

April 1, 2011

Sunday worship schedule: 8:30 A.M. & 10:40 A.M.



From the Minister's desk

This past Sunday evening, the children performed "Down by the Creek Bank." Those who were here saw some truly amazing performances from our youngsters! The singing, the dialogue – all of it was wonderful! We are so fortunate to have Lisa & Margaret willing to take on a production like this and so many parents involved with their children in getting the production together. My thanks to each and every one of you!

There are so many reasons that performances like this are important for us. Among them: the children learn biblical and theological lessons as they learn the dialogue; they learn to grow comfortable stepping up before a group of people; they are able to use their varied talents here in the church; and they get a lot of positive reinforcement from people who care about them. In short, we are able to help them develop and mature into outstanding young people.

I know that these productions take a lot of work from staff, parents and children. Nonetheless, I hope it's not too long before we see another. It is good for all of us!

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Easter Morning Breakfast

Easter Sunday, Apr. 24th, 9:30 am, we will hold our Annual Easter Morning Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. There will only be ONE service that morning (10:40 am)

Please pray for ...

Ernie Murray
Vickie Simmons
Steve Taulbee
Laura Crawford
Peggy Kelly
Pat Hensley
Ozella Gilbert
Diana Berry
Charles Hughes
Wanda Moreland
Dick Howser
Linda Coyle
Ronald Pennington

In recent weeks we have had members who have lost loved ones. Please remember these members and families in your thoughts and prayers:
Patty Davis & Family in the death of her father,
Thurman Calico.

Note From the Treasurer

Please remember to note on your checks where you would like your offering to go (Building Fund, General Fund, Capital Campaign).

Financial Note

Monthly loan payment:	\$6,632.72
Received this month	\$5,596.00
General budget needs each month:	
	\$16,687.33
Received this month	\$12,381.16

Please remember that our operational expenses have increased significantly with the opening of the new building.
Please remember that good stewardship is important.

Adult Choir Cantata

The Adult Choir will present the Easter Cantata "Lord of Light" on April 17th (Sunday) at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

Seder Meal

On Wednesday evening, April 20th, we will do something different. The youth will sponsor a Seder Meal/Passover Meal, which will begin promptly at 5:30. We will be doing this in place of a Maundy Thursday service this year. In the past, you may have participated in a symbolic Seder Meal, but this event will be a complete meal and will last about one hour. The menu will follow Seder guidelines and includes chicken, spinach, other dark green vegetables, green salad, rice seasoned with spicy herbs, ratatouille, matza and non-alcoholic wine. Alternate food choices will not be available in order to maintain the integrity of this celebration. Since the preparations are fairly involved, we will need to know how many people plan to attend the April 20th Wednesday evening celebration. Please sign up on the sheet located in Narthex of the Sanctuary.

Easter Eggs

The annual Egg dying party will be on Wed., Apr. 20th after the Wed. Evening Meal. Please bring hard boiled to kitchen by 5:30 on that date.

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Sat., Apr. 23rd at 11:00am at the Church. Anyone wanting to help the CYF group hide the eggs should be at the church at 9:45 to help.

Easter Flowers

If you would like to bring in a Lily for Easter morning service, you may do so between Apr. 20th—23rd (Wed.—Sat.)

Community Holy Week Activities

Seder Meal – Apr. 20th, Wed, 5:30 pm In the Fellowship Hall

Good Friday Service—Apr. 22nd, Noon, at Union Church

Community Sunrise Service—Apr. 24th

Week of Compassion

The results of the Week of Compassion offering taken up last month are: **\$2,065.06** Bravo!!!!

Dorothy Wagers "Sisters of Spirit"

The Second Annual Plant Sale sponsored by the DWSOS will be held Apr. 30th, 9:00-2:00pm. We will need lots of plants. If you have plants to donate, please have them at the church by Fri., Apr. 29th. If you need help digging up plants or just need plants picked up, please contact Patty Davis

or Sherry Duerson. We will take outdoor or indoor plants in addition to any gardening items (gloves, wind chimes, tools, outdoor planters, etc.)



