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The Monthly View

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The Pastor's View

Pastor Marc Reeves

Dear Church,

It is definitely winter! Our combined worship has started off well even though the cold has set in. It is great to see everyone together in the morning service, family sitting with family, friends getting to catch up with one another. I realize that this has taken some adjustment for most, but I truly believe the Lord will use this for His glory. Thank you to the choir & praise team for making this a meaningful time of worship!

March 4th at 5pm we will be hosting David Bond from our state convention as he shares with us about Life Groups. This is a new effort for West View to reach more people. Life Groups will be led by members just like Sunday School/Small Groups, but can take place on or off campus and at times other than Sunday morning. This will allow attendance by folks we need to engage with the gospel. David will be sharing with us the basics of Life Groups. If you would like to lead one, please contact me.

Missions and Missionaries: We have two trips planned for Honduras at this time. One March 16-23 to do construction and one July 20-27 for a medical clinic. Please get your passport updated and contact me if you would like to be a part of either trip. We will attempt to do work at the Orphanage and in the villages during both trips. If you know a Pharmacist, APN, or M.D. who might be interested in the July trip, please ask them to get in touch with me. The cost for these trips will be around \$1400 per person. We are also working on short term trips to Collinsville (St. Louis) to work with David Seaton's church. They can be made on weekends and would be great for a small group to take on as a project. If your Sunday School/Small Group/Life Group would like to make a trip to Collinsville let me know.

God has truly blessed me with the privilege of pastoring a loving group of committed followers and I am thankful to Him and you for the love and support you have shown Loretta and I over the years. Thank you for all you do for Jesus, you are making a difference in eternity for many souls!

West View Church Covenant

Having been led, as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior and, on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, in the presence of God, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings; faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale of, and use of, destructive drugs or intoxicating drinks as a beverage; to shun pornography; to be zealous in our efforts to advance the Kingdom of our Savior.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember one another in prayer; to aid one another in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and Christian courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation and mindful of the rules of our Savior to secure it without delay. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and principles of God's Word.

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West View Kids

Kevin Gray

As we start a new year and reflect back on 2017, we need to consider if we were good stewards for God. For me and my family, 2017 started pretty rough but finished much better with West View calling us to our new home. It has been hard, and at times still is, but God is good all the time. As for the children's ministry, I think we finished 2017 in a strong way. We had a great soccer season with no cancelled games and no major injuries, as far as I know. We taught the Bible Wednesday to the children. We had some good blessings along with some challenges, but it's all good. Finally, we had a great Christmas Cantata. Our children learned the drama, music and even some motions. I am looking forward to this new year of 2018 and all that it brings. We have some fun things coming up quickly, including restarting Children's Church and Bible Drills, followed later by an overnight Mission Camp at Cedar Glabes. We are looking forward to a fun filled year learning about God and how He impacts our lives now. Please pray for the children's ministry to grow as I grow in my new position. May God Bless this New Year at West View Baptist Church.



Women of West View

Kathy Mitchell

Thank you to all the ladies that helped with our Night of Worship. Each of you put your heart into it and it was a blessing to all that attended. I love to start the new year off worshipping! A special thank you to Bob Mitchell, Jeff Mitchell, and Jonathan Ivie that helped us out. We appreciate you so much!

As a women's ministry, we always want to keep women in the Word. It is our desire and goal to offer Bible studies that will encourage and enrich women. On Sunday nights from 5:00-6:00, we offer the new Bible study "Breathe" by Priscilla Schirer. This is a great study on learning to take time to have intimacy with Jesus through Sabbath rest. This class meets in Brenda Russell's classroom. The cost of the workbook is \$10.

Our next monthly meeting is Monday, February 5th, at 6:30 in our church fellowship hall. We will be watching a video from the "Unwrapping the Bible" series. There are 6 different videos on women of the Bible and the speakers are well known: Beth Moore, Priscilla Schirer, Sheila Walsh, and others. Each video is on a different woman of the Bible. I am currently reviewing the video's and will choose one for that night. Growing in Christ helps us to grow in fellowship with one another. Please come and be a part of that night.

