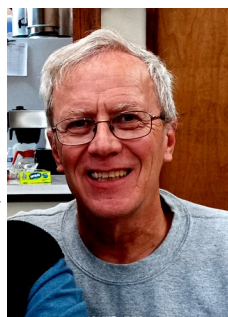




Unexpected Good Guys



There it was, right here in Davenport. I saw the video myself. Three of them, apparently young teens. By the way they approached the door they were obviously aware of the doorbell cam. The leader of the three—apparently a young lady, had an arm across her face, Snyderly Whiplash style. Even though you could only see one eye and a little bit of blondish-looking hair, you could see she thought it was fun. They were clearly laughing as they ran off.

Answering her doorbell, Donna found a bag filled with Valentines gifts. She still doesn't know who her three little sneaks were; but they did a fantastic job of spreading joy.

If I write as well as I try to, you were feeling a certain amount of anger as you read the first paragraph, and joy as you read the second.

The anger in the first rises from what we've come to expect from this world. Christmas hasn't been gone so long that porch pirates aren't fresh in our memories. That's what the world without Christ gives us. Or maybe I should say, that's what the world takes from us.

The joy in the second is a natural response to a selfless good deed done in a clever and unexpected way.

I think of the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10). The setting is a classic set up for something to go wrong. A lone traveler on foot on a deserted stretch of road. It's not a guarantee that something will go wrong; but neither is it hard to believe bad things can happen.

And of course, he gets beat up and robbed and left injured on the side of the road.

So far, it's not nice, but it's kind of normal. It's what happens next that makes things seem weird.

The good guys arrive. The ones you expect to step up and do the right thing. And they just go on about their business. They don't stop, they don't check. I'm sure they had their reasons. Probably good ones. What happens next? Three sneaky tweens show up! OK, I'm taking some liberties, but you see where I'm coming from.

What I'm seeing in this parable right now is the unexpected nature of what the Good Samaritan did. Someone was eventually going to help this man. But the expected people weren't doing it.

Jesus closed this parable with a question and a statement. The question: "Which of these proved to be a neighbor to the injured man?" When the answer came back, 'the Samaritan,' He made his statement: "Go and do the same."

Christians should be a source of unexpected blessings. Unexpected blessings should be such a natural element of Church life that they come to be expected! We don't know where, how, or who; but we know someone is going to do something nice for someone sometime soon!

This isn't a lecture. As Pastor, I already witness this kind of thing happening a lot. But if you haven't been part of it yet, keep your eyes open for opportunity, and join in on the fun.

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Photo of the Month



If you laugh, you lose. But Todd Winzer was a good sport at TBF's Dad-joke contest, as he lost here to eventual second-place finisher Rod Colvin.

Elders Report

Thursday, 1 February 2024 @ 6:30 PM
Attendees: Steve McLachlan, John Doyle, Mike Bell, Jeremy Eaton, Knute Hernas, and Dion Ricketts via FaceTime.

- Minutes reviewed and approved.
- Scheduled Report: Tyson Lacy’s VBS update. June 17-21. Theme: Armor of God. Cost: ~\$250.00

Pastor’s report

- Suggest creating a “Decorating Committee.” Recommend to the Deaconess Board they form a Decorating sub-committee.
- The Men’s Anvil Conference in Almira is March 8-9, and costs \$45.00. Steve will make a signup sheet.
- Good Friday Seder dinner is on track. Steve will enlist Deaconess’s help.
- Building Com. Report:
- Friday morning Men’s Coffee Hour has been going very well.

Youth Pastor’s report

- Youth Leadership
 - Good attendance at monthly meetings – 10 young people.
 - YLT Conference has 11 signed up so far.
- AWANA Trek/Journey
 - Fair turn-out; kids are over-committed and stretched too thin.
- Youth Group
 - Good numbers, between 6 and 15. Using worship songs as primers for lessons, ending with the Gospel message.
 - Big Event was Winter Camp at CLBC; 6 youth attended
 - The Youth Fund stands at \$1255.49.

