



February 3, 2015

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### Pastor's Notes:

#### Holy Halitosis?

*And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." John 20:22*

Peacemakers are people who breathe grace. They draw continually on the goodness and power of Jesus Christ, and then they bring his love, mercy, forgiveness, strength, and wisdom to the conflicts of daily life. God delights to breathe his grace through peacemakers and use them to dissipate anger, improve understanding, promote justice, and encourage repentance and reconciliation. When it comes to the believer's breath on others, it's usually one of two aromas -- life or death. What does your breath smell like?

Have you ever been around someone with halitosis (bad breath)? Unless you have the patience of Job, most of us back up a little and suddenly remember an urgent appointment. Those with Job's fortitude stick it out, digging around in their pockets for a mint. Now consider the phrase, *holy halitosis*. Have you ever been around someone with that? Everything from their denominational wardrobe to their Christian reading list screams HOLINESS. But when they open their mouths, it's anything but grace they breathe; in fact, it's usually some variation on the theme of condemnation.

Halitosis, of the natural kind, is usually connected in some way to what we're taking in. A steady diet of onions or feta cheese and *voila!* -- bad breath. A similar principle applies to the spiritual realm. We must *draw continually on the goodness and power of Jesus Christ*. Drawing in, or breathing in, Christ's goodness fills our spiritual lungs with the breath of Holy Spirit filled, lifesaving grace. Then our tanks are full, so to speak, to breathe out that same grace on and in the lives of others.

We're as much peacebreathers as we are peacemakers. There's a rhythm there as ancient as creation itself. Inhale and exhale. Breathe in and breathe out. Grace in and grace out. Do a little spiritual diagnosis on yourself, first, and then on others around you. If you find that you rarely breathe grace, it's a red flag that you're not taking any in. The same goes for people around you. The only difference is that if it's you, then some time feasting on the riches of God's grace is in order. *Take. Eat.* If it's your neighbor, then you may be the vessel that God wants to use to bring grace and peace to a troubled soul, marriage, or household. Breathe on us, breath of God!

Taken from *The Peacemaker: A Biblical Guide to Resolving Personal Conflict* by Ken Sande, Updated Edition (Grand Rapids, Baker Books, 2003) p. 11.

I am always thankful for these Peacemaking tidbits and enjoy sharing them with you. I hope you are as blessed with them as much as I am.

In much love, Pastor Darrel



**SUNDAYS AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

**8:00 am ~ Early Worship Services**

**9:15 am ~ Sunday School (all ages)**

**10:30am ~ Worship Services & Children’s Church**

**5:00 pm ~ Legacy Youth**

**Sunday Worship Attendance February 1, 2015**

8:00 a.m. Worship ~ 55 10:30 a.m. Worship ~ 110

Total ~ 165

**Sunday School Attendance**

0 ~ Nursery: Age 0 thru 4 years

2 ~ Beginners: 4 year olds thru Kindergarten

6 ~ Primary: 1<sup>st</sup> thru 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

4 ~ Juniors: 4<sup>th</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

11 ~ Jr High: 6<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

10 ~ Sr High: 9<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

6 ~Overcomers: Mainly the young adults

16 ~ Pastor’s Class: Not an age specific class

9 ~ Great Expectations: ages 50+ Mid of road

15 ~ SOS Class: ages 60+

2 ~ Opportunity Class: Seniors primarily 75+

Total ~ 81

**Children’s Church Attendance ~ 29**

**Legacy Youth Attendance ~ 74**

**Wednesday Jan. 28 ROOTS Attendance ~ 41**



**GUESTS AT FCC:** Mark & Sondra Grieshaber, Camryn Crawford granddaughter of Karen Brinkmeyer; Trey & Taylor Clark grandchildren of Tammy Clark, Nicholas Trollope guest of Rachel Mundy and Miranda Thummell granddaughter of Norma Hermreck

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL...SOS Class:** The class had 14 present and 1 guest today. The class had 13 with Bibles and 10 daily readers. Prayer requests and concerns for: Marlys Hayden, Kay Gwin, Rusty Coons, Phyllis Adams, Jack & Jo Lowe, Jim & Rosie Jordan, Ed Cox (son of Charlotte); Angie Wright (daughter of Joyce Benton); Lois Gebert and Bill Barndt and his wife Marie. Larry Varvel opened the class with prayer. Burke Rogers presented the lesson from the study guide “Philippians” on “The God who Pursues Us.” The class closed with The Lord’s Prayer.

