



April Celebrations BIRTHDAYS

- 02- Macklin Clemens
- 04- Renee Breshears
- 06- Calista Schupp
- 07- Brenen Sullivan
- 08- Angela Igo
- 09- Justin Jolliff
- 10- Andrew Pointer
- 12- Jaxon Clemens
- 14- Cheyenne Green
Amanda Thomason
- 15- Judy Bushnell
Joan Marsh
- 16- Lloyd Pannell
- 17- Brody Kueker
Laikyn Marshall
- 18- David Cook
Tiffany Thornton
- 20- Kaitlyn Siegfried
- 21- Ruby Barnes
- 22- Lauren Crews
- 24- George Fletcher
Phillip Perkins
- 27- Shea Goulet
Joel Schultz
- 28- Jacob Asbury
Annette Miles
Megan Halsey

ANNIVERSARIES

- 05- David & Janice Kueker
- 08- Tim & Gwen Clemens
- 09- Jay & Judi Yoder
- 18- Chris & Debbie Arnett
Charles & Sharon Bentley
- 25- Zach & Lauren Crews
- 26- Tyler & Shannon Clemens
- 30- Chad & Renee Breshears

“Reaching Out”

Community Food

Pantry:

The Community Food Pantry in Marshall serves 450-500 families in need of food assistance each month.

The members of all churches in Marshall help fill this need by collecting groceries to be distributed to our neighbors. The Pantry has no way to determine what will be donated each week/month, and community members have no way to know what is needed at any point in time. That makes it difficult to order needed supplies to serve people effectively.

To help solve this problem,

the Marshall Ministerial Alliance in coordination with the Community Food Pantry produced a week-by-week list of items for each church to collect. Three churches will collect the same items each week, while three other churches collect a different item, and another three will collect a third type of item, etc. There are nine categories of items, and each church is asked to rotate through the items and then repeat.

First Christian Church members are asked to donate the following items for the first rotation of nine weeks. On June 14, we start the list again in the same order of items.

April 12 – Canned vegetables

April 19 – Canned fruit

April 26 – Canned meats

May 3 – Canned soup

May 10 – Boxed meals

May 17 – Pasta or rice

May 24 – Hot or cold cereal

May 31 – Hygiene items/toilet paper

June 7 – Peanut butter and jelly

Thank you for helping fulfill our Christian mission to feed the hungry.

Frozen Meals and Soups:

We still have frozen meals and soups in the freezer in the Fellowship Hall kitchen. Feel free to help yourself and leave what you can in the donation cup.

More from the Outreach Committee...

Donuts and Diapers Baby Grace Shower:

You are invited to a baby shower on Sunday, April 19 at 10:00 (before the service) in the FCC Sunroom. The Christian Women’s Fellowship and the Outreach Committee will be serving donuts, juice, and coffee, so come to church a little early that Sunday and en-

joy some refreshments. Because it is a shower for Baby Grace, an organization that provides free diapers to families in need, we welcome you to bring diapers, wipes, or monetary donations to help little baby bottoms stay dry and healthy. (See the invitation in this newsletter and on flyers around the church.)

\$One for All:

To date, FCC members have donated \$3,230!! Thank you so much! This will really help our church and our neighbors pay their rising energy bills. In June, we hope to have another month of asking you to increase your giving by at least one dollar to help FCC and our neighbors with summer utility bills.

Easter Bunny Bucks Auction

So, let's talk seriously. Easter Egg Hunts? Been there, done that! Scavenger hunts? So last year! So, what could we possibly come up with? We think we've got it! Join us on Easter morning, following the 10:30 service, for our First-ever "Bunny Bucks Auction"! Every participating child (0-18) will meet in the Parlor after our 10:30 Easter Day service, and will be given a hopping big amount of Bunny Bucks to bid with. Did we mention that items will not be re-

vealed until AFTER they have been won? That's right folks, a Blind Bunny Bucks Auction! Come join the fun. And parents, you can help your little ducklings make great bunny bucks decisions! The auction will be fact-paced, so you'll get home in plenty of time for ham and all the yummy that goes with it. "Hopping" to see you all there! If you have questions, hop on over to "Hope" and she will be glad to help and answer any questions you have!



Bits & Pieces...



