

# Messenger



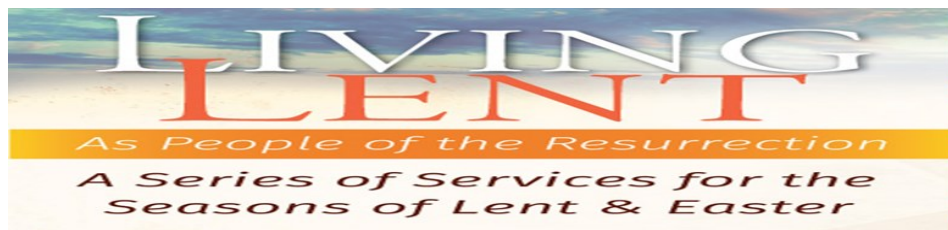
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## *Mission Statement*

*McCutchanville Community Church's mission is to connect our community with God's power and hope through the love of Christ.*



## EASTER MEANS ... EVERYTHING IS GOING TO BE OKAY

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate Easter. What a great day of worship it was for our church to be able to proclaim: He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Easter can be wrapped up in a simple statement: "Everything is going to be okay." Please consider how we can boldly make this statement in a world with so much turmoil.

As Jesus entered the world, it was in chaos — much as our world is today. When the angels announced His birth, they said, "Today, in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:11). Everything is going to be okay.

When John the Baptist announced the Christ saying — "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29) — He was saying, "Everything is going to be okay."

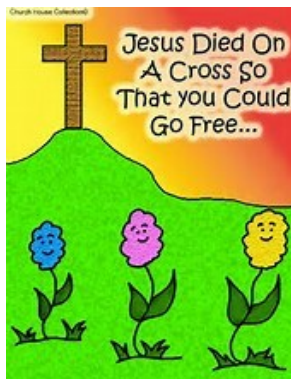
When Jesus encouraged His people to hold their heads up in a world of tribulation, He told them to cheer up: "I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. In this world, you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Everything is going to be okay.

When He went to the cross, it was brutal and cruel, but His act of sacrifice signaled to all humankind that everything was going to be okay.

The message that we as Christians should always proclaim to one and all, is the message of hope. Everything is going to be okay.

This does not mean that we will have everything we want. This does not mean that we will not suffer loss, but it does mean that, in the words of Romans 8, we are loved unconditionally; that God knows our situation; that faith and trust are the keys to survival. "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?" Trouble — no! Hardship — no! Persecution — no! Famine — no! We are more than conquerors! We should live like it, act like it, talk like it and pray like it — "Nothing in creation will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Rom. 8:39).

Jesus, being obedient to His Heavenly Father, suffered and died on the cross, was buried, and on the third day He arose. This is the time to know Him as your personal Savior, not later, the time is now! It is popular to believe in universalism, that all will be okay, regardless of having a relationship with Jesus Christ. Not so says God. In order for everything to be okay, one must be reconciled with God through repentance and forgiveness, and living a life in Christ. So you see, everything is going to be okay, only because God acted for us through Jesus.



Be blessed and be a blessing, and be a blessing to others.  
Pastor Greg





Happy Birthday

**April**

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Vanessa Hayes    | 9  |
| Josette Higgins  | 10 |
| Kent Burress     | 15 |
| Kendra Georgesen | 19 |



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

April Anniversaries

|                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| Daniel & Vanessa Hayes | 14 |
| Jon & Angie Shoptaugh  | 26 |

| Lenten/Easter Schedule |                        |                 |
|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| April 8                | Easter Egg Hunt        | 10:00 am        |
| April 9                | Palm Sunday            | Normal Schedule |
| April 8                | Maundy Thursday        | 6:30 pm         |
| April 14               | Good Friday            |                 |
| <b>April 16</b>        | <b>Easter Sunday</b>   |                 |
| <b>7:30 am</b>         | <b>Sunrise Service</b> |                 |
| <b>8:00 am</b>         | <b>Breakfast</b>       |                 |
| <b>9:00 am</b>         | <b>Worship Service</b> |                 |



Prayer requests:  
 Parker Dubber, Nancy Glackman, Mary Lou Ellis, Joy Roettger, Ruth Postal, Amy Higgins, Judy Wynn, Kevin Barnett, Cheyrl Roethemeier, David and Sarah Dixon, Peggy Davidson, Marie Pickett, Amy Dubber, Pastor Greg and Teresa as they journey to South Korea, The homeless population.



