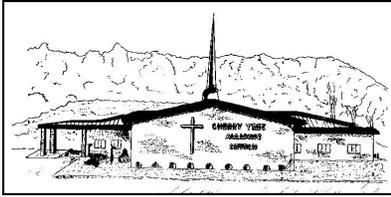


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Loving God, Loving You

October 1, 2017 • 10:00 AM

GIVING

Operating Fund Giving for September: \$19,633
(Amount needed monthly: \$21,587)
Last Week's Great Commission Giving: \$316

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

10:00 AM Worship Service: 195
10:00 AM Children's Classes: 19
Total 10:00 AM Attendance: 214



FALL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SERVICES

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship Service

MONDAY ACTIVITIES

6:00 PM Moms in Prayer
(meets at the Berenbrok home)

WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES

6:30 PM AWANA Clubs
Women's Small Group
Youth Group

FRIDAY ACTIVITIES

10:00 AM Salvation Army Soup Kitchen
(meets every 2nd and 4th Friday)

Today's Message -

Be On Guard

A Message from 2 Peter
Speaker: Pastor Travis Deans

Please turn off all pagers, cell phones and other electronic devices, or switch to silent alert.

HIS BLOOD—HIS POWER

Hymnwriter Louis Jones declared,
*There is power, power,
wonder working power
In the precious blood of the Lamb.*

He was talking about God's Son,
and his sacrifice for our sin.

What Jesus did on the cross stands
through all the ages of human history.

It is forever done
and cannot be undone,
the once-for-all payment
of our penalty,
the saving work that set us free.
*The blood that Jesus shed for me,
Way back on Calvary,
The blood that gives me strength
from day to day,
It will never lose its power.*
(Andraé Crouch)

When you receive communion today,
rejoice in the completed work of
Jesus Christ.

You can't add to it.
You can't take away from it.
What he did is perfect.
It was the perfect payment
for the entirety of our sin,
the perfect answer to our guilt.

Sin is a cold, dank prison that
dissolves our dreams, steals our joy
and crushes our hope.

We will languish in that place
till claimed by death.
Unless...

we claim the victory
that is found in Christ alone!
The power of his blood
redeems us and sets us free.

We are Cherry Tree Alliance.

**LOVING GOD,
LOVING YOU!**

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE October 1, 2017

Call to Worship

*Hallelujah
Here I Am to Worship
Healing Rain
Draw Me Close*

Friendship Greeting

Tithes & Offerings

Pastoral Prayer

(Kids are dismissed to Children's Church)

Message:

Be On Guard

Communion

He Is Exalted

Benediction



Prayer of the Day

Over the next several weeks, we will be learning about the Operation Christmas Child ministry through a special speaker next Sunday evening and by becoming a local collection site here at CTAC for the shoeboxes (*see inside bulletin for more details*). We encourage you to keep this valuable ministry in your prayers. May the children's hearts be receptive to the wonderful gospel news shared with these gifts!

THIS WEEK

Today	6:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study
Wed.	6:30 PM AWANA Clubs Women's Small Group Youth Group
Thurs.	7:30 AM Men's Breakfast at Eat'n Park 6:30 PM Elders Meeting

COMING EVENTS

Oct. 8	11:30 AM Pancake & Sausage Luncheon 6:00 PM Operation Christmas Child Presentation
Oct. 11	6:30 PM AWANA Harvest Festival Women's Small Group Youth Group
Oct. 12	7:30 AM Men's Breakfast at Eat'n Park 8:30 AM Seniors' Breakfast at Eat'n Park
Oct. 13	10:00 AM Salvation Army Volunteer Day

Missionary of the Week

Please pray for our missionaries of the week, Mark and Kathy Eikost, international workers serving in Bosnia. They ask for prayer in the following areas: *"Moving to a new city for our new assignment has given us the opportunity to look at our situation with new eyes, both physically and spiritually. We lived in Zenica (Central Bosnia) from 1999 -2002. In the fifteen years we've been away the city has changed, and so have we. Businesses that were devastated by the civil war have been replaced by new ventures - some successful, some not. A whole generation of youth is preparing for life elsewhere in the world by learning English, German, Turkish and/or Arabic. Several local believers who were a part of Mark's basic discipleship class are now mature leaders in the Bosnian church. We praise God for a good transition to our new home and assignment. We are thankful for a wonderful apartment in a good location. The local church has made our re-entry as smooth as possible. Some of these changes are encouraging and some are not. What we're seeing with our spiritual eyes is also a mixed bag. On the one hand, there is a new spirit of cooperation between the churches in our city and an intentional effort to have regular joint services and outreach events. Mature believers sense that God is at work doing something new. There is a renewed interest in church planting and prayer walking in unreached cities. At the same time, we are personally becoming more aware of the scope of thick spiritual darkness in this place. Having a better grasp of the language helps. Being friends with someone for years also helps them to open up about the dark reality of life."*



Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child asked us to become a local collection site for their shoeboxes the week of **November 13th-20th**. We are looking for volunteers to staff the collection area in the Fellowship Hall for a few hours each day of the week. The following is the schedule

for the hours we will be accepting shoeboxes. If you are able to volunteer on one or more of these days, please sign up on the church bulletin board.

Please contact Debbie Wotring with any questions at 304-712-4523.

