

The Visitor

A monthly newsletter for
St. John's Christian Church Family and Friends

April 1, 2021 Volume 67, Number 4

Prayer Corner

Please pray for...

- ♦ Pastor Erich and family, as his mother, Barbara Christman entered into eternal life on 3/10 at the age of 90.
- ♦ Shirley Fowler, whose son Rick entered into eternal life on 3/22.
- ♦ Tracey & Sodie Warren, as Tracey is scheduled to begin radiation treatment for prostate cancer in May.
- ♦ Kyle Ducey, as he is now deployed on the USS Iwo Jima.

Praises for answered prayers and joys for...

- ♦ Kenny Walker IV, as Kenny's progress post-surgery enabled him to come home two weeks early!
- ♦ Aaron & Jordyn King (son-in-law and daughter of Jay and Karla Pursel), as their son, Dawson William (below), was born on 2/26. Dawson weighed 8lbs. 3 oz. and was 22 ½ inches long. Congratulations and many blessings to the new family!



Prayers for protection and for the increase of peace worldwide:

- ♦ PFC Brenden Bostelman, Fort Campbell, KY (Army) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy)
- ♦ Kali Collins, Washington, DC (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)

- ♦ Kohl Collins, Ft. Myers, VA (Army) (Grandson of Nan Neill)
- ♦ Kyle Ducey, Deployed, USS Iwo Jima (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy)
- ♦ Brayden Hall, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO (Ohio Army National Guard) (Son of Vond & Mary)
- ♦ Cpt. Jared Kuntz, Washington, DC (Army) (Son of Keith & Kelli)
- ♦ Eric Maag, Port Clinton, OH (Coast Guard) (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short)
- ♦ AB Shayne & Taylor Pitts, Albuquerque, NM (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)
- ♦ David Richardson, Okinawa, Japan (Marines) (Son of Shannon and Yesi)
- ♦ Joshua Richardson, Kaneohe, HI (Marines) (Son of Shannon and Yesi)
- ♦ Steve Schink, Chesterfield, MI (Coast Guard) (Son-in-law of Ed and Julie Ruffer)

Please consider sending cards to these individuals letting them know that we continue to lift them up to God in prayer; and that He will guide, comfort, and sustain them through these times:

Fairlawn Haven, 407 E. Lutz Rd., Archbold, 43502
David Lightner, Room #138
Josephine Short, Room #405
Jane Short, Room #172
Wayne Spiess, Room #133

Fairlawn Assist. Living, 500 Haven Dr., Archbold, 43502
Donna Buehrer, Room #210

Independent Living, 600 Haven Dr., Archbold, 43502
Rosemarie Schmidt, Apt. #112

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Robert Kuntz, Room #225-2
Velma Overmier, Room #501-1
Bernice Rice, Room #224-2
Beverly Beaverson, Suite #605

SKLD, 1104 Wesley Ave., Bryan 43506
Verlene Lovejoy, Room #203B

Genacross, 1036 S. Perry St., Napoleon, 43545
Audrey Smith, Room #403

Pastor's Column

The dramatic reading for the March 17th Lenten Service focused on Simon from Cyrene, of which Luke 23:26 says, "As they led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus."

In preparing to read one part of the dialogue, Lynne was intrigued by the fact that scripture points out that Simon carried the cross behind Jesus. Such detail in the scriptures is always fascinating to study and consider and as I did so, I was struck by two reflective points:

1. In Luke 9:23 Jesus says, "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." Even as Jesus is led away to his crucifixion, Luke provides us with an image of discipleship – Simon picked up the cross and followed Jesus.
2. Matthew 27 and Mark 15 describe the harsh punishment the soldiers heaped on Jesus. With Jesus weakened from the ordeal of his arrest, trial, and punishment, Simon was suddenly seized from the crowd and forced to carry the heavy cross. Simon didn't have a choice; his bearing the cross was forced upon him. Nor do we always get to choose what cross we must bear, or the timing thereof. Life can suddenly thrust us in to bearing a heavy cross. The gospels teach us to be ready at any time to serve Jesus, and God prepares us for such service.

