

ACTIVITIES FOR FEBRUARY

- **Lads to Leaders**— Today at 4 PM at the building
- **Teacher's Meeting**— Today at 5 PM at the building
- **Elders and Deacons Meeting**— Tuesday February 5th at 6 PM at the building
- **VBS Planning Meeting**— Anyone interested in helping plan VBS this year, please meet downstairs on Sunday February 10th following morning services. Lunch will be provided. See Micah for details.
- **Lads to Leaders**— Sunday February 24th at 4 PM at the building
- **Ice Cream Party**— There will be an Ice Cream Party for all Bible school students on Wednesday February 27th to celebrate leadership accomplishments over the past year. Awards will be given to students who have met goals for song leading and scripture reading.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Men's Worship Schedules for the month of February are on the back table.



Super Bowl Party— Tonight (Directly After Evening Services) at the Hutcherson's house (414 Cleer Rd., Bridgeport). All are welcome— please bring a snack to share.

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

-2 Peter 3:9

Bridgeport Church of Christ

February 3, 2019

Worried You Won't Get a Valentine?



Holidays are times that usually fill people with joy and offer an opportunity to create memories with family, friends, and loved ones. Sometimes, however, holidays can be difficult. For instance, Valentine's Day.

The number one reason some people dislike Valentine's Day is because of the emotional torture they experience if they are not in a "relationship." They feel like they are the only ones in the world not getting flowers, candy, or a card on February 14th, and they feel overwhelmed by waves of loneliness.

It is hard to console a person who feels this way with trite pats on the back and promises that one day everything will be perfect for them. Instead, it might be helpful to remind them that God has already expressed a perfect love for us all through His Son Jesus.

"But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ" (Eph. 2:4-5). The love God has for us is beyond anything that can be experienced from human relationships. "Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God" (1 John 3:1)! *Continued...*

Sunday Worship

Bible Study 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 6 pm

Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm

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People should always be hopeful for a godly spouse, and work to develop themselves to be just that for someone else as well. However, it is even more important to realize that God through Christ Jesus has brought Christians into the most perfect and fulfilling relationship possible, and any human “Valentine” pales in comparison!

-Matt Clifton

Never Lose the Wonder

England’s premiere theologian, Charles Haddon Spurgeon, said, “Everything God does is wonderful until we get used to it.” I heard evangelist George W. Bailey, say, “If just once in a lifetime the clouds were rolled back and we could see the heavenly host, that would impress us. But we see that all the time and somehow it loses its wonder to us.”

I remember walking along a path with my children when they were young and how impressed they were with everything they saw. It might have been a peculiarly shaped leaf, a smoothly shaped rock, or a bug with a hundred legs. Friends let’s never lose the wonder of a child when considering our heavenly Father’s creation.

“But ask the animals, and they will teach you, or the birds, and they will tell you, or speak to the earth and it will teach you, or let the fish of the sea inform you. Which of these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this? In his hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all mankind” (Job 12:7-10).

-Barry Grider

Elders: Raymond Anderson, Lafe Hutcheson & Stan Williams

Deacons: Gene Wright, Don Riffle, Robbie Nichols, & Robbie Buffington

Minister: Mark Jones

Phone: (304) 842-6738

February Card Distributor: Micah Nichols

February Baptismal Garments: Danalea O’Connell

February Greeters– 3–Need Greeter 10–Stan & Linda Williams 17– Need Greeter 24–Need Greeter

Our Record: January 27



Sunday Morning Assembly

101

Sunday Bible Class

81

Sunday Evening

51

Wednesday Bible Study

50

Contribution (Budget \$4,000)

\$3,985

Prayers– Those of Our Congregation

- Our shut-in’s: Helen Potts & Brenda Fortney
- Jackie Moore
- Judy Garner
- Debbie Mowbray-Health Issues
- Loverine Pigott-Pain Injections

Prayers– Family & Friends

- Mike Yost
- Ester Lewis-home bound.
- Joseph Hutson-going through chemo treatments
- Etta Grace Horne– 7 yr old diagnosed w/ leukemia
- Marshall Doll-Cancer
- Dan Hatfield
- Brandi Garner
- Dixie Burner-Health Issues
- Anita Parker-diagnosed with Stage 4 Pancreatic Cancer
- Wanda Ashcraft-in UHC– abdominal issues
- Allen Osbourne
- Rex Kelch-Recovering
- Joyce Wright-Recovering from heart surgery
- Eddie Ross-Knee Replacement Surgery on February 26th
- Harold Williams (Stan’s Brother)-Heart Problems
- Becky Britton
- Beth Carder
- Dave Jones
- Kay Burnett-diagnosed with metastatic breast cancer
- Chad Pigott-Surgery– Doing ok
- Delma Thompson
- Erin Murphy-diagnosed with Stage 3 Hodgkin's Lymphoma. Going through chemo

February Birthdays

& Anniversaries:

4-Carson Currey/ Kathy Cross 5-Larry Seyler 9-Sydney Buffington 13-Linda Williams 24-Caitlin Moore 28-Steve Cross



(If you have a prayer request or need to put something in the bulletin– Please email or write it down and give it to Jessica Kerns before Thursday of that week: bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com)