

February 14, 2021 • 8:45 & 10:00 AM



Today's Message -A Life of Love A Message from Ephesians 5.1-2 Speaker: Rev. David Goodin

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE February 14, 2021

(8:45 AM Service is abbreviated)

Call to Worship

Love the Lord Your God O How I Love Jesus

Reading of Romans 5:6-11

How Deep the Father's Love

Praise & Petition

Announcements

Message A Life of Love

Amazing Love

Benediction



LOVE WINS!

Years ago the Everly Brothers sang a dystopian song: Love hurts, love scars Love wounds and mars Any heart not tough Or strong enough To take a lot of pain. A later line proclaimed, Love is just a lie Made to make you blue.

That's a dark outlook on love! I prefer Carrie Underwood's more hopeful conclusion: I believe in the end love wins.

The Bible assures us that God's love is everlasting. In fact, he calls us to love him and to love others with the same unconditional and loyal love that he has shown to us. That's not always easy but it is definitely divine!

The story of God's love is rich and wonderful. He loves individuals, families, his chosen people Israel, those who are rebellious, those who are in trouble, *those lost in sin,* those who ask forgiveness and cry out for his mercy. *And in the end...Love wins!*

Hurting souls who flee to him forever find him faithful! Maybe we can sum it up with the words of another pop tune: What the world needs now is love, sweet love!

We are Cherry Tree Alliance.

LOVING GOD,

LOVING YOU!

A LIFE OF LOVE

Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5.1-2 (NIV)

Abstract: The love of God is everlasting and all-encompassing. You can't turn it off and you can't escape it! The death of Jesus on the cross of Calvary is the best demonstration of love. What he did there challenges and inspires each of us. Can we love others like Christ loved us? What sacrifice are we ready to make?

Your notes and comments:



Kids Ministry Jr. Kids Church - 10:00 AM on Sunday Morning Ages 5-11 / Fellowship Hall Ages 3-4 / Room 300

We are following a wellness policy, including extra safety precautions due to COVID. This document can be viewed on our website, church bulletin board, & in the Fellowship Hall. The nursery will be open for your use if parents need to step out of the sanctuary with their child.

If you have any questions, please contact Jen Genovese.

2021 Nominations for Church Offices Open

Nominations are open for the following offices to be filled by election at our Annual Meeting on April 25th with terms to begin June 1st, 2021: Elders (eligible for reelection: Travis Deans, Joshua Mitchell, Bryson Taylor, Doug Trimmer) Head Trustee (eligible for reelection: Joe Thomas) Treasurer (eligible for reelection: Don Smith) Assistant Treasurer (eligible for reelection: Raeleen Davies) Christian Care Committee (eligible for reelection: Tracey Dillon,

Lyn Fischer, Melissa Lough, Bryson Taylor, Cindy Trimmer, & Doug Trimmer)

Nomination Procedures – Please prayerfully consider whom you might nominate, relying upon the guidance of the Scripture and the leading of the Holy Spirit. The standards for spiritual leadership are found in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:6-9. Any active member wishing to place someone in nomination must first obtain permission from the person to be nominated and receive the assurance that the person agrees to be considered for the position & is willing to serve. Then the member wishing to place the name in nomination must submit the name in writing to Pastor David Goodin via e-mail or by hand delivery in a sealed envelope. Include the name of the person you're nominating, the office,

and your name, which will be confidential. *The deadline for nominations is Sunday, March 21st.*

Those elected to the Nominating Committee for 2021 are Travis Deans, Pastor David Goodin, Melissa Lough, Jodie Redshaw, and Bryson Taylor.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, Our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed; By this we worship, and are freed. Hal H. Hopson, The Gift of Love

Interested in Baptism?

We plan to hold a baptism Sunday soon and would love to talk with you about joining in this special day! Please contact Pastor David or the church office.



Collegiate Day of Prayer

Please mark your calendars for the Collegiate Day of Prayer on Thursday, February 25th. There will be a national simulcast held that day:



please watch for more info coming next week! You can sign up to adopt a campus at collegiatedayofprayer.org. We also invite you to participate in our CTAC Prayer Challenge on our church Facebook page, where we are seeking individuals to commit to praying on February 25th for each of our local college campuses. Prayer sheets are available on the info table in the foyer to help guide your time of intercession.

Courageous Parenting Conference

Gospel Alliance Church in Rostraver, PA will be hosting a Courageous Parenting Conference February 27th-28th. The workshops are designed to provide parents with tools, resources, ideas, and - above all - hope. The bulk of the conference is on Saturday & pre-registration is only \$10. Check out the brochures available on the literature table in the foyer for more info.



Capacity Cadre

We are searching for a group of dedicated prayer warriors to join us in praying for our Capacity students. If you would like to partner with us and join the Capacity Cadre, please reach out to Joshua Mitchell at capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed - Multimedia Team

We are seeking volunteers to help us assemble a Multimedia Team for tasks such as operating the sound board, running PowerPoint, assisting with the livestream, creating videos, & helping to research multimedia resources. If you have an interest in being a part of this team, please contact the church office at ctallch@verizon.net. Training on our tech equipment is provided.