New name, same great company! Join the **Chat and Chew** at **Plowboy's BBQ** on **April 2 at 11:00 AM**. Whether you're a long-time member of the former Ladies Luncheon or a first-timer, all men and women are welcome. Come for the chew, stay for the chat!

It is our rotation to serve Meals-On-Wheels the week of April 6th. If you are willing to help, contact Ken Bryant or the Church Office.



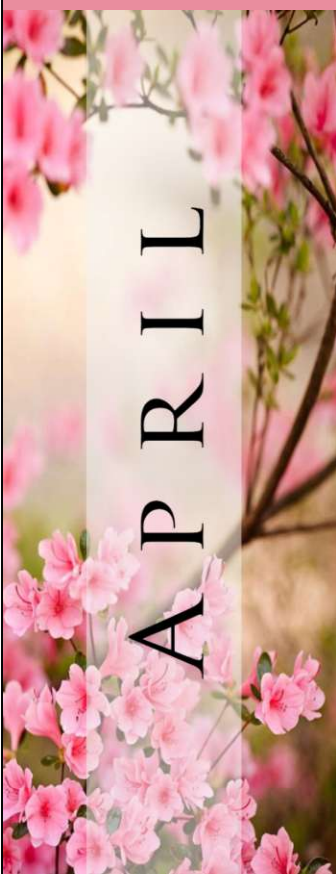
The CWF will gather at the home of Kay Wise on April 21st. For those wishing to carpool, please meet in the church parking lot by 10:00 AM.

Stick around after the 10:30 service on **April 12th** for brunch! We're serving up spiral ham, biscuits and gravy, breakfast casserole, and fresh pastries. If you'd like to contribute, please bring a **favorite brunch bread** (muffins, croissants, etc.) or a **dessert** to share. See you there!





The General Board will be April 8th at 6:00 PM. All are invited to attend.



First Christian Newsletter

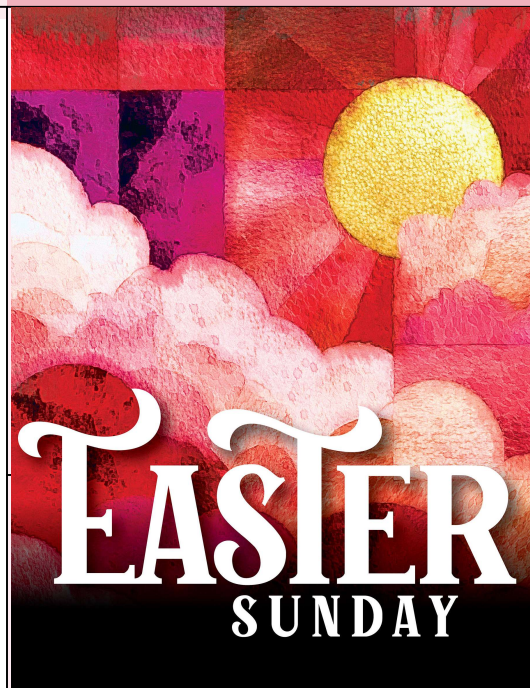
From the Pastor...

Easter is upon us. Honestly, I am not ready for Easter. I already have candy and gifts for the “Kidleys.” That is for both family and church family. I am ready with that. But, I am not ready for the reality of all that Easter is. I am not ready for the passion, the death, and the resurrection of Jesus which we celebrate. It is too great an event to celebrate in a less than a wholehearted fashion. I need to get my spiritual self-ready for the joy which follows Jesus’ resurrection. This is the celebration of the events in which we understand Jesus is the “first fruits” of life eternal. We get to share in the resurrection. He rose from the dead and we get to follow Him into life eternal. We will be in the presence of God following the resurrection. This place is our forever.

My prayer for all of us is that the full depth of God’s love will be experienced in us as life and that life eternal.

Grace and peace,
Rev. Randal

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Join us at 6:30 AM Easter Morning for a glorious view from the Sunroom as we celebrate Easter.

At 10:30 AM, we will hold our traditional service as we continue celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Our first-ever “Bunny Bucks Auction” will take place following the 10:30 service. ALL children are invited to attend! In fact...we BEG you to stay and give this a whirl!



Holy Week Services

Will be held at our Church on March 31st.

The service will begin at 7:00 PM

