



First Christian Church of Effingham

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O Breath of Life

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Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday, March 12th Young @
Heart meet @ 9:00 a.m. for coffee,
fellowship and prayer

Tuesday, March 12th Ladies Meeting
meets @ 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 13th W.O.W.
meets @ 5:30 p.m. for supper then
informational meeting for Costa Rica
Mission Trip

Thursday, March 14th Elders Meet
@ 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, March 17th Open House for
Vernon & Shirley Jamison 50th wed-
ding anniversary from Noon to 3:00
p.m.

Saturday, March 23rd Children's
Event—Meet at 10:00 a.m. @ Ever-
green Nursing Facility to play bingo
with the residents

Saturday, March 30th Men's Gather-
ing meets @ 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 7th Tuna, Tuna
Helper, Cereal or your choice are due
for Calvary Baptist Food Pantry

Ponderings of the Preacher . . .

Six men were gathered on top of a mountain (Luke 9:28-36). Three of them were sleeping and three of them were talking with each other. These six men were truly a “Who’s Who” in religion. Their names were Peter, James, John, Elijah, Moses and Jesus. If you had been a part of that group, what would you have wanted to talk about? Perhaps the crossing of the Red Sea or the receiving of the Ten Commandments would have been your choice of topic. Or maybe the challenge on Mt. Carmel with God answering prayer with fire may have been your focus. The three that were conversing were talking about Jesus’ death, resurrection and ascension (Luke 9:31). In the coming years the three that were sleeping couldn’t stop talking about Jesus, His life, death, resurrection, etc. This simply emphasizes the importance of Jesus and His sacrifice for us.

There is something else that stands out about the three men who were engaged in conversation. It has to do with their graves. Elijah never had a grave because he was taken into heaven without ever having to die. Moses has an unknown grave because no one witnessed his burial. God Himself buried Moses. Jesus has an empty grave because He was raised to life never to die again and is now at the right hand of God in heaven. The Bible tells us that as followers of Christ we will be like either Elijah or Jesus.

If we are alive when Jesus returns, then we shall not die but we shall be changed and caught up in the clouds to meet the Lord. (1 Corinthians 15:51; 1 Thessalonians 4:17) We shall never experience death. However if we should die before the Lord returns, then at His coming we shall be raised to life never to die again. (1 Corinthians 15:52; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17). That sounds like a win-win situation. “Therefore comfort one another with these words.” (1 Thess. 4:18).

I hope to see each of you this coming Lord’s Day when we will continue to talk about Jesus and all that He has done for us. Let’s all do our best to be in church this coming Sunday!

C U N Church,
David

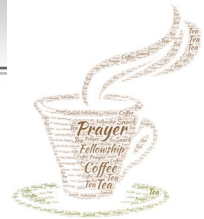


<i>Serving In March</i> <i>Elder:</i> March 10th :Troy Bloemker <i>Deacons:</i> J.P. Smith, Martin Zubiate, George Shouse, Jacob Beavers <i>Deaconesses:</i> Laurie Akeman & Irma McConnell			
<i>2/24/19 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: \$4,917.00 includes Faith Promise Offering</i>		<i>3/3/19 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: \$ 3,730.00 includes Faith Promise Offering</i>	
Worship:96 Sunday School: 24		Worship: 76 Sunday School:16	
<i>Faith Promise Missions: \$308.00</i> <i>Cookbook Sale :\$10.00</i>		<i>Faith Promise: \$1070.00</i>	
<i>Building:\$40.00</i>		<i>Building:\$40.00</i> <i>Countrymark Refining & Logistics: \$13.96</i>	
<i>Sunday School:\$25.00</i>		<i>Sunday School:\$15.00</i>	
Greeters for March 10th: J.P. & Shannon Smith		Home Communion for March 10th: Greg Spillman	
Greeters for March 17th: June Ashley & Barb Morrison		Home Communion for March 17th: Chris Denoyer & Kelvin Williams	

Young @ Heart

Tuesday, March 12th

Come and join us for snack, coffee/tea, prayer & Fellowship @ 9:00 a.m.



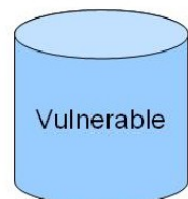
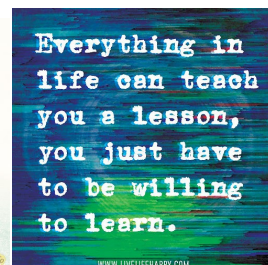
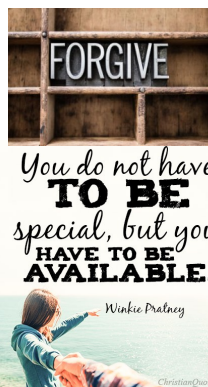
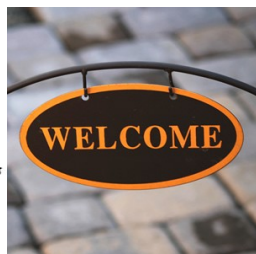
W.O.W. Adult Study

WOW March 13th

Everyone is encouraged to be a part of our Wednesday evening activities.
Supper will be at 5:30p.m..

Informational meeting for Costa Rica Mission Trip begins @ 6:00p.m.

