



## ***Celebrate the Season!***

### **Palm Sunday**

This coming Sunday we will celebrate the triumphal entry of Jesus with a palm parade at the start of the service. Before worship starts, the children will meet in the foyer to get a palm branch and will parade through the sanctuary during the opening song. Adults are welcome too! Join them in the back before the service.

### **Good Friday**

The Wells County Ministerial Association is sponsoring a Good Friday Service on March 30. Sonlight Wesleyan Church, 2350 South State Road 1, is the host. It will begin at 7:00 p.m.

### **Resurrection Sunday Breakfast**

On April 1, the Becomers Sunday School Class will host a continental breakfast from 9:15 to 9:45 a.m. There will be no Sunday School that day. Come to the Fellowship Hall for some food and fellowship. Please mark your Welcome Card this Sunday along with the number from your clan coming.

### **Resurrection Sunday Worship**

We will celebrate the fact that Jesus is alive! After being dead for three days, Jesus arose victorious over death and the grave. Our Lord's resurrection is at the center of our faith. Don't miss this amazing worship opportunity. We will also share in communion at this vital service.

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Wednesday, Mar. 21**

5:15 p.m. – Movin' Up Bowling  
7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

### **Sunday, March 25**

9:00 a.m. – Sunday School  
10:05 a.m. – Kids' Time  
10:15 a.m. – Worship Service

## **Teachers This Sunday**

### **Nursery**

Helen Steffen / Evalyn Fate

### **Kids' Time**

Ruth Ann Monroe / Chris McFarren

### **LOL**

Margaret McAfee

## **Last Week**

### **Attendance**

#### **March 18, 2018**

Worship Service – 94  
Sunday School – 60

## **Stewardship Report**

### **Giving Toward:**

Current Expense	\$2366.11
Missions	\$80.00
Building/ Maint. Fund	\$45.00
Flowers	\$40.00
Church Rental	\$160.00

**Total: \$2981.11**



## MOVIN' UP

We will have a special event for those of you sticking around for spring break. On Wednesday, March 28, Movin' Up will meet at noon at the church to make your own pizza, the fish game, and some other fun. We will finish at 2:00 p.m. Please let Debbie know if you are coming so we have enough food!

## COME AND HONOR SARAH

First Baptist has been blessed to have Sarah serve as our music director for 2 ½ years. Her last Sunday as our music director will be April 1. We will miss her. But we rejoice with her in all the new opportunities God has opened up. We will have a reception to honor Sarah after our worship service on April 8. Come to fellowship hall to enjoy a piece of cake and give her a hug.

## COLLEGE ENCOURAGEMENT

Finals for college students are coming soon. If you would like to contribute to an encouragement gift to them from the church, please see Jan Jones. The deadline for contributing is Sunday, April 8.



## GRADUATES

The Christian Education Board is planning a reception for graduates of high school and higher education. Please notify the church office of anyone graduating this spring.

## THANK YOU

Dear Church family, Your kindness and support are very much appreciated. The families of Bob Duncan.

## BAPTISM OPPORTUNITY



We will include a baptism service on Sunday, April 8. This would be an excellent time for you to identify with Jesus by being baptized. Speak with Pastor Les if you are interested.



“My whole family’s giving up something for Lent. Mom’s giving up cookies, Dad’s giving up cake, and I’m giving up squash.”

# Watch for God's Goodness

Can anyone else relate to me? Frustration is trying to find your glasses without your glasses. Occasionally my wife Debbie finds me wandering around our house searching for my spectacles. I finally understand why Jimmy Buffett keeps searchin' for his "lost shaker of salt." Apparently the poor guy lost his glasses, and just keeps stumbling around all over Margaritaville.

The human eye is a complex miracle of God's creation that provides us the power of eyesight. Our eyes provide the ability to observe the world around us in all its beauty and intricacy. The human eyeball is capable of producing detailed three-dimensional images in color. It is self-focusing and can switch from making out the tiniest of print to observing a faraway mountain peak in less than a second.

Being able to see is a precious thing. Anyone who is sight impaired will affirm the value of clear vision. Someone asked Bill Gates if he would give all of his money for his eyesight. Bill Gates said, "Yes."

Yet it is possible to have fully functioning eyes but not be able to see the LORD at work. The great detective Sherlock Holmes once said, "You see, but you do not observe. The distinction is clear." That is often an apt diagnosis for followers of Jesus too.

Believers have to be intentional and watch for God's goodness. The Creator is always moving and working. Such divine activity is easy to overlook. Many things distract us. Younger and now middle aged generations are completely possessed by their ever-present smart phones and other devices. Older people can be distracted by the sheer familiarity of their routines.

So stay alert. Keep your eyes peeled. Watch for the LORD.

Les



## Homebound Members

### Christian Care

Mildred Huss – Room 219B

### River Terrace

LaVera Krummen – Room 116  
Eulis West – Room 220

### Markle Health and Rehabilitation

Barbara French – Room 216

### Home

Rose McCormick

As we co-labor with other churches  
in our community,  
this week we pray for:  
Living Water United Church  
Pastor Clark Stoller

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Secretary: Debbie Cantrell

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