

THE mini EPISTLE



April
2024

Monthly Highlights

Wednesday, April 3 - Bible Study-10:00 AM

Saturday, April 6-8:30 AM-Eagle Scout Court of Honor (FH)

Men's Breakfast 8:30 AM

Sunday, April 7 - **EASTER 2** Holy Communion-8:30/10:45

12 Noon-Lunch & Bible Study

Sunday, April 14 - **EASTER 3** Praise Service-8:30/10:45

12 Noon-Chili / Chowder Cookoff

Wednesday, April 17-Bible Study-10:00 AM

Sunday, April 21 - **EASTER 4** Holy Communion-8:30/10:45

12 Noon-Lunch & Bible Study

Wednesday, April 24-Preschool Family Worship-11:00 AM

Saturday, April 27-Men's Breakfast 8:30 AM

Sunday, April 28 - **EASTER 5** Praise Service-8:30/10:45

Shoebox Assembly-10:45 AM



UPCOMING ATTRACTIONS!!!!

May 9-Preschool Graduation-7:00PM

May 12-Mother's Day

May 22- VBS KICKOFF-6:00 PM

June 14- Game Night-6:30-8:30

June 16-Dads & Grads Brunch-9:45 AM

June 30-Fifth Sunday Brunch-9:45 AM

Council Actions

- 1) Game Night will be held on April 12th at 6:30 pm. Please bring a snack to share.
- 2) A Chili/Chowder Cookoff will be held on April 14th at noon. Please sign-up if you would like to participate.
- 3) We will be filling shoeboxes with Nelson Randolph on April 28th
- 4) The microwave in the kitchen is broken. If anyone would like to donate a used microwave, please let the property committee or member of Council know.
- 5) We are in need of volunteers!! We have openings for a Treasurer, Sexton, Volunteer Coordinator and Benevolence Chairperson. Please pray about filling one of these positions.
- 6) We need volunteers to help clean the church until a Sexton is found. Please sign up.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

7 – Taylor Oscavich
9 – Eric Gaal
10 – Robert McLaughlin
13 – Sally Stein / Kathryn Steiner
16 – Sam Glasmire, Jr.
17 – Gayle McLaughlin
18 – Emma Yeakel
19 – Jennifer Baran / Alyce Stein
20 – Joshua Miller

22 – Rachel Steiner
23 – McKenna Baran
25 – Hope Reppert / Carolyn Buzzard
27 – Brian Yeakel
29 – Karen Brown
30 – Jennifer Gross / Cindy Hercik

ANNIVERSARIES

John & Sophia Fuesler - 4/9/16

In Memoriam

From: Pat Chmela

Thank you for all the prayers, cards & kind words you shared with us after the passing of Chris. Also thank you to all who were involved in his Celebration of Life Service and the Luncheon afterward.

We're grateful to know so many people are surrounding us in this difficult time.

Chmela & Bennett Families



SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSES FOR APRIL:

Mar 31 -- April-6

Psalms 63:1-3

- ¹ You, God, are my God,
earnestly I seek you;
I thirst for you,
my whole being longs for you,
in a dry and parched land
where there is no water.
- ² I have seen you in the sanctuary
and beheld your power and your glory.
- ³ Because your love is better than life,
my lips will glorify you.

April 7 - 13

Jeremiah 9:23-24

- ²³ This is what the LORD says:
“Let not the wise boast of their wisdom
or the strong boast of their strength
or the rich boast of their riches,
²⁴ but let the one who boasts boast about
this:
that they have the understanding to
know me,
that I am the LORD, who exercises
kindness,
justice and righteousness on earth,
for in these I delight,”
declares the LORD.

April 14 - 20

Proverbs 3:5-6

- ⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart
and lean not on your own
understanding;
- ⁶ in all your ways submit to him,
and he will make your paths straight.

April 21 - 27

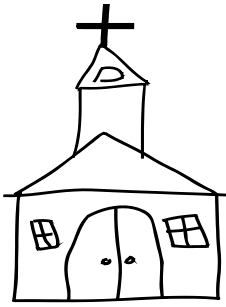
Jude 24-25

- ²⁴ To him who is able to keep you from
stumbling and to present you before his
glorious presence without fault and with
great joy— ²⁵ to the only God our Savior be
glory, majesty, power and authority,
through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all
ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

April 28 -- May 4

Romans 8:28

- ²⁸ And we know that in all things God
works for the good of those who love him,
who have been called according to his
purpose.



PRE-SCHOOL NEWS

The Preschool has need of styrofoam meat trays that you would get with steaks or meat from the supermarket. They often are found in store bought fruit as well. They need them for paint, as paper is absorbent.

Anything anyone can provide will be greatly appreciated!



Chili / Chowder Cookoff

April 14th at noon

Please sign-up on the bulletin board,
if you would like to participate.



Game Night

Friday

April 12, 2024

6:30-8:30 PM

You may bring a snack to share!
Invite your friends and neighbors.

We had so much fun, let's do it again...

"Chicken Feet" tournament and more!



Holy Cross will participate in

“Shoe Box Sunday”

for Samaritan’s Purse’s
Operation Christmas Child
with missionary Nelson Randolph

Sunday, April 28

following the Sunday School hour.

