halloween. Is it just an innocent night where Linus freezes in a pumpkin patch waiting for the "Great Pumpkin" or is it something that actually has a far darker side to it than that? Is it costumes and candy or demons and darkness? That is a question many Christians disagree over, and the simple fact of the matter is it is an issue of adiaphora. There is one thing associated with that day, however, that is not uncertain. It is the anniversary of the day when Martin Luther nailed his *Ninety-Five Theses* to the church door in Wittenberg, effectively beginning the Protestant Reformation. Whether or not you choose to celebrate Halloween with tricks of treats is up to you, but as your pastor, I do hope you will take some time on October 31st to thank God for the men He raised up like Luther, Zwingli, Calvin, Hus and Wycliffe who dared to challenge the Church of their day and say, "We must obey God rather than men!" May the same be true of us today as we stand strong against a world increasingly tolerant of sin, both within the Church and outside it.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The Sunday School will once again be collecting shoe box gifts in association with Samaritans Purse. These gifts are distributed to children in need in this country as well as remote areas around the world. The collection will begin on October 25<sup>th</sup> and end on November 15<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact Jeanie Spaid.

### COAT DRIVE

The Ladies Fellowship is asking for gently used coats, scarves, etc to be dropped off at the church before October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Coats can be picked up by anyone in the community in need of them in the basement of the Parish Hall between the hours of 9 am and 3 pm on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please pass the word along, and contact Ginger if you have questions or if you would like to arrange a time to drop off items.

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