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TO KNOW JESUS AS SAVIOR AND
LORD AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN.

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**GREAT BANQUET
SPRING 2020 DATES**

TCC Great Banquet #16
March 27-28, 2020
Ron Hanks, Lay Director

Men's Great Banquet #118
April 2-5, 2020
Doug Davidson, Lay Director

Women's Great Banquet #119
April 16-19, 2020
Meghan Austin, Lay Director

DCC Great Banquet #18
April 23-26, 2020
Jeanine Snearly, Lay Director



Sunday Morning Worship

9:15 am

10:45 am

Sunday School

Classes for Children and Adults

at 9:15a & 10:45a

Fellowship 10:15-10:45am

Children's Church 11:00am

February 25, 2020



MEETINGS!

Feb 26

Bible Study
Youth Activities
6p

Feb 27

Exercise Class
10a
Under His Wings
6p

Feb 29

Stephen Ministry
Workshop
9a—1p

Mar 1

All Team Meetings
6p

Mar 3

Women's Bible Study
10a

Congregational Care
6p

Christian Education
Spiritual Life
7p

Mar 4

Bible Study
Youth Activities
6p

Mar 5

Exercise Class
10a

Mar 7

Men's Retreat
8a-3p

The Chimes



PART-TIME PASTOR AND OTHER RANDOM THOUGHTS

So, on the front of this Newsletter is a picture and maybe a look at my “time on my hands” work. Since I went to part-time in January as your “Interim-transitional” pastor I have taken to the streets of Chicago. I am now a street - pastor-puppeteer and prophet for the common man. What do you think? Fits me, doesn't it. Since I am in the process of giving up my day job I got myself a “blue tooth” microphone and a big “BOZE” blue-tooth speaker to call to the masses.

And this would be the message from the puppet prophet:

THERE'S MORE GOING ON THAN MEETS THE EYE!

(ASK LITTLE “Jackie- JOHNNIE” PITZER)

As I look out from my recreational vehicle sitting on the sidewalks of Chicago I am convinced that it will take the heart of a warrior to not be seduced by the world around us. We must keep from just letting go and “slip-sliding” into the daily grind of unconsciousness.

We all face the cultural conditioning which proclaims, “This is it! This is all there is! What you see is what you get!” Now, let's think about this for a few minutes. What we see is what we get . . . Hmmm. We can't see electrons. We can't see a “Corona virus”. We can't see how our spouse could ever love us, but he/she does. We can't understand the internet and yet we still believe that these things exist.

Which brings me to God. Isn't it strange that we can look up at a night sky, at a majestic mountain, and for some of us guys – see a good-lookin' woman and yet we have trouble believing in God. But I digress.

The secret of life – praise and blame, gain and loss, pleasure and sorrow, come and go like the wind. To be fulfilled, rest like a great tree in the midst of the forest or get a “recreational vehicle” like the one in this newsletter and take up “propheteering” Are you a great tree yet? Do you have a recreational vehicle with your name on the side, like the one you see in this newsletter.

I remember the song by the “WHO” called “Happy Jack” who had a Magical Bus. This may not be a bus, but it is magical. Now that I am part-time (whatever that means), after a few weeks in this experience, “I believe we are better than the animals because we can read in the bathroom!!!!!!”

I also believe I think too much. I maybe drowning in a swamp of thoughts, at least “part-time”. No, that's not right. My mind is like a swarm of “bees” flying insanely about. Yep, definitely – thoughts are bees! There really is “more going on in my mind than meets the eye. Ask little Johnnie.

See you in church. Jack

“Not Quickly Broken”

Ecclesiastes 4:12 NIV

Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three stands is not quickly broken.

2020 Annual Men's Conference

Saturday, March 7th

Men's Prayer Breakfast 8a – 9a

Men's Conference 9a – 3p

Ribeye Lunch – Donation only

Exploring Discipleship
Through Relationship

Lampstand Church and Great Banquet Community Present:

“Thanks for the Memories”

Poster Party-Palooza

Tribute to our Beloved Pastor Jack Pitzer

Saturday, March 21st from 4p -6p

Prepare a skit, poster,
share a special memory

Bring snacks to share

Additional details to follow

ATTENDANCE			
	2018	2019	2020
January	226	204	204
February	228	228	
March	254	225	
April	302	279	
May	241	227	
June	242	231	
July	227	201	
August	286	212	
September	233	234	
October	226	232	
November	252	214	
December	251	260	

Loan Balance as of end of Jan 2020
\$636,294.19

Capital Fund Contribution Through Jan 2020
\$5,086.40
Expenses through Jan 2020
\$10,000.00
\$3,740.89 Interest
\$6,259.11 Principal

Capital Fund Checking Account End of Jan 2020
\$29,228.00

Giving thru Jan 2020
\$39,551.25
Expenses through Jan 2020
\$41,814.14

MAR BIRTHDAYS

- Bo Scott 01
- Ron Margenthaler 05
- Evelyn Gasber 06
- Theresa Kuzel 06
- Cole Austin 07
- Mason Eustice 07
- Aidan Bullock 08
- Sue Fally 08
- Sebastian Massie 09
- Avalynn Brown 10
- Pam Haycraft 10
- Marsha Haycraft 11
- Bruce Nielsen 11
- David Rupert 11
- Leslie Wolpert 11
- Bennett Binkley 12
- Delaney Johnson 12
- Mike Wamser 12
- Lexi Cavanaugh 13
- Eammaline Downing 13
- Connor Hutchins 15
- Keaton Nielsen 15
- Steve Nickerson 16
- Michelle Adkins 20
- Emily Haycraft 20
- Bette Felstead 21
- Stephen L Smith 22
- Mike Crowe 23
- Mike Reynolds 24
- Karen Wyatt 25
- Karen McFadin 26
- Char Smith 26
- Stefan Woods 27
- Jarrett Walker 30
- Jacob Wall 31
- Robin Walters 31

MAR ANNIVERSARIES

- Jeff & Connie Shively 07
- Chuck & Sue LeMons 09
- Clint & Robin Walters 09
- Andrew & Melysa Niebruggee 14
- Todd & Jamie Williams 19
- David & Erin Miller 21

LAMPSTAND YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- March 13 – “Winter Jam” Hoffman Estates, IL
- March 14 – Saturday, Movie Night
- April 22 – Youth Local Service Project

Follow our Youth on Instagram @ Lampstand_youth

Lampstand Women's Conference 2020

Saturday, March 14th @ 9am-3pm
*Catered lunch
*Mini-Sessions
*Worship

“Worship is OUR response to the Overtures of love from the heart of the Father.”
Richard J. Foster



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Register at www.lampstandpc.org
\$10 per person

Event Location:
655 S. Airport Road
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For more information
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Humor is to life what shock absorbers are to cars.

Jesus can turn water into wine but He can't turn whining into anything.