

Mission Statement

Our mission is to:

- 1.See people saved.
- 2. See people grow in their relationship with God.
- 3. See people grow in their love for one another.

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Sunday Schedule:

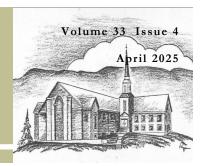
Sunday School 9:30 AM
Morning Service 11:00 AM
Evening Service 6:00 PM

Wednesday Schedule:

Youth Group & Children's Ministry (GLOW): 6:00 P.M., every Wednesday

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From the Pastor's Pen

"O Lord, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days; let me know how fleeting I am! Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths, and my lifetime is as nothing before you. Surely all mankind stands as a mere breath!" — Psalm 39:4-5 ESV

Some of my favorite moments are visiting with my family before bedtime. During these late evening talks the conversation often wanders into completely unpredictable topics. Just the other night we got on the topic of how long miniature donkeys live. I know old horses can push 30, but had no idea how long our miniature donkey (Odie) was expected to live. A quick google search revealed most well-cared for miniature donkeys live late into their 30's, with some even making it well past 40!

At 46 years old, I began to calculate how old I would be when Odie died and if I'd want to get another one after him. It hit me almost immediately that Odie could very well outlive me! In all my years I had never acquired a pet with any kind of thought that it may be around after I'm gone! The way I always figured it, when I acquired an animal I took on the responsibility of caring for it its entire life. As a result, my second thought was, "who will care for Odie when I'm not around anymore?" I believe as a family we narrowed it down to Jenna or Hannah. If one of them lives on a property large enough they get to inherit Odie as part of their estate! Yes, I know, it was a very odd and unexpected conversation.

It did make me think of the above Psalm though, "O Lord, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days; let me know how fleeting I am!" I started the day without a single thought about my own mortality. In my head I was planning ministry at the church for the next several months, work projects around the house this spring, graduation parties, and perhaps even thinking about weddings and grandkids down the road someday. It wasn't until I was forced to do some math that I thought about the brevity of my life and had to come up with a continuity of care plan for a donkey!

It is good for us to pray the words of this Psalm from time to time. Don't think of it as morbid to reflect upon your own death, think of it as providing perspective. Our lifetimes really are fleeting and a mere breath when compared to eternity. Psalm 39 pushes us to evaluate what we give our energy and efforts towards. It's not a bad thing to plan improvement projects for your home, but make sure you're also thinking about your *eternal* home. Are you honoring your heavenly Father whom you'll be spending eternity worshipping, praising, and enjoying? Are you doing all you can to win others to Christ so that they'll experience eternal life in heaven as well? Are you fussing and fretting over temporary issues with no eternal impact? Let me ask you, why the fuss?

Thinking about the number of our days and their brevity reminds us to live with a sense of urgency. The clock is ticking, the sun is setting, the sand in the hourglass continues to fall. Even if you think you have many years left, the Lord could return at any moment. What can you do to be about the Lord's work until that day?

God Bless, Pastor Rob

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Lilies—Each year, we fill the sanctuary with beautiful lilies on Easter morning in honor or memory of someone you love. If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily, please fill out a form with \$10 and put it in the offering plate following service on Sunday, April 6th. We want to handle your request with care, so please print clearly. Don't forget to take your lily home or gift it to someone special! See Holly Guinn with questions.

Thursday Night Home Bible

Study—All adults of any age, male or female, married or single, are invited to participate in a home bible study on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM, at the home of the Pepple's. For information, please call Rick Sheesley at 307-431-9480 or Ulla Sheesley at 307-431-9693.

Easter Egg Collection—We are in need of about 1,000 more eggs for our upcoming Easter Egg Hunt outreach event. Please consider donating medium sized eggs to accom-

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modate the size of some of the candy that was graciously donated. Please bring your donations to the church by 4/7. Thank you for

helping!



COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT on April 19, at 11:30 A.M.

at the Rec Center Park Special Needs Hunt: 1:00 PM at Boyd Avenue MPAC Building

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Friday, April 18, at 6:30 PM

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE 6:15 A.M. at Washington Park

EASTER DONUT FELLOWSHIP

9:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall

EASTER SERVICE

11:00 A.M. Worship Service

Gal's Gatherings Easter

Egg Filling Event! -Please join us on Friday, April 11th, at 5:30 PM, as we prepare Easter Eggs for our upcoming outreach event. We will meet in the upstairs Mixed Adults classroom. Please fill free to bring a snack to share. Ladies of all ages are welcome! We hope you can join us for this fun time of fellowship!

Lord's Supper

We will observe the Lord's Supper on Sunday, April 6.

Rescue Mission

The Wednesday night bible study group will serve on Wednesday, April 16, at 4:45 PM. The regular Tuesday night RM group will serve April 29, at 5:45 PM. Please let Darla know if you would like to help.

Youth Group/Children's Ministry

The Youth Group and Children's Ministry (GLOW) meets every Wednesday at 6:00 PM.

Ladies' Luncheon

Monday, April 14, at 12:30 PM, at Perkin's. All ladies are welcome!

Potluck Luncheon

Please join us following the service on Sunday, April 27. Bring a dish to share and don't forget to invite a friend!

Men's Breakfast

All men are invited to join us for food, fellowship, and study on Saturday, April 12, at 8:00 AM.

Wednesday Night Adult Group

"Embrace the Table" singles ministry, every Wednesday through April 9th, 5:30-7:00 PM!

<u>Nursery</u>

April 6-Mike & Shelly April 13-Meredith & Maggie April 20-Kay & Josie April 27-Caroline & Harley

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

| Levi Bolvin | 3 |
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| Sebastian Barella | 6 |
| Michael Haworth | 12 |
| Tammy Boyles | 14 |
| Karin March | 14 |
| Lois Haworth | 23 |
| Kasey Jones | 28 |
| Mason Platt | 28 |
| Carolyn Griner | 30 |
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(If your birthday is not listed, please contact the church office.)

SAVE THESE DATES!

Kid's Camp — July 7-11 Youth Summit Camp — **July 21-26 HBC Ladies Retreat—** September 12-13





Please be in prayer about your personal donation. 100% of the gifts received will directly support the missionaries in the field.



Are We Missing You?

If you aren't receiving emails from the church, such as reminders, potluck, and the newsletter, please send your email address to:

Secretary@hbcc.church

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| | AS HE SAID. MATT. 28:6 | | Youth & Children's GLOW Ministry 6-7 PM | inda Works | | |
| 6 Lord's Supper | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Sunday School @ 9:30 A.M. Worship @11 A.M. Ladies Tea 1-3 PM Choir Practice at 5:00 P.M. | | | "Embrace the Ta- ble" Singles Minis- try 5:30-7 PM Youth & Children's GLOW Ministry 6-7 PM | 10 | Ladies—please help us fill Easter eggs at 5:30 PM for our outreach event! | Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM |
| Sp. Called Business Mtng/Evening Servic 6:00 P.M. | e e | | | da Works — | Rob Guard Duty | |
| 13 Sunday School @ 9:30 A.M. Worship @11 A.M. | adies UNCHEON 12:30 PM | 15 | Youth & Children's GLOW Ministry 6-7 PM Rescue Mission 4/16 @4:45 PM Please let Jack know if you would like to help!) | 17 | Please join us for our 6:30 PM GOOD FRIDAY | EASTER EGG HUNT 11:30 A.M. (Rec Center Park) |
| 6:00 P.M. | | Rob Guard Duty | | Amanda Works | SERVICE | |
| 20 Sunrise Service 6:15 A.M. Easter Donut Fe lowship 9:00 A.N Sunday School @ 9:30 A. Worship @11 A.M | el- M. I M. | 22 | 23 Youth & Children's GLOW Ministry 6-7 PM | 24 Works | 25 | 26 |
| 27 Sunday School | 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| @ 9:30 A.M. Worship @11 A.M. POTLUCK LUNCHEON Following service (The Men's class will serve) | | Rescue Mission 5:45 PM (Please let Darla know if you would like to help!) | Youth & Children's GLOW Ministry 6-7 PM | | | |
| Choir Practice at 5:00 P.M. | | Rob Guard Duty | Ama | nda Works | | |