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Sunday April 11

BK'S KORNER

We are entering the Easter Season. That time of year when we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Everything about Christianity hinges on the resurrection. It validates that Jesus really was who He said He was. Who did He say He was? He said He was God. He claimed equality with God. The resurrection says that He was telling the truth. He also claimed that He was the way to the Father. He claimed that He would return for us. Again, because of the resurrection we know His claims were true.

Also, had He not come back to life and appeared to His disciples, then Christianity would not have grown and spread. The disciples would have simply gone back to living life. Yes their lives would have certainly been impacted having been with Jesus but it certainly wouldn't have moved them to abandon everything and go into the world spreading the message of the gospel.

According to Jesus the resurrection also meant that the Holy Spirit could come. It means that we can be empowered to be His witnesses. It means that Christ will live in us and us in Him. It means that we can have real fellowship and communication with God.

As you can see "everything" about Christianity hinges on the resurrection. Be sure to be here the next two Sundays as we intentionally focus on this part of the life of Christ. This coming Sunday we will celebrate what we call the Lord's Supper. It is the sacrament of communion where we remember His death and burial. It reminds us that His suffering gives us life.

Be sure to check this Bridge Builder for information about our upcoming Spring Fling tailgate party on Sunday April 11. Also stay tuned in Sunday School for items you can bring. Stay tuned in so you can know about any special events we may have on Sunday evenings. Again, for the foreseeable future we will use Sunday evenings for special events. There will NOT be something every Sunday evening.

Make use of your RightNow Media subscription that is free to you. Over 40 people have signed up so far and I'm getting very good feedback from

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those who are using it. If you need an invite then just make sure to get me your email address and you'll get access.

Everyone enjoy the upcoming spring season. God wants me to tell us that it is time to "move forward". For context you can read Exodus 14. Especially verse 15. Move Forward!

Love you all. Bless you. BK ><>



If you are a gardener we are asking you to grow some extra produce this spring and allow us to use it to give away to those in our community.



HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

All Homebound visitors and all who are interested there is a meeting Wednesday, March 31 at 5 pm in Adult 6 (Choir Room) in the East wing. Our Homebound roll has changed and Covid restrictions have relaxed, so we need to get back to visiting our special people.



WORSHIP DIRECTOR HOSANNA...

Praise is rising, hearts are turning to you We turn to you, In your presence broken lives are made new You make us new

As we look forward to the Easter season, Palm Sunday is fast approaching when we will gather in celebration of Jesus' triumphal entry to Jerusalem during the week before Passover.

"So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel" John 12:13.

THE LITTLE CHILDREN . . .

One of the many wonderful things at FBCBC is the time our Pastor spends with our children before they go into Children's Church. You never know what they will say in answer to his questions, but it is always a special time and there is always a truth taught.

In my reading about the word Hosanna and how many times it is mentioned in the Bible, found in Matthew 21: 12-16, after Jesus cleansed the Temple by driving out the moneychangers and those who were buying and selling items, children in the Temple praised Jesus by crying out, "Hosanna to the Son of David!"

The chief priests and scribes were upset by the children, Jesus commended their praise by saying, Yes; have you never read, 'Out of the mouth of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise?'

HOSANNA IN WORSHIP TODAY . . .

The people in Jerusalem greeted Jesus Christ as their Savior and Messiah by crying out "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" Mark 11: 9-10. They shouted this as a praise and expectation.

Today, we can join in singing along with all the people who followed Christ as their Messiah to celebrate His salvation to those of us who believe. We can celebrate as the children do with our faith on our faces and the love of Christ pouring forth from our hearts.

For His glory, Debbie

DON'T FORGET!

March is our month to volunteer at the Bridge City/Orangefield Ministerial Alliance

Mondays & Wednesdays 8:45 a.m. till noon



FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS

OUR GOAL: \$5,000.00 Receipts to date: \$1,305.00





MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Church Conference Wednesday March 24

NURSERY WORKERS March 28, 2021



Thelma Wheelis Connie Claus

Volunteers always needed. Please call Thelma Wheelis at 409.293.6276.

LOOK AT THE RECORDS

Marcy 21, 2021

Projected Budget Need: 112,100.52
Weekly Receipts: 6,776.60
Actual Budget Receipt to Date: 115,269.98
Actual Budget Spending to Date: 94,665.64

ATTENDANCE:

Sunday School 99

WORSHIP SERVICE:

Worship 123 Nursery 3 TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 126

DEACON OF THE WEEK

March 28 — April 3, 2021

Billy Crull Deacon

Troy Woodall Visiting Partner

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Sunday, March 28, 2021

9:15 Bible Study for all Ages 10:30 Morning Worship

Tuesday, March 30, 2021

10:00 Ladies Prayer Meeting 6:30 Men's Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

6:30 Prayer Meeting
Youth & Preteen Bible Study
Children's Choir

HURRICANE LAURA AND WINTER STORM 2021 REPAIRS

As we continue to recover from Hurricane Laure we are now beginning recovery from Winter Storm 2021. As most of you are aware we had pipes break from the freeze in the children's hall. This is going to require an insurance claim and another deductible. If you would like to make an extra donation to the church to help offset this cost in our repairs it would be greatly appreciated.

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