Celebrate Recovery

Francis Shelton

Celebrate Recovery meets each Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm. We had an average attendance of 21 per week in the month of December. On December 20th and 27th, we shared finger foods and a movie along with the Road to Recovery Principles and prayer. Starting January 2018, we'll be back on the usual schedule of a meal at 6 pm and Celebrate Recovery at 6:30 pm. If you would like to come or bring someone who is entangled in an addiction that is looking for help, you are always welcome to join us.

His Heart Our Hands Food Pantry

Kathy Bacigalupo

The pantry was closed on December 28th, due to the Christmas Holiday. We served 196 families and 27 new families last month. We served 599 individuals and 73 new individuals. Thank you church family for your continued support as we reach to those in our community. We do not need any more egg cartons at this time, however, we will be collecting mac & cheese, canned soup and chili.

Deacon Ministry

Doug Wigginton, Deacon Chair

I am looking forward to this new year. I know if we are faithful and allow God to move through us that God will do great and mighty things. We must let God be in control. God wants our best. Are we putting Him first and giving Him our best? As Bro. Marc says, God will provide so let's start now, as a church body, and give Him our first and our best. Again, I'm looking forward to this year. God Bless You!!

Active Adults

Ronnie Winn

West View's 2018 Calendar for the Active Adult Ministry has several interesting trips and activities planned. Some of the interesting trips are: Feb 22nd to the Arkansas State Capitol; March 22nd to The Fresh Water Pearl Farm & Casey Jones Museum and Restaurant in Jackson, TN; April 19-20 to The Ozark Folk Center & Music Festival in Mountain View; May 19th to the Cardinals vs Phillies Baseball game in St. Louis; and on Sept. 8-15 The 9 day 8 nights cross country trip to Boston, MA. Come join us and have some fun as we see these wonderful places around us. Trip photo's below:



Up coming activities for January and February: there will be Tuesday Movie Night on Jan 16th "King's Faith" will be shown. On Jan 25th-26th is Winter Bible Study. The Bible Study will consist of 4 teaching sessions from the book of I Peter (Living as Strangers in a Secular World) by Bible leader Dr. Bill Steeger. On Feb 13th, we'll have our annual Valentine Banquet with the Oldie Wed Game as our fun entertainment. Mike and Tammie Gaskill will host the evening game.

Youth Ministry Update

Robert Piercy

According to a new study, teenagers are on a "slow road" to adulthood, delaying jobs, driving, dating, and other steps toward independence. However, the positive side of this is that they are also putting off risky behaviors, from drinking to sex. "The whole developmental pathway has slowed down," said Jean Twenge, professor of psychology at San Diego State University and the lead author on the study. "Today's 18-year-olds are living more like 15-year-olds once did."

According to the study, today's teenagers are far less likely to be engaged in "risky" behavior as teenagers were in the early 90's. Here's how things stack up:

The good: Less teenagers are engaging in sex, and fewer are experimenting with alcohol. The "not so good:" Fewer teens are working for pay and fewer are getting a driver's license.

As parents and the primary disciple-makers in our homes, it is important for us to understand the trends of the culture in which our children live. Let's engage this generation and encourage them to fan into flame these positive trends while communicating the importance of taking responsibility at home, at school, and in the church.

Preschool Ministry

Mariah Dowdy

The new year brings lots of changes for the church, as well as the preschool department. As many of you know, our extended session rotations have changed. If you have a Sunday or Wednesday night spot, it does not change, so please continue with those as usual! Those of you with Sunday morning spots should know what has changed by now. I appreciate all of you for sticking with it even with all the changes. We couldn't do it without you! I do have a few available spots: 4th Sunday night of the month, 2nd Sunday morning of the month in the nursery, and I need a teacher and helper for the 3 & 4 year old Wednesday night class.