The last Tuesday of Pioneer Club will be April 18th with a celebration. The "Pioneers" will receive their final earned badges for the year and will be treated to a meal. Parents and friends are invited to a fun evening of celebration.

Save your medicine bottles to donate to UMW. They must be amber colored and have the lids on them. Please take the labels off. These can be used at homeless clinics and are also sent around the world. You may collect them over the winter and you will be notified when to bring them to church for our local UMW to get them to the right place. Any questions ask Josette Higgins or Kathy Ellerbrook.



**Time for Spring Cleaning!**  
 As you are cleaning your cupboards, April is ANYTHING month for the Food Pantry. Please bring your donations for our food basket..



**Feeding the Community**



# The Bulletin Board



## BREAKFAST

2017 Lenten Breakfast Schedule for the United Methodist Churches of Evansville. All Breakfasts will begin at 7:15 a.m.  
 April 1 Fairlawn  
 April 8 Old North

The Unity Class will be selling Bread and Cookie dough beginning this Sunday through April 23rd. Delivery will be in May.



Easter AND the Annual EASTER EGG hunt is just around the corner. You can help in several ways:

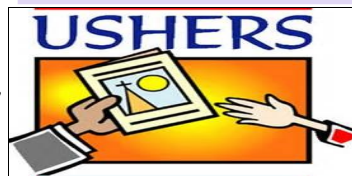
1. Pick up a bag of eggs (available in the hallway) and stuff each with candy.
2. Donate Eggs
3. Donate Candy
4. Donate cash toward candy and prizes
5. Donate your time on the day of the Easter Egg Hunt!

**Easter Egg Hunt is April 8th! At 10:00 am at McCutchanville Community Church**



Don't forget to order your Easter Lily in Memory of or in Honor of. Order forms are available and the Lilies will adorn our sanctuary on Easter Morning. Orders are due on April 9th

Geranium orders are due this Sunday, April 2nd. You will find an order blank in this Messenger. Please give your orders to Josette Higgins!



**April:**  
 Elvin and Joan Reed  
 Larry and Cherissa Willaims



The Cookie recipe for the Kairos Prison Ministry is available on the bulletin board outside the Pastor's Office. Get involved in this ministry by praying and baking for the inmates.

## March's Attendance and Giving

|          | Attendance | Building Fund | General Fund | Internet Giving | Mission & Pioneer Club | Food Pantry | GYM Rental | Total Checking Deposit |
|----------|------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|------------|------------------------|
| March 5  | 69         | \$900.00      | \$3226.00    | \$1000.00       | \$202.00               |             |            | \$6349.00              |
| March 12 | 64         | \$558.00      | \$1658.00    | \$1180.00       |                        |             | \$60.00    | \$3456.00              |
| March 19 | 72         | \$284.00      | \$1973.00    | \$1,100.00      |                        |             |            | \$3357.00              |
| March 26 | 71         | \$629.00      | \$1256.00    | \$11490.00      | \$83.50                |             |            | \$3458.50              |

**Geraniums for Sale!**

TO BENEFIT WEEKDAY  
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

COST PER PLANT IS \$5.00. RETURN YOUR  
COMPLETED FORM TO JOSETTE HIGGINS,  
THE CHURCH OFFICE, OR THE OFFERING  
PLATE.

MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO :  
WEEKDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION  
DEADLINE ORDER: APRIL 2, 2017  
CHURCH CONTACT: MARY LOUELLIS  
812-425-9210



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| Color    | Quantity |
|----------|----------|
| Red      |          |
| Salmon   |          |
| Pink     |          |
| White    |          |
| Hot Pink |          |

Total Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ X \$5.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_



**Easter Lily  
Order Form**  
The flowers will  
adorn the  
Sanctuary on Easter  
Sunday.

Members and friends of the congregation are invited to purchase a Lily either in memory or in honor of a loved one. The cost of the is \$10.00 each. To reserve yours, please complete the information below, include payment of cash or check (make checks payable to McCutchanville Community Church), and place your order in the offering plate or return to the church office. **Deadline to order is Sunday April 9.**

Name of Person Ordering: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of flowers X \$10 = \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_



## **GOD'S KIDS reporting.....**

April's newsletter is being written before the children are off for spring break March 27 to March 31. Activities, trips and events during spring break will be reported in May's newsletter.

