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-From the Pastor's Desk-
"Do You Love Me?"

"Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion".

— Romans 12:16

Do You love the Savior? This was the question the risen Jesus asked a conflicted Apostle Peter on the shore of the Sea of Galilee: "Peter do You love Me?" (John 21:15ff). I believe it is the same question our risen Savior is asking of His followers today. "Beloved....do You love Me?" Jesus may be gone from the perspective of the writers of modern day history, but He certainly is not forgotten. Neglected perhaps, but not forgotten. It is good that we celebrate the Lord's resurrection one Sunday a year, but we should remember it every day. The Apostle Paul writing to the believers in Corinth said this: "Do You not know that You have been bought with a price?" (1 Cor 6:20). And what a high price that was! We should remember the "price paid" by honoring the question of Jesus; "Do You love Me?" Jesus spoke to His hypocrites (Matt 15:8) quoting the Prophet Isaiah: "These People honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from Me" (Isaiah 29:13). This is not Biblical love!

I believe the Apostle Paul in his letter to the Church at Rome gives us three practical ways we can honor our Lord this resurrection season. All three focus on how we think, view and ultimately value others. Jesus responded to Peter's reply of "Yes Lord, I do love You" by telling him: "then feed my sheep." "Tend my flock." "Care for my little ones." This is what Jesus did when He died upon the cross sacrificing His life for us. **First**, we can show our love for our Savior by having the "same mind toward one another". We are to think about life and others as Jesus did. Jesus valued You and others enough to give up His life. To die for You. Paul is telling us, if we love Jesus then that should be our mindset. How we think. What our purpose in life should be. How we should view others. Jesus in the Gospel of John said: "No greater love does a man have than to lay down his life for another" (John 15:13). This is the mind or perspective from which we are to live. **Second**, this is the attitude or view toward others we are to maintain. Fellow believers, our church is God's flock and we are to care for them by having the same attitude that Jesus did. **Third**, is how we value others. Jesus paid the ultimate price in our redemption, our purchase from the slavery of sin. The best way we can remember the resurrection this season is to honor our Savior not only with our words, but in how we think, view and value others. Jesus is asking the question: "Do You love Me?" to all of us this Easter Season. He was willing to go to the cross for us - how far are we willing to go for Him? Blessings!

- Pastor Ted -

April Events:

Deacons:

Sunday the 2nd
@ 7:00PM

Administrative Council:

Wednesday the 5th
@ 7:30PM

Men's Bible Study:

Thursday's
@ 7:00PM Location TBA

FBCEB Basketball:

Friday the 7th, 14th,
21st & 28th @ 8:00PM

Easter:

Sunday the 9th
No AWANA
No PM Service

Abundant Motherhood

Meeting:

Friday the 14th
@ 9:30AM

Business Meeting:

Sunday the 16th
@ 6:23PM

Youth Night:

Friday the 21st
@ 6:00PM

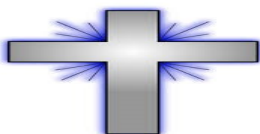
Abundant Motherhood

Potluck:

Friday the 28th
@ 9:30AM

Communion/All Church

Potluck:
Sunday the 30th



AWANA

**No AWANA
April 9th
Easter Sunday**

**AWANA
Easter Egg
Hunt
April 16th**



If you have a prayer request or concern, we would like to pray for you, or if you would like to be a part of our prayer chain, please contact the office.



Church Business Meeting: Join us at around 6:23pm on Sunday, April 16th for a church Business Meeting.

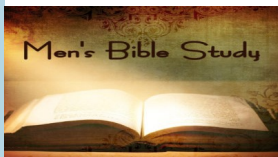
Ladies: Ladies Ministry will be having our annual spring fling on the 20th of April at 6:00PM. There will be a special guest. Please join us for a fun night of encouragement and always lots of laughter.

