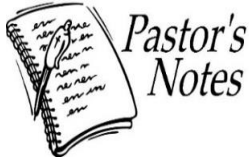


The Word

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I was reading the great theologian Charles Schultz a few weeks ago. The strip was dedicated to Snoopy and his views on life. As Snoopy was contemplating his life he thought, "What a beautiful sky." He then laid down on top of his

doghouse and let out a big sigh. "I must admit that I have a pretty good life...I have a nice home and I live in a nice neighborhood in a good country in the best of all possible worlds...and of course this is the time of day that I really like...SUPPERTIME!"

In walks Charlie Brown carrying Snoopy's supper bowl. Off to the side is Snoopy doing his favorite dance, the one pictured here, and he is singing, "Oh, it's supertime! It's supertime!"

At this point Charlie comments, "I'm sorry about this Snoopy, we're all out of dog food so I borrowed some cat food from the people next door." Snoopy looks at his dish with exasperation and in the next frame he is lying on his doghouse looking dejected and saying, "What a stupid life."

From the heights of contentment and happiness to the depths of rejection and despair in a matter of seconds. I thought Charles Schulz summed up very well how most people respond when unfavorable circumstances come into their lives. Why the dramatic change in one's outlook on life? Because peace and contentment in their lives is determined by their outward circumstances. Whatever is going on, good or bad, it is this that sets the barometer of happiness in their life.

This is in contrast to Paul who said, "I have learned be content in whatever circumstances I am in. I know how to get along with humble means and I know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need. I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." (Philippians 4:11-13) Pretty strong statement from a guy who is sitting in jail!

Throughout this letter to the saints in Philippi Paul constantly tells of the joy he has and not only this but he writes an encouraging letter to them while sitting in a cold, damp jail cell. How many of us could say that while hard circumstances are bearing down on us we still have joy and can even be an encouragement to those around us? I think we might tend to identify closer to Snoopy who becomes totally deflated by his physical circumstances.

What was Paul's secret to a joyful abundant life no matter what his physical circumstances? Christ. Knowing Christ, getting to know Christ and obeying Christ. In chapter three Paul says everything else in his life is but "garbage" compared to gaining more of an understanding and love of Christ. Christ was his source of strength and his source of joy.

I am not completely there yet myself. I do not always consider it joy when difficult circumstances come into my life (James 1:2). But I am getting stronger and more joyful in all circumstances and I know this comes as I continue to seek the Lord for He is the source of my joy. I hope you too are seeking Him because in this world we live in tough times will happen but in the midst of those times we can exclaim, "Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say again; Rejoice!" We can because we know Christ and He is our joy.

In much love,
Pastor Darrel



Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say again; Rejoice!"

Church Events

Kingdom Kidz
Wednesdays 5:30-7:30

Women's Fellowship
March 5 at 1:30 PM

Men's Breakfast
March 9

Youth Gathering
March 3 at 5:30PM

WCC Board
March 12 at 6:30 PM

Scholarship Apps due
April 8



Helping Hands

Food Pantry

Fall/Winter hours:
Wednesdays 9AM-11PM
Thursdays 4PM-6PM



Daylight Savings
Begins March 10th
Spring Ahead

Pastor Darrel's Office Hours

Tuesday – Friday
2:00PM to 5:00PM



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march BIRTHDAYS

Sherri Bruntz	1-Mar
Kathy Cooksey	1-Mar
Natalie Gray	1-Mar
Kyle Cuckow	4-Mar
Sue Kammerzell	4-Mar
Ryan Widener	5-Mar
Clark Green	8-Mar
Barbara Teets	9-Mar
Jaysen Nelson	10-Mar
Cindy Miller	13-Mar
Marian Forbes	14-Mar
Michelle Nelson	14-Mar
Brandi Ruyle	16-Mar
Pat Gabriel	18-Mar
Julian Gonzales	19-Mar
Steve Klecka	19-Mar
Tessa Lingo	20-Mar
Morgan Eklund	21-Mar
Steven Anderson	22-Mar
Kyle Bernhardt	23-Mar
Lexi Ashbrook	25-Mar
Shawn Hollis	25-Mar
Jenna Ashbrook	26-Mar
Jo Rogers	26-Mar
Kallie Green	28-Mar
Rick Lehr	28-Mar
Jessi Westhoff	28-Mar
Bailey Eklund	29-Mar
Laura Lentell	29-Mar
Dana Rossman	29-Mar
Steve Sheaff	29-Mar
Monica Sheppard	29-Mar
Apryl Sauer	30-Mar

