

# OUR FAMILY Welcome

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**MARCH 2021**

**From the Pastor**

Dear family in Christ,

Grace mercy and peace be to you from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

During this COVID-19 season our ministry has been savagely disrupted. Thank you for your continuing prayer, your contributions, and your participation when it is appropriate for you. We did cancel public services for February 14<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> (Ash Wednesday) and the 21<sup>st</sup>. I was in self-quarantine on those dates and a few of our regularly active members were also ill. For those of you who do not know, I did test positive for the coronavirus in February. When I received notice, I did follow recommendations to self-quarantine. Although my symptoms were mild, I recognize that for others they are not so. Due diligence is essential. There are still many unknowns surrounding the spread and treatment for the virus, and your church council chose to error on the side of caution.

In performing my duties over the past year, there have been several occasions that I have felt uncomfortable about the circumstances. There is work a pastor must do. So much as possible I avoided or limited exposure for myself and was especially cautious to avoid passing anything on to others. It feels odd to apologize for getting ill, but in this case it seems appropriate. I do apologize for having caught the corona virus and assure you I will continue to do all I can protect myself, and our church family. To God alone be the glory – may His will be done.

Saint Paul writes in I Corinthians 9:16 "I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel." While the context of the passage is much different than my current situation, I fully understand why he feels compelled. There are many parts to the pastor's calling, and by God's grace and with your prayers and support, I will continue to serve you.

God loves you and so do I,

Pastor Paul

## CHURCH MEETINGS

Coffee House

MWF 9-10am

**Saturday**

**March 13 Council**

**10:30am**

Bible Study

Wednesdays @ 10 am



Daylight  
Saving  
Time  
March 14

Spring Forward

## From Council

Greetings from Church Council,

Due to some illnesses, we did not meet in February. Our bills have all been paid leaving us in the black. A full report will be available next month.

I would like to take this opportunity to explain to you my run-in with the corona virus. On Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> I was not feeling well and went to my doctor's office to be tested for Covid and found out the next day that I was positive. After getting worse day by day, I went to the E.R. at St. V's. Sure enough the virus had attacked my lungs and it was described to me as having typical Covid lungs. I saw on the x-ray where the virus was in the lower part of my lungs, making it very difficult to breathe and getting enough oxygen to the rest of my body. So, we discussed being put on a ventilator and I said no thanks. Two days later the doctor said it looks like you will not need it. Thank you, God. I was given everything, Remdesivir, packed covid antibodies, steroids, anticoagulants, insulin, and many pills and IVs to dry up my lungs. The most important, of course was oxygen. Everyday I was told to breathe in through the nose and exhale through the mouth. As if your life depended on it. Breathe with purpose, not just a little breath, but fill your lungs with the oxygen. And at night I was put on a machine that would expand my lungs by forcing oxygen inside with every breath. There was very little sleeping then. I was in the hospital for 11 days, each day wondering when I was well enough to go home. Of course, I started wondering around day 3, hopeful thinking. I prayed morning, noon, and night. One time I got mad with God because I did not think I was progressing fast enough. Everything in His time, not mine. Thank you for all your cards and prayers. It does help. So, I am now home with my oxygen, breathing, each day on the road to recovery.

For those of you who do not know, I spent 40 years working in the health care field. Before I retired in September 2020 I was one of the Medical Technologists performing the antibody test for the covid virus at St.V's. It was developed to tell if you had been exposed to the virus.

As I reflect on the month of February, I think this may have been the worst month of my life. But as time passed and I thought more something said to me, maybe this was the best month of your life. How could that be? During those 11 days I had a lot of time to think, to pray and to yearn for home. My love has grown when I didn't think it was possible for Barb, our 3 daughters, 3 sons in laws, and 4 grandchildren, one more coming this summer.

So, I will continue to breathe, wear a mask, social distance and thank God for all His blessings.

May God bless us all, bless this family we call King of Glory, and help us to continue His work here on earth.

