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STEWARDSHIP & PRESENCE MARCH 18, 2018

Tithes & Offerings Received: \$12,198.26
 Ministry Budget Received, YTD: \$141,610.37
 Capital Campaign Received: \$660.00
 Capital Campaign Received, YTD: \$3,275.00

Sunday Worship Attendance Last Week: 341
 Sunday School Attendance Last Week: 176

MISSION TRIP: HOUSTON

Helping in Houston (Texas that is). The Mission Committee is putting together a team of adults to head to Houston, TX to help in the post hurricane rebuilding effort. We are planning a 7 day trip in June, working in conjunction with heartfortexas.org. We will be providing help in cleanup and construction. If you are interested in joining the team, please send your name, phone #, and email address to Rob and Linda Bailey at sca Bailey@cox.net.

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PREPARING FOR A HOLY WEEK

Just a few weeks ago, the Church gathered for Ash Wednesday and started this journey called Lent towards Jerusalem, the Cross, and Easter's empty tomb. Now, in this the last week of Lent, we remember Christ's Passion. It is a week of special devotion. The word 'Passion' comes from the Latin word *patior*, meaning "I suffer". It was Athanasius, an early church theologian and later a bishop, who referred to it as 'holy Paschal week.' Greek and Roman worship books called it the "Great Week" because great deeds were done by God during this week.

In the early church, only Friday and Saturday were observed as holy days. By the late 4th century the various parts of the Passion story given to us in the Gospels had been separated out, and people began commemorating them on the days of the week on which they had occurred. You'll recognize these:

Palm Sunday: Jesus' triumphal entrance into the city

Maundy Thursday: Judas' betrayal and the first Holy Communion

Good Friday: The crucifixion, death, and burial of Jesus

Holy Saturday: Jesus' body rests in the tomb

Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of Jesus, the Christ

It was actually the ancient Christians in the church in Jerusalem that first organized dramatic ceremonies during Holy Week at appropriate local holy sites that had been restored by the Emperor Constantine. Visitors to the city were so moved that these ceremonies have spread from Jerusalem to churches worldwide. We celebrate some of them this coming week, as we remember and are transformed by story of God's love and overwhelming grace.

Bonaire gathers this Good Friday, to hear the story of the Passion of the Christ. Long before Mel Gibson created the splendid and gruesome movie of the same name, the church recorded the story and retells it every year that we might not forget. From the sight and sound of children waving palm branches into the room, through the placement of Jesus' body in a tomb, we will hear the account of the final hours before the stone is placed and the story seems finished.

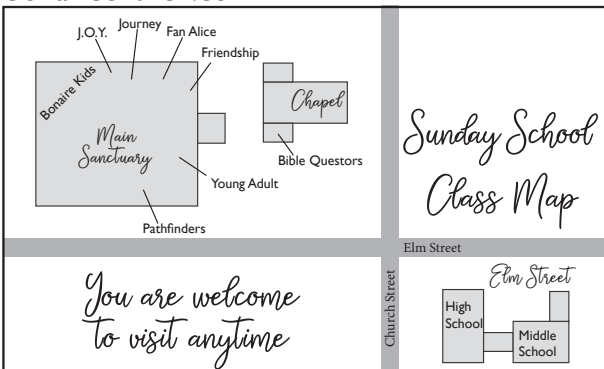
May the grace and peace of waiting and anticipating be ours. Scott



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At Bonaire, we believe that God's call on our lives is to continue on the path of following Jesus through learning God's truths, submission to God's will, and engaging in the practices that grow our minds, hearts, and spirit. Seek out our pastor, anyone on our staff, or one of our leaders and allow what God is doing in your life to continue: pray together, ask questions, or find out who might be able to help. Beyond the hour of worship, we believe God is leading every person to connect through study, fellowship, and service. We offer opportunities to do those very things through Sunday School classes, Bible studies, one-on-one discipleship, table groups and small groups, retreats and other seasonal offerings. There is plenty to do, but no pressure to do all of it. We would love to hear from you! Contact us if we can help get you involved in any ministry opportunities at (478) 923-7317 or info@bonairechurch.com



BONAIRE IN PRAYER

Our altar is always open for prayer at the end of worship; come forward as God leads you. Our prayer team is available during the closing song or afterwards to join in prayer for you or for someone else. If you would like to become a member of this family of faith, speak with the minister or any church leader about joining.

BUMC LADIES NIGHT ON THE TOWN

BUMC Ladies are sponsoring, Night on the Town, Saturday, April 7 at 6:00 pm in the church sanctuary. Come for dinner and entertainment! Childcare will be provided. Tickets are \$15 per person and are available in the lobby before and after church services, in the church office or see Cindy West or Robin Way. Hope to see you there!

ELM STREET WISH LIST

- Canned Food* - Meat, fruit, soup;
- Boxed/bagged Food* - Rice, pasta, cereal;
- Hygiene Items* - Baby wipes, soap, deodorant;
- Clothing* - new packages of undergarments and socks are always needed.

