

Neshaminy Valley Baptist Church

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March 15th, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

A Battle Within

March 15, Sun **Birthday: Emily Schulz**

Psalm 147:10-11

“His delight is not in the strength of the horse ... the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him ... who hope in his steadfast love”

March 16, Mon **Birthday: Amber Dore**

I Cor. 5: 1-7

Paul condemns sexual immorality – where is it happening? In the church! Solution? See vs 6-7. Why is it these days you rarely hear pastors and Christian leaders calling out sin in the church while very vocal of the sins outside the church?

March 17, Tues **Pray that God would draw the next Pastor’s heart ...**

I Cor. 5: 8-13

How easily we identify sexual immorality, but Paul includes a few others in this group – ‘greedy, swindlers, idolaters, reviler (i.e. loose mouthed, insulting), drunks, etc. How do we respond to these in the church – throw them out (vs 13b)! vs 12-13a: we have no business judging ‘outsiders’, don’t play God

March 18, Wed **Pray for the Property Ministry; also encourage them!**

I Cor. 6: 1-10

Paul shames (vs 4) the church for not reconciling issues within the Church, but taking it pagan outsiders, i.e. the courts. He then suggests a radical solution: vs 7!

March 19, Thur **Birthdays: Paulette and Rich Grant, Jen Nichols**

I Cor. 6: 11-20

Sexual immorality is sin! Notice that it is a ‘sin against your own body’ (vs 18). Those who support sexual immorality make the argument that ‘as long as it is consensual ...’: the Bible does not support that concession

March 20, Fri **Birthday: Sarah Gilbertson**

I Cor. 7: 1-9

There is clear teaching on “marriage” – it’s between a “man” and “woman”. Secondly, whether married or not, “self-control” with sexual desires is a spiritual discipline (vs 5). Thirdly, celibacy is an honorable calling (vs 6-8)

March 21, Sat **Pray for good weather and the workday! Come and help!**

I Cor. 7: 10-16

A clear teaching on divorce and remarriage [read also Malachi 2: 16, I Cor. 7: 39, Rom. 7:3; Matt 5: 32, 19:9]. The overwhelming encouragement is to stay in the marriage and reflect Christ. Note: for infidelity, violence and abandonment (Mal. 2: 16, Exod. 21: 10-11), divorce is permissible.

Mar 22, Sun

Psalm 148

I Cor. 3 & 4

The Flesh vs the Spirit

Intro: *The problem, the response and the solution*

Paul uses a Greco-Roman debating rhetoric

Exordium 1: 10-17

Introduce the Problem

Propositio 1: 18-25

Thesis: God’s wisdom > human wisdom

Probatio 1: 26-3:20

Evidence supporting the thesis

Peroratio 3: 21-4:21

Conclusion and Exhortation

1. The Problem – it’s the _____ (3: 1-4)
 - a) The “_____ person” behaves in the _____ (cf. 2:14)
 - b) Communicating spiritual truths, i.e. “solid food”, to a Christian who defaults into the flesh, is like speaking a _____ – it does not work!
2. The Source – _____ (3: 5-18)

Paul addresses the source of this loyalty conflict, which is of the flesh, by showing the spiritual hierarchy

 - a) Whatever an _____ does, _____ is the secret (vs 5-7)
 - b) God’s ‘big shot’ hierarchy is (vs 21-23):

The individual “belongs” to the _____, i.e. “yours”

The Church belongs to _____

Christ belongs to _____ (cf. vs 9)
3. The Posture – the power of the _____ (chp 4; cf. 1: 18)
 - a) We identify ourselves as _____ (vs 1-2)
 - b) Beware of _____ (vs 6-7)
 - c) We **embrace** _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, and _____. Our response? We “_____”, “_____” and “_____”
 - d) The solution: the church has plenty of critics, advisers, commentators, pundits and guides; what’s needed is _____ “_____” (vs 14-15)

Conclusion: What is your level of self-awareness? Rom. 7: 15-20



If you are visiting with us for the first time, we want to warmly welcome you! Please fill out the visitor's card and put it in the offering plate. Thank you!

EASTER LILIES – April 5th is Easter! If you want a lily placed on the stage in memory of a loved one, please put in your order with Barb Mulvaney [jbmulvaney37@gmail.com; (267) 400 0550]

March 21st (Saturday, 9:00-11:00 a.m.) – **Church Workday**. There is work both outside and inside the building and we need volunteers for picking up twigs, trimming, moving dirt, cleaning, painting, etc. See Bruce Edwards for more info and details.

Bethanna & Food Drive: March is our food drive month – so please bring in what you can donate. Questions – see Michelle Corbett

May 2nd Carnival – Volunteers needed, please contact Michelle Corbett

This Week

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| Sunday | 9:00 | am | Sunday School & ABF |
| | 10:00 | am | WORSHIP |
| | 7:00 | pm | Youth Group |
| Tuesday | 10:00 | am | Ladies Bible Study (Goetz' Home) |
| | 6:30 & 7:30 | pm | Karate for Christ |
| | 7:00 | pm | Small Group (Corbetts) |
| Wednesday | 7:00 | pm | Women's AA mtg |
| | 7:00 | pm | Small Group (Grants) |
| Friday | 6:45-8:15 | pm | AWANA |

Dates To Remember

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| Mar 21 st (Sat) | 9-11:00 | am | Church Workday |
| Mar 28 th (Sat) | 3-5:00 | pm | “Our Special” Dance Night |
| May 2 nd (Sat) | 11-2:00 | pm | Carnival for Families affected by Disabilities |
| June 22-26 th | | | Art & Science Camp |

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