**First Christian Church  
“Family Life Center” Growth Chart**

Building Addition	\$1,500,000
Total of Pledges and Cash	\$794,613
Total Pledges to be received	\$226,026
Total Cash In Building Fund	\$568,587

**FEBRUARY 2015  
FCC GENERAL FUND**

Weekly Average Need  
\$4460

February Monthly Need  
\$17840

February 1, 2015 General Tithe  
\$3588

February Monthly Giving to Date  
\$3588

*Christ loved us and gave himself up for us  
a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.  
Ephesians 5:2*

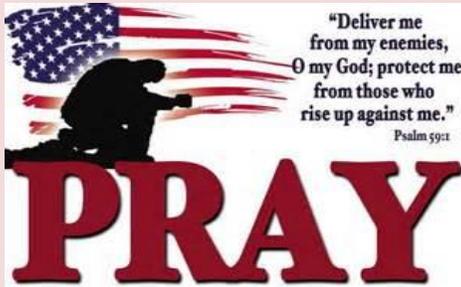


*PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Father God, we pray for all those who are facing sickness in their bodies. We ask that you would restore their health, soothe their pain, and ease their worry. Give them your peace and comfort as they wait. In Jesus' name, Amen!*

## Praying for You

**PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:** Phyllis Adams, Rusty Coons, Mike Crist, Twyla Duryea, Kay Gwin, Marlys Hayden, Clarence Hermann, Jim Jordan, Loretta Lankard, Jack & Jo Lowe, Wilma McIntosh & Dorothy Schuster

**PRAYERS FOR OUR EXTENDED FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Beulah (requested by Gayla Corley); Cindy (niece of Gayla Corley); Bill Barndt (brother-in-law of Bob Meliza); Jim Breit (family friend of Darwin & Mary Hamilton); Dan Friesen (requested by Nancy Horn) Shannon Garber, C.B. Harris, Adam Kichler (requested by Earl & Ruth Peine); Steve Richardson (son of Reed & Carol Richardson); Duane & Becky Roush (requested by Carol Hermreck & Carolyn Schuster); Marilyn Walsh (sister of Doug Linder) & Angie (Benton) Wright.



### PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY:

**Serving in Kuwait:**

SPC Jonathan Potter, grandson of Nelda Potter

**Serving in Japan:** Shawn Parks, husband of Richele

**Serving overseas:** Franklin Cockrell, son of Debbie Cockrell

### PRAYERS FOR OUR LOVED ONES IN CARE CENTERS:

**Guest Home Estate:** Vernon & Goldie Hunt, Ruth Gorrell, Robert Young, Seatta Van Donge

**Residential Living Center:** Clara Grace Jones, Bill Young

**Golden Heights:** Vi Davin, Lois Miller, Birdie Zentner, Jean Brown, Olive Kline, Max Ratliff

**Ottawa Retirement Village:** Ralph Hamilton (father of Leroy)



Please send a card of "encouragement" or "hello we miss you" to Marlys Hayden who is staying up at her daughter Tracy's in Overland Park during her treatments. It would totally brighten her day! Her address is Marlys Hayden ~ 13105 Westgate Street ~ Overland Park, KS 66213

### February 8, 2015 Reminders

**Elder for Offertory:** Roger Adams **Elder for Communion:** Gene Watson

**Deacon Usher:** Doug Meyer

**Communion to the Shut Ins: Elder:** Les Thomas **Deacon:** Lynn Wilson

**Deacons Group A:** Mike Burns, Dan Dulin, Craig Cole, Jason Sjorlund

**Audio / Visual: 8:00 a.m.:** Carol Long ~ Joyce Benton

**10:30 a.m.:** Nathan Wiehl ~ Becky Allen

**Song Leaders at 10:30:** Worship Team

**Pianist 8:00 a.m.:** Carmen Powls **10:30 a.m.:** Carmen Powls

**10:30 a.m. Greeters:** Mary Graham

**Communion Prep for February:** Linda Miller



## Just a reminder

## FEBRUARY 2015 CALENDAR EVENTS

**Every Other Tuesday Night Meals!** Cathy Hoke says WELCOME...*"Bundle up...put on your coats, hats and mittens and "Come on down and get in line"* and enjoy the tasty meals and enjoy the fellowship at the every other Tuesday Evening meals. February scheduled meals will be **Tuesday, February 2 and Tuesday, February 17** in the Fellowship Hall. They serve the meals from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. They are YUM! YUMMY!



**Pizza and Movie with the Great Expectations Class:** Yes, we are planning another fun filled class fellowship party! It will begin at 6:00 pm for a gathering and mingle time this Friday, February 6 in the First Christian Church Fellowship Hall. We plan on eating pizza at 6:30

pm and a movie "Heaven is for Real." Please RSVP so we will know how much pizza to order! See ya there!

