
TIMBER RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

September 2015

UPCOMING COAT DRIVE

A coat drive is being planned by the Ladies Fellowship for October 3rd. If anyone has new or used coats that they would like to donate, please save them for this coat drive. More details will follow soon.

ANNUAL YARD/BAKE SALE

Our Annual Yard Sale will be held on Friday and Saturday, September 11th and 12th from 8 am to 4 pm each day. Items for the sale may be brought to the church Sunday after church and Monday through Wednesday after 6 pm the week of the sale. Please make sure clothes are not torn or stained and that all items are in good condition. Small appliances must be in good working order. No large appliances please. Volunteers will be needed during sale week to price/arrange items. We will also be selling homemade vegetable soup, ham and chicken salad sandwiches. On Wednesday, September 9th, beginning at 6 pm, we will need help cutting up vegetables for the soup, trimming the ham, and to make final preparations. The soup will be made on Thursday beginning at 8:30 am. Additional help would be appreciated around 2 pm when the soup will be ready to be placed in jars. Also, volunteers will be needed to fry ham and make sandwiches beginning at 7:00 am both days. Please help if you can. We will also need baked goods for the bake sale. Please contact Ginger Brill with any questions or to inquire about helping. Please do everything that you can to get the word out.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- SEPT 4 - ALAN BRILL'S BIRTHDAY
- SEPT 6 - SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE 6 PM
- SEPT 8 - PHYLLIS BISHOP'S BIRTHDAY
DORIS SPAID'S BIRTHDAY
- SEPT 11 & 12 - ANNUAL YARD SALE (SEE ARTICLE)
- SEPT 12 - ROSS JONES'S BIRTHDAY
- SEPT 13 - SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE 6 PM
GRANDPARENTS DAY
- SEPT 20- SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE 6 PM
- SEPT 24 - ED KLINE'S BIRTHDAY
DWAIN FRIES 69TH BIRTHDAY
- SEPT 27- SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
COUNCIL MEETING FOLLOWING
SERVICE
MUSIC IN THE MOUNTAINS - SHILOH UM
CHURCH RADIO SHOW 6 PM

We welcome any comments, suggestions and/or newsletter items.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHURCH PICNIC

For the fourth year, our annual Sunday School/Church Picnic was held at the farm of Art and Ruby La Follette. It was a beautiful day, the attendance was good and everyone seemed to have a great time. We wish to thank Art and Ruby for their hospitality. Does anyone know this snake handler who appeared at the picnic??

PASTOR'S PEN

From a human perspective, no decision is more important than the family we join, which is actually a decision that is made for us. I spent a lot of time contemplating that this week as I was preparing a sermon on "adoption" based on Romans Chapter 8 and thinking about the baptism of my youngest son Zachary. None of us chose our birth or adoptive families, nor did we choose God as our heavenly Father. That decision was made for us, and what an impactful decision that is. Everything we are in Christ, we owe to Him. To quote Paul from the first chapter of Ephesians, the Father chose us in Christ "before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him." We are a part of something that is far bigger than us; we are a part of a family that is far greater than anything we can imagine. We live in a world today of crumbling relationships. Dysfunctional family life gets prime-time reality shows on T.V., yet that is little more than the world's way of making one feel better about sin. All those in Christ have been adopted into God's family, and it is the best family of which you could ever be a part. The more we resemble that family life in our own lives and in the life of His Church, the more we will realize that the cure for our characteristic traits from our dysfunctional birth families does not come from condoning them but realizing that they no longer define us. We have a new family who not only truly loves us but wants to give us good things. Are there moral choices we must make in doing so? Absolutely - and the more we make those choices that are characteristic of our new family, the more the stamp of their identity on our life will define us. We are adopted sons and daughters of God in Christ! How magnificent is the privilege to bear that family name, especially in a world that thinks more highly of our birth family than our true one.

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