

Weekly Newsletter

April 18, 2021

Order of Worship

GreetingMike Ussery

Children's Time
Justin Hatfield

Song LeaderBriley Ewing

#111 (1, 3, 4)

#243 (1, 3)

PrayerTom Easterly

#542

#742

The Lord's Supper
John Hulett

#822

Message Bill McFarland

#215 (1, 2, 3)

Announcements/
Prayer
Scott Barton

#660 (1, 3)

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.
(Matt. 5:14)



Encouraging Human Touches

It was a busy time and there were stresses from all directions. Pharisees criticized and demanded. People came with urgent intellectual and physical needs. Friends confessed him in one moment and reprimanded him in the next. It was a crisis point in the ministry of Jesus. That's what we read in Mark 7-8.

But the account of these events is sprinkled with little human touches. As I think of them, I am encouraged. We're told, for example, of the moment when Jesus "sighed deeply in his spirit" (8:12). He was weary of continual arguing and testing from those who had no interest in him. If you've ever sighed that sigh, remember that the Lord understands.

I notice sympathetically, too, that the disciples didn't always "get it." They could see the Lord feed five thousand, then four thousand again, but not take from it that he could provide for them (8:16-21). They could hear him say plainly what must happen to him as the Christ, but not understand that they were to think like him (8:31-34). I feel for them because I'm like them.

Also, there are individuals in these chapters who needed, and received, special touches. A man who couldn't hear or speak was touched in way that would show his help was coming from heaven (7:32-35). A man couldn't see received the extra touch he needed before he could see everything clearly (8:23-26). It's encouraging to know the Lord deals with us at such a personal level.

"He has done all things well," the people concluded (7:37). It was an expression of their astonishment, which was beyond measure, and it was their verdict on his handling of all the people, problems, and pressures. It's a little saying that encourages me to believe he will do all things well in this new week, too, and it will be well with me if I follow him.

--Bill McFarland



Youth Group News

TONIGHT: Youth Bible study at the Carroll's at 5pm

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: We are starting to put together dates for this summer. Be sure to mark the events we have so far!

- •May 22 Fair Haven BBQ Meet the Intern!
- •June 20-26 Burnt Cabin Christian Camp
- •July 11-17 Camp Water Mill
- •July 18-24 Happy Hollow Travis and Jason's Session
- •Aug 4-7 Camp Wilderness

Note: Applications for Happy Hollow and Burnt cabin are located on the information desk in the foyer.



Parents Night Out

April 23rd and May 7th



WEDNESDAY EVENING

Please join us Wednesday at 6:30 pm in person or via livestream (YouTube) Bill has started a new series titled:

Tell Me a Story of Jesus—Parables for Us

~ In Need of Prayers ~

Makesha Davis will be having surgery on Tuesday, April 20th. ~ Jim Reaves will also have surgery on April 20th. ~ Julie Alexander had her surgery and it went well. She should be coming home from the hospital on Monday the 19th. ~ Sandy Pingenot will be having a biopsy on April 22. ~ Carolyn Young has started therapy. ~ Leona Snider is continuing her rehab at home. ~ John Mahon is still in physical therapy and doing good. ~ Ruth Lund's brother, John Alsphale, has Parkinson's and is not doing very well. ~ Truman and Helen Coltrane continue to need our prayers. ~ Marlene Matthews is home from the hospital and is receiving nourishment at home thrusen IV. ~ Ruth Raines continues to improve. ~ Nancy Snider is still having some health concerns. ~

Continued prayers for health concerns:

Teresa Mahon, Alice Daniels, Shirlane Horton, Bob & Leona Snider, Van & Barbara Barnes, David High (Lucile High's son), Ron Bower, Betty Grabber, Izumi Loomis' mother, Beverly Hammond (Coyeatte Ewing's mom), Ann Freeze (Jo Baggett's mom), Dennis & Carolyn Smith, Ruth Lindsey (Jon Davis' grandmother), Wendy Williams (Kerry Cole's cousin), Dorothy (David Grimm's mother), Linda (Sue Aherin's sister-in-law), Sandie Shelby (Lucile High's niece)

April Anniversaries

4-26 Byrle & Virginia Hayter ~ 58 years

THIS WEEK ...

- ◆ Prayer time Sunday evening, April 18th at 5:00 pm.
- Thursday Ladies Bible Class will meet on April 22nd at 10:30 am. Ann Thiesen will be teaching Chapter 6 of the book, "From Bethlehem To Golgotha," by Hillard Story.
- Quilters will meet at 9 am; Card Makers will meet at 9:30.

Birthdays

- 4-19 Arya Bowling
- 4-21 Alice Buckner
 Michelle Hulett
- 4-22 Lisa Stayton
- 4-25 Megan Jobes
- 4-26 Doris Iorg
 Gail White
- 4-29 Larry Baggett
- 4-30 Lauren Brumfield Carson Griffin

Shut-Ins

Pat Blackburn
Ron Bower
Mary Bratcher
Don Essex
Clarence Feeney
Ola Jean Feeney
Wanda Frost
Doris lorg
Jim & Ruth Reaves
Doris Tobler
Dennis & Carolyn
Smith

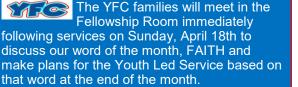
Nursing Homes

Ann Freeze Wayne Harmon Virginia Morgan Sandra Pingenot Nancy Snider

> April 24th and May 15th

HAPPY HOLLOW WORK DAYS

(They could use all the help they can get!)



Sunday, April 25th at 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Youth Led Service

This month's theme for our Youth Led Service is

Please join us as we train and encourage our young people in service and worship to our lord.



We extend our deepest sympathy to Jonathan & Laurel Pendergraft in the loss of Jonathan's grandfather, Durard "Dude" Pendergraft.



To my brothers and sisters in Christ your thoughtfulness was touching. Thank you for the cards and prayers offered at the passing of my brother Ricky Hyder.

In Christian Love, Debra Davis