A light lunch will be provided.



"MOSE'S MUSINGS!!!!



Colossians 3:23-24

²³ Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, ²⁴ since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving."

If you have anything that you would like included in the Mini-Epistle, please get it to me by the 15th of the month. I enjoy getting submissions.

Things are very busy in the office, due to Mid-Week services and Holy Week coming up. But even with all that is going on, my hope and prayer for you is that you take some time each day to talk with your Heavenly Father and have some good prayer time daily. I have found in my life that when I am at my busiest, that is the time that I need time for prayer most of all.

Also when you realize all that Christ went through, just to share His holy love with all those that needed it, take time to love yourself and others...as the 2nd greatest commandment is "to love your neighbors as yourself. You need to realize how much you are loved, that I have heard it said before, "If you were the only person on this earth, Jesus would have still died for you...he loves you that much."

So in this Springtime, and with warmer weather on the way, love yourself, love others, and more importantly, love the Lord your God with all your Strength, Power, and Love.

John 15:13-KJV-"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

John 15:13-NIV "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends."

APRIL 2024 SERVANTS OF THE LORD

		4/7 EASTER 2	4/14 EASTER 3	4/21 EASTER 4	4/28 EASTER 5
Communion Server	8:30 10:45	Patty Stein Lyn Stryker		Mike Zyskowski, Lyn Stryker	
Communion Visitors		Pastor David Sharon Branigan			
Greeter	8:30 10:45	Adam Barlow Irene Graham	Sarah Barlow Sharon Branigan	Sally Stein Irene Graham	Skylre Hahn Sharon Branigan
Lector	8:30 10:45	Lauri Barlow Lyn Stryker	Penny Miller Marianne Sands	Alyce Stein Lyn Stryker	Patty Stein Lyn Stryker
Liturgist	8:30 10:45	Patty Stein Lyn Stryker	Seth Miller Marianne Sands	Mike Zyskowski Lyn Stryker	Pat Gilbert Lyn Stryker
Live Stream	8:30	Jan Stryker	Mike Zyskowski	Jan Stryker	Mike Zyskowski
Prayer Care		Sharon Branigan	Ruthann Kistler	Pat Gilbert	Darlene Treisner
Song Leader	8:30 10:45	Bella Zyskowski	Pastor David	Nancy Cook	Bella Zyskowski
Sound	8:30 10:45	Josh Miller Ken Yoxheimer	Josh Miller Ken Yoxheimer	Josh Miller Ken Yoxheimer	Josh Miller Jim Steiner
Usher	8:30 10:45	Jan Stryker Irene Graham		Jan Stryker Irene Graham	

Altar Guild: Jan Stryker & Volunteer Needed

Counters: Karen Brown, Jan Stryker

Children's Church: Ruthann Kistler (when needed)

PhoneTree: Jonathan Mosebach

Prayer of the Church: Mike Zyskowski

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SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.
	1 EASTER MONDAY	2 9AM Preschool 7PM Property	3 9AM Preschool 10AM Bible Study 7:30PM AA (TR)	4 9AM Preschool 12N AA (TR) 6PM Worship & Music (Ofc)	5 8:30AM Court of Honor Set up 10AM Bulletins	6 8:30AM Eagle Scout Court of Honor 8:30AM Men's Breakfast (ASSR) 7:30PM AA (TR)
7 EASTER 2 8:30AM Communion 9:45AM Sunday School 10:45AM Communion 12N Lunch & Bible Study 6:30PM Bridge of Hope	8 5PM Dart Team Supper @The Crossroads 7PM Dart Baseball @ First UCC	9 9AM Preschool 6:30PM Colonial Quilters (FH)	10 9AM Preschool 11AM Benevolence @Wonderly's 4:30PM Outreach / Publicity 6:30PM Christian Ed 7:30PM AA (TR)	11 9AM Preschool 12N AA (TR)	12 10AM Bulletins 6:30--8:30PM Game Night	13 9AM--3PM Material Girls (ASSR) 7:30PM AA (TR)
14 EASTER 3 8:30AM Praise Service 9:45AM Sunday School 10:45AM Praise Service 12N Chili / Chowder Cookoff 6:30PM Bridge of Hope	15 mini-Epistle deadline 7PM Dart Baseball @ College Hill	16 9AM Preschool 6:30PM STAFF MEETING	17 9AM Preschool 10AM Bible Study 6PM Executive Comm 6:30PM Church Council 7:30PM AA (TR)	18 9AM Preschool 12N AA (TR)	19 10AM Bulletins 6PM Share the Power Dinner @ Calvary Baptist	20 7:30PM AA (TR)
21 EASTER 4 8:30AM Communion 9:45AM Sunday School 10:45AM Communion 12N Lunch & Bible Study 2--3:30PM Girls Tea Party 6:30PM Bridge of Hope	22 7PM Dart Baseball vs East Hills (FH)	23 9AM Preschool 6:30-Preschool Board Mtg	24 9AM Preschool 11AM Preschool Family Worship 7:30PM AA (TR)	25 9AM Preschool 12N AA (TR)	26 10AM Bulletins 1PM Shoebox setup	27 8:30AM Men's Breakfast (ASSR) 7:30PM AA (TR)
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