

First Christian Church of Effingham

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What Manner of Love

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Mark Your Calendar Friday, April 19th Good Friday Prayer Chain is from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 21st Easter Sunrise Service at The Cross starts @ 6:00 a.m.

Tuesday, April 23rd Young @ Hearts meets @ 9:00 a.m. for food, fellowship & prayer

Wednesday, April 24th W.O.W. meets @ 5:30 p.m. for supper, then, worship and Bible study

Saturday, April 27th Men's Gathering meets from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 2nd Elders meet @ 9:00 a.m.

Thursday, May 2nd Morning Women's Meeting meets @ 10:00 a.m. @ Cracker Barrel

Thursday, May 2nd Vacation Bible School meeting meets @ 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 5th Rice, Mac N Cheese, Cereal or your choice are due in Beebe Hall

Ponderings of the Preacher . . .

I want to encourage you to be in church this coming Lord's Day. Typically Easter and Christmas are days where church attendance goes up. I hope ours does. We need to be reminded periodically of what our potential for attendance really is. As you are making plans to attend, why not invite a friend, family member, or neighbor to attend with you. Easter is a time of year when people are probably more open to an invitation to attend church than at other times of the year. Some regular attending church folks become upset when the attendance goes up on those special days. Their reasoning is that those who only come on special days ought to be coming throughout the year. That's true, but if they come on Easter then they are at least hearing the message about Jesus one time. That's better than not hearing the message at all. It may only take one time for God to plant the seed in their heart and great things may result.

The theme of our service on "Resurrection Sunday" is "An Easter to Remember." There will be a photographer available prior to the services to take pictures of you and your family. I hope you take advantage of that and you preserve some memories through photos. Since not everyone can get their picture taken at the same time, come early and then enjoy the light breakfast in the fellowship hall. The message I will be preaching on Sunday morning is entitled "An Easter to Remember" and comes from Mark 16. Something unexpected, unforgettable and unstoppable happened on that first Easter morning and our world has not been the same since.

We will be celebrating Jesus' resurrection in song and also by observing the Lord's Supper. Each family group whether that is 6 or 1 will receive a free copy of Lee Strobel's "The Case for Christ Answer Booklet." This is a tool that will help strengthen your faith in Christ and can be given to a friend to help them in their faith walk. Those will be available at the Information Center.

I hope to see each of you this coming Sunday morning! CUN Church. David



Serving In April

Elder: April 21th :Don Thoele

Deacons: Terry Harper, Vernon Jamison, Greg Spillman, Kevin Jamison

Deaconesses: Judy Gregory & Sheila Hutcheson

4/7/19 Attendance & Giving Total: \$ 6,172.00 includes Faith Promise Offering	4/14/19 Attendance & Giving Total: \$ 3,589.90 includes Faith Promise Offering		
Worship: 76 Sunday School: 16	Worship: 105 Sunday School:28		
Faith Promise Missions: \$1,455.00	Faith Promise: \$280.00		
Building:\$40.00	Building: \$40.00 W.O.W. Donation: \$100.00		
Sunday School:\$13.00	Sunday School:\$11.00		

Greeters for April 21st: Elaine Griffin & Sonya Davis	Home Communion for April 21st: None Scheduled
Greeters for April 28th: Dennis & Mimi Bushue	Home Communion for April 28th: Chris Hutcheson & Jeff Akeman

Good Friday/Easter Sunrise

Prayer Chain—Friday, April 19th

Signup sheet is on the information desk. Sign up for a 15 minute slot from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 21st

Meet @ 6:00 a.m. for the Sunrise Service. It will be outside as long as weather permits



Sunday, April 21st



Photographer will be available before the church service to take pictures of your family members. The pictures will be sent to your e-mail so you will be able to order them from wherever you get your pictures developed.

Each family will be able to pick up at the information center the *Case for Christ* Information answer booklet by Lee Strobel.