Old Business

- Chili cookoff and Dad Joke contest is on-track for Feb. 4 after church. Ladies will judge the chili.
- Ordination Service for John D and Josh Mc is set for June 22 from 9:00 to noon at TBF.
- Men’s Movie Night is Friday, March 1 at 7pm. “Flywheel”
- Spring Shoot is scheduled for March 16 at 10:30. \$5.00 per family; Two categories; kids and 14 through adults.

New Business

- Davenport School District would like to store equipment and materials for Emergency Preparedness on site. Recommend they provide a shed for that purpose.
- Men’s Golf Fiasco to be scheduled.

Intercessory Prayer

Next Meeting: Thursday, 7 March 2024, 6:30pm

Church Funds
1/31/2024

Benevolence Fund	3,524.61
Bus Fund	3,600.00
Missionaries Reserve	3,625.00
Missions Fund	546.00
General Fund	78,477.65
Total	\$89,773.26
Building Fund	\$166,659.15
	\$ 256,432.41

Quilt Camp

At Cocolalla Lake Bible Camp, for women and girls age 13 and up.
March 14-16.

Cost is pro-rated based on how long you can stay.

Speaker: Leslea McLachlan!

There are brochures at church, or you can register online at clbcamp.org

Ladies’ Fellowship

Ladies, you know what a wonderful time this is for all of us, We hope you can make it out Saturday the 2nd at 9 am and share the blessing we all get,

Men’s Stuff

First, Men’s Movie Night, Friday the 1st at 7 pm. First, in full-disclosure, I have to tell you there are no car chases or fight scenes, and no one gets shot in the entire movie. But Flywheel is still a great movie, and we know you will enjoy it. Bring snacks to shar with the group and join the fun.

Second, Men’s Breakfast is Saturday the 16th. We can meet and share a good breakfast—as always—but we can’t hang around long after, because we’re off to the Church Shoot!

Finally, for those who can, Friday mornings are going well from 7—8:30, with conversations and laughs to start the day.



by John Doyle

Youth Stuff

February is history, we march to March! Bring on the Lion! February was another great month for the Youth. We went back to Cocolalla for the Youth Leaders conference. The YLTs studied the book of Ruth, a little book with a great message. Special thanks to Jennifer Doyle in helping me to Chaper-one the Youth leaders.

Youth Group was also a gem in the month of Feb. Special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Choate for running one week of Youth Group this month, really appreciate the break to celebrate 20 Years with my Bride.

Ok so we say goodbye to Feb and hello to March. Hang on to your hat not only is the wind blowing but the fun will be full throttle! Ok gear up and hang on, cause.....the Youth G.A.N.G. is on the move!!!

Youth Group G.A.N.G. (God’s Anointed Next Generation)

Youth Group, come hang with the G.A.N.G. Discover the Word of Christ and maybe a game or two. Sundays 3:30 to 5pm

Big Event

St. Patty’s Day Game Night, Mar 17th 3 to 7pm, @ Trinity Bible Fellowship. Food, Games, and Fun. Bring friends and prepare to have a good time.

Youth Leadership Training (YLT)

This month’s meetings, Mar 22nd

Upcoming Events

Spring Retreat at Cocolalla. April 12th-13th, Register @ clbcamp.org

Volunteer

The Youth ministries can use your time, talent, and prayers. If you are interested in volunteering or serving the Youth G.A.N.G we can sure use help, please contact: Youth Pastor John Doyle @ (509) 435-6393, tbfpdoyle@gmail.com

Easter at TBF

He is risen indeed!

And it is right that we celebrate His victory over death and the grave.

We will start our observance with a seder (redneck pronunciation guide: ‘say-dur’) meal, led by Jeff Hamilton, seeing how we find Christ in the Passover. There will be a full meal incorporated into this event. Bring the whole family, and child-care will be provided for the little ones.

On Easter morning, we join Lake Roosevelt Bible Church to celebrate a Sunrise Service at the Swedish Cemetery, on Lake Roosevelt just above Deer Meadows. This is a beautiful location, and last year we were joined by a little lamb! Following the service, we are invited to LRBC for breakfast before heading back!

At Church, we will have Sunday School and our worship service at the normal schedule.