The Clothes Closet is now accepting donations of clothing items. Summer clothes are preferred, but winter clothes will be accepted. Open on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of every month from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Join us.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

To the Talton family at the passing of Peggy Talton on Wednesday, March 21st.

WELCOME VISITORS

We are so glad and humbled that you've joined us today! Please fill out a connection card so we can get to know you, and stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a special gift we have for you.

IN MEMORY/HONOR

- Katherine Brannen** gave to the Back Pack Buddies in honor of Trey West.
- Dr. Fred Beall, Sr.** gave to the Capital Campaign in memory of Camilla Williams.
- James and Susan Lambert** gave to the Lent offering in honor of Nell Thacker.
- Howard and Bunny Montgomery** gave to the Capital Campaign in memory of Camilla Williams.
- Fred and Sara Smelt** gave to the Capital Campaign in memory of Camilla Williams.
- William and Ginger Rocker** gave to the Capital Campaign in memory of Camilla Williams.
- Anonymous donation** given to the FanAlice Fund in honor of Betty Carter.

TIDAL WAVE

BUMC Ladies are selling Tidal Wave car wash tickets. Tickets are \$10 for a \$20 car wash. Get yours before or after church service, in the church office or see Cindy West or Robin Way.

CHURCH HOURS

Church Offices Closed Easter Monday - in lieu of keeping our policy of offering Good Friday off to the staff.

KIDS & FAMILIES

Today's Question in Kids Ministry: "Who do you need to make peace with?" This Sunday we are excited to continue the conversation about peace. It's important to remind our kids that God wants us to live at peace. Our memory verse for this month helps us remember this - "So let us do all we can to live in peace. And let us work hard to build up one another." Romans 14:19
Events for BUMC Kids: Join us for a fun Easter Celebration next Sunday! Egg Hunt will be during the 10:00 AM Sunday School hour. Contact jessi@bonairechurch.com for more information.

SAFE SANCTUARIES

Mark Your Calendar For Training - Our annual Safe Sanctuaries training will be offered on Sunday, April 15 at 4:00 PM in the Main Sanctuary. As a part of our church-wide policy to protect children and volunteers, this is *required* for every volunteer working with children and youth. Please sign up on the back of your connection card or call the office at 478-923-7317.

STUDENTS

Youth on Sundays - Invite your friends in grades 6-12 to join you from 5:30-7:15 PM on Sunday. No Wednesday night activities on March 28. Mystery Spring Retreat will be April 6-8 and is \$100. For questions, please email charity@bonairechurch.com.



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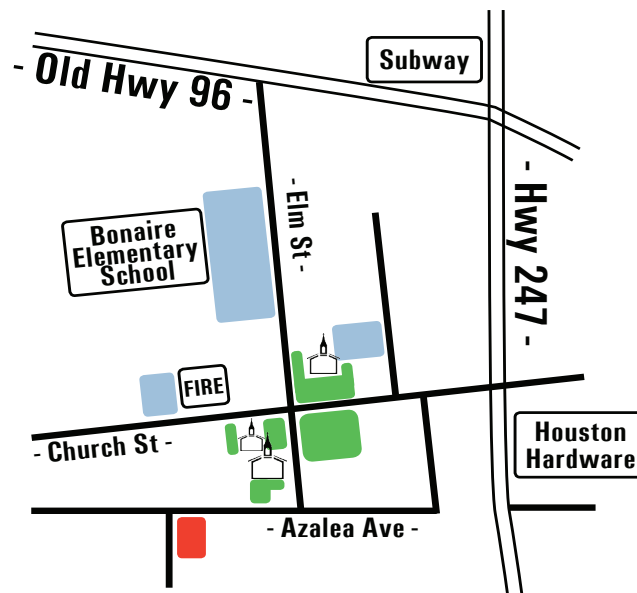
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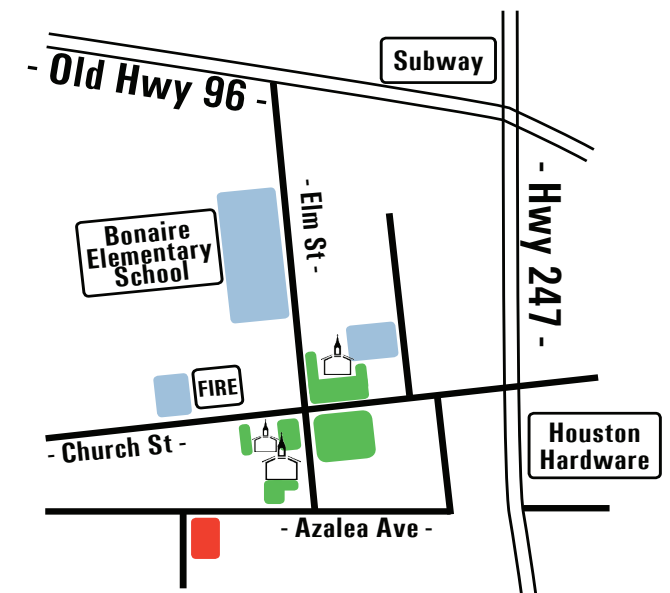
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