

January 2024 Parkview



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The New Year 2024

Happy New Year

As we reflect on the year that was, here are some questions for us to think about. What were the low-lights and hard things last year? What were the highlights and clear blessings last year? What did we see God doing last year (in personal life, family, work, community, church, etc.)? What is God doing in our lives right now? As we reflect on those and other things that happened in the year 2023, let us be grateful for the things we have and for a bright year ahead.

Blessings 2024

Happy Birthday - Sharlene White

Fun Facts about January

- *Hot water will turn into ice faster than cold water.*
- *The strongest muscle in the body is the tongue.*
- *Aunts take rest for around 8 minutes in 12-hour period*
- *Coca-Cola was originally green.*
- *The most common name in the world is Mohammed.*
- *When the moon is directly overhead, you will weigh slightly less.*
- *Minus 40 degrees Celsius is exactly the same as minus 40 degrees Fahrenheit.*
- *Women blink nearly twice as much as men!*
- *The "sixth sheik's sixth sheep's sick" is said to be the toughest tongue twister in the English language.*
- *$111,111,111 \times 111,111,111 = 12,345,678,654,321$*
- *January Birth Flowers are Carnation and Snowdrop*
- *January Birth Stones are Garnet and Rose Quartz*

The Chaplains Corner

I ENJOY THE BEAUTY OF A WINTER SNOWFALL, ESPECIALLY SEEING LARGE SNOWFLAKES LAZILY DRIFTING DOWN FROM THE SKY ABOVE, TO FIND THEIR PLACE IN THE GRAND PUZZLE THAT FORMS A WINTER BLANKET FOR THE GROUND BENEATH IT.

SNOW FORMS AS MOISTURE IN THE AIR COOLS, CRYSTALLIZES, AND STICKS TOGETHER WITH OTHER CRYSTALS TO FORM SNOWFLAKES. AT COLD TEMPERATURES, SNOWFLAKES REMAIN SMALL, BUT WARMER TEMPERATURES CAN RESULT IN SNOWFLAKES BECOMING QUITE LARGE, WITH THE LARGEST SNOWFLAKE ON RECORD BACK IN 1887, BEING THE SIZE OF A DINNER PLATE!

GOD ASKED JOB, “HAST THOU ENTERED INTO THE TREASURES OF THE SNOW? OR HAST THOU SEEN THE TREASURES OF THE HAIL? OUT OF WHOSE WOMB CAME THE ICE?” (JOB 38:22, 29). WHAT INTERESTING QUESTIONS TO ASK ABOUT THE ORIGINS OF SNOW! HOW DOES ICE ACTUALLY FORM? DOES GOD HAVE A WAREHOUSE FILLED WITH SNOW SOMEWHERE? THOUGH WE HAVE LEARNED A LOT ABOUT CREATION AROUND US, THESE QUESTIONS POINT OUT HOW LITTLE WE ACTUALLY KNOW AND HOW GREAT GOD TRULY IS!

THOUGH WE MAY HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT CREATION, WE LIKELY HAVE MORE QUESTIONS ABOUT LIFE: WHY ARE SOME THINGS THE WAY THEY ARE, AND HOW DO WE RESPOND TO THEM? WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD FOR US, AND WILL WE BE ABLE TO HANDLE IT?

THE QUESTIONS THAT GOD ASKED JOB DEMONSTRATED HOW MUCH HIGHER GOD’S WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING IS THAN OURS AND THAT, EVEN AS GOD IS ABLE TO LOOK AFTER THE DETAILS OF WHAT HE HAS CREATED, HE IS ALSO ABLE TO LOOK AFTER THE NEEDS OF THOSE WHO TRUST IN HIM!

AS WE MOVE INTO ANOTHER NEW YEAR WITH ALL ITS QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS, LET’S REMEMBER THAT GOD ALREADY KNOWS THE ANSWERS TO OUR QUESTIONS AND THAT WE CAN TRUST HIM WITH THOSE ANSWERS.

GOD BLESS YOU IN THE NEW YEAR!

PETER BERG, CHAPLAIN



JANUARY 2024

PARKVIEW ACTIVITY



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	¹ OFFICE CLOSED	²	³	⁴ Chaplain @ 2:00 pm	⁵	⁶
⁷ Jerry Falk @ 9:30 am CW	⁸ Coffee Time @ 10am	⁹ Bible Study @ 2:00 pm	¹⁰	¹¹ Chaplain @ 2:00 pm	¹²	¹³
¹⁴ Prairie Rose EMC 9:30 am CW	¹⁵	¹⁶	¹⁷ Bake Sale w/ Pearl @ 10 – 10:30	¹⁸ Chaplain @ 2:00 pm	¹⁹	²⁰
²¹ Gospel Fellowship 9:30 am @ CW John & Annie Giesbrecht @ 2:30 pm	²²	²³ Bible Study @ 2:00 pm	²⁴	²⁵ Chaplain @ 2:00 pm	²⁶	²⁷
²⁸ Steinbach EMC @9:30 am CW	²⁹ BIRTHDAY PARTY @ 2:30 PM ?	³⁰	³¹			

*Even in the Winter, even in the midst of the Storm, the Sun is still there.
Somewhere, up above the clouds, it still shines and warms and pulls at the life
buried deep inside the brown branches and frozen earth. The Sun is there!
Spring will come! The clouds cannot stay forever. - Gloria Gaither*