### **What Are We Doing?**

Check out the new playground equipment – an airplane! It is \$0000 much fun and we can have as least 11 passengers. Thanks to John Swope (our friend and helper) who put our airplane together. We also have a new Teeter Totter. The weather has been our friend so we can play outdoors.

The Dolphins and Whales are going to the Lolli-Pop Concert sponsored by the Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra in April and the Jellyfish, Clown, Angelfish, Starfish, and the Rainbowfish are taking a trip to the Zoo – what fun! Question, how many animals live at Mesker Zoo?

### **Birthdays....**

Nolan starts April with a bang – It's his birthday on the first day. Margaret will celebrate her birthday on the fourth, with Scarlet and Harrison blowing out their candles on the ninth. Keaton and Kane's birthdays are on the eighteenth and Charlee will open birthday presents on the twenty-fifth.

A big HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all!

### **Spring Programs**

On Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> the three year old class will have their Graduation Program and on Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> Pre-Kindergarten class will have their Graduation Program. Anyone wishing to help celebrate their achievements can donate cookies for the events.



### **Enrollment**

The Summer session has a few openings and Director Terri is hoping to hire college age students to help. The Fall Session is full. She is also planning a Fun- Raiser selling Pizza for parents, friends and the congregation. Parents! Be warned, she is also planning a work-day.

**PROFILE OF THE MONTH...Due to Spring Break, there is not teacher profile this month.**





| Sun   | Mon   | Tue   | Wed  | Thu  | Fri   | Sat   |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| 2<br>Communion<br>Sunday  | 3<br><b>6:30 Staff Parish</b><br><br>6:00—Gym reserved<br><br>6:30 Room 203<br>Reserved | 4<br>10:00 Pastor Greg with<br>God's Kids<br><br>6:00—7:30 pm Pioneer<br>Club                     | 5<br>Women's Bible<br>Study 9:30 am<br><br>6:30 Choir Practice   | 6  | 7   | 8 10:00Easter Egg<br>Hunt<br>7:00 Men's Lenten<br>Breakfast-St Old<br>North                             |
| 9   | 10<br><br>6:00—Gym reserved<br><br>6:30 Room 203<br>Reserved                            | 11<br>10:00 Pastor Greg with<br>God's Kids<br><br>6:00—7:30 pm Pioneer<br>Club                    | 12<br>Women's Bible<br>Study 9:30 am<br>6:30 Choir Practice  | 13<br>12:30 God's Kids<br>Advisory Board<br><br><b>6:30-Maunday<br/>Thursday<br/>Service</b> | 14 Good Friday<br><br><br><small>shutterstock - 256120518</small> | 15<br><br>4   |
| 16 <b>EASTER<br/>HE IS RISEN!!</b><br> | 17<br>6:30 Room 203<br>Reserved<br><br>6  | 18<br>10:00 Pastor Greg with<br>God's Kids<br>6:00—7:30 pm Pioneer<br>Club—Celebration<br>banquet | 19<br>Women's Bible<br>Study 9:30 am<br>6:30 Choir Practice  | 20<br>6:00-7:30pm-Gym<br>Reserved<br><br>6:00-7:00 pm Ad<br>Council                          | 21<br>Henderson Tri-<br>Fest Friday-<br>Sunday  | 22 Geraniums<br>arrive<br>Piano Contest-<br>Sanctuary<br>Reserved                                       |
| 23<br>Piano Contest-<br>Sanctuary<br>Reserved   | 24<br>10:30-11:00 Hop-N-<br>Ing Preschool<br>6:30 Room 203<br>Reserved                  | 25<br>10:00 Pastor Greg with<br>God's Kids<br>1:00-3:00 UMW                                       | 26 Women's<br>Bible Study<br>9:30 am<br><br>6:30 Choir Practice  | 27<br><br>6:00 pm Annelle<br>Mills sanctuary<br>reserved                                     | 28  | 29  |
| <b>30</b>   | MAY 1<br>6:30 Room 203<br>Reserved<br><br>6:30 Staff Parish                             | 2 10:00 Pastor Greg with<br>God's Kids  | 3<br>Women's Bible<br>Study 9:30 am<br>5:30-7:00 gym<br>reserved<br>6:30 Choir Practice<br>7:00-8:00 gym | 4  | 5<br><br>4:30 Wedding<br>rehearsal in<br>McJohnston<br>Chapel   | 6 Chambliss<br>Wedding<br>McJohnston<br>Chapel 2:30<br>12:00 Unity Class<br>Luncheon<br>Fellowship Hall |
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