

January – March 2019

# THE CHURCH CRIER

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## Pastor's Message

### America, This Is Your Wake-Up Call

*Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord. —Psalm 33:12*

Revival—could it ever happen DCC? Could we have a powerful movement of God? Or, are the best days behind us? I don't think the ultimate need of this church will be solved by the boards or committees. I think the real need for DCC, and oh, by the way, our nation, will be met by a spiritual solution. We really need to pray.

We need to pay attention because God may give us exactly what we want. I read about an interesting new alarm clock called the Wake 'n Bacon. You wake up in the morning to the amazing smell of bacon. I think it's time for America to wake up and smell the bacon. As we look at end times events in the Bible, it's alarming not to find the reigning superpower on the face of the earth in the last days chain of events. We can certainly find the nation Israel. We can find the nation Iran. I think a case could be made for Russia and perhaps China. But where is the reigning superpower, the United States of America? Did we forget to pray?

Every nation has a life span. Every nation has a beginning, a middle, and an end. The might of ancient Babylon lasted for 86 years. The powerful Persian empire did a bit better at 208 years. The glory of Greece was eclipsed after 268 years. Mighty Rome ruled for almost nine centuries. The British Empire endured for some 250 years in her great power.

The United States of America is 242 years old and counting. Every nation's days are numbered. The Bible says, "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people" (Proverbs 14:34 NKJV). If we turn from righteousness, if we forget God, and even worse, if we rebel against God, we will face the consequences. We will be having a prayer vigil in the new year for our church and nation - be looking for it.

Blessings in the New Year,

Pastor Allan

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## Upcoming Events

### January

- 13 DCC Annual Meeting
- 14 Women's Fellowship
- 26 Street Cleanup
- 26 Men's Breakfast

### February

- 9 Annual WFM Tea
- 11 Women's Fellowship
- 23 Street Cleanup
- 23 Men's Breakfast

### March

- 6 Lent Begins
- 10 Daylight Savings Time
- 11 Women's Fellowship
- 24 Men's Breakfast

## Sail Away With Us



### DCC Cruise

September 9-13, 2019  
Sailing to Catalina  
Island and Ensenada,  
Mexico

See Jean Hill for more  
details

**Board Briefs .....**

**Deacons – Wayne Mackey, Chairman**

This quarter we have been extremely busy during the holiday season. We began the season with the Thanksgiving dinner which was very good. Becky Patterson is to be commended for the organization she puts into making it a success. I believe everyone enjoyed the meal. Thank you to all who helped Becky in preparing for it. Christmas Candlelight Service reminded us that God sent His son and that we need to take the light of God into the world. Remember what Paul said in Romans 8:2 “For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus had made me free from the law of sin and death.”

**Trustees – Nancy Lake, Chairman**

Trustees have been working hard trying to cut costs to keep us out of the red. We have had some of the things that have needed attention fixed. If you have noticed anything that needs to be done, please let the office know so we can get right on it. God bless you all - Nancy  
We have seen this quarter T let us know the song(s) you really like to sing. Fill out the form that’s on the information table in the Narthex and put it in the offering plate any Sunday. That’s all you have to do – we’ll do the rest.



**JANUARY**

**Birthdays**

3 - Melody Ross and Logan Patterson; 12 – Barbara Hinderliter; 14 - Wayne Mackey; 15 – Nancy Lake; 18 – Kylie Robinson; 19 – Grace Ross; 20 – Sharyn Bishop; 24 – Matthew Perez; 25 – Jeremiah Burch and Linda Lubitz; 28 – Vida Hamilton; 30 – Mary Ann George

**Anniversaries**

None

**FEBRUARY**

**Birthdays**

4 – Sally Hedgecock; 11 – Bruce Burch; 12 – Peggy King and Luckie Paxton; 14 – Crystal Walker; 18 – Emily Martinez; 20 – Patrick McCollum; 22 – Alex Ford

**Anniversaries**

14 – Robert & Luckie Paxton;  
20 – Fred and Delores Robertson

**MARCH**

**Birthdays**

5 – Becky Patterson; 8 – Tim Perez; 11 – Jean Hill; 15 – Daniel Ammerman, Jr.; 15 – Wendy McCollum and Daniel Ammerman, Jr.; 18 – Rylie Ford; 20 – Phylis Croonenberghs; 24 – Kaden June; 26 – Jack Conway

**Anniversaries**

22 – Wayne & Phillis Mackey;  
28 – Ed & April Kuhlmeier

**Meeting Dates to Remember:**

- Adult Bible Study = Sunday @ 9 AM
- Youth Group = Sunday @ 6 PM
- Pioneer Club = Monday @ 6 PM
- Adult Bible Study = Thursday @ 6 PM
- Worship Team Practice = Thursday @ 6 PM
- Choir Practice = Thursday @ 7 PM
  
- Deacons = *1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month*
- Trustees = *2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month*
- Christian Ed = *3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month*
- Men’s Fellowship = *4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month*
- Women’s Fellowship Ministry = *2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month*

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 Got a suggestion for the Deacons to consider and discuss? There’s a suggestion box on the wall in the Foyer. All suggestions must be signed in order to be considered.  
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*“Thank you, from your staff, for the very generous Christmas gifts. We love working and serving with you and look forward to new and exciting things to happen in 2019.”*

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