

DATES AHEAD:

January

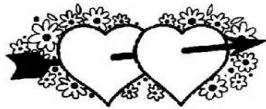
29th Annual Business Meeting
(Immediately Following the Sunder
Worship Service)

February

14th Valentine's Day
20th President's Day

March

12th Daylight Savings Begins
20th First Day of Spring



January Anniversaries

5 Josh & Anna Hoeft

February Anniversaries

15 Connie & Mike Quigley
17 Dave & Kathy Burkleo
21 Les & Jackie Hill

March Anniversaries

None (Yet!)

20 Families were fed this year
through our Christmas Food Box
Program, 10 of which were re-
quested by Applegate School—
Praise God!

Front Bulletin Board

Stay tuned for upcoming events for the New Year
and check out the latest on the front bulletin
board. Monthly potlucks, bon fires, Valentine's
Dinner, Family Fun Days, and MUCH MORE!

January Birthdays

- 6 Josiah Whaley
- 7 Emma Englen
- 9 Kelsie Leet
- 12 Beth Piete
- 18 Joe Neiderheiser
- 20 Chris Richardson
- 26 Stephan Vander-
Valk
- 28 Quintin Reardon

February Birthdays

- 6 Conner Reardon
- 7 Pierce Reardon
- 15 Autumn Froke
- 22 Willard Marsh
- 26 Marilyn Stutzman
- 28 Adrienne Reardon
- 28 Peter Guy

March Birthdays

- 4 Pam Baize
- 15 Barbara Long
- 16 Les Hill
- 18 Kathy Burkleo
- 20 Barbara
Keosababian
- 22 Krista Englen
- 25 Susie Beams
- 26 Connie Quigley
- 27 Bonnie Jones

**“Foundry”
Junior High
& High School
Sunday School
9:00 a.m.
Room #4
Finished a series
on Church History,
and starting a new
one entitled,
“Answering The
Bible’s Tough
Questions”**

**NEW YEAR’S DAY
FAMILY POTLUCK
AND GAME DAY!**

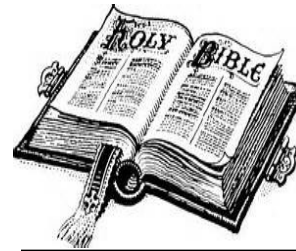
Bring a dish to share for the
potluck after the worship
service and your favorite
games!

Organized games in the Gym
and Board and Card Games in
the Fireside Room!

All ages encouraged to come!

Come and go as you please.
Bring your favorite munchie for
the afternoon!

See Cindy Reardon for more
information or questions.



NEWSBREAK

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Well, 2016 has definitely been a year of CHANGE for ACC! Perhaps, like me, you are suspect or even doubtful towards certain kinds of change, especially as it messes with your familiar routine. Let me encourage us to focus on the pursuit of *biblical* change “know[ing] the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge” as we commit ourselves “to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think” (Eph 3:19-20).

We are endeavoring to be changed and conformed to the image of Christ, both individually and corporately (Rom 8:29). That is a worthy pursuit! Change is a good thing, such that it is stripping away everything in our lives that does not bring Him glory and honor. Wouldn't it be a worthy goal in 2017 to keep perpetually before our eyes the biblical process of change, as we together (1) put aside sinful habits and (2) replace them with godly ones (3) for the glory of Christ?!

How serious are you about winning the battle against sin, self, and the flesh? As we become more sober about the struggle against indwelling sin (Rom 7), we must be reminded of the radical provision of Christ. The Spirit of Christ that dwells within is more than adequate to empower us in taking radical action like Jesus alludes to in His sermon on the mount (Matt 5:28-30). We're talking radical mortification by the power of the Spirit. God has actively made provision for victorious change, as the old man was crucified (Rom 6:16) and He admonishes us to be actively engaged in the change process by putting to death the flesh (Eph 4:22; Gal 5:16, 24). How are you doing in that daily battle of progressive sanctification? Just because we've been on the road of salvation for a long time, doesn't mean we're as far down the road towards holiness that we should be. Thus, we continue the journey together, constantly stimulating one another to love and good deeds (Heb 10:24).

