
TIMBER RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

March 2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- MAR 2 - LADIES LUNCH AT CAFÉ DEL SOL 11:30 AM
ELIAS BRILL'S BIRTHDAY
- MAR 3 - SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
QUARTERLY TRUSTEES MEETING
- MAR 4 - BIBLE STUDY 10 AM
CODY SMITH'S BIRTHDAY
- MAR 8 - PREPARE FOR BREAKFAST 6:30 PM
- MAR 7 - PRAYER MEETING (CHURCH) 6:30-7:30 PM
- MAR 9 - HOSPICE BREAKFAST 7:30 – 10:30 AM
- MAR 10 - SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
QUARTERLY DEACONS MEETING
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS
- MAR 11 - BIBLE STUDY 10 AM
- MAR 15 - MABEL DAVIS'S BIRTHDAY
- MAR 17 - SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
- MAR 18 - BIBLE STUDY 10 AM
COLTON SPAID'S BIRTHDAY
- MAR 21 - PRAYER MEETING (CHURCH) 6:30-7:30 PM
- MAR 23 - BETTY LARRICK'S BIRTHDAY
- MAR 24 - PALM SUNDAY
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
- MAR 25 - BIBLE STUDY 10 AM
MARY BILLINGS'S BIRTHDAY
- MAR 28 - PRAYER MEETING (LARUE'S) 4-5 PM
GREG KENNEY'S BIRTHDAY
CHRIS & LUCY ORNDORFF'S ANNIVERSARY
- MAR 30 - COURTNEY MEADOWS BIRTHDAY
- MAR 31 - EASTER SUNDAY (SEE ARTICLE)
8:00 AM EASTER MORNING SERVICE
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS FOLLOW
10 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
11 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
COMMUNION SERVICE
CHARLIE MACOMBER'S 90TH BIRTHDAY

BREAKFAST TO BENEFIT

HOSPICE OF THE PANHANDLE

On Saturday, March 9, 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. Carry out will be available. 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 8th, around 6:30 pm to prepare for the next day and again at 6:00 am on Saturday, March 9th.

BIBLE TRIVIA ANSWER

The answer to last month's Bible Trivia Question was Adah (Genesis 4:19). Congratulations to Roland LaFollette, who gave us the correct answer and to Ruby LaFollette for her effort.

LADIES BRUNCH

The ladies will be gathering for a lunch and devotional time on March 2nd from 11:30 to 2 pm at Café Del Sol in Winchester VA. Each individual will order from the menu and will be self-pay. If you have questions, please see Ginger or Mary.

We welcome any comments and suggestions.
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Easter Sunday Services

We hope that you will invite friends and family to our Easter Sunday services on March 31st.

Outside Sunrise Service 8:00 am

Light Refreshments follow

Sunday School 10:00 am

Worship Service 11:00 am

(communion)

Please plan to bring flowers to decorate the sanctuary on Easter and then take them back home to enjoy after worship.

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY WISHES

We would like to extend a very Blessed 90th Birthday wish to Charlie Macomber on March 31st. If you would like to honor him with a card, his address is 208 Fawn Road, Gore VA 22637.

PASTOR MIKE AWAY FOR PRESBYTERY MEETINGS

Pastor Mike will be away on March 1-2 for the regular Presbytery meeting in Charleston and also on March 22 -23 for the PCA nominating committee meeting in Atlanta GA.

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PASTOR'S PEN

Conflict Can Be An Opportunity

Those of you who attend Sunday school know that we are about to finish our study from the letter Paul wrote to the Philippians. Our last lesson will be March 10th. That means we will start a new study on Palm Sunday by considering how to handle conflict. How exciting, right? Conflict is something found in every part of life. Whether it's a simple conflict with a spouse about who should take out the garbage or an outright feud with a family member that lasts years, dealing with conflict takes patience, perseverance, and practice.

Starting Palm Sunday, during our Sunday school time, we will be looking at how to handle conflict, why handling conflict correctly is important, and how handling conflict can be an opportunity for gospel conversations. I am inviting everyone to plan on attending because no matter what kind of conflict you're involved with, our discussions will focus on how to move forward in a godly way.

Conflict is not unheard of in the Bible. From Cain and Able to Peter and Paul, there is an opportunity for strife wherever two people are in a relationship. But strife doesn't have to lead to murder or even broken relationships. Instead, when handled well, there can be the possibility of healing, understanding, and even reconciliation. Although there is no quick fix or guaranteed resolution, following biblical practices to deal with conflict offers a roadmap on where to begin and how to proceed.

In Genesis, Jacob and Esau lived in a strained relationship. Each played a part in the conflict, and only after they had matured and Jacob wrestled with God did that conflict get resolved. It's a reminder that conflict almost always involves actions by two parties, and it is essential to be willing to see how you have contributed to the problem.

In Acts 15, the problem is with the practical outworking of the doctrine of grace as it was worked out in the lives of the Gentiles. This rising disagreement required the church elders to gather in Jerusalem to work things out. This is a reminder that sometimes conflict will rise to the level that others must be involved. The Bible recommends this type of resolution in Matthew 18.

In Galatians 2, Paul confronts Peter for acting as a hypocrite when some Jewish brothers visit them while they minister to the Gentiles. This episode helps us realize that even though conflict sometimes has to be dealt with in a hard way, it is vital for the peace and purity of the church.

Palm Sunday may seem like a strange time to begin studying conflict resolution, but I believe it's the perfect time. As we look at Jesus entering Jerusalem and going to the cross, we see the most significant conflict ever, the one between God and mankind, resolved. Was it difficult to solve? Yes. But the result of resolving our conflict with God is great news! Hope to see you on Palm Sunday in Sunday school.

~ Pastor Mike