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## Serving Schedule

March 29, 2020

### Worship Leader

Dawson Oliver

### Children's Moment

Stephanie Oliver

### Communion Prayer

Jack Maxwell

### Offertory Prayer

Todd Richardson

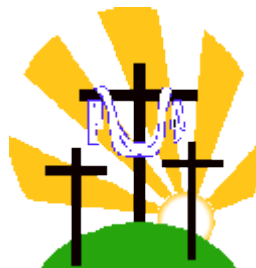
### Van Driver

Jack Maxwell/Mark Richardson

### Communion Preparation

Jan Duffy

We will not have a  
Sunday Brunch in April  
due to the Easter  
celebration on  
April 12th.



## Upcoming Opportunities

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1:

3:00 p.m. Youth

### SUNDAY, APRIL 5: Palm Sunday

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship &  
Children's Church

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8:

3:00 p.m. Youth

### THURSDAY, APRIL 9:

6:30 p.m. Worship Meeting

7:00 p.m. Board Meeting

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### SUNDAY, APRIL 12: Easter Sunday

8:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship &  
Children's Church

### MONDAY, APRIL 13:

6:00 p.m. Elders' Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15:

3:00 p.m. Youth

### THURSDAY, APRIL 16:

1:30 p.m. CWF, Church Parlor

### SUNDAY, APRIL 19:

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship &  
Children's Church

### MONDAY, APRIL 20:

5:30 p.m. Daycare Board Meeting

### TUESDAY, APRIL 21:

11:30 a.m. Senior Fellowship,  
Fellowship Hall

5:30 p.m. Daycare Board Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22:

3:00 p.m. Youth

### THURSDAY, APRIL 23:

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6:00 p.m. Men's Fellowship at

Jen's Diner

6:00 p.m. Thursday Woman

at Taco Taco

### SUNDAY, APRIL 26:

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship &  
Children's Church

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29:

3:00 p.m. Youth

## Serving Schedule for April 5, 2020

Worship Leader: Lily Oliver

Children's Moment: Kathy Richardson

Communion Prayer: LaVerne Matthews

Offertory Prayer: Steve Fowler

Van Driver: Jack Maxwell/Mark Richardson

Communion Preparation: Jan Duffy



The annual Easter egg hunt will be after breakfast and before Sunday School (at approximately 9:00 a.m.) on Easter Sunday. Weather permitting, we will be hunting eggs outside in the courtyard of the church.

## Christian Women's Fellowship

Thursday, April 16th

1:30 p.m. in Church Parlor

Hostess: LuWanna Forister

Program: Kim Wagganer



Our Christian condolences go out to the family of Cecil Lavon Champion upon his death of March 9th.

Mr. Champion was Margie Champion's brother-in-law.

## Senior Fellowship

Tuesday, April 21st

We will be having pot luck.

Please bring a dish to share  
and join in the fellowship.



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ATTENDANCE REPORT

March 8, 2020

ATTENDANCE:

Worship.....32

Children's Church.....0

TOTAL WORSHIP.....32

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Elementary A/B.....2


Homebuilders.....6


Men's Class.....5

Total.....13

NO SERVICE

March 15, 2020





SIGNS ALONG THE WAY

The coronavirus (Covid19) has prompted many cautionary measures to be enacted that disrupts our normal pattern of living in the United States and around the world.

I certainly realize that no one should treat any dangerous situation in a light or capricious manner.

However, as a Christian, it is imperative that we should never allow the threat of disease or anything to cause us to refocus our whole life on the threat and not on God.

Living in fear is contrary to the life that Jesus meant for His disciples.

In fact, John records these words of Jesus in the 14th chapter of John, "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful." (John 14:27)

In order for us to have that peace, we must have faith.

Our faith must be securely fixed on God and His promises. We cannot live in harmony with God without having that faith.

And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him. (Hebrews 11:6 )

The Apostle Paul, in one of his letters to the church in Corinth, touches on the idea that walking in faith means that we maintain our focus on the promises of God.

"Therefore, being always of good courage, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight— we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord." (2 Corinthians 5:6-8 )

For children of God to allow fear to drive our life shows that we need to examine our faith and just where we place our trust. Each of us needs to examine how we will respond to the coronavirus Covid-19 or any other disruptive disease or event. Certainly, we are not to invite dangerous situations into our life, but we must live a life guided by faith. Only then will we have the peace that Jesus gives.

P.S.

If you don't feel comfortable coming to church, you can tune in to our live streaming worship on our Facebook page.

See you Sunday,

Pastor Frank

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Norma Stevenson

[Names will remain on our Prayer

Concern list until the Church

Office is notified to remove them.]



Looks who's having a

Birthday in

APRIL

Susan Green22

Jonathan Matthews24

Chris Richardson27

Steve Fowler29

Sydney Clanahan29