
TIMBER RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

February 2024

Happy Valentine's Day
February 14th



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FEB 3 - SHARIE ECKENRODE'S BIRTHDAY
- FEB 4 - SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
GUEST MINISTER-JAMES MURPHY
ERIC REID'S BIRTHDAY
- FEB 5- NO BIBLE STUDY
- FEB 6 - TOM JENKINS' BIRTHDAY
- FEB 8 - HARRY SPAID'S BIRTHDAY
- FEB 9 - ROSIE REID'S BIRTHDAY
- FEB 10- MENS BREAKFAST 8 AM* (HAYFIELD)
*NOTE TIME CHANGE
- FEB 11 - SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
- FEB 12 - BIBLE STUDY 10 AM
LARUE KUMP'S BIRTHDAY
- FEB 13 - BIBLE STUDY 10 AM
- FEB 14 - ASH WEDNESDAY
VALENTINE'S DAY
- FEB 15 - PRAYER MEETING (CHURCH) 6:30-7:30 PM
- FEB 18 - SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
- FEB 19 - BIBLE STUDY 10 AM
PHIL CASH'S BIRTHDAY
- FEB 25 - SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
- FEB 26 - BIBLE STUDY 10 AM
- FEB 27 - HILDA SECRIST'S BIRTHDAY
- FEB 29 - PRAYER MEETING (CHURCH) 6:30-7:30 PM

PASTOR VACATION

Pastor Mike and family will be on vacation in Tuscon AZ from February 1 through February 9. We will welcome James Murphy as our guest minister on Sunday, February 4. Consequently, there will be no prayer meetings on February 1 or February 8.

BIBLE TRIVIA

After Eve, who is the first woman mentioned in the bible?

If you think that you know the answer contact Alan or Ginger and we will post the names of those who got the correct answer, along with the correct answer in next month's newsletter.

SNACKS FOR HOSPICE

As in the past, we will be collecting individually wrapped snacks for the providers and supporters of Hospice of the Panhandle for their Valentine's project. If you wish to participate, please have your snacks at the church no later than Sunday, February 4th.

We welcome any comments and suggestions.
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PASTOR'S PEN

Your King Loves You

I'm not sure how many of you viewed the daily devotional on Thursday, January 25, but in that video devotion, I read from Lawrence Roff's study on the hymn *O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus*, written by Samuel Trevor Francis. There are three stanzas in this hymn. Each of them describes the love of your King. It's a love so incredible, overwhelming, and vast that it's almost incomprehensible. I want to encourage you with the words of this hymn – God loves you more completely than anyone has ever loved you before.

In the hymn *O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus*, three stanzas describe the central theme of God's love. This theme is everywhere in scripture. From 2 Samuel 7, where God proclaims His love will not depart from David's line to John 3:16, where we read that God sent Jesus because He loved us, to 1 John 3:1, which reads, "See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God." The love of God is one of the overarching themes He wants us to understand. Samuel Francis understood this well and penned a hymn that has stood the test of time, reminding us of the overwhelming love of God.

Stanza 1 points to an all-encompassing love.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus – Vast unmeasured, boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean – In its fullness over me
Underneath me, all around me – Is the current of Thy love
Leading onward, leading homeward – To my glorious rest above

The endless nature of God's love is on full display in this stanza. God's love is powerful. God doesn't hold back or hesitate to shower you with all His love.

Stanza 2 points to the revelation of God's love in Christ and His continued work of love

O the deep, deep love of Jesus – Spread His praise from shore to shore!
How He loveth, ever loveth – Changeth never, never-more
How He watches o'er His loved ones – Die to call them all His own
How for them He intercedeth – Watcheth o'er them from the throne

Jesus deserves all honor and glory and praise! His love held Him on the cross until every sin was paid for. He now stands in the throne room, interceding on your behalf.

Stanza 3

O the deep, Deep love of Jesus – Love of every love the best
Tis an ocean vast of blessing – Tis a haven sweet of rest
O the deep, deep love of Jesus – Jesus Tis a heav'n of heav'ns
And it lifts me up to glory – For it lifts me up to Thee

God's love in Christ is a never-ending blessing. So rich, complete, and free that nothing will ever match it. You may not fully understand it until you arrive in heaven. But I pray you experience little glimpses of it daily here on earth!

~ Pastor Mike