



The Vision



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These days of Lent have been powerful days in our hearts!

Two

Sundays from today, April 17 will be our Resurrection Celebration! It will be a glorious Easter for us here at FBC! Plan even now to invite those you know who are not in a church to be with us as we all celebrate together the Risen Lord!

Easter is surely what our faith is all about! Jesus said, "Because I live, you shall live also"! That is why we smile as we worship! Our God is not dead! He's ALIVE!

It was a joy to be a part of our church hosting the area-wide Lenten Luncheon this past Thursday. We want to thank all those who helped make this a great day as we joined in with other churches in the area to reflect on the Sacrifice of our Lord in our lives.

Love,

Pastor John & Debbie



Your fellowship today is important to us. Please fill out the attendance pads at the end of each pew.



Servants

In His Service

April 10, 2022

USHER

SOUND SYSTEM 10:30 AM-Chuck Richardson

DEACON-Ken McVey

Small Talk-Jacquie Woodard

(The previous week's attendance and financial status)

ATTENDANCE

SS-41 Worship- 51

FINANCIAL NOTES

Monthly Need \$11,070.16

| | Worship Service | Sunday School |
|----------|-----------------|---------------|
| March 6 | \$2,440.00 | \$20.00 |
| March 13 | \$2,663.95 | \$22.00 |
| March 20 | \$2,227.45 | \$42.00 |
| March 27 | \$2,123.95 | \$50.00 |

Operating Fund

\$9,589.35

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Total Receipts (Mar.) \$13,477.41

Weekly Need \$2,700.18

STEDFAST FAITH

Three years of growing faith and hope, His followers were dashed on the shoal of despair when Jesus was apprehended and killed. Typical of the despair felt by those in Jerusalem were two despondent followers of Christ who left Jerusalem to walk to the village of Emmaus. On the way, they encountered a stranger who seemed to know nothing of the past days' events in Jerusalem. Yet He rebuked them for their despondency, for not recognizing the meaning of the death of the Nazarene. And then He revealed to them that He was the Christ, raised from the dead. "So [the two] rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem...and they told about the things that had happened on the road" (Luke 24:33, 35).

When the two disciples saw that Jesus had been given new life, they received new life as well. Such is the power of the Resurrection; such is the meaning of Easter!

If you grow despondent in the face of life's circumstances, remember the Resurrection---proof that God's power is sufficient to resurrect your faith. *The Upward Call by David Jeremiah and Turning Point 2015*



April 7-----First United Methodist Church

Sponsors The Lenten Lunch

April 16----10:00 AM – Youth Easter

Program with Story and Treats

Lenten Lunches

Below is a schedule of this week’s Lenten Lunch that will be at St. Martin’s Catholic Church:

April 7 – First United Methodist Church.

Join us for our Lenten lunches!

They will begin serving lunch at 11:30 am

Cost is \$5.00

Devotion talks begin at 12:15pm

Everyone is invited!



A BIGG Thank You for all the helpers that made the Lenten Luncheon such a Special Day last Thursday. The food was Great, the Fellowship was wonderful and the Message brought by Pastor John was right ON.



This year our Easter program for the children will be a little different. The children will meet at 10:00 AM on Saturday, April 16. There will be an Easter story done by Pastor John and each young person will be given a treat bag as they leave.



Candy is needed to make up Easter Egg Bags for the children, to be given out April 16th. There is a box in the Narthex for the collection of the candy,

Thank you,

Board of Christian Education

E-----EVER

A-----ALIVE

S-----SAVIOR’S

T-----TREATMENT of

E-----ETERNAL

R-----REDEMPTION



PRAYER REQUESTS:

Church Family:

Bertha Marie Heiny, Carol Williams, Kathy Morris, Evelyn Denney, Mary Jennison, Judy Thompson, Brian Etchison, Susan Polk, Dee Dee Kaufman, Jim and Donna Abshire, Betty Williamson, Mike Adams, Tom Holman, Larry & Peggy Martin, Bob & Catherine Etter & Bob & Dianna Jennings.

Community: Pray for America,

our community, the leaders, our school boards. For children and teachers in school this year and those in need in our community.

Military Personnel: Skyler Rynard, Dan Koong, Michael Pitz, Clint Plake, Daniel Hill and all military personnel serving at home and abroad.

Country People affected by the COVID-19, Situations in the country and abroad, the President, cabinet, political leaders, military personnel, our nation, police, the US economy, firemen and medical personnel.

World: Peace, Middle Eastern conflict, global financial situation, and those serving on the mission field.