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Steve & Leslie McCaskill	10-Mar
JD & Yvonne Lorenzini	12-Mar
Terry & Leighann Hansen	13-Mar
Bob & Sharon Palmer	21-Mar
Tim & Melissa Jones	26-Mar

Children's Message

- March 3 – Peggy
- March 10 – Pastor
- March 17 – Lorie
- March 24 – Jaime
- March 31 – Cheryl

March Greeters

- March 3 – Michelle & Johnny
- March 10 – Kaitlyn & Jayleen
- March 17 – Cheryl & Terry
- March 24 – Shipman/Andrews
- March 31 – Lisa M.



Communion Servers for

March 3

Charles, Sharon, Donna S.
& Gideon

Military Honor Board

The military honor board is in the process of being updated. If you have family members that are currently serving please let us know and get a picture to Tracy or Cheryl.



**Our Members
in the Service**

Night to Shine

Thank you to everyone who helped make this event happen! It could not be pulled off without everyone's dedication and willingness to serve!

If you would like to send a card to encourage Vernon Baumgartner, his address for the next 6 weeks will be:
Colorado Acute Long Term Hospital, 1690 N. Meade Street Room #201, Denver Colorado 80204

Volunteers are needed at church to update the children's quiet bags and to fill the pew pockets. Each needs done monthly. Contact the office if you are interested in doing either.

Wednesday Bible Study

Pastor Darrel is leading a Bible study on Wednesday's at the church at 1:30 PM. Join if you are able!

WCC Scholarships

WCC gives two \$500 scholarships to individuals attending college; one for a senior and one for continuing ed. If you are interested in applying look for the application on the church website: wigginscommunitychurch.com



Jordan Halley is a vibrant and talented 5th grader at Platte Valley Elementary school and member of High Plains Ag in Kersey Colorado.

On December 27, 2018, she was diagnosed with stage 4 Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

With the blessing of her parents, Alan and Gail, we are putting together a benefit to raise money for the Halley Family. The benefit will be in partnership with High Plains 4-H club in Kersey Colorado.

We are looking for businesses and clubs in the Northeastern area to donate items for a Live and Silent Auction that will be held at the benefit on Saturday, March 23, 2019. If you would like more information please contact Randall Rumsey at 970-534-0059.

There has been an account set up for the Halley family at First National Bank in Kersey, CO. Cash donations can be mailed to: First National Bank, PO Box 13, Kersey, CO 80644 Attn: Laura Marrs. Please make checks payable to Jordan Halley Donation Account.

If your donation is a certificate, please, include a description of the item(s), contact info and a dollar value. You can email the information to kbauer@what-wire.com.

All proceeds from this benefit will go directly to the Halley Family.

You can drop items off at the Morgan or Logan County Extension Offices by March 20.

For information about the benefit please feel free to contact

Randall Rumsey at 970-534-0059

Kristen Cogburn at 970-584-4110

"ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE; TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH" –Helen Keller

Please join us as we come together as a community to support Jordan and her family through this fight!

WCC Board News

The WCC Board Meeting took place on February 19th. New board members Glen Gray and Sharon Ruyle were present. The board approved both a new moderator, Gideon Oleari, and a new vice moderator, Steve Sorenson. Board discussion about the continued growth of the Church. We have seen a lot of people step up and serve, and the need has been there. For example, we have 11 potential confirmands this year! Pastor Darrel reminded us to keep in prayer and always be searching for more ways to serve and grow God's kingdom. The Missions Committee visited the board and provided a presentation on 2018 happenings and future 2019 plans, including the potential for classroom bags for students, doing an adoption shower, and continuing the welcome bags for new visitors at the Church. This goes along with several successful activities in 2018. The Financial Secretary reported that in January, we had 479 attendants, averaged 120 for the month. Plate offering was \$1079.92 and the pledge so far is \$8036. We are also well up on income in comparison to January 2018 and hope for that trend to continue. Christian Education reported that January was a good month for Sunday School classes, the youth group had 16 participants in January, and Kingdom Kidz is back and still averaging 40. There was also an approved extension of maximum monthly hours for the director, and 50% down payment for a Youth Bible Camp. The board also reviewed and approved who will oversee bank accounts and be potential signers for all committee accounts. The next board meeting will be March 12, 2019. **The Christian Ed committee is asked to attend the March meeting.**