

Primetime

"A Mission in our Midst"

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Newsletter



"The hunger for love is much more difficult to remove than the hunger for bread." ~ Mother Teresa

Happy Valentine's Day!

Just what we need right now is more holiday-related sweets! For me, a little something sweet after lunch and dinner and I feel satisfied. With everything else going on, it is one of the things I really look forward to.

I am hoping that some of you have gotten your COVID vaccine already. If not, then I hope you get it soon. When COVID started out it didn't seem like anyone I knew had it but now I know several people, including my wonderful parents. Please keep them in your prayers. Please be vigilant and patient a little while longer.

Are you running out of puzzles yet? Are all your closets cleaned out? Are you tired of cooking the same meals? Well, here is one of my "tried and true" recipes, I inventively call it "Dolly's Apricot Chicken Dish":

You will need:

1/2 bottle dark red Russian Dressing (If you can't find this, I have used French dressing and it's works too)

1/3 of a smaller jar of apricot jelly (or preserves)

1/3 cup warm water

1 package of Lipton's onion soup mix

2 packages of chicken thighs

Mix all ingredients except the chicken together.

Pour over chicken thighs.

Bake at 350 degrees, cover with aluminum foil for the first 30 minutes. Take the foil off, bake another 45 minutes and THERE YOU HAVE IT!

If you have a "tried and true" recipe I would love to have it (and my husband too)!

In our senior pastor's sermon on Jan 17, he mentioned "tiny blessings" and one of those were the Browns playoff games. We prayed hard but it just wasn't meant to be. So, to all you Browns fans out there - I bet you are so proud of our team this year. We were contenders and it felt good. We have lots of "tiny blessings" but all of you are "big blessings" to me.

Marilee Biel and Kathie Biggin emailed me articles that I thought you would enjoy. Read them inside this newsletter. Thanks ladies!

Stay warm. Those daffodils will come. Those are my favorite flowers because even when they are covered in snow, they still say, "Hold on, spring is coming."

Love,
Dolly Herschel
Primetime Coordinator

Forrest Gump

The day finally arrived. Forrest Gump dies and goes to Heaven. He is at Pearly Gates and met by St. Peter himself. However, the gates are closed and Forrest approaches the Gatekeeper.

St. Peter said, "Well, Forrest, it's really nice to see you. We've heard a lot about you. But I have to tell you that the place is filling up fast, and we've been administering an entrance examination for everyone. The test is short, but you must pass it before you can get into Heaven."

Forrest replied: "It's good to be here, St. Peter, sir. But no one ever informed me of any entrance exam. I hope the test is not too hard. Life was a big enough test as it was."

St. Peter continues: "Yes, I know, Forrest, but the test only has three questions:

First: What two days of the week begin with the letter T?

Second: How many seconds are there in a year?

Third: What is God's first name?"

Forrest leaves to think the questions over. The next day, he comes back and sees St. Peter who waves him up and says: "Now that you have had a chance to think the questions over, tell me your answers." Forrest says, "Well, the first one – What two days of the week begin with the letter T? Shucks, it's easy. That'd be Today and Tomorrow."

The Saint's eyes open wide and he exclaims, "Forrest, that's not what I was thinking, but you do have a point, and I guess I didn't specify, so I'll give you credit for that answer.

How about the next one?" asks St. Peter. "How many seconds are there in a year?" "Now that one's harder," says Forrest, "but I think and think about that and I guess the only answer can be twelve."

Confused, St. Peter says, "Twelve? Twelve!? Forrest, how in Heaven's name could you come up with twelve seconds in a year?" Forrest says "Shucks, there's gotta be twelve: January 2nd, February 2nd, March 2nd. . ." "Hold it, " interrupts St. Peter. "I see where you're going with this, and I see your point, though that wasn't quite what I had in mind... but I'll have to give you credit for that one, too.

Let's go on with the third and final question. Can you tell me God's first name?" "Sure" Forrest replied, "it's Andy." Andy?!" exclaimed an exasperated and frustrated St. Peter.

"Ok, I can understand how you came up with your answers to my first two questions, but just how in the world did you come up with the name Andy as the first name of God?" "Shucks, that was the easiest one of all," Forrest replied. "I learned it from the song. . . . "ANDY WALKS WITH ME, ANDY TALKS WITH ME, ANDY TELLS ME I AM HIS OWN. . . ."

St. Peter opened the Pearly Gates and said: "Run Forrest, run."

Forrest Gump teaches us that being unique and different is not always a disadvantage. He has never seen himself disadvantaged in comparison to others and has shown unbelievable optimism. His distinctive way of perceiving things makes him unique and that is why he is one of our best-loved characters.

Hooray! My wife and I received our first doses of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. We have not had sore arms, pain at the injection site, or any of the adverse affects that have been posted on the internet in order to dissuade others from having the vaccine.

At one point during the past year, Vice President Pence was reported to have a pink eye following a rally. Is pink eye a symptom of COVID-19? This year, people were probably wondering: Is it the coronavirus?

While there is a lot of overlap between the symptoms of COVID-19 and the more common seasonal maladies of colds and the flu—a sore throat, runny nose, and cough are markers of all three—a red, watery eye, on its own, likely means you're in the clear when it comes to COVID-19.

Conjunctivitis—an eye infection that's more commonly known as pink eye—can be caused by a number of things including bacteria, allergens and different viruses. However, there is very little evidence that people develop pink eye from COVID-19, the illness caused by the new coronavirus.

The good news: A lot of the things people are doing right now to prevent the spread of COVID-19—frequent handwashing, cleaning and disinfecting, keeping their hands away from their face—also help to block the transmission of pink eye.

Everything I need to know about life, I learned from Noah's Ark...

One: Don't miss the boat.

Two: Remember that we are all in the same boat.

Three: Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.

Four: Stay fit. When you're 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.

Five: Don't listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.

Six: Build your future on high ground.

Seven: For safety sake, travel in pairs.

Eight: Speed isn't always an advantage. The snails were on board with the cheetahs.

Nine: When you're stressed, float a while.

Ten: Remember the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.

Eleven: No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting.



Federated Church Annual Meeting



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Sunday February 28, 2021 at 11:15 AM

Join us via Zoom online, or call in on the phone.

Annual Reports will be sent out to residences of members by mail before the meeting.

Look for more details soon and in the next newsletter.



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Primetime Mission Statement

Primetime is a church-based organization providing spiritual growth, service to others, and education. This program provides opportunities for social involvement and gives people a sense of community and support. Federated Church sponsors this program to help enrich the lives of its members and the wider community.



February Birthdays

Blanche Winston	2	Gail Dekker	24
Jean Endle	4	Marilee Biel	24
Norma Bobbitt	9	Bill Shaul	24
Donna Rule	17	Don Poe	25
Paul Evans	23	Marilyn Pierson	27
Marnie Albers	23		