Celebrate the Resurrection; be part of as much as you can!



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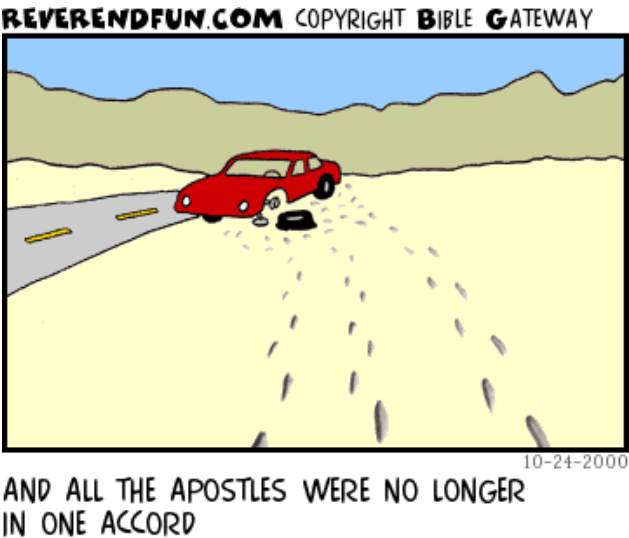
All Church Shoot

On Saturday, March 16th, we’re calling all women, children, and men whose egos can risk being beat by women and children to a shooting contest at the Doyle property. This is an organized event with range marshals and safety in mind; but smaller children should still stay home.

Even if you don’t shoot, it is a fun time of fellowship and hanging out in the woods. We hope to see you there.

Anvil Men’s Conference

Guys, if you haven’t signed up yet, it’s too late to get the early-registration discount, but you can still make it. It is a great time of fellowship with Christian men from all over Lincoln County, with fun, food, and inspiring messages. To find out all that’s going on, check it out at www.eventbrite. Look for Anvil Men’d Conference in Almira, WA.



Prefer to get your Newsletter by email? We can do that! Contact the church office at tbfdavenport@hotmail.com



March at Awana

The Grand Prix is the Big Thing, but it’s not the only thing at Awana in March!

Big Nights

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| Mar 6 | Many Colors Night |
| Mar 13 | Awana Grand Prix |
| Mar 20 | Hats Night |
| Mar 27 | Ice Cream Night |

Grand Prix: Sparks and Cubbies bring and race their own small metal cars (Hot Wheels®, Matchbox®, etc.). After that, T&T Clubbers race the cars they build from kits bought at Awana. Finally, teens and leaders face off.

We have hot dogs, Polish sausages, chips, soda and ice cream bars available at a good price. Bring the whole family for a raucous time of fun and competition.

March 2024

Missionaries of the Month:
Robert & Cindy McDowall



Women's Ministry Leader: Janene Warner
Group Members: Rachel Lacy
Justina Sliter
Allyson Morrison
Annie Ricketts



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Men's Coffee 7 am  Men's Movie Night 7 pm	2  9 am
3 Coffee Fellowship after church Youth Group 3:30 pm Bible Study 5 pm	4 Evening of Prayer 7 pm	5	6 Awana 6 pm Many Colors Night	7 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	8 Men's Coffee 7 am Youth Leadership 5 pm	9 Anvil Men's Conference In Almira Friday night & Saturday
10 Youth Group 3:30 pm 	11	12	13 Awana 6 pm Grand Prix	14 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	15 Men's Coffee 7 am <i>Quilt Camp @ CLBC March 14, 15 & 16</i>	16  8 am All Church Shoot 10:30 am 
17 Youth Group St Patty's Day Party 3 pm	18 Evening of Prayer 7 pm	19 Mission Committee Meeting 5:30 pm	20 Awana 6 pm Hats Night	21 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	22 Men's Coffee 7 am Youth Leadership 5 pm	23
24 Youth Group 3:30 pm	25	26	27 Awana 6 pm Ice Cream Night	28 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	29 Men's Coffee 7 am  6 pm	30
31 Easter Sunrise Service 7 am Communion/Regular Worship Service 10:30 am						