



CHERRY TREE ALLIANCE CHURCH

April 25, 2021 • 8:30 & 10:00 AM



**Today's Message -
Dare to Stand Alone**
Series: More Than Conquerors
A Message from Daniel 6.10
Speaker: Rev. David Goodin

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

April 25, 2021

(8:30 AM Service
is abbreviated)

Call to Worship

*Everlasting God
How Great Is Our God*

Scripture Reading: Daniel 6:19-23

Dare to Be a Daniel

Announcements

Praise & Petition

Message
Dare to Stand Alone

Compassion Sunday

Awake My Soul

Benediction



COURAGE

*Would you die for your faith?
Through the centuries and
still today in certain places,
to identify as a Jesus-follower
could cost you your life.*

I read stories shared by our
Alliance International Workers,
or from ministries like
Voice of the Martyrs,
and I am humbled by the
courage of brothers and sisters
in Christ in so many difficult
parts of the world. I ask myself,
Could I do that?

Daniel was ready to die!
*Pray to the king, they said,
or be fed to the lions!*
It was only for 30 days.
*Just this month, Daniel;
God will surely understand.
He certainly doesn't want
you to fill a lion's belly!*

Just isn't going to happen,
said Daniel, and he went home,
opened his window because
he had nothing to hide,
and he began to pray to God
three times every day,
just as he had always done.

Like those men who were
thrown into the blazing furnace,
Daniel had resolved that God
could save him from the lions,
but even if he didn't, he was not
going to give to another the
praise that belongs to God alone.

Guess what? Faith wins!
Daniel escapes and the lions
dine on his accusers instead!

We are Cherry Tree Alliance.

LOVING GOD,

LOVING YOU!

DARE TO STAND ALONE

More Than Conquerors

...Daniel...went home to his upstairs room....
Three times a day he got down on his knees and prayed,
giving thanks to his God, just as he had done before.

Daniel 6.10 (NIV)

Abstract: What if serving God meant you might be supper for the lions tonight? Daniel was given that choice: Pray to the king, not to God, or be thrown into the den. Daniel believed God could turn the lions into kittens, so he opened his windows to Jerusalem and publicly offered prayer to God just as he had always done.

Your notes and comments:

*Hold the gospel banner high—on to victory grand!
Satan and his host defy and shout for Daniel's band!
Dare to be a Daniel, dare to stand alone,
Dare to have a purpose firm, dare to make it known!*
Philip P. Bliss, *Dare to Be a Daniel*



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.

Annual Congregational Meeting

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will take place **TODAY, April 25th** at 11:20 AM. Members and non-members are invited to attend. Reports will be received. Members will vote to fill open leadership positions.



Please note: If you are a member of Cherry Tree Alliance and cannot attend today's meeting due to a prior commitment or COVID concerns, please speak to Andrea this morning at the Compassion table to fill out a ballot. Ballots are due prior to the start of the Annual Meeting. Anonymity will be preserved.

COMPASSION *sunday*[®]

a call to HOPE

Compassion Sunday

Today (April 25th) our church will be taking part in Compassion Sunday through Compassion International.

This child sponsorship program works through partnerships with thousands of local churches in 25 countries around the world. Compassion centers support children living in poverty by providing nutritious food, medical checkups & health care, health & hygiene training, educational assistance, life skills training, recreational activities, protection from crime & violence, and access to special services like surgeries & disaster relief. Through this program, you are paired with one child whom you personally support through your donations. You can form a relationship with your child by exchanging letters, using your words to combat the lie of poverty... *you are worthless ... with the truth... You are loved by me, and loved by God, your Creator!*

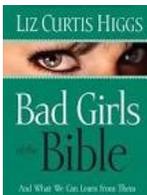
We have child sponsorship packets available after the service today to give our church family an opportunity to participate in this ministry. Compassion sponsorships are \$38 a month. If you would like to learn more about Compassion's sponsorship program, please speak with Jen Genovese or Andrea Taylor or visit Compassion's website, www.compassion.com.

Mahaffey Camp - Ladies' Spring Tea
Mahaffey Camp & Conference Center will be holding their annual Ladies' Spring Tea on Saturday, **May 1st** from 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM. The event will feature guest speaker Debi Kunes on the theme "Women of Grace - Growing in Grace."
Please see the flyer on the info table in the foyer for more details.



