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“Where People Come Alive!”

SMELLS LIKE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS

And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28 NASB

The hardest thing for many believers is to see the final product in the great plan of God as they navigate difficulties. How can anything good come out of this? How will I make it through this time in my life? How indeed?

The Answer is found in the Text and demands that we take a closer look at the Text. Notice that the Text says: “GOD CAUSES.” It is God’s sovereign work in our lives that causes all things to work for good. When the bad news comes, GOD CAUSES that to work for good. When we navigate the waters of change with all the turbulent uncertainties, GOD CAUSES that to work for good. When your heart is broken and the pillow swallows your tears in the cloak of night, GOD CAUSES that to work for good. Why does God do that in our lives? The Text tell us that God Causes all things to work for good: i) *to those who love God* ii) *those who are called to His Purpose.*

God does this in our lives because we are *IN CHRIST!* Look at a sampling of what God does for us in Christ: We have Grace (1 Cor 1:4) We are Justified (Rom 3:24) We have Forgiveness (Eph 4:32) We are a New Creation (2 Cor 5:17) We have All the riches of God’s glory (Phil 4:19) Every Spiritual Blessing (Eph 1:3) God graciously gives us all things (Rom 8:32). When we became attached to Jesus by faith, (*in Christ*) all that He is and all that He has

is shared with us. “So then let no one boast in men. *For all things belong to you, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or things present or things to come; all things belong to you, and you belong to Christ; and Christ belongs to God*” (1 Cor 3:21-23). Oh, if we would only believe God’s Word! God causes all things to work together for good!

I am reminded of a story - One Sunday morning at a small southern church, the new pastor called on one of his older deacons to lead in the opening prayer. The deacon stood up, bowed his head and said, “Lord, I hate buttermilk.”

The pastor opened one eye and wondered where this was going. The deacon continued, “Lord, I hate lard.” Now the pastor was totally perplexed. The deacon continued, “Lord, I ain’t too crazy about plain flour. But after you mix ‘em all together and bake ‘em in a hot oven, I just love biscuits.”

“Lord, help us to realize when life gets hard, when things come up that we don’t like, whenever we don’t understand what You are doing, that we need to wait and see what You are making. After You get through mixing and baking, it’ll probably be something even better than biscuits. Amen.”

Hear God’s Word Again: *And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.*

Ruling Elder Eli Reyes



Medical Mission to Sonora, Mexico

May 16-19th, 2019

FaithWorks will be sending medical professionals to minister care to the sick. This will be FaithWorks 53rd mission to Mexico. Mission fee is \$295 per person, which includes transportation, food, lodging and a contribution to the overhead costs of the trip, especially medicines. For more information contact the Trip Coordinator Amy Casali at (928) 699-8138 or via email at Tony_Amy@FaithWorks4us.org

SAYING FAREWELL TO PASTOR BOB AND ROBIN

After a great retirement celebration to send Pastor Bob and Robin off “in style” after 12 years of dedicated service, the COR Church Family wishes Pastor Bob and Robin a blessed retirement from COR and a fabulous and safe trip to Europe!

Meet Your Staff

COR will be blessed with guest pastors, until we have identified the Pastor who God has already chosen for us.



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PREACHING SCHEDULE FOR MAY

We have been blessed with a wonderful response to our request for stated pulpit supply, i.e. guest pastors:

Reverend David Bennet, New City - Barrio Nuevo will preach to us
May 5 (Communion Sunday), 12, & 19.

Reverend John Kelly will be our guest pastor on May 26 & June 02
(Communion Sunday).

God has been faithful to his promises in the past and he will continue to do so today and tomorrow. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work (2 Cor. 9:8). God is faithful indeed!

E. R. Reyes



**Starting in May:
MOVING TO
ONE SUNDAY
WORSHIP SERVICE
at 10 a.m.**

COR will be blessed with guest pastors until we have a Senior Pastor again. In order to make it easier for our guest pastors, we will combine our 2 worship services to one on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m., starting on May 5th. It will be up to our new pastor to decide, if he would like to keep one service or move to multiple services.

The combining of services will be a great opportunity to get to know your fellow congregation members and friends of COR! You may wish to wear your name tag. If you do not have one, we have temporary name tags available by the church office window, or sign up to have a more permanent name tag made.