The most recent cross thrust before me was being in Bozeman at the time when my mother suffered a fourth fall in six months, resulting in broken bones and a hospital stay. Suddenly, a five day trip of pleasant visits and tending to some errands was transformed into eight days of distress and decision making. With no sense of being seized or forced, I was thankful and relieved that I could be present for my mother, myself, and my extended family. I believe God placed me in the midst of the situation, just as he did last fall when I was with my mother during her rehab time in a rest home. Many have told me "God's timing is perfect." I have experienced such perfect timing in many situations of life.

Not only had God placed me in the situation at the right time, God had prepared me to be present in the situation. Through my faith in Jesus Christ, God prepared and equipped me to love and care for my mother. Through my experiences of pastoral care in so many ministry situations over the years, God taught me how to best pick up and carry this latest cross – with love, devotion, kindness, and a reliance upon the light of Christ and the guidance of the Spirit.

I didn't fully know it then, but I realize it now. I didn't fully know it when I visited a person and their family who was in hospice care, but I realize now how I was being prepared for placing my mother in hospice care. Even as I type these words, the tears flow, but a difficult afternoon of communication and decisions was eased by God's guiding Spirit as I drew upon His strength and what families I've walked with in similar situations modeled for me and taught me.

The crosses we bear are eased by the cross Jesus bore for each of us. Releasing a loved one into the eternal care of God is a powerful expression of love that is eased by the power of Christ's resurrection. I am grateful and humbled to be a disciple of Jesus, following behind him as he leads me through. I am grateful and humbled to be a pastor of this disciple-filled congregation, bearing the crosses that come our way. Let us continue to trust in the Lord, seeking His will and serving Him together.

"Alleluia! Alleluia! He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!"

In God's Peace,

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Congregational News and Thank You's

St. John's:

We have been blessed by the many expressions of compassion and the prayers offered on our behalf over the course of the past few weeks following our mother and grandmother's hospitalization, time in hospice, and ensuing death. We continue to thank the Lord for blessing us with the fruitful and faithful life of our mother and grandmother. We trust in Jesus Christ and the certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life! As many have experienced and said, we are thankful for the love of SJCC!

Erich, Lynne, Ryan and Amy Christman

Dear Church Family,

The prayers and support you all showered us with during the last month have made all the difference in this challenging time. It is when situations like this come up that make it very clear why a church family is so important. We could literally feel that we had people praying for us and God answered in a big way. Kenny has had an amazing recovery! The cards were truly enjoyed by the whole family. The encouraging words kept us focused and strong. Thank you all so much.

Love,
Kenny, Mandy, Kenny IV, and Gavin Walker

St. John's:

We realized that our time to leave could be any day. We prayed there would not be any great pain, and that we would go to sleep and not awaken. Susie's prayers were answered.

We celebrated Wayne's 96th birthday along with Susie's special funeral day. Joy was as great as the sorrow.

We thank the Lord for letting us be together for 75 years. Susanne went to Heaven; the Lord called her to Glory to be with Jesus who would bless her soul.

The family wishes to thank all who sent prayers and well wishes in this time of sorrow. We can't tell you how much it helped.

Wayne Spiess Family

St. John's Christian Church:

The Lenten weeks are going so fast. It is new from what once had been, years before. But thanks for all the people that step up to bring Sunday Service to those who are not able to attend. We know it is the right thing to do.

It has been a very good week, warm and lots of sunshine. That's for all who can enjoy it early. I miss our past members - this life and the next.

Bernice Rice

Ministry Happenings

Administrative Assistant - Maternity Leave

Jocelyn and Corey Walker are expecting their second child, with a due date of April 21st. May we each keep them in our prayers for a continued healthy pregnancy and a blessed time of delivery!

Jocelyn will be on a twelve-week period of maternity leave, with eight weeks of full leave and four weeks of returning to work two-to-three days per week.

Jocelyn, Pastor Erich, and the Consistory have been preparing and working to line up coverage of office hours and duties for the past few months. So far, the coverage team consists of the following:

- ♦ Digital Sign - Cayla Swisher
- ♦ Offering Counts and Data Entry - Susie Enderle
- ♦ Other Financial Duties - Susie Enderle and Missy Warncke
- ♦ Bulletin Prep and Printing - Missy Warncke
- ♦ Visitor Prep, Printing, and Mailing - Missy Warncke and NWOESC Students
- ♦ Easy Worship and Live Stream Prep - Kelly Ducey
- ♦ Live Stream Prep - Ryan Christman
- ♦ Website Updates - Cayla Swisher and Ryan Christman
- ♦ Office Coverage - Betsy Redd

We are looking for further volunteers to help with parts of these listed tasks as well as office coverage on Mondays through Fridays with the ability to split into morning and afternoon shifts. Office coverage would consist of answering the telephone, welcoming visitors, processing and answering emails (if able), filing, copying, computer data entry and general office work. Please contact Pastor Erich or Jocelyn if willing and able to help.