Imprisoned for Christ Virtual Event

The Voice of the Martyrs, with help from LifeWay, is hosting a free virtual event entitled Imprisoned for Christ on Friday, March 5th at 7:30 PM EST that will feature three inspiring speakers: Petr Jasek, Andrew Brunson and Dan Baumann. While sharing God's love in three different restricted nations dominated by Islam, each was arrested, interrogated and imprisoned. While all three struggled to find God's purpose in their suffering, they ultimately recognized His faithfulness and love amid desperate circumstances. The event will also feature worship music by Natalie Grant and a panel discussion. Register at www.persecution.com/event

Mahaffey Camp Replenish Retreat

Mahaffey Camp will hold their Replenish 2021 Retreat Friday-Sunday, March 19th-21st. Replenish is open to individuals & youth groups (grades 6-12), as well as youth leaders. The retreat is packed with powerful messages, relevant seminars, awesome worship, and plenty of fun recreational activities. Check out the brochures available on the literature table in the fover for more info.



Moms in Prayer

Our Moms in Prayer group is meeting on Mondays at 6:00 PM by Zoom. If you would like to pray with these ladies for the special children in your life (whether your own children or grandchildren, nieces or nephews, or other kids that hold a special place in your heart!), please private message Teresa Berenbrok on Facebook or ask the church office for Teresa's number.

Bible Quiz Practices - Tuesdays from 6:00-7:00 PM If you have any questions, please contact Molly Mitchell.





Capacity - Wednesdays from 6:00-8:00 PM Please reach out to Joshua Mitchell with any questions at capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com.

Brite

Virtual Program for grades Pre-K through 5th Wednesday evenings



Register online at: www.cherrytreealliance.org/brite.

Episodes will now air every other week (next episode: February 17th)

Brite Cubbies: Join us at 6:30 PM! Older Kids: Join us at 7:00 PM!

Alliance Women's Retreat

The annual Alliance Women's Retreat for the Western PA District will be held at Somerset Alliance Church on Saturday, April 17th from 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM. The theme this year is Not Alone and the event features speakers Elizabeth Daigle and LuAnne Baker. Check out the brochures available on the info table in the foyer.

We are relaunching a modified **SCRIP program** to support our Capacity students attending LIFE 2022. Sign up by downloading the RaiseRight mobile app. Enter our enrollment code: 26D95ELA17L84 Please be sure to select "eGift Cards" ONLY. We will NOT be keeping physical cards at the church and are unable to cover the fees to ship physical cards.

Financial Summary - January 2021

Operating Fund

January Income: January Expenses: Monthly Gain/Loss: **\$19,826** (budget: \$26,136) **\$24,522** (budget: \$27,079) **-\$4,696**

Great Commission Income

Total Goal for 2020: \$30,000

January Income: **\$3,212** (goal: \$2,500)

Building Fund

January Income: **\$223**

January Expenses: **\$0**

Paving Project

Paving Project Fund

January Income: **\$45** Total Collected: **\$18,276** Goal by Fall 2021: **\$53,880**

We hope to collect the \$53,880 needed for our parking lot paving project before we complete the paving in Fall of 2021. If you feel led to help with this need, please designate your gifts "Paving Project" on your offering envelopes or in the memo/notes field of online contributions.

A more detailed finance summary is available by request via e-mail and is posted on our bulletin board if you would like to view it.

International Workers of the Week

Please pray for our international workers of the week, David & Evangeline Kindervater (and children Josiah, Eryn, & Eryka), who serve in Japan.
They ask for prayer in the following areas of their ministry: *"Tokyo, the largest metropolitan area in the world (37 million), has done a great job of containing the virus, but in December, the numbers began to spike and we are currently (January - March 7) in our second state of emergency. Japan is not as strict as some countries, but we are not to go out unless it is urgent and necessary.*

So, grocery shopping, hospital visit, work (if you are unable to work from home) and some schools have been permitted. Gatherings for church, Bible studies, Gospel Choirs... however, are all online, once again. But, just as we saw last spring, during the first stay-at-home order, we have once again seen God continue to work. Just last week we had a new family (mom, dad and two little kids) join us for online worship and Bible study! Like many of you, we are very much looking forward to the day when we can see people face-to-face, but in the meantime, we continue to pray and know that God will use this for HIS good purpose! Please pray for SHIOHAMA GATHERING (church plant), that this group of believers and seekers would continue to seek God and share him with our world. GOD'S WORK AMONG THE JAPANESE -Please pray for a great outpouring of the Spirit in Japan, resulting in the salvation of many."

Prayer of the Day

Take time today to lift up in prayer those who do not know of the great love of our Savior. During this Valentine's holiday, may we strive to be a light to our loved ones & convey to them the wondrous gift of eternal life offered to us through the loving sacrifice of Jesus! *How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure...*

Focus on the Family is offering ultrasounds to mothers considering abortion, to give the mother an opportunity to see her child and to think about choosing life for her baby. To sponsor an ultrasound or to learn more about this program, check out:

> https://www.focusonthefamily.com/pro-life/ option-ultrasound-program-2

Online Giving

Visit our website at www.cherrytreealliance.org/giving to check out our electronic donation service using the program Tithe.ly. With this program, you can choose the fund you would like your donation to go towards & set up a one time or reconcurring gift fro



donation to go towards & set up a one-time or reoccurring gift from your home computer or mobile device. It is fast, easy, & secure. *We thank you for supporting our church*

during these challenging times!

GIVING

Operating Fund Giving for February: \$8,394 (Amount needed monthly: \$26,136) Last Week's Great Commission Giving: \$317

> LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE 8:45 AM Worship Service: 24 10:00 AM Worship Service: 38 10:00 AM Children's Church: 18 Estimated Livestream Views: 233

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