Compassion International YOUR CHANCE TO SPONSOR A CHILD! May 26 & June 2

Come join your fellow COR members and friends to help release a child from poverty. We will have an information table in the Fellowship Hall on May 26th and June 2nd, with the opportunity to sign up for sponsorship of a child. If you already are a sponsor, please bring recent photos of your sponsored children ahead of time to update our Compassion board in the Fellowship Hall and to tell the world about "our kids" and how they are doing. Child sponsorship is \$38/month. You'll write letters of encouragement to help the children thrive, and receive heart warming letters back!

Memories of PASTOR WARREN UECKERT

It is with great sadness, that we learned of the passing of Warren Ueckert in the later part of April, former Pastor of the Peace Lutheran Church in Flagstaff. After his tenure of 20 years at Peace Lutheran, he retired and moved to the Midwest several years ago.

Warren Ueckert will always be connected with our church: If you were ever wondering, where our beautiful altar, pulpit, the communion table, cross, easel, the lamp and table in the foyer and the podium in the Fellowship Hall are coming from: Warren Ueckert made those for COR! He was a humble man, only asked for a nominal remuneration for his work and did not wish to be praised. He kept saying: "God made it, I just polished it."

Source: Pastor Bob Norton

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

The youth at COR has been very busy over the second semester of school. Our youth has participated in a youth mission in Puerto Penasco, Mexico, in movie and pizza nights, bowling, Baskin Robbins night, various fun games and most of all learning more about God's amazing Grace and love. Additionally, youth member Kiyon Hackler was baptized by Pastor Bob in February in the "Holy Hot Tub" at Pastor Bob and Robin's house.

EVERY CHURCH MEMBER IN MINISTRY

We have numerous ministries and groups at Church of the Resurrection, and we would love for you to be part of one or more of those opportunities, if you are not already! More information can be found on this month's calendar that comes with this newsletter, on our Ministry bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall and in our weekly bulletins.

We are also currently looking for volunteers to fill the following positions or help with ministries:

- Prayer Coordinator: Please contact Polly Philpott (928) 699-3161 for more information.

- TLC Ministry: We take turns bringing meals to people in need - please contact Polly Philpott.

- Meal providers for Wednesday Youth Group, as featured in the article to the left.



PRAYERS THAT BIRTH REVIVAL 2 CHRONICLES 7:14

*"If My People will humble themselves
and PRAY..."*

Pray that God's people would unite in praying for all who are in authority, that we may lead quiet and peaceful lives in godliness and holiness (1 Timothy 2:1-4).

Pray that Christians will seek God before getting physically involved in His work for the day (Matthew 6:6-8, 33; Psalm 32:6).

Pray that urgency and fervency would characterize our prayers (Isaiah 64:9).

Pray that our first response as Christians will be to pray when we become anxious about any circumstance (Matthew 6:25-32; Philippians 4:6-7; Jeremiah 33:3).

Pray that God would raise up an army of prayer warriors who are willing to persevere in prayer and wage war on their knees (Luke 18:1-8).

Pray for a spirit of prayer to spread like wildfire across our land and world until every church becomes a house of prayer (Philippians 4:6-7; Luke 18:1; Matthew 21:13).

Several of our church youth have been helping during Sunday services, and participating in the music ministry on a time or two. Over the summer months, several of our youth will participate in different summer camps or visiting family members away from Flagstaff.

As spring turns into summer, we will hold barbeque dinners and youth group outside on the front lawn at Youth and Family Director Greg Reiff's house. We are also planning a camping trip to Blue Ridge Reservoir.

We invite all parents and volunteers who are interested and want to make a difference in our youth's lives to contact Greg at (928) 600-9395. You may just be the special spark a youth group member needs to take their next step in their faith.

*Director of Youth and Family Ministry
Greg Reiff*



MEALS FOR WEDNESDAY YOUTH GROUP NEEDED

The Otten family and Eileen Moe provide youth group meals on the 1st Wednesday of every month. The rest of the month, Greg Reiff and Eileen Sperl provide the meals. They both love doing this, but it is quite stressful to get a meal ready with their own kids coming right from practices and they themselves from work.

If you would like to bless our youth with meals on Wednesdays, it does not have to be complicated. A simple meal for about twelve would be great. They have been doing fruit as dessert lately because of a peanut allergy among the attendees. It's better for all, and the kids gobble it up!

If you would like to help, please sign up on the Ministry Bulletin Board in the Fellowship Hall or call Youth & Family Director Greg Reiff at (928) 600-9395 or Elaine Sperl (845) 750-2063 for more information.