Membership Orientation

Our Membership Orientation Sessions have a two-fold purpose: to inform people about the faith, ministries and history of St. John's, and to get better acquainted with people of the congregation. There are four sessions total: three in a group setting at the church and one that involves a home visit with the pastor.

Sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:00PM on April 21st, April 28th, and May 5th, with the home visit to be scheduled individually. Please let Jocelyn Walker or Pastor Erich know if you are interested in participating in these sessions, or if you are interested but these dates do not work for you.

Christian Camp Scholarship Program

St. John's Christian Church will cover up to 50% of the registration fees for children and youth of the congregation attending Christian camping events. Parents will be responsible for registering their child or youth for a Christian camping experience and informing the church office of their registration. Parents will complete and turn into the church office a form for each child they are sending to a Christian camp. St. John's will pay the registration costs based on either an early registration discount or the cost of the camp no later than two months prior to the event.

Love Fund

The Love Fund is a confidential and helpful way in which the church assists people of the congregation with support during a difficult time or situation. Pastor Erich coordinates disbursements from the Love Fund. Individuals can approach Pastor Erich in any given situation, and he also learns of situations from the Spiritual Council and people of the congregation. We have been able to bless a number of people recently through Love Fund resources, and we want to continue to be able to do so. Anyone who would like to help replenish Love Fund monies may do so by designating your envelope or check. Thanks!

Christian Education Ministries

It has been a blessing to resume many of our Sunday morning and Wednesday evening ministries over the past month. Leaders and participants have been abiding by the protocols and classes and activities have been flowing well. We continue to recruit additional leadership in preparation for rising participation numbers.

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Ministries (cont.)

Life Planning

FINALLY! We are back! Life Planning met on March 10th and had a relaxing time playing a few rounds of trivia and catching up. We had a devotion on “who loves you most?” There are many people who love you, but of them all the answer is JESUS! We were excited to have Kenny Walker back with us too! So thankful and blessed to be able to gather together again as a group. We will be meeting again on April 14th. Further information on what will be happening will be forthcoming.

Vacation Bible School

Dates for VBS are dialed in as Sunday, July 18 - Thursday, July 22. Kisha Genter and Bri Krukowski are on board as VBS Directors, and they'll be putting plans in place to provide a VBS experience of fun and creative learning while keeping everyone safe and healthy!

Grief Support Group

St. John's Stephen Leaders/Ministers will be providing a four-week grief support group in the Chapel on Thursday mornings at 10:30 a.m. beginning on April 8th. They will be using Kenneth Haugk's Journeying Through Grief booklets: A Time to Grieve, Experiencing Grief, Finding Hope and Healing, and Rebuilding and Remembering. Support groups not only provide members with the opportunity to receive support, but to give it to others as well. You will find that others have experienced feelings and struggles that are similar to your own. Grief is not a club anyone wants to belong to, though once you're in it, there is great benefit in surrounding yourself with others who know that bad days happen. We would love to have you join us! If interested, please sign up on the bulletin board and pick up the reading material from the church office.

Preschool Corner

March was a busy time in the preschool room! We started out the month with the theme, “Community Helpers.” We learned about their jobs and about some “tools” they use. The younger children made buildings at the Easel with block prints, played with trucks in the gravel at the Sensory Table, and matched community helpers up with their “tools” at the Game Table. The older children completed a cut and paste activity matching hats with the correct community helper, and also completed an art project about what they want to be when they grow up!

The second week was Dinosaur Week!! This is always a favorite among the children, and many are very knowledgeable about the names and characteristics of each (Mrs. Wyse and I always learn a lot too!!). We had large plastic dinosaurs in the Block Area, smaller ones with gravel and lava rocks in the Sensory Table, and magnetic dinosaurs and dinosaur floor puzzles.