Here we are at ACC, familial cheerleaders in the family of God, as the church is one of the greatest tools that the Lord uses in changing us from one level of glory to another. So when do we let up? Not until that day in which we are changed in an instant and this perishable puts on the imperishable and we victorious stand in His presence (1 Cor 15). Until then, beloved saints at ACC, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing your toil is not in vain!

Who knows? Maybe 2017 will be the year that Christ returns for His Bride, the Church, and our change will be complete!

Soli Deo Gloria,
Pastor Parker

Deacon's Report: December 2016

It is always fascinating to watch the Lord work in His church. Several examples of His providential care happened in the finances of the church during 2016. When the year started, we put together a budget that contemplated a "typical" year. We knew we would bring in a new pastor to lead the church, but we couldn't foresee exactly how that would affect the budget. Also, with the timing of changing pastors, we knew it would affect our finances, but we weren't certain of the overall impact. Once the final decision was made to bring Parker on board, we realized we had a lot of work to do, and it would require a significant outlay to accomplish the task of getting his family here and refurbishing our facilities to make them livable. We were able to succeed with the Lord's gracious provision. The amazing part was that after significant expenditures, we still ended up with close to the same amount of funds in our account as to when we started. Oh, and there was a pretty significant expense in the middle of it that was unplanned: a sewer pipe located under a concrete pad came apart after the duct tape that held it together disintegrated.

In the future, if it is the Lord's will, we would like to complete the following projects:

- 1) Finish the bridge by attaching the railings
- 2) Do a partial upgrade of the gym lighting
- 3) Reattach the sign lighting by the road that was torn off by vandals
- 4) Install lighting to illuminate the cross on the front of the church
- 5) Repair the stairway at the end of the building
- 6) Upgrade the church website

Some projects where you can give because the financial need is greater than the available funds:

- 1) The building needs a new roof. Our roofer comes every year to patch it, but this year he told us we are throwing away our money with those annual repairs. His advice for us is to re-roof the building.
- 2) Our audio/visual system - it needs help. Along with other issues, the people in the sound booth have difficulty at times hearing the music and the message through their headphones.

As always, there are plenty of areas where you can plug in and serve. If you want to clean the facilities, mention it to Frank Heberling. Currently, we are paying for some janitorial services, but at the first of the year, we will bring it in-house. If you like the Meet-n-Greet times after the service, think about serving in that ministry. Barb or Tom can fill you in on what is needed.

It is pretty easy to serve. If you are unsure of where, or if you'd like more information, talk to any of the Deacons.

-Mark Sosey



Jackie Hill's Corner

✧ Women's Outreach Meetings: ✧

✧ First Thursday of Each Month at 9:15 a.m.. We are looking forward to the Spring Luncheon in ✧

✧ April and will be working on those preparations! ✧

✧ Ladies Bible Study: ✧

✧ Every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. at the church. We're enjoying our study in the book of Philippians. ✧

✧ All ladies are cordially invited to join us! ✧



AWANA UPDATE:

AWANA for the first Semester has come to a close. The Lord has Blessed our AWANA Program again this year, with a fantastic group of wonderful Kiddos, as well as a dedicated staff of Fantastic Volunteers. There are some new faces to be seen both amongst the Leaders and the Children which is a great Blessing and Encouragement for all.

We have had a great time with lots of fun events so far, including a very well-stocked AWANA Store, a great Christmas Party, and some wonderful Game Times. We've also learned some valuable lessons, such as NOT ever (EVER!) buying Pinatas in the form of Human Beings again. Animals and Fictional Characters we can handle.

My Prayer for the remainder of the AWANA Year would be that God uses each of us to reach out to other children in the Applegate and Williams Valleys that may be available to attend AWANA on Wednesday nights. There are many other children in the valley that likely don't even know that our Church hosts AWANA, while others are aware but maybe haven't been reminded or invited. If you could take some time to consider others you can invite that would be great!

Whether we have 20 kiddos or 50, every night is a wonderful time teaching and learning about our Lord and Savior.

Continue to pray for AWANA that the Hearts and Minds of these little ones will be turned to Jesus, and for the continued diligence and ambition of our Volunteers.

See you at AWANA in 2017!

'Commander' Leet



Men's Fellowship on Saturday Mornings
Breakfast at 8am,
Followed by Prayer Time, & Bible Study Time
We are Studying in the Book of Acts
See Les Hill for questions & Join Us!