

FBC SEYMOUR



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10:30AM Worship **In the Sanctuary & Online**

COME HOME
FOR
EASTER!

EASTER WEEK EVENTS

Palm Sunday (March 29)
Choir/Orchestra Cantata - 10:30 AM

Good Friday (April 3)
Choir/Orchestra Cantata - 7:00 PM

Easter Egg Hunt (April 4)
Toddlers-5th Grade - 10:00 AM

Easter Sunday (April 5)
Worship Service - 10:30 AM

 **FBC SEYMOUR 505 COMMUNITY DR**

Gathering Music

Digger Franke

Celebration of Baptism

Announcements

Pastor Caleb Maris

Praise & Worship

*My Lighthouse
Trust in God*

Worship Through Giving

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Message

Walk With Me: Determining Direction

Mark 8:29-38

Rev. Dr. Jeremy S. Myers

Responding to God

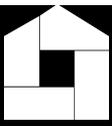
Christ is Enough

Benediction

Rev. Nathan Parker



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to give online!***



One of the most anxiety-inducing aspects of being a pastor is trying to discern how much food to order for a church event. This was especially true when planning for youth and young adults. Young people fall onto an extremely broad spectrum when it comes to eating habits. There are those who nibble on the corner of a piece of pizza, eat two Cheetos, and drink a quarter bottle of water and are filled to capacity. Then there are those who can consume a full pizza, the better part of two bags of Cheetos, and a full two liter of liquid and still have room for more. This creates a deep concern that no matter how much food and drink one procures it won't be enough.

Interestingly enough, not one time in all of the many events for which I have been responsible, youth, young adult, or otherwise, have ever I run out of food. In fact, in almost every instance there was enough left over at the end of the event to take some home for the family to enjoy later and more still to share with local feeding ministries. Somewhere along the way, I developed a scarcity mindset, a fear that there won't be enough. Based on past experience, it is an unfounded fear in the context of church events.

The scarcity mindset is equally prevalent in American culture at large, equally unfounded, and utterly unbecoming of a disciple of Jesus Christ. It demonstrates a concerning ignorance or ambivalence to the examples of Scripture and a woeful lack of faith in the providential care of our God. There are instances in both the Old and New Testament where God takes what appears to be woefully inadequate resources and increases them to meet needs beyond any reasonable expectation.

In 1 Kings 17, we find the story of Elijah, a widow, and her son. The world is experiencing a terrible drought and famine. God leads Elijah to a widow experiencing what is undeniably extreme scarcity. Elijah asks this poor woman for a drink of water and a piece of bread. Her resources are so insufficient that she is preparing to use her last "handful of flour in a jar and a little olive oil in a jug" to make one last meal for herself and her son so that they "may eat it – AND DIE." Elijah instructs her to go ahead and get him that bread and to make something for herself and her son and then gives her the good news that by God's grace she had more than enough to share. 1 Kings 17:14 reads, "For this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: 'The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry...'" God was true to His word and the widow had enough for herself, her son, and the stranger God sent her way. What she believed was scarce was more than sufficient.

A similar, and much more well-known, story is in the gospels. In Matthew 14, we read that Jesus has spent an entire day teaching and healing. As the day draws to a close, the disciples suggest sending the crowd away to scavenge for their own food. Jesus refuses and instead instructs the disciples, "YOU give them something to eat." This is a problem for the disciples; supplies are extremely scarce. They only have five small loaves of bread and two fish, scarcely enough to even feed themselves (In his gospel, John reveals the resources weren't originally theirs; they belonged to a kid in the crowd). Jesus takes the limited resources, gives thanks for them, then has the disciples pass them around. The text tells us that everyone eats their fill and the disciples collect 12 basketfuls of leftovers. Then comes the big reveal in verse 21: "The number of those who ate was about 5000 men, besides women and children." What the disciples believed was scarce was more than sufficient."

It is only human for us to be concerned whether or not the resources available are sufficient to meet our needs. We naturally seek to accumulate and protect what we have in attempts to assure that there is enough for us and ours. This, however, is not the way of Jesus. Part of loving neighbor as self is developing and demonstrating a willingness to sacrificially share whatever we have with any God may put in our path. Yes, we need to be wise stewards of what God provides. But, stewarding is not squirreling it away for a rainy day. Rather, wise stewarding is seen when we courageously invest what has been given. Again, a scarcity mindset is unbecoming of disciples of Jesus Christ. Rather, we should share what we have with gladness, because we know that in God's providential care, whatever we have will be more than sufficient.

