

March Birthdays

April Birthdays

BIRTHDAYS

- 2- Macklin Clemens
- 4- Renee Breshears
- 6- Calista Schupp
- 7- Brenen Sullivan
- 8- Angela Igo
- 9- Justin Jolliff
- 10- Andrew Pointer
- 12- Jaxon Clemens
- 14- Cheyenne Green
Amanda Thomason
- 15- Joan Marsh
- 16- Lloyd Pannell

- 17- Brody Kueker
Laikyn Marshall
- 18- David Clark
Tiffany Thornton
- 20- Kaitlyn Seigreid
- 21- Ruby Barnes
- 22- Lauren Crews
- 24- George Fletcher
Phillip Perkins
- 27- Joel Schultz
- 28- Jacob Asbury
Annette Miles

ANNIVERSARIES

- 5- David & Janice Kueker
- 8- Tim & Gwen Clemens
- 18- Chris & Debbie Arnett
Charles & Sharon Bentley
- 25- Zach & Lauren Crews
- 26-Tyler & Shannon Clemens
- 30-Chad & Renee Breshears



Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt

Someone stole Peter Cottontail's precious **EGGS!**
 Thankfully the thief left clues around the **CHURCH!**
 Unravel the thief's riddles to help Peter find his special **SURPRISE!**

MEET IN THE PARLOR AFTER EASTER 10:00 SERVICE TO TAKE PART IN THE HUNT!
 PARENT/SIBLING ENCOURAGED TO HELP IF NEEDED

SEPERATE EASTER EGG HUNT FOR 4 AND UNDER IN PLAYGROUND AREA



THE LIGHT BRINGS HOPE

Easter

SUNRISE SERVICE
 SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025 · 6:30 AM



Join us
 April 13th
 for a dinner of fried
 chicken, mashed pota-
 toes, green beans,
 macaroni & cheese
 and rolls! Please bring
 a side salad or dessert
 to share.

FELLOWSHIP DINNER



From the Library

**BOOKS! Adult Books! Children– Teen Books!
Old and Out-of Print Books!**

Plus

A What-Not-Sale!

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH LIBRARY

Friday 04/11/25

1:00 pm– 7:00 pm

Saturday 04/12/25

9:00 am—1:00 pm

**Come and look through books of Romance, Mystery,
Thriller, Non-Fiction and Series.**

**Includes Authors: Bradford, Connelly, Deaver, Jackson, L
Armour, Michaels, Roberts, Steel and more!**

Also available are puzzles, crafts, movies and what-nots.

Cash or local checks only

Paperback: \$.50 each

Soft back and Hardback: books: \$1.00

Movies or DVD's: \$1.00

Old Books, Series, Puzzles and Stamp Sets: varied prices

**Located in the “Noah’s Ark and Scouts room. Enter
Church through Northeast door**

“Reaching Out”

a message from the Outreach Committee

April brings an awakening for the earth as well as several opportunities for members to share their time, talents, and treasure through Christian Outreach.

All Disciples of Christ congregations around the world collect six Special Offerings during the year. Each Special Offering is designated to meet specific needs. On April 13 and 20, Marshall First Christian will join with other DOC churches to collect an Easter Offering. Funds received support college students in leadership development programs, global mission partners, health and social services, formation of new congregations, pastor and chaplain support, and so much more. If you would like to donate, please use a Special Offering envelope on the tables by the offering plates, or write “Easter Offering” on the memo line of your check. Thank you.

On April 27, we will have the opportunity to learn how to help anyone having a cardiac emergency by using the church’s Automated External Defibrillator. Outreach Committee member Kim Behrends arranged for her mother, Brenda Messerly, an AED instructor, to teach two short classes – one before the service at 9:00 in the Chapel and one right after church in the Chapel. The demonstration is open to everyone age 10 and above.

Also on Sunday, April 27, FCC will provide a meal for MoVal’s Christian student organization, The Bridge. If you can provide a dish, please contact Ginger at 660-620-2480. We will serve 25-30 students at their Christian fellowship night.

We will soon start advertising FCC’s first Community Blood Center blood drive! Community Blood Center provides all of the blood and blood products for Fitzgibbon Hospital. FCC is partnering with St Peter Catholic Church to host the drive on Wednesday, May 28 from 1:00 – 5:00 pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall on the corner of English and College Streets. We hope to help fill the need for blood drives that results when high schools and colleges close for the summer. Let Ginger or the office know if you would like to volunteer to man the refreshment table or to greet donors. Info on how to register will be available soon. This is an opportunity to share the gift of life.

Thank you, FCC, for all the ways you help people. “They’ll know we are Christians by our love.”



A Message from our Pastor...

Easter Events

4/20

6:30 Sunrise

4/20

10:00 Service

Easter Egg Hunt
(following service)



It is no secret that Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter Sunday are all coming up this month.

This year the Jewish Passover is set to begin with Sundown on Saturday April the 12th.

The difference this year it that the Passover and the Easter event overlap completely. Both end on Sunday the 20th.

While I have no firm knowledge that there is a special meaning to this, I enjoy experiencing things that do not happen often.

I have, however heard from my "Messianic" friends that this could be the time for the Messiah to return.

As I began to further gather my thoughts about this article, I wondered how could I come up with something uplifting for Easter.

My thoughts have been dark with all the changes coming out of Washington DC. I do not know what will happen and it feels as if I have no power to help those that are affected. I began to think about the similarities the time of Jesus has with today (and vice-versa).

The country of Israel was being held by the Romans who took their resources. There are those that take our countries' wealth without any accountability. No one knew what Rome was going to do next. Finances were bad, ordinary people had little or no sway over those that were in control.

We do not know what is going to happen with issues that make a difference in our lives. Inflation is still a problem that seems to be causing a problem for everyone. I have seen people at the store pick up an item, look at the price and return it to the shelf. It seems to me that people feel powerless over their own way of living.

With these things being what they were in Israel, it makes sense that they would be looking for the Messiah to come and make things well again.

Jesus was met by ordinary people looking for a savior. They were sure he was the one. And then he was taken away, beaten and hung on a cross to die.

More bad news for believers. Then the resurrection took place.

The promises were fulfilled, the yoke taken from the people's necks, and salvation was given.

We are free because of Jesus, the cross and the resurrection. We can live free forever. Blessings,

Randal



Join us May 6th

for the first

Drive-Up service
of the year ! The

new service time will be 8:30 am. Our inside worship will begin at 10:30 am to accommodate the start time of morning service.