

PHILEMON 1:1-7

The Church in the city of Colosse met in Philemon and Apphia's house.

COLOSSIANS 4:1-7

They had shown great evidence of their faith and love of Jesus for all the saints, especially the saints in Colosse where they lived.

PHILEMON 1:8-11

They were resizable and generous.
Paul used his position and history to make a tough ask.
Take back the runaway slave that stole from you.

Orestinus carried two letters, one to the Church at Colosse, and one to Philemon.

COLOSSIANS 4:9, COLOSSIANS 4:6, COLOSSIANS 4:1

PHILEMON 1:12-25

This story is one of grace over law.
Mercy over retribution.
Kindness over rightness.

There are Three Salty People:

1. Philemon - The mature believer who was wronged. Asked to be the bigger man.

Asked to restore.

Asked to generous.

Asked to be forgive.

Allowed a friend to have a difficult discussion.

2. Paul - The one who led both to the Lord and felt a spiritual responsibility for both.

Stood up for a new believer.

Spoke out to a mature believer.

Secured peace between brothers.

Set own reputation on the line.

Success turning a slave into a brother.

3. Orestinus - A new believer who before salvation had stolen and fled; now is asked to return to his master's house and submit.

Return

Repent

Which salty position are you in?

It is time to act.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERMONS - On March 31st Pastor Carl will be preaching our morning service and on April 7th Pastor Scott from Galilee Baptist Church will be preaching our morning service. Pray for the Stout Family while they are away on a Mission Trip to Jamaica.

WALK TO END HOMELESSNESS - On March 23 Registration at 9am, walk begins at 10am at Homer Stryker Field, it is sponsored by Housing Resources Inc. for more information call 269-488-0913.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - For Upward Closing Ceremony - March 24th at 5pm. We are in need of Greeters, Parking Lot Attendants, and Pizza Distributors. Please sign up in the Welcome Center. If additional information is needed please see or call Pastor Carl's cell 313-320-4121.

NEXT DEACONS MEETING - Wednesday March 20th at 7:30pm.

MEN'S WIFFLE BALL - age 16 and up. Join us in the gym on Tuesday March 26th and April 2nd at 6:30pm. Knock that winter rust off and get ready for spring. Please see Ralph Balkema or call 269-207-4801.

ANNUAL GUESS WHO IS COMING TO DINNER: April 12th or 13th. Sign up today to either host or be a guest for this fun crazy event. Hosts will decide how many guests they can seat house for this event as well as make a main dish for dinner. 1 week prior to the dinner date guests will be paired with a host and asked to bring a salad, vegetable, rolls or dessert to accompany the main entrée being served. This is a great way to get to know other people and have a grand time doing it. Sign up in the Welcome Center for both Host and Guest Opportunities. For more information contact Pastor Carl at 313-320-4121.

EASTER 2019 - An Easter Hunt on Saturday April 20 at 3pm with 8000 eggs. We are hoping to reach lots of kids this year. Donations for prizes and candy is appreciated and will be collected during the next few weeks. We are also asking that you spread the word. This is a great way to share the Gospel. If you would like to help please see Chad Kilburn or Krista Asher. Sign up sheets to help volunteer for set up, clean up, and/or stuff eggs in the Welcome Center.

LAC ANNUAL MOTHER, DAUGHTER & FRIENDS TEA - May 4th at 11am-1:30pm. If you are interested in joining the fun please sign up under a hostess name where there is space available. Reminder the event is free of charge but we do ask we ask that you bring a dish to pass for the brunch. MEN - we need your assistance this year! We will feed you and you can fellowship with the other men in the youth room while the tea is happening in exchange for breaking down the event (notice I said break the EVENT down, not you break it down) when it is over.

MURDER MYSTERY - Annual Youth Murder Mystery Dinner on May 11 at 6pm. More information soon.

ANNUAL ADULT VBS - May 15th, 16th and 17th. More information soon.

GRADUATION SUNDAY - May 19th we will recognize students who are graduating this year.
DETROIT TIGERS HOME PLATE - On June 8. This event includes several athletes speaking about their careers in sports and their faith in Jesus Christ. An on the field baseball clinic will be held by the Detroit Tigers and is available to all those attending Home Plate. You won't want to miss the testimony's, food, on field clinic and baseball game between the Detroit Tigers and Minnesota Twins. We will be taking the church bus, the bus is limited to the first forty people who sign up. The cost is \$39 per person. Sign up in the Welcome Center or see Brian Cooper if you have additional questions.

VBS July 7- July 11th - We will begin on Sunday night this year. Dinner served starting Monday night. We are in need of volunteers this year to decorate, set up and execute. If interested please sign up in the Welcome Center or see Angie Layton. for further information.

YOUTH MISSION TRIP - July 14 - July 20th. More information to come soon.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY - From 1-2:30pm in the Welcome Center. We are continuing to study the "52" women of the Bible. We look forward to seeing everyone!

YOUNG ADULT GROUP - Sunday 5:30pm-7pm at the home of Jim and Amanda Deters at 7585 Northport Avenue in Kalamazoo. Any questions please contact Jim Deters directly on his cell 269-330-8883.

BATTER UP! - Its that time of year again for Men's Softball. If you are interested in playing this season please sign up at the Welcome Center. More details to follow soon.

MEN'S BASKETBALL - Monday at 6:30pm for ages 16+

CHANGE OF LOCATION MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST - Tuesday 8:30am at 12th Street Gym - Breakfast provided.

FOOD PANTRY - Help others in need. See Krista Asher or Lynn Anderson.

VISIT www.12thstreetbaptist.net for events and updated information. For Members only. Anniversary, birthdays, pictures and business meeting notes on line using the Password: 12thStreet case sensitive.

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

AWANA 6P-730P
BIBLE & PRAYER MEETING 6P-730P
CHOIR PRACTICE 730P-830P

SUNDAY EVENING EVENTS

SMALL GROUPS INFO IN WELCOME CENTER
YOUTH GROUP 5P-630P
YOUNG ADULT GROUP 5P-630P

SEE ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MORE INFO

NURSERY

17 KRISTA ASHER, NATE THOMPSON
24 AMANDA D, EMILY W, JENNA S
31 JESSICA W, TAMI S, LEAH S
7 JULIE T, RETHA K, GOLDIE L

LAST WEEK

TITHES & OFFERINGS \$4,534.50
BENEVOLENCE - CARPENTRY 5.00
MISSIONS JOINT 15.00
FOOD PANTRY 100.00
CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS 15.00
COFFEE DOWNT FELLOWSHIP 14.00
TOTAL \$4,683.50