Prayer List



Homebound and Nursing Home: Marie Waddell, Bonnie Koester, Wanda Morgan, Holly Arney, Marie Fulk, Elinor Wolford, Darlene Zimdars, Dorothy Locke, Bonnie Thomas, Shirley Barry, Ruth Meyers

Cancer: Laura Knierim, Sharon Douglas, Shirley Strickland, Ron Anderson, Tatum, Ashley Judd, Barb Eaton, Patty Willis, Alayna Plank, Renae Metke, Andy, Mike Page, Gary Lewis, Brandy Harper, Tiffany Dunaway, Brad Arney's Great Grandson Parker Burns, Susie Mast, Nancy Koester, Patrice Runyon, John Arnold, Carley Tull, Robert Barkauska, Jessica Baker, Nikki Szynonik, Misty Ulmer, Lanny Grove, Joshua McConnell, Rosemary Niemerg, Ruth, Barb Gaddis, Elizabeth Weidner, Dallas Parkhurst, Ray Bushue, Bill Dentln, Jane Ann's Friend, Joy Gamber, Gene Moeller, Arlene Mullen, Joe Stoops, Jill Fiddler, Scott Chalvant, Dallas Hurst, Caleb, Sandy Brockett, Travis Stine, Ken Roley, Lois Bartels, Cindy Meitzner, Mat Reed, Adam Stoops, Allen Griffin, Joyce Jordon Griggs, Steve Sabens, Reenie's Cousin Teri, A.J.'s Grandmother, Hanna Henning, Marissa (Walton) Banovz, Ashley, Bob Pike, Bill LeCrone, Janet (Dennis Young's Friend), Doris Percival, Malcolm Jollivay & Family, Sandra Helmink, Norma Buehler, All Kids with cancer, Keaton Gabel-13 year old, Raeleigh-7 year old, Kristen Avotea, 2 year old boy, Jill Fidler, Brad Hockman, Aiden-2 year old, Sue Martin, Robin Nees, Jim Shouse, Kitty Jo Herrmann, Floyd Miller, Dennis Young's Great Nephew, Kent Farley, Vicki pals

Special Needs: Darlene & Gary Elliott, LeAnn Spruell, Sarah Gremo, Craig Lattig, Phyllis Mitchell, Chris Hutcheson's nephew, Lucien Grey Valdez(9 month old), J.C. Packer, Cathy Weiffenbach, Dennis Reynolds, Linda Shaw, John Donathan's uncle, Phyllis (Bev Thoele's Sister), Ken & Velma Thomason, Rhodes Gephart, Marsha Smith, Sharon Caylor, Bobby Spracklen, Roger Wyckoff, Rory Miller, Victoria Gifford, Emmie Jane Sidwell-2 year old, Sonya Davis, Thelma Kirchoffer, Krissy Moore, Anthony Jamison, Travis Schoenfelden, Diane Donaldson, Vernon & Shirley Jamison, Dan & Rusty Shouse, Stephanie Packer, Kenny Scoggins, Lynn Weddle, Madison (2 yr. old with brain tumor), Pat Beals, David Powers, Dallas Kingery, Sandy Brockett, Larry Shoemaker, Joyce Walters, Denny & Ruth Williams, Crystal Robinson, Gary Scoggins, Graham Buehler, Llewellyn Lattig, Abby Nelson Thompson, Barbara Wence, Marsha Bloemker

(These names will remain on the prayer list for one month. Then, we need an update to put their names back on this Special Needs list.)



Missions: Heartland Christian Village-Neoga, IL

Military: Troops in Harms Way; Tyler Cross in the Air Force, Zach Apke,

Grieving Families: Joni Binnion Family, Bill Prewitt Family

Thank You Church Family

90th Birthday

I would like to thank my church family for helping me celebrate my 90th birthday!!!

It was a great day!!!

May God bless all of you,

Love you all, Velda Cunningham







Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 W.O.W . meets @ 5:30 p.m.	2 Elder's meet @ 9:00 a.m. Morning Women's Meeting meets at 10:00 a.m. V.B.S. Meeting @ 5:30 p.m.	3	4
5 Food Pantry Items Rice, Mac N Cheese, Cereal or your choice is due	6	7 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.	8 Last Week of Adult and chil- dren's W.O.W . till Fall	9	10	11
1 Mappy Mother's Day	13	14 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.	15 Youth & Young Adults meet for W.O.W. @ 5:30 p.m.	16	17	18 Children's Event 10:00 a.m. to noon Armed Forces Day Theme
19	20	21 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.	22	23	24 Upward Soccer Evalua- tions 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.	25 Upward Soccer Evalua- tions 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Men's Gather- ing @ 6:00 pm.
26	27	28 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.	29	30 V.B.S. meeting @ 5:30 p.m.	31	