The third week was focused on “Pets.” At Circle Time, the children shared whether they have pets at home and their name(s), and if they didn't have a pet, they told us what kind of pet they wished for. The younger children learned about how to approach (and when not to approach) a dog they meet. They also played a pet matching game. The older children played a dog bingo game, worked on number order at the Math Table, and made pet collages.

The last week of the month we talked about Easter. We discussed Palm Sunday, when Jesus came into Jerusalem on a donkey, and then about his death and resurrection. This was best told through “Resurrection Eggs,” where we used small props to tell each part of the story. The Dramatic Play area contained lots of plastic eggs and Easter baskets, so the children could pretend to hide and find eggs with their friends!



Consistory

Special Congregational Meeting

April 18, 2021 @ 11:00 a.m.

The Consistory has called a special congregation meeting for the purposes of:

1. Electing an elder to fill a vacancy on Spiritual Council
2. Acting upon the future of the Sanctuary Pipe Organ
3. Consider a proposed job description for a Pastor of Music and Worship position

The meeting will be offered in a similar fashion as the annual meeting was held – both in-person and via Zoom. Those wishing to attend through Zoom should refer to the instructions below.

Sunday Morning Schedule for April 18, 2021

9:00 am	Sunday school
10:00 am	Worship
11:00 am	Congregational Meeting

Special Congregational Meeting Packet

A meeting packet sharing further information about each of the three agenda items is available on a table in the Sanctuary Narthex. Digital copies are available at www.stjohnsarchbold.org/congregation. You may also request a PDF digital copy via email at office@stjohnsarchbold.org.

Zoom Login Information

If you wish to participate virtually using your desktop, laptop, tablet or smartphone, please refer to the directions below. **Please note:** you do not need to create a Zoom account to access the meeting!

If you're using your desktop or laptop:

1. Open your device's web browser
2. Join the Zoom Meeting by:
Going to "Join A Meeting" at: <https://zoom.us/join>
Or going to the meeting's direct URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88428600059?pwd=TzJEaUI1ZUxHNkxIdmtkQ2V6ZmlkZz09>
3. Enter the Meeting ID and Passcode
Meeting ID: 884 2860 0059
Passcode: 0418sjcc (case sensitive)
4. When prompted, click "Open Zoom Meetings" or "Launch Meeting"
5. When prompted, click "Enable Audio" so that you can listen to the meeting through your device's speakers; if your desktop or laptop have a webcam, you can also enable your video.

If you're using your tablet or smartphone:

1. Download and open the Zoom App ("ZOOM Cloud Meetings")
2. Tap "Join a Meeting" button
3. Enter the **Meeting ID** 884 2860 0059 and click "Join"
4. Enter the **Passcode:** 0418sjcc (case sensitive)
5. When prompted, you can enable both video and audio (join audio using Internet, when prompted)

You will be able to actively participate in the meeting using the Chat feature or your device's microphone (if it has one). We will also make use of Zoom's internal polling feature for all votes taking place. Votes may be cast by members of St. John's Christian Church only; however, both non-members and members are invited to participate in meeting discussion.

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Stewardship Report

2021 Year-to-Date Stewardship Report

As of March 18, 2021

2021 Budget	2021 YTD Budget (11/52) Weeks	2021 YTD Receipts	2021 YTD Expenses	2021 YTD (+ / -)
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Operating Fund	\$439,012.00	\$92,867.92	\$81,353.98	\$82,639.41	\$(1,285.43)
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Mission Fund	\$116,800.00	\$24,707.69	\$30,507.99	\$21,027.09	\$ 9,480.90
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2021 Accounting Changes

1. The Capital Improvement Fund/Budget has been closed out. The annual budget line items related to facility maintenance have been shifted to the Operating Budget. Those line items include: Boiler Maintenance and Repair, Carpet/Pew Cleaning, Parking Lot Maintenance, Tile Floor Maintenance and General Maintenance.
2. Several budget line items were shifted from the Mission Budget to the Operating Budget, as they have been redefined as ministry expenses. Budget line items in the Mission Budget are focused on benevolent projects – missionaries and mission partners beyond the local congregation. Those line items include: Church Camp Scholarships, College Scholarships, Evangelical Association, Love Fund, St. John's Evangelism Outreach and WMTR Pause for Praise.

These shifts added \$34,200 to the Operating Budget, \$18,500 from Missions and \$15,700 from the former Capital Improvement Budget. The hope is that people will shift their donations accordingly. While all the same facility and ministry expenses will be incurred, they'll be accounted for from different accounts than before.

