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March Newsletter

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God's Obedient Servants *by Pastor Sheri Leming*

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In Wednesday morning Bible Study for the month of February, we went through the Book of Jonah. Can I tell you how very much I enjoyed diving deep into this amazing book? I think too many readers imagine this is just a story for kids. But the more I have studied it, the more I realize that this book is for us today. Some have even gone so far as to say that the Book of Jonah is an allegory, or parable, but not a true story. But do you know who did not

agree with this? Jesus! In fact, Jesus wanted us to pay close attention to Jonah. Jesus commands in Luke 11:30, "For as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so also the Son of Man will be to this generation." The Book of Jonah is yet another example of the lengths God goes to reach out to people and draw them to Himself. So much so, in fact that Jonah became enraged and ran in the opposite direction of God's com-

mand, as we all know. I suppose Jonah thought that if he ran away, God would not be able to bring about His purposes for Nineveh. But it was foolish and arrogant to assume Jonah was God's only option to bring about His plan. Charles Spurgeon is quoted as saying, "God has many preachers that are not in human flesh." How true that is! We see this throughout this incredible account.

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Earlene Leming

God's Gift of Seasons *by Earlene Leming*

Look and see pink and white blossoms on trees. It is God's sign that winter is almost over! We also need to look for Spiritual signs around us. We can praise God before we see answers to our prayers.

Ecclesiastes 3:1: "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven."

- **Do not give up.** Difficulties, trials & sorrows have their seasons. It is

not always winter. God puts bright, beautiful things in our lives which we should look for and enjoy!

- **Delays are not denials.** The Bible has many examples of this Divine method. Sometimes we misinterpret God's dealings with us. Recall Mary & Martha's disappointment over their brother's death. Jesus had a supernatural plan. Perhaps He is clearing the way for

your MIRACLE!

- **God never forgets a Promise.** If it is His plan, He allows life to have its seasons. Other lives may be involved. It is not just "about me." Often our dis-appointments turn out to be God's appointments. Learn to trust Him.

Isaiah 30:18: "And therefore will the LORD WAIT, that He may be gracious unto you...Blessed are all they that wait for Him."

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When Jonah thought the way to escape the Lord was to catch a boat headed away from Nineveh, Jonah 1:4 NKJV tells us, "But the LORD sent out a great wind on the sea..." The NASB, "The Lord hurled a great wind on the sea..." The Lord knew that Jo-

nah did not want to obey Him. No worries, He knew He had another preacher that would obey Him...every...single...time.

Psalms 104:4, NKJV

"He makes winds His messengers, flames of fire His servants."

And that's not all! Next, as you know God used a great fish to preach to Jonah. God's providence will not be denied! In Jonah 4, we find God used a plant, a worm, and another vehement wind.

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March Calendar

SUNDAYS

Service Time: 10:30am

March 1 — Communion Service

MONDAYs

Office Closed

TUESDAYs

Church Office and

Library Hours

10:00am to 4:00pm*



WEDNESDAYs

Bible Study @ 11:00am

*Please call for appointment

THURSDAYs

March 19 —1:00 pm

Men's Ministry and Women's Ministry meetings

FRIDAYs

Church Office Hours
10:00am to 4:00pm*

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Our Heavenly Father uses anything at His disposal to advance His purposes. And everything is at His disposal for His use. Remember, God can open the mouth of a donkey (Numbers 22:28) too. In modern times, it has been said that cholera in London was a Jonah in the

streets, driving people to Him. There are countless examples of this ever since. God can make use of afflictions for His eternal good. As the Psalmist said, Psalm 119:71, NKJV, "It is good for me that I have been afflicted, that I may learn Your statutes."

What a wonderful thing that God wants to use us for His purposes. Let us make it our prayer that we submit to His commands like the wind and the donkey, and not like the reluctant prophet, Jonah.

~ Pastor Sheri



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From the Desk of Pastor Sheri Leming ~ March 1, 2026

Happy March to you! Winter is almost over! Can you sense the fragrance of spring in the air? I love this Scripture from the Song of Songs 2:11-12, NIV, "See! The winter is past; the rains are over and gone. Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in our land."

As we approach Resurrection Sunday, April 5, I want to encourage each of us to be an inviter! A personal invitation is perhaps the best way to invite someone to church because there is a connection for the one being invited. People will typically feel much more comfortable attending a new church when they already know someone

there. It can help take away the anxiety of having to navigate around on their own, or the fear of sitting by themselves. So, grab some invite cards in the lobby and prayerfully consider who the Lord will lay on your heart.

Have you ever been to Bible Study? I am reaching out to all who make FCA their church home and asking you to join us for Bible Study, meeting every Wednesday @ 11am. God's Word shows us His plan for the way we should walk around this dark world as He draws people to Himself. He has in His grace provided the roadmap for us to follow. Matthew 4:4, NKJV, tells us, "But He answered and said, 'It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but

by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.' "

We continue to be blessed by the anointed ministry of Pastor Gwyn Vaughn, who will be speaking Sunday, March 29 in our 10:30am service. Pastor Vaughn always brings such richness and through his passion for God's Word lives are transformed.

We invite you to join us this first Sunday, March 1 in our 10:30am service as we partake in Holy Communion together. This is the time to partake together, and, in this way, we obey Jesus' command to, "Do this in remembrance of Me."

Looking forward to Sunday,

Pastor Sheri and Gary Leming