Monday, November 13th: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Tuesday, November 14th: 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Wednesday, November 15th: 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Thursday, November 16th: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Friday, November 17th: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Saturday, November 18th: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday, November 19th: 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Monday, November 20th: 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

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Sermon Notes:

Christmas Program

We are hoping to organize a revue-style Christmas program on the evening of Sunday, **December 17th**. If you would be interested in being a part of this program by singing, playing a musical instrument, reciting a poem, etc. please sign up on the church bulletin board, and you will be contacted with more information as the day approaches. We are also

interested in knowing if someone in our church family would be willing to organize & lead a children's choir to perform one or two songs.

If you would like to volunteer to lead this group, please indicate this on the sign-up. Please see Marshall Fike with any questions.



Be Part of the Lord's Blessing as We Give to the Building Fund!

We received a loan from the Alliance Development Fund of \$64,600 in June to help with essential maintenance and improvement projects. Our goal is to repay this loan in as short a period of time as possible. In order to make this a possibility, we continue to ask you for your support through special giving to the Building Fund. We received \$1,619 in August and \$2,180 in September as income to our Building Fund. ***Our sincere thanks to all who are contributing! Please continue to give generously! Sacrificial giving to the Building Fund, in addition to ongoing support of the Operating Budget, will be greatly appreciated as we repay the amount borrowed from ADF. God Is More Than Able...and He will enable us!***

Special thanks to Pastor Travis for filling the pulpit today while Pastor David is on vacation! Pastor David will be out of the office this week but will be back on October 8th to deliver the message. The following Sunday, October 15th, Pastor David will be attending the 100th anniversary at the Morgantown C&MA, where he was formerly the senior pastor. Our guest speaker that day will be Rob Pease from the Alliance Development Fund to share more about their organization and how they play a part in fulfilling the Great Commission.

Sunday Evening Ladies' Bible Study

Ladies, please join us for "Steadfast Love" by Lauren Chandler. Our second session will be held **TONIGHT** from 6:00-8:00 PM at Cherry Tree Alliance. Session leaders will vary. Childcare is provided. The study guide book is provided, as well as snacks! Contact Bethany Ruth at *contact church office* or Diane Smith at *contact church office* for more information.



Pray for Connellsville Event



This Saturday, **October 7th** there will be a PrayConnellsville event hosted at Connellsville City Hall. Participants will gather at 10:00 AM to organize, receive instruction, & pray collectively. The group will then disperse into pairs of two throughout the city and for one hour, pray for every family, home, business, organization, etc. in the city. At noon, the teams will return to City Hall to share their experiences. 168 participants are needed to accomplish this plan. Join in this effort to pray for Connellsville and Fayette County! Please contact Jessica Stuart at CityChurch at 724-628-0700 with any questions.

JOLT Jr. High Retreat

Attention Jr. High Students! The annual JOLT Retreat "Mud Weekend" is being held once again at Laurelville Christian Center in Mt. Pleasant, PA on **October 27th-29th**. The retreat features speaker Marv Nelson and is \$110 per person. Please check out the information table in the foyer to pick up a copy of the flyer, and sign up on the church bulletin board if you plan to attend. **Deadline to submit your registration form and \$20 deposit to CTAC is this Wednesday, October 4th.**



Luncheon to Benefit Building Fund



Please join us Sunday, **October 8th** for a pancake & sausage luncheon following the worship service. This meal includes buckwheat & regular pancakes, sausage, & applesauce and will serve as a fundraiser for our Building Fund projects. The suggested donation is \$7 for adults, \$3 for children ages 10 & under. Please sign up this morning in the foyer if you plan to attend.

Operation Christmas Child Presentation

Join us Sunday, **October 8th** at 6:00 PM for a special guest speaker from Operation Christmas Child, Elena Hagemeyer. Elena was 8 years old when she & her sister were moved from an abusive poverty-stricken home into an orphanage in the former Soviet Union. At a time when she was feeling unloved, she was handed an Operation Christmas Child shoebox gift. It was the first gift she had ever received. With the gift, Elena received a booklet, which seemed like an unbelievable fairytale. It said the Creator of the universe loved her. She began to pray, hopeful for a family for her and her sister, a prayer that was answered in 2004 by a loving family in the United States. To hear about God's love in her life, please join us for a special time of Elena sharing her testimony.



Salvation Army Volunteer Day



Our next day to volunteer at the Salvation Army Soup Kitchen will be Friday, **October 13th** from 10:00 AM - noon. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board if you can attend. Kent Sholtz is looking for someone to take over the coordination of this ministry. Dates typically are the second & fourth Friday in a month. If you would like more details on this volunteer role, please call the church office.

Seniors in Service Luncheon

All seniors ages 50 & up are invited to attend our Harvest themed luncheon on Tuesday, **October 17th** at 11:45 AM. Please sign up on the church bulletin board if you plan to attend, or call the church office at 724-437-6850 to RSVP, so we can get an accurate count on the number joining us that day. *Please bring supplies for packing the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes.*



We look forward to seeing you there!

Fall Work Day



A Fall Work Day has been scheduled for Saturday, **October 21st** starting at 8:00 AM. Lunch will be provided. If you would like to lend a hand, please sign up at the church bulletin board so we know how many will be attending. Thank you to everyone willing to donate their time towards the maintenance of our church building! If you have any questions, see Joe Thomas.

Please check out John Stumbo's book, **GOD in YOU: A Conversation** available in our foyer (suggested donation \$5 per book). This book was written to be used as a unique evangelistic tool. We encourage you to purchase a book from the church and give it to a family member or friend to start a conversation about faith in Jesus Christ. All your donations for these books go directly to the Great Commission Fund.

GOD in YOU
A Conversation