Ladies' Sunday Morning Book Club

Luann Schaefer will be leading a book club style class on *Bad Girls of the Bible (And What We Can Learn from Them)* by Liz Curtis Higgs starting Sunday, **May 2nd** from 8:45 - 9:45 AM. Books will be \$10 each. Please contact Luann with any questions.



Legacy Builders Retreat

The annual Alliance Legacy Builders Retreat for the Western PA District will be held in Sugar Creek, Ohio at the Carlisle Inn, Monday-Wednesday, **May 3rd-5th**. The theme this year is *Make A Joyful Noise* and the event features speakers Roy & Donna Dail with worship led by Faith Wilson. Check out the brochures available on the info table in the foyer.

We are preparing to print our 2021 Church Directories. Please stop by the directory listing on the bulletin board across from the library to check that your contact information is correct. Please make corrections with a pen or pencil. We will also include blank space to add your contact info if we do not have your name listed. If you prefer, you may also e-mail changes or additions to ctallch@verizon.net. Thank you for helping us update our records!



Attention Graduates!

If you are graduating from either high school or college this spring or if you just graduated last fall or winter, please write your name on the graduates' list on the church office bulletin board.



We invite you to join in the National Day of Prayer next Thursday, May 6th.



Please pray with us for our country on this special day! Here are some ways you can participate:

- 1. Pray on your own or with a prayer partner.** We have prayer guides available on the information table in the foyer to give you some ideas of how to pray for America, highlighting the seven centers of influence in our nation. Please consider praying alone, with your spouse or family, or with a prayer partner.
- 2. Participate in our National Day of Prayer Challenge on Facebook.** We are looking for 24 individuals or families to agree to cover our nation in prayer every hour on May 6th. Check out our sign-up sheet on the bulletin board next to the church office. Note that we are not asking you to pray for the whole hour; please pray at some point during your time slot for as long as you feel led. If anyone has a night shift and would be willing to take a few minutes to pray during the early morning hours, that would be fantastic!

Please note that the National Day of Prayer organization provides year-round opportunities to join prayer calls for our nation:

"Pray for America" Call: First Thursday of every month, 8:00 PM ET
Daily Prayer Call: 10:00 AM ET
Nightly Prayer Call: 10:00 PM ET
The Cleanse - Bible Reading: 12:00 PM ET
Call 712-432-0075, then enter the password: 4961322

General Council 2021

Alliance General Council will be held at the Gaylord Opryland Resort in Nashville, Tennessee **May 31st - June 3rd**. The theme for Council this year is *Sacred*. For the first time in history, you are able to attend both in person and online. Check out the schedule of speakers & events at www.cmalliance.org/events/2021/council.

Paving Project

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.

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.



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

LIFE 2022 Fundraising

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 are unable to cover the fees to ship physical cards.

Check out **Amazon Smile**, which allows you to donate 0.5% of your purchase to a charity of your choice. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com>, and set Cherry Tree Alliance Church as your charity. These donations will go to support our LIFE 2022 trip.

International Workers of the Week

Please pray for our international workers of the week, Robert & Cheryl Fugate, who serve in Mexico. They request prayer for the following areas of their ministry: *"Cheryl and I returned to Guadalajara in mid-January to continue leading Project SouthPointe and to work towards our strategic vision of 5.5.25 to impact the Circle of Silence in central Mexico with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Thank you for your help in sending us back to Mexico. This has become our second home and we have become quite attached to the people and the wonderful culture.*

We have never had the pleasure of experiencing a more hospitable culture! Prayer Requests: 1. Pray for our next campus church plant, San Sebastian. We are looking for a rental location that will be suitable and relatively safe. 2. Pray for the security of our Woodlands campus against robbery and break-ins. 3. Pray for our leadership team as we are close to selecting a builder to start our church construction on the Woodlands campus. 4. Pray for an evangelistic week May 1st-8th.

We will have Rich and Lisa Brown present, among other events, for a seminar for parents. We are looking to hold our first evangelistic event in a new area called Solares."

Prayer of the Day

Please take time this morning to pray for the Lord's leading in our Annual Congregational Meeting. May His will for our church leadership & future ministry be made evident throughout 2021. We thank each one of you who so faithfully supports Cherry Tree Alliance by praying for our various programs, our staff, leadership, & volunteers, and our church family's prayer requests.



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.

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 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 April: \$18,270
(Amount needed monthly: \$26,136)
Last Week's Great Commission Giving: \$218

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

8:45 AM Worship Service: 41
10:00 AM Worship Service: 87
10:00 AM Children's Church: 21
Estimated Livestream Views: 169

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