### **Nursing Home Worship Services Sunday, February 8, 2015:**

FCC are in charge of the afternoon worship services at the local care centers this Sunday, February 8, 2015. The residents look forward to visits with us and for sharing in a time of songs and devotion. Please help us as a church to care for one another and to care for our community, and to grow in our spiritual journey. You can do all of these in the Nursing Homebound Ministry, and you are needed. The Worship Service Schedule for Care Centers is below. Please come and make a difference in their lives...I am sure you will be touched!



Guest Homes - 2:30 pm ~ Residential Living Center - 3:15 pm ~ Golden Heights - 4:00 pm

**Date Change of Elders and Church Board Meeting:** Note that the Elders and Church Board members meetings have been moved to Sunday, February 8 at the Annex.



*Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, My servant also will be.*

*My Father will honor the one who serves me. John 12:26 NIV*

5:00 p.m. Elders      6:00 pm Board Prayer      6:30 pm Board Meeting



**Fireproof Your Marriage: Never leave your partner behind...** You still have time to sign up for the class which begins Sunday, February 15, 2015 at in the Church Annex at 5:30 p.m. It will be led by Gene & Gail Watson. It is based upon the popular movie Fireproof. It will run about 6 - 8 weeks. This study is designed to help build strong, God- centered marriages that will help "Fireproof" your marriage. It is for all ages and baby-sitting will be provided. Please sign-up on the bulletin flap or call the church office so we will have enough material available.

**Worship & Sing Praise:** The "Monthly Hymn Selection" Committee will meet **Thursday, February 19**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to pick out hymns for March Worship Services.



He Is With Us by Love and the Outcome

CHORUS: We can trust our God ~ He knows what He's doing ~ Though it might hurt now ~ We won't be ruined ~ It might seem there's an ocean in between ~ But He's holding onto you and me ~ And He's never gonna leave ~ no He is with us, He is with us, always, always He is with us, He is with us, always



Save a Life. **Right Here, Right Now.**

**Community Blood Drive:** Please share your gift of life with local hospital patients who need it by donating at the next Community Blood Center blood drive. The blood drive will be held for the Garnett Community, Tuesday, February 24, 11:30 am – 4:30 pm. The drive will be located at in the basement of the First United Methodist Church, 205 S Oak St.

**Emergency Food Assistance Program Food Distribution** will be held at the Anderson County Fair Grounds Community Building beginning at 4:00 p.m. on **Thursday, February 26th**. This is a first come, first served basis and is in partnership with the First Baptist Church of Garnett.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT** *"Even a child is known by his actions, by whether his conduct is pure and right."* ~ Proverbs 20:11 Woman's World is an annual retreat sponsored by



Manhattan Christian College and held in the KSU Student Union in Manhattan, KS. This year's event, February 27 - 28, "Spotted as His," will encourage all of us to consider what makes us different and whether or not people can tell we are Christians by just watching us. If you are interested more information is posted on a bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or contact Michal Herde @ [316 841-3070](tel:3168413070).



### **Mission Haiti is having a Hog Raffle.**

The prize is a whole hog, including the processing. The drawing will be held on Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. The hog will be ready near the end of March. Ticket prices are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. You may purchase the tickets by anyone on the Mission Team. Thank you. Mission Team

## **Volunteer Spotlight**

He is furry, cute and quite a handful as you may notice in the picture! Yes our spotlight today is appropriately Punxsutawney Phil! Thankfully he saw his shadow today making him my favorite volunteer of the year! Only six more weeks of winter...yeah! As long as his interpretation is correct this year...unlike 2013! "In 2013, Phil issued a forecast for an early spring, but bitter Cold and snow gripped the eastern U.S. into March that year. The prosecuting attorney in Butler County, Ohio went as far as to [seek the death penalty for Phil](#) for "misrepresentation of early spring" before a Pennsylvania law firm came to Phil's defense, claiming [the Ohio attorney had no jurisdiction to prosecute the Groundhog.](#)"



On February 2, Punxsutawney Phil comes out of his burrow at Gobbler's Knob - in front of thousands of followers from all over the world - to predict the weather for the rest of season. The celebration of Groundhog Day began with Pennsylvania's earliest settlers. It stemmed from a combination of religious beliefs and facts associated with hibernating animals. They brought with them the legend of Candlemas Day.

*If Candlemas be fair and bright, Come, Winter, have another flight;  
If Candlemas brings clouds and rain, Go Winter, and come not again.*

*Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they shall be satisfied. Matthew 5:6*

Legacy Youth Church meets on Sundays in the Fellowship Hall ~ 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. The age group is 6<sup>th</sup> grade thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Contact Chris Goetz (503-474-7965) if you have any questions or concerns.