CWM

2011 Spring Conference – Apr. 16th, 9:30am, Clarion Hotel, Lexington. Dr. Sharon Watkins, Gen. Minister of the Christian Church (DOC) in the US and Canada, will be the speaker. The fee is \$25.00, see Jackie Perman for more information.

The Rebekah Circle will meet on Tues Apr. 26th at 7:00 pm.

The Chili & Soup/Silent Auction (a joint effort by the DWSOS & Rebekah Circle) raised \$550.00 for Outreach Ministry.

May Birthdays

John Alexander	May 4
Andy Workman	May 4
Clay Greene	May 7
Holly Musick	May 8
Susan Gadd	May 9
Cannon McLin	May 13
Berdenia Walker	May 15
Eric Davidson	May 18
Robyn Moreland	May 19
Kenneth Griffith	May 20
Linda Blair	May 22
Jane Ewalt	May 25
Tom Moreland	May 25
Joe Barnett	May 26
Ken Perman	May 29
Lanny Simmons	May 30
Tom McGlone	May 31

Wednesday Family Night

Wednesday Family Night continues. On Apr. 6th there will be a "Pot Luck" dinner at 5:30 followed by time for visiting & fellowship in the Fellowship Hall or free time in the basement of the New Building.

Sunday Family Time

With spring arriving and the days becoming more pleasant, we're finding very little demand for indoor Sunday afternoon recreation. As a result we will discontinue the regularly scheduled opening of the multi-purpose area on Sundays. However, this does not mean that the area cannot be used. If you and your family and friends would like to use the area, pick up a key in the church office. Please be sure that you check the weekly calendar in the church bulletin to make sure that the area has not been reserved for a party or other event.

Youth News

Last month the youth were busy here & there. The **CYF** attended the "Winter Jam Concert" in Lexington. At this concert this group adopted a child from the Holt International. The donation that they send will help provide basic necessities for this child until she is placed with a family. **JYF 1&2** had a movie night in the Multi purpose room. Popcorn & fun was had by all.

The Youth provided & served the Wednesday evening meal on Mar. 30th. Thanks go to all who stepped up to help with this project.

In the coming month the **Chi Rho** group will go roller skating on a Sunday afternoon.

The **CYF** will have a "Lock In" on Apr. 22nd. They should report to the Multi Purpose room by 8:00 pm. We will help hide the eggs for the Easter Egg hunt the next morning.

JYF 1&2 have requested another movie night, the date to be announced.

The Youth should have received their copy of the Youth news letter. Deadline for naming the newsletter is Apr. 15th. The winner will get a Pizza dinner. Please make sure Miss Margaret has your correct mailing address so that you can get your copy.

Sanctuary Flowers

If you would like to provide flowers in honor or memory of someone, please contact the office. The cost of flowers has increased since we last provided this service. The cost now is \$40.00, you may bring money for flowers to the office or place it in the offering tray **CLEARLY** marked "FLOWERS".

If you would like to bring Lilies for the Easter morning service, you may bring them to the Sanctuary between Apr. 20th through 24th (Wed. – Sun.)

Vacation Bible School

The dates set for this year's Vacation Bible School is June 20th – 23rd. Mark your calendars, it is sure to be a blast.

Summer Camp

Information on Summer Camp is in the office. If you are interested in attending, please contact Miss Margaret in the office to get an application to attend Summer Camp.

You Are Invited

Jason Wagers has achieved scouting's highest honor, the rank of Eagle Scout. The family of Jason Wagers would consider it an honor to have you present to witness Jason's Eagle ceremony, May 1st, 2:00 pm, in the Sanctuary. There will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall following the ceremony.

Announcements for Newsletters & Bulletin

Please be aware of the time deadline for announcements to the weekly bulletin and newsletter:

Weekly Bulletin:

Wednesday by 12:00

Monthly Newsletter:

12:00 on the 20th of Each Month

It would also be most helpful if the individual Committee Chairpersons would pass on any Committee announcements to the office. Thank you for your help in these matters.

Thank You

A special thanks to Berdenia Walker who has provided beautiful flowers for the sanctuary, changing them with the seasons!