Sonrise Service - 8am  
Breakfast - 9am  
Sunday School - 9:30am  
Worship Service - 10:40am  
NO Evening Service

Ladies......

Priscilla Shirer  
SIMULCAST  
Worship with ANTHONY EVANS  
APRIL 28, 2018  
JOIN US!  
@ FBC Greenfield  
Doors open 7:30am  
Pre-register by April 21st  
@ greenfieldfirstbaptist.com  
or call Julie (217)370-7656  
Lunch will be served and a love offering will be taken.  
See Patricia if interested.

Children's Camp informational meeting  
Sunday, April 22nd  
5:00pm  
For parents and children who have completed grades 4-6

Business Meeting  
Sunday, April 15th  
6:00pm
I cannot think of a better way to begin any month than by celebrating the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ! Hallelujah! He has risen! I Peter 1:3 says,” Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.” The power of the resurrection of Jesus Christ not only makes eternal life possible but it also gives us the power for a brand-new life here on earth. The power of the resurrection is that same power that God uses to work in and through our lives. The resurrection of Christ means everything. If Jesus had not risen from the dead, we would have no hope or salvation. But Christ did indeed rise from the dead and He gives me the power to live an overcoming life. Hallelujah! He is risen!

Please note that April 2nd is World Autism Awareness Day and April is Autism Awareness Month. One website for learning more about autism is autismspeaks.org. This website might be a good place to start to become better informed about autism. Be in prayer for those with autism and their families. Please keep children’s camp, June 11-15, in your prayers. Please contact me if you would be interested in going as a chaperone. Also, please consider donating to help children go to camp.

If you’re not already involved in Sunday School I would love for you to join us. Sunday School offers us not only an opportunity to learn from the Bible, but also to grow closer to one another.

As always, I love you very much and I love being your Pastor!

Vacation Bible School...

We have opportunities in every department. If you would be willing to help with VBS this year, please let Patricia know. If you would like to order a t-shirt, let Patricia know ASAP.

April is... Autism Awareness Month

Cain Artwork-
Lonnie Cain has displayed some of his paintings in the fellowship hall to be available for purchase for a suggested $10 donation per painting. Money will be donated to the Air-Conditioning Fund.

Congratulations...
to Edna Patton on the birth of her new granddaughter, Rebecca-6lbs, 6oz.

Al’s ½ Note  
Spring is in the air and is visible everywhere we look. I have been seeing geese for over a month. The average daily temperatures have been on the upswing. Trees are starting to bud. Flowers are starting to pop up all over. Even beside the steps at church we see the green foliage of the Easter lilies. Some of our flowers and bushes are putting on huge buds. It won’t be long and we will see all of the glorious splendor that the Good Lord has created.

Likewise, the Bible tells us that we are like the flowers and all of nature’s beauty. In II Cor. 5:17 we read, “Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creation. Old things are passed away. Behold, all things are become new.” We become a new creation in Jesus Christ when we accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior and give our life to Him. We can’t do this on our own. We become this new creation, this new flower, this new bud only through and in Him. He changes our life from the inside out where it will be visible to others. WE ARE A NEW CREATION because of what Jesus will do in our life. We can’t do this on our own. Only God can change us. If we draw near to Him, He will also draw near to us. We must take the first step and yield our all to Him. Then he will change us into the image of His Son, Jesus Christ. The beauty that is coming upon us with this new season will likewise be in our life with Christ. Yield to Jesus and follow him. He will make us into something more beautiful and glorious than we can imagine. Through our time with Him in our quiet time, Bible study, worship service, Sunday School and other things, He will change us into a “new creation” - a resurrection - a new life in Christ.

Luv Ya’ll

Al
Join us weekly for:

**The Gathering**
Sunday 9:30am

Wednesday 7:00pm

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**Youth Events Coming Up:**
- Apr 1  Early Service- 8am
  Breakfast- 9am
  Sunday School- 9:30am
  Late Service- 10:40am
- Apr 4  NO Youth Group

**Wednesday study…**
“Facing Your GIANTS”

**D-NOW Youth Retreat**
April 20-21
Cost: $15
@ Chatham Baptist
This two-day event will challenge students to go deeper in their faith, and put it into action.
Let Patricia know if interested.

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**Children’s Camp**
@ Streator Baptist Camp

Summer Camp 2018
June 11-15

**PLAN AHEAD…**
Children’s Camp
Pre-k thru 6th gr
Wednesdays at 7:00pm

**Building Cleaning**
Sign-up
Volunteers are needed to clean the building once a month.
Sign-up sheet for April/May is on the foyer bulletin board.
Thank you for serving with a servant’s heart!

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**Financial News Year-to-Date**
As of March 25th
- **Needed to date:** $ 23,880.00
- **Received to date:** $ 17,345.00
- **Checking Account:** $ 4,426.59
- **Boiler/AC to date:** $ 3,279.99

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**Building/AC update…**
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- Rachel Van Bebber

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**Children's Ministry**
“Train children in the right way, and when old, they will not stray.”
Proverbs 22:6

Sunday School for all ages every Sunday- 9:30am

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**Happy Birthday**

To our Family and Friends

**April**
- 6  Marilyn Burton
- 11  Austin Stuhmer
- 15  Brenda Smith
- 21  Lonnie Cain
- 22  Cody Jones
- 30  Lori Jones
- 30  Terry Silveus

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

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Ushers
- 1st: Todd Brummett, Lonnie Cain, Pat Stuhmer
- 8th: Lonnie Cain, Pat Stuhmer, Mike Crocker
- 15th: Pat Stuhmer, Mike Crocker, John Cribbett
- 22nd: Mike Crocker, John Cribbett, Zack Rector
- 29th: John Cribbett, Zack Rector, Brian Rector

Counting Team
- 1st: Jodi Rector & Hettie Crocker
- 8th: Brian Rector & Pat Stuhmer
- 15th: Kim Brown & Kristi Lancaster
- 22nd: Louise Dudley & Sarah Brummett
- 29th: Jodi Rector & Hettie Crocker

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.

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