Toffy Gietz  
Council Chairman

**Paul R. Schmidlin, Pastor 419-350-4347**

*Pastor will be glad to meet with you –*

*please call to make arrangements*

**Office hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

8:00 am– 11:00 am

**Informal Worship** 8:15 am

**Divine Worship** 10:30 am

**Sunday School & Life Long Learning** 9:15 am

**Wednesday Bible Study** 10:00 am

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## Calendar of Events

3/7 Sun.	8:15 am	Informal Worship*
	9:15 am	Christian Studies
	10:30 am	Worship Service*
3/10 Wed.	10:00 am	Bible Study
3/13 Sat.	10:30 am	<b>Council</b>
3/14 Sun.	8:15 am	Informal Worship*
	9:15 am	Christian Studies
	10:30 am	Worship Service
3/17 Wed.	10:00 am	Bible Study
3/21 Sun.	8:15 am	Informal Worship*
	9:15 am	Christian Studies
	10:30 am	Worship Service*
3/24 Wed.	10:00 am	Bible Study
3/28 Sun.	8:15 am	Informal Worship*
	9:15 am	Christian Studies
	10:30 am	Worship Service
3/31 Wed.	10:00 am	Bible Study

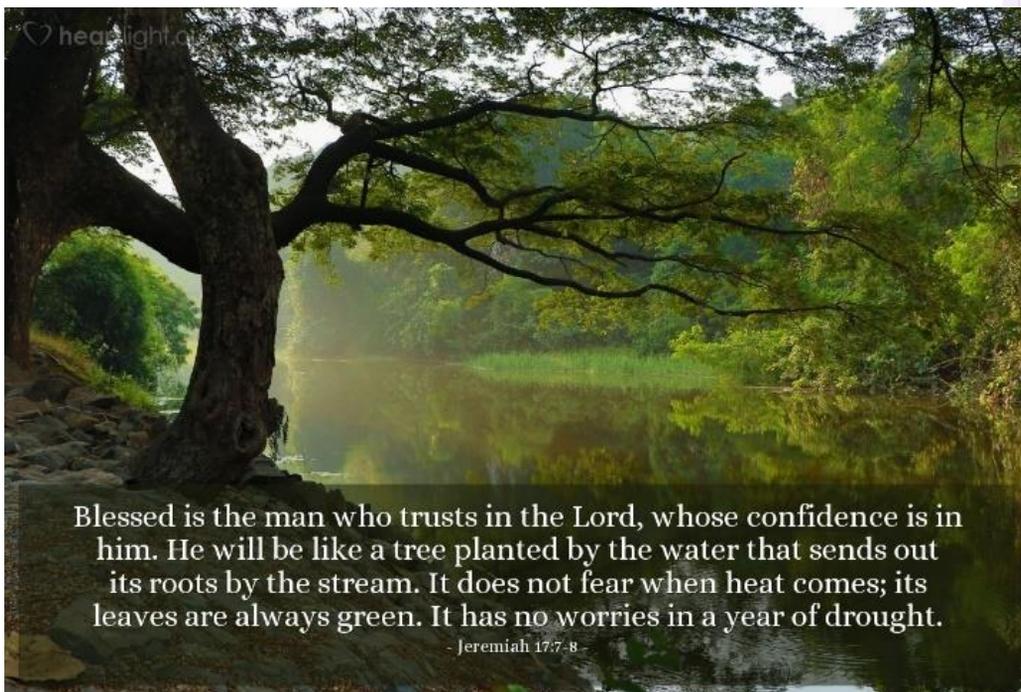
• indicates communion services



## King of Glory Mission Statement

By Grace, With the Holy Spirit  
We reach out in Jesus' love  
To **SERVE**, To **TEACH**, and to **WELCOME**  
ALL Into the FAMILY of GOD

**Worship Services**  
Palm Sunday, March 28  
8:15 & 10:30 am  
Easter Sunday, April 4  
8:15 & 10:30 am



Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought.

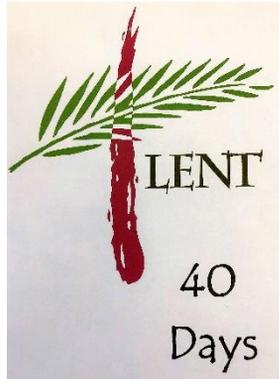
- Jeremiah 17:7-8

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### **Worship for Shut-Ins**

“Worship for Shut-ins” airs on  
Buckeye Cable Channel 167 at  
11:30 a.m., WLMB TV 40 on  
Sundays at 6:30 a.m. and on the  
web at:  
[www.worshipforshutins.org](http://www.worshipforshutins.org)



**JOIN US  
FOR  
WORSHIP**

*Sundays -  
8:15 & 10:30*

## **MARCH CELEBRATIONS**



### **BIRTHDAYS**

**3/1** Chad Bowen  
**3/16** Amy Black  
**3/16** Karl Reed  
**3/18** Weston Farley  
**3/19** Todd Hoffman  
**3/22** Jason Ziemke