



We Strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing together in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.

Today's Events

- Life Groups

Upcoming Events

- Mar. 21**-Wednesday Meal-Chicken Tetrazinni, Salad, Dessert
- Mar. 26**-Alva Bible Chair
- Mar. 28**-Wednesday Meal-Pizza, Salad, Dessert
- Apr. 1**- 8:30 a.m. Easter Fellowship Breakfast instead of classes.
- Apr. 4**-Wednesday Meal-Chicken, Potatoes, Vegetables, Dessert
- Apr. 8**-Elders/Deacons Meeting, 8:00 a.m.
- Apr. 11**-Wednesday Meal-Baked Potatoes, Fixins, Salad, Dessert
- Apr. 18**-Wednesday Meal-Sandwiches, Chips, Dessert
- Apr. 26**-Pizza, Salad, Dessert
- May 2**Wednesday Meal-Chicken, Potatoes, Veggies, Dessert
- May 9**-Wednesday Meal-Baked Potatoes, Fixins, Salad, Dessert
- May 13**-Mother's Day
- May 13**-Elders/Deacons Meeting, 8:00 a.m.
- May 16**-Wednesday Meal-Sandwiches, Chips, Dessert
- May 23**-Wednesday Meal-Pizza, Salad, Dessert
- May 23**-Blood Drive

Volunteers needed to fill Communion Trays

We would like to reorganize a rotation schedule for people to help fill communion trays. Please contact the church office if you are interested in helping.

Song Leader	Dee Plummer
#238.....	You are the Song that I Sing
.....	Days of Elijah
.....	Here I am to Worship
Welcome/Scripture	Psalm 133
Opening Prayer	Erik Granberg
.....	Sean Sellers
.....	You are my all in all
#315.....	When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Communion Talk	Bill Oldham
Bill Oldham	Butch McComas
Todd Anderson	Jeff Owen
Glenn Walker	Brent Dittmeyer
Rustin Osburn	Wayne Williams
#560.....	Living by Faith
Children's Message	Dee Plummer
.....	Dismiss Children
#23.....	Our God, He is Alive
Sermon	Erik Granberg
#948.....	I am Resolved
Welcome/Announcements	Dan Kent
Shepherd's Prayer	Dan Kent
Sound Booth	Robb Mills
Slides	Terry Sherrill

Sermon Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 10-14 (Especially 14:33)

Sermon thought: The scriptures have much to say about maintaining peace, order, and unity. Believers would gain much from focusing on those mandates. When the topic of gender roles in church comes up there is a danger to lose focus of what God wants and get distracted by what is happening in the culture around us.

Questions:

1. Take a few minutes and talk about the opposite ends of the gender role spectrum.
2. How do cultural issues complicate how we look at scripture?
3. How does taking time to understand gender roles from a biblical perspective benefit churches?

Prayer List

Jan Petrik-is having knee problems. Will have an MRI soon.

Geneva Sheffield-has moved to Greenbrier Nursing Home. Room #3.

Debbie Martin-upcoming surgeries.

Cathy Berry-health issues.

Madison Solis-back problems. (Debbie Martin's daughter.)

Mary Raloff-healing from falls.

Sydney Reigh- 6 year old recovering from 13th surgery for spinal and brain issues. Parents are friends of Seth & Cassie Barr and cousin of Dudley & Megan Darrow.

Gary Osburn-health issues.

Jimmy Hiatt-diagnosed with Parkinson's (Karianne Myrick's father).

Gordon & Carol Jantz-traveling for a funeral

Joe William's father-in the hospital

Record for 3-11-18

Bible Class	94
Morning Worship	176
Life Groups	89
Contribution.....	\$6,494.50
Budget.....	\$6,634.62
2018 YTD Cont	\$59,597.11
2018 YTD Bdgt.....	\$66,346.20

Birthdays

March:

18th...Greg Palmer

18th...Wendy Taylor

22nd Mayson Pettus

24th Shawn Tuohy

Lariat Creek Christian Camp

The camp sessions for the summer at Lariat Creek Christian Camp are now on their website. If interested, please check out all the sessions available. The first session is Beginners Session and it will be June 1st & 2nd.

Being Calm and Courageous No Matter What

There is a passage of scripture in Acts that often gets looked to as the perfect church. Acts 2:42-47 describes the people as those, *"devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."* It also says they sold their possessions so that they could give to the poor, met daily, and that God "added to their number day by day those who were being saved." This certainly does have an uplifting feel to it. However, there is a big difference between the ideal snap shot of a moment in time and reality. The reality is that conflict was all around them.

Read through the book of Acts and take note of all the conflict. The very next chapter Peter and John healed a lame man which leads to their arrest. Other conflict includes: Ananias and Sapphira dying because of their lies, Stephen stoned as the first martyr, men and women arrested, persecution, a secret plot of murder, a heated argument between Paul and Barnabas, riots, ship wrecks, a snake bite, and a long journey to stand trial before the infamous Caesar. Throughout the conflict, there is an important lesson to see: EVERY conflict encountered led to further spread of the gospel.

We also live with conflict all around us. The question is, "How will we respond?" There are several choices available. We can avoid conflict and let it kill us from the inside like cancer. Another option is to add to it like throwing wood on a fire until there are only charred remains. The best option is to calmly and courageously work through it.

The scriptures repeatedly call followers of God to live at peace: Romans 12:18, *"as far as it depends on you live at peace with everyone,"* Matthew 5:23, *"go and be reconciled to your brother,"* and Ephesians 4:26, *"In your anger do not sin'; Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold."* With all the chaos and conflict going on in the world around us, we need people who will commit to being calm and courageous no matter what. Erik Granberg

Secretary Position Opening

We are beginning the process of filling our secretary position. A job description has been prepared and is available upon request. A significant difference we are considering is changing this position from full-time to part-time (20 hrs./wk.). For those interested, please submit a resumé to Erik Granberg by March 25 for the elders to consider.

Easter Fellowship Breakfast

On Easter Sunday, April 1st, we are going to have an Easter Fellowship Breakfast here at the church. The plan is for men of the congregation to show up early and cook breakfast. It will be served that morning at 8:30 and will take the place of our Sunday school hour. Please join us for a morning of fellowship as we take time to focus on the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Special Ladies Class this Tuesday

Kelsey Sellers will share her recent experiences in the Philippines on Tuesday, March 20, at 10:00 a.m. Come join us for a special "first day of spring" brunch catered by Katy's Pantry.

Office Hours for this Week

This week the church office will be open from 8 a.m. until noon Monday-Friday