EXPERIENCE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SEYMOUR

THIS WEEK'S Activities

Sunday, March 22

- 9:15AM** Sunday School classes for all ages
(Nursery Available)
- 10:30AM** Sunday Morning Worship
(Nursery & Children's Church Available)
- 3:45PM** FBC Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00PM** Board of Finance

Monday, March 23

- 5:30PM** Men's Bible Study
- 7:30PM** FBC Orchestra Rehearsal

Tuesday, March 24

- 10:00AM** Griefshare

Wednesday, March 25

- 5:00PM** Family Dinner
- 6:30PM** Celebrate Recovery

Thursday, March 26

- 12:30PM** Red Cross Blood Drive
- 6:00PM** Choir/Orchestra Combined Cantata Rehearsal

Saturday, March 28

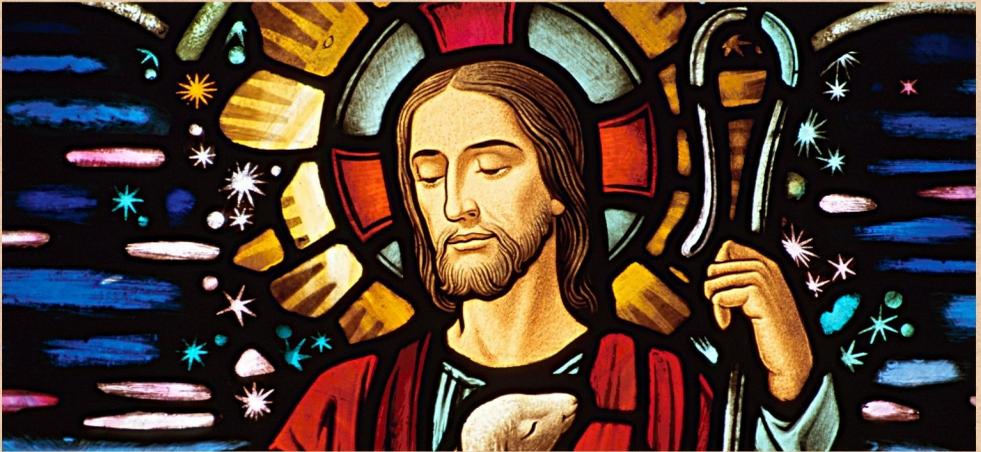
- 6:00PM** Salt & Light Trivia Night



**Join us for this year's Easter cantata
on Palm Sunday and Good Friday!**

TESTIMONY OF LIFE

A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS
CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF CHRIST



WITH THE
FBC CHOIR and ORCHESTRA

PALM SUNDAY - MARCH 29 · 10:30 AM

-AND-

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 3 · 7:00 PM



FBC SEYMOUR 505 Community Dr, Seymour, IN



**We are looking for items to stock our pantry
to be used in our hot meal ministry.**

Corn

Green Beans

Carrots

Peas

Baked Beans

Canned Potatoes (white potatoes)

Canned Sweet Potatoes

Spaghetti Sauce

Spaghetti (dry/uncooked)

Peaches

Pears

Apple Sauce

Cake Mixes

Cake Frosting

Peanut Butter

Salsa

Vegetable Oil

**Donations can be taken to the Office at:
FBC Seymour, 505 Community Dr, Seymour, (812)522-1909
Items must not be out of date.**



Salt & Light Trivia Night is next week, **Saturday, March 28 from 6 to 8:30ish PM.** 6 teams have already rallied and we are anticipating even more. You can create your own team of 6 to 8 people or come join an open table that night. Anyone 55+ is welcome. No reservations needed. Snacks and water will be provided. You may bring your own drink if you want. Questions will be from "our era", the 1940's to '70's, including some of the TV shows, music, movies, books and cartoons we grew up with. Invite some friends and come join us. Laughs are promised! You don't have to win to have fun.

Visitation Team: If you would like a visit from our visitation team or to be added to the shut-in list, please call or email the church office ([812-522-1909](tel:812-522-1909)/office@fbchome.org).

Pray for Our Known Sick: Glen Brock, Bill Bracker, Wayne Waggoner, Greg Hatton, Jerry Turner, Janet Howard, Tony Knotts

SS Nursery Mar 22: Katie Yee

SS Nursery Mar 29: Rachel Parker

Children's Church Mar 22: Pastor Tim

CC Mar 29: No Children's Church

Nursery Mar 22: Suzanne McAdams, Karla Shutters, Patty O'Bier

Nursery Mar 29: Alicia Reedy, Christie Senn

College Students for March:

- Liam Grube (Mar 8) - Botsford/Swinford, 270, Ball State University, 1601 N. McKinley Muncie, IN, 47306

Shut-in for March: Jean Howard - 2881 N. Hillcrest Dr., Seymour, IN, 47274

Current Opportunities to Serve

- Sing with the choir for Easter! (Sign up on the church website or email Pastor Nathan)
- Serve as an usher or on the Security Team (contact Jason Senn at 812 498 4300)
- Serve as a Sunday School Leader or Co-Leader, or Children's Church leader
- Serve on the Welcome Team

Contact the FBC Office ([812-522-1909](tel:812-522-1909) or office@fbchome.org) if you would be open to serve in any of these ways!

Last Sunday, March 15, 2026

Offering

Total Receipts..... N/A
 Weekly Offering Needed.....\$15,038.95
 Budget Needed YTD..... \$165,428.45
 Offering Received YTD..... N/A (see next week's Messenger for updated numbers)

Attendance

Sunday School.....N/A
 Sunday Morning Worship...N/A

OUR PASTORAL TEAM

Dr. Jeremy Myers, Senior Pastor - jeremy@fbchome.org

Rev. Nathan Parker, Pastor of Worship and Media - nathan@fbchome.org

Tim Stair, Director of Children and Family Ministries - tim@fbchome.org

Caleb Maris, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries - caleb@fbchome.org

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