

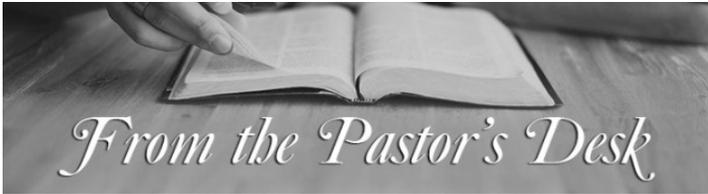


The Sardis Messenger

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Sardis Family,

As we step into April, our hearts are drawn to one of the most meaningful celebrations of the year: Easter. This season reminds us of the hope, victory, and new life we have because of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

I am especially excited because this will be our first Easter together as a church family. What a joy it is to celebrate what Christ has done alongside each of you. I am already praying that this Easter will be a powerful and encouraging time for our church and for every guest who walks through our doors. We will have multiple areas to take pictures, a wonderful SonRise Service at Big Oaks, a delicious breakfast here at the FLC, and all leading to our special Easter service ending with us taking the Lord's Supper together.

Let me encourage you to begin now, inviting others to come. Easter is a wonderful opportunity, but our mission goes beyond one Sunday. Let's continue to invite people not just for Easter, but into a growing, ongoing relationship with Christ and His church. Remember, one invite can change a life.

I also want to take a moment to thank you for your prayers for Mattie. Your love and support have meant so much to our family. We are so grateful, and it brings me great joy to have our entire family back together with you on Sundays and Wednesdays.

I love being your pastor and look forward to all that God has in store for us this month. Alyssa, Eli, Mattie, and I love all of you and are always here if you need us.

In Christ, Matt



WMU is collecting items for the shoebox ministry. A collection box is in the foyer.

APRIL ITEMS: Stuffed Animals



WEDNESDAY SERVICE - April 1st at 6:30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE - April 3rd at 7 p.m.

EASTER SONRISE AT BIG OAKS - April 5th at 7 a.m.

EASTER BREAKFAST - April 5th at 8:30 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - April 5th at 10 a.m.

WORSHIP & COMMUNION - April 5th at 11 a.m.



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE!

April 16th-18th – Chicken-Q Fundraiser

We need workers to help clean the BBQ Smoke House, to prep, cook & serve!

May 10th - Mother's Day

Pastor Matt & our Men's Ministry will be serving the Ladies during the Sunday School hour.

April Birthdays

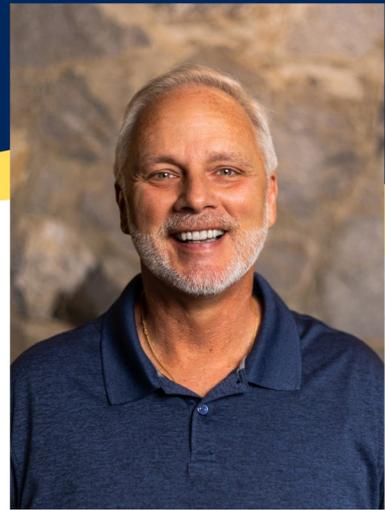
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| 9 | Noah Kesler | 24 | Diane Carithers |
| 10 | Stephanie McElduff | 24 | Mackenzie Vickery |
| 12 | Cristal Kesler | 26 | Jackie Vezeau |
| 15 | Lock Powell | 26 | Vicki Hilley |
| 15 | Gwen Shiflet | 28 | Josh Crowe |
| 17 | Brian Pierce | 29 | Erin Isbell |
| 17 | Sarah Kesler | | |

April Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>Come prepared to take advantage of our photo ops on Easter Sunday!</p>			<p>1 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Children & Youth</p>	<p>2 6:30 p.m. Church Financial Seminar hosted by Sardis in F.L.C.</p>	<p>3 GOOD FRIDAY 7:00 p.m. Service</p> <p><i>Offices Closed</i></p>	4
<p>5 EASTER 7 a.m. SonRise Service 8:30 a.m. Breakfast 10 a.m. SS 11 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>6 5:30 p.m. GriefShare at the F.L.C.</p>	<p>7 6:00 p.m. Men's D-Groups</p>	<p>8 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Children & Youth</p>	<p>9 11:00 a.m. Happy Harts at F.L.C.</p>	10	11
<p>12 10 a.m. Sunday School / 11 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>13 5:30 p.m. GriefShare at the F.L.C. 6:30 p.m. Deacon's Meeting</p>	<p>14 6:00 p.m. Men's D-Groups</p>	<p>15 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Children & Youth</p>	<p>16 6:30 p.m. Budget & Finance Meeting in Conference Room</p>	17	<p>18 12 noon - 3:00 p.m. Sardis Chicken-Q at F.L.C</p>
<p>19 10 a.m. Sunday School / 11 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>20 5:30 p.m. GriefShare at the F.L.C.</p>	<p>21 6:00 p.m. Women's Ministry Night at the F.L.C.</p>	<p>22 6:30 p.m. Quarterly Church Conference 7:30 p.m.</p>	23	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
					<p>Women of Joy Conference Pigeon Forge, TN April 24-26</p>	
<p>26 10 a.m. Sunday School / 11 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>27 5:30 p.m. GriefShare at the F.L.C.</p>	28	<p>29 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Children & Youth</p>	30		

CHURCH FINANCIAL

Seminar



TONY NEAL

*Church Financial Services, CPA
Executive Pastor at FBC Blairsville*

Topics will include Ministerial Housing Allowance, Benefits and Paying Your Staff Legally. This seminar will help to equip Church Leaders, Treasurers & Financial Secretaries.



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6:30 PM (REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED)



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