

Snow Creek Christian Church

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April 2018



REFLECTIONS

Whew it's been a busy couple of weeks with Easter being so early this year. My prayer is that everyone was able to enjoy family and friends while we celebrated the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

It's hard to believe, with all the snow we have had in the past couple of weeks, that spring is really upon us. But the good news is that hopefully the colder weather is behind us and we can begin to see more and more of the beauty God placed on our earth as each day unfolds.

As we remember God's love for all of creation, let us remember that each of us, and all of humankind, are sisters and

brothers in God. That means that the person begging for money on the street is our brother, the young woman who is pregnant and doesn't know where to turn is our sister, the person addicted to drugs who steals to support their habit is our sister and brother.

When our thoughts are on the beauty that God brings to the earth during the springtime, let us not forget that beauty can also be found in those who do not seem so beautiful at first glance. God is walking beside each of us and we too have a responsibility as Christians to walk beside those who are struggling as well.

So, let us enjoy the springtime, the beauty of God's earth, while still looking for the hidden beauty that is within each human being. Let the light that God puts in our hearts be the light to guide others to a life in Christ.

Happy April.

Blessings, Bill Oliver

SNOW CREEK CHRISTIAN CHURCH BOARD MEETING

11-February-2018

G.B. Washburn called the meeting to order. Del Smith had our opening prayer. Minutes were reviewed. Del made a motion to approve and Ken seconded the motion, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report- Troy had the Church's 2017 year to date budget vs. actual year to date accrual available. We were under budget for all expense accounts except worship. The donation sheet listing all donations by deductible and non-deductible with their respective amounts was also made available. Ken made a motion to approve and Bud seconded the motion, motion carried.

Pastor's Report- Bill reported that January had turned out to be a busy month. He has made 4 hospital visits, 2 rehab visits and 3 home visits. The hospital visits, which sometimes took up most of the day, kept him from being able to make more home visits. Bill hopes to be more active visiting people in their homes.

Bill attended one Senior's meeting, one VBS planning meeting, one Worship committee meeting, two elders meetings and a meeting in regards to planning the Easter community service.

He stated the Lent season and preparation for Easter will take precedence this month and next. We will participate in the Week of Compassion offering to be held Feb. 18 and 25.

Committee Reports-Finance-

Property- Kay had the estimate from Via Construction for the work on the parsonage. She stated that Donald's work is currently 3 weeks out. The estimate was in the amount of \$8106.00 for total material and labor.

The wood stove needs to be moved out. Krystal suggested that the church may want to donate to someone for a source of heat. There is also a rug that needs to be got up which

will most likely take several people. Bud mentioned that we may want to take into consideration that in repairing things you often find other things that you were not expecting.

Curtis and Ken replaced lights at the church. Doug is having someone come out to look at the trees and will be getting an estimate.

Bud made a motion to accept the estimate by Via Construction with an additional \$2,000.00 contingency fund. Gusta seconded the motion, motion carried.

Media- Mollie has been hand typing in the songs and sermon scriptures that we see each week on the projection screen. There was some discussion about there being a better way/program so she would not have to do that manually. Ken mentioned using Power Point. This will be researched further.

Fundraiser- Gusta said they would be needing volunteers for the breakfast that is coming up. Bill and his wife are donating a country ham.

New Business- Chad told Kay that we would need more fire extinguishers and that they would need to be metal on metal at the top. Kay will get cost on those.

Calendar of Events- Easter Sunrise service will be at Boones Chapel this year with Snow Creek having the service. The time needs to be confirmed. The community Easter Service will be at Jones Chapel. The time needs to be confirmed for this as well. Bill is going to work on getting that information.

Snow Creek will be doing an Easter Egg hunt as well as Maundy Thursday.

Phil and G.B. mentioned going to sheriff's department for an active shooter class. The sheriffs' department would send someone out to the church if we were interested in that. Discussions went on as to whether church doors were being locked during church times. An example would be locking the door downstairs when the children are down there.

Other –G.B. wanted to offer up praises for Gusta Morris and Linda Hippisley. Gusta, for her work and help with Diane Arrington and Linda, for her work and help with Nancy Martin.

Bill had our closing prayer.