All Church Potluck: Join us immediately following Morning Service on April 30th as we share in an all church potluck. If you have any questions speak with Sara G. or Brittni W.



Housekeeper: We are looking for a housekeeper to take over cleaning the church. If you are interested please let the church office know! For the meantime, we are asking for four to five families to be put on rotation for three to four hours once a month, to help keep the church clean. If you are interested in helping temporarily, please let the church office know.

Bible Study: Join Pastor Ted and other adults who meet on Wednesdays at Sleepy Dog Co. @ 10:00AM to go through an in depth study of the Bible. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the church office or ask Pastor Ted.



Men's Group: Calling all Men: Men's Bible study meets on Thursdays from 7:00PM to 8:30PM.

Abundant Motherhood Meeting: Friday, April 14th at 9:30AM. They will be covering chapters 16 and 17 in the Risen Motherhood book.

Abundant Motherhood Playdate: Friday, April 28th at 9:30AM. They are meeting in the Annex for some story time in the library and some playtime in the big room.

FBC Basketball: We will be playing basketball at Gruening Middle School on Friday, April 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th from 8:00 - 10:00PM. If you have any questions, please speak to Zane.

Youth Movie Night: All youth 6th grade and older are invited to join the youth group for their game night on April 21st @ 6:00pm. They will meet in the Annex for a time of devotion, fun and some yummy snacks. If you have any questions please speak to Jeremy or Brittni.



01 - Dori K.
02 - Karalee B. & Laura F.
09 - Rose L.
13 - Lilly W.
17 - Kathy H.
18 - Jennifer B.
21 - Bailey L.
24 - Brittni W. & Jacob B.
25 - Joey H.
27 - RaDeena B. & Robin T.

April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						¹ CEF Appreciation Luncheon 11am-1pm Sabbath Service/ Torah 1- 6
2 AWANA 4pm Deacons 7pm	3 AHG/Trail Life 6pm	4	5. Prayer for Lost 8:30am Bible Study 10am @ SleepyDog Bible Study/ Prayer 6:30pm Youth Group 6:30pm Admin Meeting 7:30pm	6 Men's Bible Study 7:00pm Location TBA	7 Set Up for Passover 8am FBC Basketball 8-10pm @ Gruening Middle School	8 Passover Seder (all day)
9 Easter No AWANA No Evening Service	10 AHG/Trail Life 6pm	11 Bible Study 5:30pm @ Dean's	12 Prayer for Lost 8:30am Bible Study 10am @ SleepyDog Bible Study/Prayer 6:30pm Youth Group 6:30pm	13 Abundant Motherhood Leadership Meeting 9am Men's Bible Study 7:00pm Location TBA	14 Abundant Motherhood Meeting 9:30am FBC Basketball 8-10pm @ Gruening Middle School	15 Sabbath Services/ Torah 1- 6
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23 AWANA 4pm AWANA Communion All Church Potluck 30	24 AHG/Trail life 6pm	25 Bible Study 5:30pm @ Dean's	26 Prayer for Lost 8:30am Bible Study 10am @ SleepyDog Bible Study/Prayer 6:30pm Youth Group 6:30pm	27 Men's Bible Study 7:00pm Location TBA	28 Abundant Motherhood Playdate 9:30 - 11:30am FBC Basketball 8-10pm @ Gruening Middle School	29 Sabbath Services/ Torah 1-6



SAVE THE DATES: SUNDAY, JUNE 25TH 3-6PM &
MONDAY-THURSDAY, JUNE 26TH - 29TH 5:30-8:30PM

Thank you to everyone who has committed to serve our community this year in VBS!

Dates to Remember: June 17th @ 10am - Flyer Distribution

June 22nd and June 23rd: VBS Decoration

For those who have already committed to help: please join us on Church Center to stay connected. This will be our main source of communication along with all the resources you will need. If you need help with Church Center, please let Jessica know.

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. - Ephesians 6:10

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