May Birthdays & Anniversaries



May 1st—Richard Raber	BD	May 18th—Dennis Bushue	BD
May 4 th —Darren Vonderheide	BD	May 20th—Mario Reyes	BD
May 5 th —Anthony Jamison	BD	May 21 st —Kevin & Barb Jamison	WA
May 5 th —Martín Reyes	BD	May 22 nd —Bonnie Vonderheide	BD
May 5 th —Phyllis Mitchell	BD	May 28th—Myah Rae Lewis	BD
May 5 th —Austin Spillman	BD	May 29th—Sharon Caylor	BD
May 13th—Emil (Shorty) Beals	BD	May 30 th —Madison Healy	BD
May 17th—Emil & Lee Beals	WA	•	

Young @ Heart

Tuesday, April 23rd

Come and join us for snack, coffee/tea, prayer & Fellowship @ 9:00 a.m.



W.O.W. Adult Study

WOW April 24th

Supper will be at 5:30p.m.. Children, Youth & Young Adults Bible Study begins @ 6:00 p.m.

The Adults Bible study begins at 6:30p.m.

A **new study** began Wednesday, April 17th. It is *Cultures In Conflict: Paul proclaims Jesus As Lord-Part 2* by Ray Vander Laan.

How do you live in a culture where the worldview conflicts with Christianity? "Learn from Paul as he presents his beliefs to the most powerful court in Athens and settles among the Greco-Romans of Corinth, who valued wealth and class, worship of multiple gods, and decadent pleasure seeking above all else . . ." (Quotes From back cover)

"Ray Vander Laan is the founder of *That The World May Know* video series with Focus on the Family. An ordained minister, he holds the chair of biblical cultural studies as a religion instructor at Holland Christian Schools in Holland, Michigan." (Quotes From back cover)



Faith Promises Received

A total of \$36,570.00 for the year 2018/2019.

Received So Far: \$20,371.10

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

I Peter 4:10







Apríl Book of the Month

A **study guide** is available on the foyer table for Mark. Pastor David will be preaching from **Mark**.

during the month of April Goals:

Greater knowledge of the Bible & Help one develop consistency in Bible reading.



Men's Gathering

Saturday, April 27th Come men and boys alike For our Post-Easter Gathering; Join us for supper and fellowship! Meet 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Elders Meeting

Thursday, May 2nd

The elders will meet @ 9:00 a.m. on Thursday. If you have ideas or concerns please let one of the elders or one of the pastors know.



Women's Morning Meeting

Thursday, May 2nd

The women's morning meeting is @ Cracker Barrel at 10:00 a.m. Come and join us for prayer, fellowship and snacks.



Volunteers For Commíttee



Upgrades To Church Building

A signup sheet will be at the information center for anyone who would like to be on the committee to explore upgrades such as painting, flooring, new windows, new doors, etc. Your input is valuable to enable our facility to be safe and friendly to those who come to worship the Lord.



V.B.S. Meeting

Thursday, May 2nd

We meet @ 5:30 p.m. to continue discussion on what the Bible Study will cover. The theme this year is: *Work as Worship*

The Science portion is being explored. The Cooking portion will have feedback from Reenie Miller. The Recycling will be narrowed down to the items and crafts needed. The Christian Worker list will be narrowed down as well.

The main Bible verse is Colossians 3:23(NIV)

<u>Celebrating A Baptism</u>

Terry Williams

Terry was baptized April 10th at Wednesday evening service. He is Kelvin Williams' son. If you would like to send him a congratulations card, his address is:

Terry Williams 9368 E. Nees Ave Effingham, IL 62401-7631



Ladies Meeting

Tuesday, May 14th

Come and **meet** @ **6:30 p.m**. in the fellowship hall. Snacks, fellowship, prayer and lesson 6: *The Woman God Created You To Be* from the video series *A Confident Heart* by Renee Swope









Upward Soccer

Sign up is for grades 5K to 6th graders. An application is on the web site (http://fcceffingham.com/get-connected-4/) and can be printed off. Fill it out and send to Martin Reyes @ 901 N. Henrietta St., Effingham, IL

May 24, 2019 Upward Soccer Evaluations from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. or May 25, 2019 Upward Soccer Evaluations from 10:00 a.m. to noon