Mission Corner

April Mission-A-Month Growing Hope Globally



Growing Hope Globally (GHG) was created to be able to alleviate world hunger by globally connecting local communities through agriculture. Growing Hope Globally is based on the following ideals:

- ♦ Most people who are food insecure are chronically so.
- ♦ People have the capability to be food secure if given modest assistance with resources, training, and organizations.
- ♦ U.S. farmers and communities have the desire and ability to support small holder farmers overseas.

Once again this year, the Northwest Ohio project includes three partnering churches – First Lutheran, Stryker; United Brethren, Stryker; and St. John’s Christian Church. The growing project is located at the corner of Rt. 34 and County Road 22.27 in Stryker.

Donations given to Growing Hope Globally will provide for the ongoing blessing of the local project. Financial donations can be made through your weekly offering envelopes or by selecting “Growing Hope Globally” as your designated fund in Breeze’s online giving feature at stjohnsarchbold.org/online-giving/.

Summer Mission Trip – In Cooperation with Habitat for Humanity (HFH)

This annual mission experience is scheduled for June 13th through the 18th. For the past several years, the trip participants have worked with the LaPorte County Habitat for Humanity (LCHFH) affiliate that is based in Michigan City, Indiana. We are awaiting word from LCHFH about whether they will have a build project this summer. In the meantime, other HFH projects are being considered. Once we hear back from LCHFH, we’ll be sharing the details of this summer’s trip.

Plastic Grocery Bags

We were informed that Archbold FISH Pantry has an over-abundant supply of plastic grocery bags; however, we heard that residents of the Fairlawn community continue to need plastic bags for their mat-making project. So, we once again set a blue tub under the coat rack across from the chapel to be a collection box for plastic bags.

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Mission Corner (cont.)

Thank You Letters from our Mission Partners

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your continued prayers, love, and support! Because of your generosity, lives are changed and needs are met! May God bless you and your gifts!

Sincerely,
Shepherd's Circle

Hello Family and Friends,

For those of you that don't [receive] our full newsletter, here is a brief update on our winter!

December:

- ♦ There was no Covid and life was normal
- ♦ Old teammates were back for Christmas Day

January:

- ♦ The island experienced a Covid surge. We moved into a new home (it's great!) and we all got Covid (not great!)

February:

- ♦ We recovered from Covid and welcomed two new teammates!
- ♦ School reopened but Covid restrictions are still in place
- ♦ Possibly welcoming more new teammates in the future?
- ♦ Islanders are reaching out to us - pray for more!

It has been a crazy few months but we have felt His provision throughout. Thank you all for your prayers, support, and encouragement!

Blessings,
Tom, Megan, Grace, Peter, and David

Additional Thank You's From...

- ♦ David Hench, for our gift of \$1100
- ♦ Kyle Chase, for our gift of \$1100
- ♦ Matt & MaryLynn Pardi, for our gift of \$1100
- ♦ Church World Service, for our gift of \$470 (Clean-up Kits)
- ♦ Tony & Leila Frank, for our gift of \$60
- ♦ Crossroad, for our gifts of \$2770
- ♦ Back Bay Mission, for our gift of \$155
- ♦ Matt & Paige Waanders, for our gift of \$150
- ♦ Jennifer McMahan, for our gift of \$100

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April Worship Schedule

The Worship Schedule for the month of April:

- April 1st 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
Lesson – The Pedalavium – the Foot Washing – John 13:1-17
Special Music – “I Will Serve Him” – Jocelyn Walker, Buffy Riley, Andrew Rohrs, Roger Zimmerman
Sermon – “The Water and the Blood”
Sacrament of Communion
- April 2nd 7:00 pm Good Friday Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
Sermon – “The Curtain” – Hebrews 10:16-25
“The Passion of Our Lord” – Service of Tenebrae
- April 4th ***Alleluia, He is Risen!*** Easter Morning! (Sanctuary, Facebook Live and YouTube Live)

7:00 am Easter Sunrise Worship
The Draping of the Cross with Easter Flowers and Banner
A Service of Song and Scripture