**SNACK LIST FOR LEGACY...** Thank you for signing up to bring snacks for Legacy!  
**Feb. 8:** Carmen Powls ~ **Feb. 15:** Jayne Miller ~ **Feb. 22:** Denise Scheibmeir

### **Special Thanks to Mike & Eileen Burns!!!**

What an outstanding time we had at the Burns Garage-Ma-Hall! Great fellowship and even a great game... even if I will be in mourning for a few days at the tragic loss for the Seahawks. We had 74 people total of which 49 were 6-12<sup>th</sup> Grade. We had a great time, the students are still talking about how much fun it was. Gene and Gail still wanted to be with us part of the time so they brought more than their fair share of Ribs, Chicken, Chili and much more... The food was out of this world good! Thanks to Mike and Eileen for allowing us to use your special space! We had a blast! Thanks so much for all those staff who made it such a great success and especially to the Burns and Watsons!

Thanks and God Bless, Legacy Staff

**WINTER JAM 2015:** We will be attending Winter Jam 2015 Friday, March 6th in the Intrust Bank Arena in Wichita, Kansas. We will take as many HIGH SCHOOL students as we have vehicles available. We will leave at 3:30pm and return 2 Hours and 30 minutes after the concert finishes. Cost is only \$10 at the door and includes a great lineup of Christian Bands that will lead us in a powerful worship experience! Christian Bands include: Skillet, Jeremy Camp, Francesca Battistelli, Building 429, For King & Country, Newsong, Family Force 5, Blanca, About a Mile, and Veridia. Please let me know if you are interested in attending and get signed up ASAP as seats will be limited! Blessings

**Young Christians Weekend Trip March 27-29!** Our trip is rapidly approaching. Details are coming together nicely... please remember we need to get our ducks in a row by Sunday, March 8th. This means a \$20 deposit and permission slip from every student attending. If you are unable for some reason please contact Chris. This trip is going to be so much FUN! Please also see Chris for details or if you are in need of financial help because we will be doing some group fundraisers! Thanks and God Bless, Chris

## **Legacy Spotlight**

Legacy Student Spotlight this week is Holly Watson! Holly is the Granddaughter of Gene and Gail Watson and she has made the spotlight! She is the only girl, aside from my wife, who has beaten me in a fishing derby. She loves spending time with her peers and volunteers anytime I have ever needed her. Holly is a regular volunteer in the Roots Program and also attends as often as she can to our Legacy Youth Church! Thanks Holly for all you do! We love serving with you!





**Sponsor a Child to Camp!** God has blessed us with a group of students that way exceeds anything we have had for many years. Last year we took 99 students to HHCC; making FCC the largest student sending church of 42 churches. With the cost of camp rising each year many students are faced with the burden of a price they cannot afford. Thankfully FCC

covers the cost for every student who wants to attend. Because of so many students attending, the finance committee and church board have asked me to get some help with the camp bill! If there are people who would be willing to sponsor a student to camp it would be greatly appreciated. These are the camp costs for 2015: Overnighter (1-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade)-\$35, Get Acquainted (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)- \$50.00, Junior 2 (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade)- \$110.00, Junior High 2 (6<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> Grade)- \$125.00, High school (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)- \$125.00. This is a ministry that will change our student's lives for Jesus sake! Please support this hugely valuable ministry. Blessings, FCC Board



*While we try to teach our Children all about Life... Our Children teach us what Life is about!*



**ROOTS**



**ROOTS** meet on Wednesday evenings. This is for our 4 years thru 6<sup>th</sup> graders. They start at 5:30 pm with a light meal followed by **ROOTS** Program and Worship Time in the Sanctuary at 6:00 pm.



**Roots Food Drive...**Please help with the Roots Mission! We already have around 250 items to donate to ECKAN! Please continue to support our local students in our endeavor to reach 2000 non-perishable Items! We will be collecting these goods through March 8th. Blessings, Roots Staff

## ROOTS Spotlight



Walker "Texas Ranger" Figgins! He is hyper and ornery and full of life! This young man is always looking for a good prank to pull! But don't judge too quickly! He also loves the Lord and has made an intentional effort to commit to his memory 10 large bible verses! He is in the Roots Verse Club! Walker has a big heart and we are really glad to have him be a part of our Roots Children's Program.



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 Craig Cole  
 \*Greg Gwin  
 Dan Kasprzak  
 Jason Miller  
 Danny Roberts  
 Lynn Wilson