The **adults** Bible study at **6:30p.m.** **BUILDING A SENSE OF COMMUNITY IN A CONGREGATION** with Delaine Donaldson





Prayer List



Homebound and Nursing Home: Marie Waddell, Bonnie Koester, Wanda Morgan, Holly Arney, Marie Fulk, Don VanDeveer, Elinor Wolford, Darlene Zimdars, Dorothy Locke, Bonnie Thomas, Shirley Barry, Ruth Meyers

Cancer: Laura Knierim, Sharon Douglas, Shirley Strickland, Ron Anderson, Tatum, Ashley Judd, Barb Eaton, Patty Willis, Alayna Plank, Renae Metke, Andy, Mike Page, Gary Lewis, Brandy Harper, Tiffany Dunaway, Brad Arney's Great Grandson Parker Burns, Susie Mast, Nancy Koester, Patrice Runyon, John Arnold, Carley Tull, Robert Barkauska, Jessica Baker, Nikki Szynonik, Misty Ulmer, Lanny Grove, Joshua McConnell, Rosemary Niemerg, Ruth, Barb Gaddis, Elizabeth Weidner, Dallas Parkhurst, Ray Bushue, Bill Dentln, Jane Ann's Friend, Joy Gamber, Gene Moeller, Arlene Mullen, Joe Stoops, Jill Fiddler, Scott Chalcant, Dallas Hurst, Caleb, Sandy Brockett, Travis Stine, Ken Roley, Lois Bartels, Cindy Meitzner, Mat Reed, Adam Stoops, Allen Griffin, Joyce Jordon Griggs, Steve Sabens, Reenie's Cousin Teri, A.J.'s Grandmother, Hanna Henning, Marissa (Walton) Banovz, Ashley, Bob Pike, Bill LeCrone, Janet (Dennis Young's Friend), Doris Percival, Malcolm Jollivay & Family, Sandra Helmink, Norma Buehler, All Kids with cancer, Keaton Gabel-13 year old, Raeleigh-7 year old, Kristen Avotea, 2 year old boy, Jill Fidler, Brad Hockman, Aiden-2 year old, Sue Martin, Robin Nees, Jim Shouse, Kitty Jo Herrmann, Floyd Miller, Dennis Young's Great Nephew



Special Needs: Darlene & Gary Elliott, LeAnn Spruell, Sarah Gremo, Craig Lattig, Phyllis Mitchell, Chris Hutcheson's nephew, Lucien Grey Valdez(9 month old), J.C. Packer, Cathy Weiffenbach, Dennis Reynolds, Linda Shaw, John Donathan's uncle, Phyllis (Bev Thoele's Sister), Ken & Velma Thomason, Rhodes Gephart, Marsha Smith, Sharon Caylor, Bobby Spracklen, Roger Wyckoff, Rory Miller, Victoria Gifford, Emmie Jane Sidwell-2 year old, Sonya Davis, Thelma Kirchoffer, Krissy Moore, Anthony Jamison, Travis Schoenfelden, Diane Donaldson, Vernon & Shirley Jamison, Dan & Rusty Shouse, Stephanie Packer, Kenny Scoggins, Lynn Weddle, Madison (2 yr. old with brain tumor), Pat Beals, David Powers, Dallas Kingery, Sandy Brockett, Larry Shoemaker, Joyce Walters, Elijah Kennard, Denny & Ruth Williams

(These names will remain on the prayer list for one month. Then, we need an update to put their names back on this Special Needs list.)

Missions: Heartland Christian Village-Neoga, IL

Military: Troops in Harms Way; Tyler Cross in the Air Force, Zach Apke,

Grieving Families: Betty's Family, Justice's Family



Faith Promise 2018/2019

Faith Promises Received

A total of \$36,570.00 for the year 2018/2019.

Received So Far: \$15,691.10

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

1 Peter 4:10





March Book of the Month

A **study guide** is available on the foyer table for **Deuteronomy**.

Pastor David will be preaching from **Deuteronomy** during the month of **March**

Goals:

Greater knowledge of the Bible &

Help one develop consistency in Bible reading.

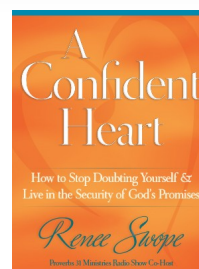


Ladies Meeting

Tuesday, March 12th

Come and **meet @ 6:30 p.m.** in the fellowship hall. Snacks, fellowship, prayer and lesson 6: *The Woman God Created You To Be* from the video series *A Confident Heart* by Renee Swope

We will also **tie blankets for the cancer center**. Bring a pair of sharp scissors



Wedding Anniversary

50th

Vernon & Shirley Jamison

March 17th—Noon to 3:00 p.m.

Stop by and wish them a happy anniversary.

Please no gifts, your presence is present enough.

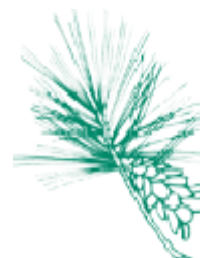
Have a snack, sit and talk a while

Children's Event



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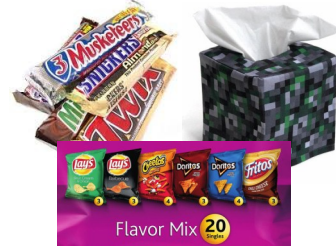


Heartland Christian Village



During March

Bring items for the shopping cart to the fellowship hall. Items suggested are square Kleenex boxes, hand lotion, chap stick, soap, candy, individual bags of chips, mints, etc.



Men's Gathering

Saturday, March 30th

Come and join us for supper and fellowship!
Meet @ 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.



Oil Belt Christian Service Camp

Big Overnighter

When: March 29 to 30 Or March 30 to 31

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Who: 3rd through 5th Graders

Cost: \$20.00

Register online @ oilbelt.com

Speaker: Kyle Stortzum-Fellowship of Christian Athletes



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Calvary Baptist Food Pantry

Sunday, April 7th

Tuna, Tuna Helper Cereal
or your choice are due in Beebe Hall





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SERVICE REQUESTED



First Christian Church
of Effingham

Saturday, April 13th
Starts @ 10:00 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt
901 N. Henrietta St.
Effingham, IL



Bring a basket or sack to collect your eggs