10:30am Easter Worship
Easter Celebrations – “He’s Still Risen” and “Because He Lives”
Special Music – “I’ve Just Seen Jesus” – Scott Reeb
Easter Message – “A Different Year” – Mark 16:1-8, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
- April 11th Second Sunday of Easter
Mission-A-Month – Growing Hope Globally
Scriptures – Psalm 133, John 20:19-31, 1 John 1:1-2:2
Sermon – “Not Seeing, Yet Believing”
- April 18th Third Sunday of Easter*
*One service at 10:00 am
Scriptures – Psalm 4, Luke 24:36-48, Acts 3:12-19
Sermon – “Jesus Stood Among Them”
11:00am – Special Congregational Meeting
- April 25th Fourth Sunday of Easter
Scriptures – Psalm 23, John 10:11-18, Acts 4:5-12
Sermon – “The Good Shepherd”

2021 Annual Yearbook

Copies of the 2021 Annual Yearbook will be available for pickup at a table in the Sanctuary Narthex beginning the week after Easter. A One Call Now notification will be sent out as soon as they are available. PDF digital copies will also be available upon request by emailing the church office at office@stjohnsarchbold.org.

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Archbold Spring Break						
4 Easter Sunday 7:00AM Worship 9:00AM Egg Hunt 9:15AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship	5 11:00AM Staff Meeting	6 9:15AM Bible Study 7:00PM Mission Committee	7 8:30AM Moms in Prayer 6:45PM Logos/JYF 7:00PM SYF	8 10:30AM Grief Support Group	9	10 Parish Hall Reserved 7:40AM Men's Prayer Breakfast
11 Parish Hall Reserved 6:00PM Seekers	12 11:00AM Staff Meeting 6:30PM Stephen Ministry Peer Supervision	13 9:15AM Bible Study 7:00PM Property Committee	14 8:30AM Moms in Prayer 6:45PM Logos/JYF 7:00PM Life Planning	15 10:30AM Grief Support Group 7:30PM 8th Grade Confirmation	16	17
18 Meeting Sunday 9:00AM Sunday School 10:00AM Worship 11:00AM Special Congregational Meeting	19 11:00AM Staff Meeting 6:15PM Spiritual Council 7:30PM Consistory	20 9:15AM Bible Study	21 8:30AM Moms in Prayer 6:00PM Membership Orientation 6:45PM Logos/JYF 7:00PM SYF	22 10:30AM Grief Support Group 6:00PM Facility Committee	23	24
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Birthdays and Anniversaries!

3	Eric Buckenmeyer, Grant Cover, Kisha Genter, Dencel Miller	15	Keith Kern
6	Bryce Beltz	16	Kreighton Sims
7	Norma Fish, Cameron Ruffer	17	Dean Sauder
8	Jude Rutledge	18	Ryan & Chelsi Smith
9	Will Baden, Solomon Welch	21	Kendal Pursel, Kylie Sauder, Finn Yoder
10	Jane Lesniak, Charlie Nofziger, David Richardson	22	Hailey Wooley, Bill & Kathy Bostelman
11	Mike Overmier	23	JD Holdgreve, Mark & Jodi Beltz
13	James Grime, Bob & Barabara Vos	24	Kenley Lantz, Jessica Lindsay, Karla Pursel
14	Alex & Jenny Young	26	Renee Liechty
		27	Matt & Kim Hines
		28	Dale Grime, Vond Hall, Bill Metz
		29	Kim Hines, Scott & Katie Helberg

Please let us know if we do not have your special day correct!

April Daily Scriptures

(From "Discovery" Daily Devotional)

Discovery® is a daily Bible reading guide that provides clear Bible explanation, prayers and relevant application questions. You can pick up a copy in the church office. Suggested donation is \$6.

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| 1 Show Me the Way.....Mark 15:21-32 | 16 What a Racket!.....Joshua 6:12-19 |
| 2 Don't Leave Me This Way.....Mark 15:33-41 | 17 The Right Choice.....Joshua 6:20-27 |
| 3 Roll Away the Stone.....Mark 15:42-16:8 | 18 God's Concentrated Light.....Psalm 97 |
| 4 You'll Never Walk Alone.....Mark 16:9-20 | 19 Perplexed in Prayer.....Joshua 7:1-9 |
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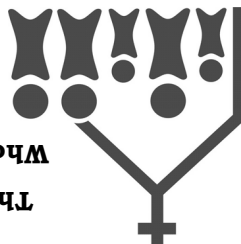
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