Meeting Adjourned,

Respectively Submitted,

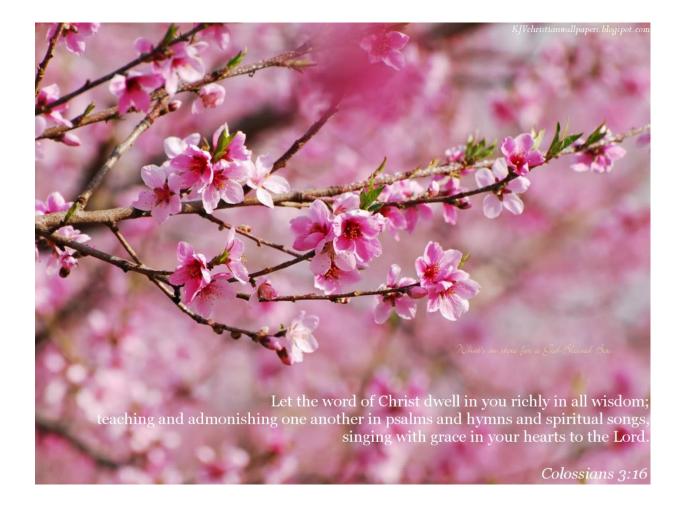
Susan Walker, Secretary

NOAH'S ARK: ALMOST everything we need to know we can learn from Noah's Ark.

- 1. Don't miss the boat.
- 2. Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.
- 3. Stay fit. When you're really old, you may be asked to do something really big.
- 4. Don't listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.
- 5. Build your future on high ground.
- 6. Speed isn't always an advantage. The snails were on board with the cheetahs.
- 7. When you're stressed, float awhile.
- 8. Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.
- 9. No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting.

RECIPES

Since we have some great cooks in the Church, a few people have suggested we share a Few of our favorite recipes in the newsletter. Please email to barbsmith@b2xonline.com or provide me a written copy if you wish to list it in the newsletter. Thanks



COMMUNITY NEWS

The Snow Creek Auxiliary will host a Country Breakfast Buffet on April 14 to support the Snow Creek Rescue Squad and Snow Creek Fire Department. 7 a.m. – 9 a.m. Plates – Adults -\$7 and Children -6 and under \$4 Buffet items are Country ham, sausage, gravy, scrambled eggs, fried apples, and hot biscuits. PLEASE SUPPORT OUR HARD WORKING SQUADS.



HONOR ROLL

High School Morgan made the Principals list. Nick, Bryce, and Tyler made the Honor Roll

Middle School Haley made the Principals List. Kailea made the A Honor Roll.

Elementary School Lacy, Nathan, Carsen, and Brodie made the Principals List

Breyer made the Honor Roll

Vacation Bible School



The Community Vacation Bible School will be at Pleasant Grove Methodist Church June 25-June 29. 5:15 p.m. till 8:45 p.m. A light Dinner will be Included.

Open to children ages 3 - 13
Bible lessons, Games. Imagination Station, Songs and Fun!
Preregister at https://vbspro.events/p/events/cc4ee3



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FUTURE EVENTS

April 8 Board Meeting following Worship

April 29 Youth Sunday

May 6 7:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast

May 13 Mother's Day Service during the Worship

Service

May 28 Memorial Day Service



CALVIN is currently recuperating at Stanleytown Health & Rehabilitation Center

DIANE has a change of address since the last newsletter. Her new address is Dominion Senior Living, 425 Shelby Lane, Bristol, Virginia 37620.

IN MEMORIAM

Talmadge Bennett Mitchell passed from this life on March 10. He was the beloved brother of Howard Mitchell.

William Lynwood Belcher (Lynnie) passed from this life on March 27. He was the beloved brother of Ruth Davidson and Donald Belcher.

IN MEMORY OF A SPECIAL

Brother

Today is full of memories of a Brother laid to rest and every single one of them is filled with happiness

For you were someone special always such a joy to know and there was so much pain when it was time to let you go

That's why this special message is sent to heaven above for the angels to take care of you and give you all my love

Our Prayers and Thoughts are with Calvin, Diane, the Mitchell Family, and the Belcher/Davidson Families and all those listed on our Church Prayer list.



LET'S CELEBRATE



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Joyce Ingram
- 7 Isaiah Jordan
- 22 Whitney Eanes
- 22 Pam Gabriel
- 23 Betty Lou Cooper
- 27 Rob Lovett

2 Todd & Melody Martin

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