April SERMON SERIES…

**Revelation**

*I Know Who Holds Tomorrow!*

**BUSINESS MEETING**

**Sunday, April 17**
**6:00pm**

**NOTICE:** NO April breakfast
Next breakfast will be May 8th

**THE GATHERING**

**Friday, April 15, 7:00pm**
Chatham Baptist Church

A **FREE** evening of games, skits, music and food for **teenagers**.
Let Patricia know if you would like to attend.

To register go to: www.IBSA.org/women

We are in the process of planning a ladies’ “Paint Day” with Lonnie Cain. This is open for all ladies and girls in high school. There is a sign-up sheet on the foyer bulletin board for those interested. More info to come.
Pastor!

I love you and I love being your Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Please continue to pray daily, by name, for those that do not know Christ as their Lord and Savior. I love you and I love being your Pastor!

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Sixty-six years ago Ira Stanphill wrote the following chorus for his song “I Know Who Holds Tomorrow”:

“Many things about tomorrow I don’t seem to understand But I know who holds tomorrow and I know who holds my hand.” Certainly the words of that chorus still ring true today. Not a one of us knows what tomorrow will hold but we can know the One who holds tomorrow and holds us in the palm of His hand. As we face our tomorrows there are many uncertainties that we may worry about. But of course that worry will get you nowhere, will accomplish nothing and will do you no good whatsoever. What will help you to face tomorrow is trusting the church foyer.

Worship: In my definition is an act, feeling or thought directed toward our triune God, which portrays His many attributes and virtues. Right now we are celebrating the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We serve a Risen Lord who is alive, not a mere mortal man who lived and is dead! In Jesus we have new life, not only now, but forever and ever. We look at the world around us and see a vast and complex change going on. The earth is tilting toward the sun and bringing longer days and rising temperatures for us in the northern hemisphere. With this change we are seeing new life in the flowers, grass and crops that are being planted. This transformation is all around us. Even if we were without sight, we would be aware of it. We will take full advantage of this change by going camping, boating, traveling, grilling out, and the list goes on without an end. We as Christians will embrace this atmospheric change to our advantage. But, we need to remember what this life is all about- not ourselves and our desires. In the Bible we are told not to love the world or anything that is in the world but to set our affection on things above. We can enjoy the things of this life but they are not to be our priority. We celebrate Easter right now and have a new life in Jesus Christ. May we never ever forget what our main focus should be. We sing songs in our worship services like “It’s all About You, Jesus”, “Celebrate Jesus”, “I’ll Worship Only at the Feet of Jesus”, and “Holy, Holy, Holy” week after week. It’s all about Him! Hopefully we are singing from our hearts and will live up to this in our lives. We should be worshiping our Lord in all that we do, say and wherever we go. God in Christ gave His all for us. So we must prioritize everything- whatever we do, wherever we go, do it for the glory of God.

Luv ya’ll, Al
**Youth Events Coming Up:**

- **Apr 3**: Youth Hang-time
- **Apr 15**: The Gathering @ Chatham - 7pm
- **Apr 24**: Youth Scavenger Hunt
- **May 22**: Graduate Recognition Baccalaureate
- **May 27**: H.S. Graduation
- **July 10-13**: Carmi trip
- **July 24-29**: VBS

Join us weekly for:

- **The Gathering**: Sundays 9:30am
- **IGNITE**: Wednesdays - 7pm

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**Disaster Relief training**

- **April 8-9**: Western Oaks Baptist Church in Springfield
- New Trainee/Volunteer- $30
  (Cost includes background check, ID badge, shirt and hat)
- Renewing Volunteer- $10
  Register at: [http://www.ibsa.org/dr](http://www.ibsa.org/dr)

Check out this great website: [www.findithere.com](http://www.findithere.com) and share it with friends.

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**Building Cleaning Sign-up**

Sign-up sheet for April/May is on the foyer bulletin board.
- Apr 2
- Apr 9 - Sherri Dugger
- Apr 16-
- Apr 23-
- Apr 30-
  Thank you for serving with a servant’s heart!

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**Financial News Year-to-Date**

As of March 28th
- **Needed to date-** $25,870.00
- **Receipts to date-** $21,745.70
- **Checking Account:** $7,880.15
- **Boiler Fund to date:** $3,740.40

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**Boiler Replacement/ Repair Fund**

Donations may be placed in the locked box in the foyer or mark your offering envelope “Boiler Fund” and put in the offering plate.

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**To our Family and Friends**

- **April**
  9 Lora Thibodeau
  11 Austin Stuhmer
  21 Lonnie Cain
  22 Cody Jones
  30 Lori Jones

Please let us know if we have overlooked your birthday. We want to include all of our church family.
**Faithful Servants in April**

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS -- IF YOU CANNOT SERVE ON THE DATE INDICATED, PLEASE TRADE WITH SOMEONE ELSE. If you would like to serve as an Extended Session helper, please let Pastor know.