E-Messenger

First Church of Christ

Hope you all have been able to enjoy and make the most of this holiday season.

I think most are so ready to be done with 2020 and looking forward to 2021. I pray that 2021 allows us to get back to normal though I am not sure exactly what that is.

One thing 2020 has allowed was for us to learn some things about ourselves. Some alone time is OK but 9 months, with a few more to go they say, is just too much.

There is a new-found respect for those who have served on the front

line of this crisis.

It's not wise to take things for granted because they can be gone faster than we ever dreamed.

I know people have had to make hard decisions about closing businesses for the greater good, but I also like that so many have found the desire and dignity that comes from honest work. I look forward to the day their doors are open, dreams realized, and hearts satisfied at the end of a day's work.

2021 will also bring our nation a new President. I do not know why anyone would desire the office, but I am grateful for those with the courage to lead. Scripture is clear; we are to pray for those God has placed in these positions from the federal to the local level. We will not agree with all their positions and decisions, but where possible, let's live in peace and where we disagree, do so as Christ would.

Thank you to such a loving church family to

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serve along with. Your kindness to us this Christmas season is deeply appreciated. Thank You!

Destined to Win, Larry Snavely

Serving in January

Prayer Warriors:

Sherry Trubey & MaKenzie Manges

Elder Schedule:

3-Dave Beerbower

10-Dave Cunningham

17-Jim McPeak

24-Mark Rhodes

31-Larry Snavely

Nursery:

3—Jane Runyan

10-Stacie Beerbower

17-Teresa Gambler

24-Vickie Grimm

31-Sharon Blinzler

Children's Church:

3—Kristi Schooley

10-Kim Snavely

17—Todd Gambler

24-Kim Snavely



Birthdays & Anniversaries



1 Kayson Buchanan

2 Sarah Snavely

3 Linda Lewis

BIRTHDAYS baugh

- Diane Altman, Mark Brandt
- 6 Joanne Allison
- 9 Michael Bard, Rich

Trubey

- 12 Cayl Poncsak
- 16 Taylor Dominique
- 17 Mike Robson
- 21 Gary Roughton, Kelly

VonDeylen

- 22 Pam Hartman
- 24 Luc Hesselschwardt, Ronnie Pinckley
- 26 David Olds
- 28 August Beerbower
- 29 Braxton Snavely
- 30 Darrell Kinnan



30 Bob & Norma Stambaugh (73)



Family News

Attention Senior Saints: Given the current situation with COVID, all Senior Saints activities will be put on hold until April. Hopefully, at that time, we will be

able to gather together for Lunch Bunch and Craft Group without the worry of illness. We hope to see you all soon.

"Many people quench the Spirit by being down in the mouth rather than rejoicing, by planning rather than praying, by murmuring rather than giving thanks, and by worrying instead of trusting in Him who is faithful."

-Cameron Townsend



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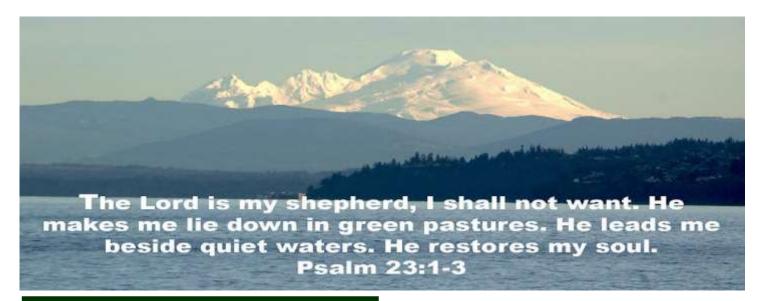
Our Service Personnel: Lindsey Carter (FL), Caleb Lloyd (Japan), Josh Severs (S. Korea), Braxton Singer (NC), Katie Sparks (PA), Jessie Stillman (OH), Josh Tonneas (TX)

Cancer: Gwen Acker-Dickinson, Joyce Bailey, Nathan Bailey, Sue Bever, Tim Bight, Brent, Sherry Buchsteiner, Jennie Case, Andrew Dell, Adam Farger, Carrie H., Molly Johnston, Kent, Chuck Lees, Ron Lewis, Tim Mavis, Jim McPeak, Chloe Merrilet, Crystal Miller, Aaron

Nartker, Ruth Ordway, Mary Pinckley, Anna Pitman, Elaine Purdue, Steve Ringer, Bob & Sue Secoy, Elizabeth Shetler, Terry Shinaberry, Dean Smethurst, Lyle Snavely, Norma Stambaugh, Ron Stark, Amy Tobin, Linda Walker, Kathy Walton, Drew Wayman. Other Concerns: Jennifer Mavis, Trevor Bailey, Neighborhood, Arlene Boyer, Dale Boyer, Danielle Strouse, Asher Cravens, Brenda Ridgway, Cindy Wolf, Zach Swisher, Cheryl Towers, Keller Gardner, Gene Nash, Kim Beek, Joshua Taylor, Keely Strouse, Carson

Strouse, Gene Crawford, youth ministry, Danny Hull, Jim McElfresh, Bryan Tonneas, Cindy Webber, Curt Bennett, Kevin Ayre, Jim Bowman, Dick Blinzler; Shut Ins: SKLD: Gloria Wright; Home: Barb & Ramon Alpaugh, Shirley Bard, Annie Engel, Linda Lewis, Marilyn Lundy, Leona Puff, Edith Wagner; Ottawa Riverview: Barbara Hake, Hawthorne Glen: Roy Koerner.





A Prayer for a New Beginning

Touch me, O Lord, with the spirit of truth that I may be honest about my sins and failures. Forgive me for treating your covenant lightly and at times ignoring it completely. Enable me to truly seek and know forgiveness for all the hurts I have caused, for harboring ill will and for any hardness of heart I may have. Please renew a right spirit within me that I may today begin to be more Christ-like and that my life may reveal Christ's love and light. In His name, Amen.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

John 10:10







One Minute

I have just one little minute,
Only 60 seconds in it.
Forced upon me, can't refuse it.
Didn't seek it, didn't choose it.
But it's up to me to use it.
I must suffer if I abuse it;
Just a tiny, little minute,

But eternity is in it.



—Anonymous

