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Daniel Cash, Senior Pastor

April Messenger

Dear First Baptist Friends:

How do you celebrate Easter in a world that is absorbed with limiting the impact of the Coronavirus pandemic? How do you celebrate “new life” when all the news is about death and disease? How do you celebrate “resurrection” and a risen Savior when you are not able to gather with your faith community during Holy Week or on Easter Sunday?

Those are questions that have been on my mind now for a few weeks. As I write this column, we’ve not yet determined that we will not be holding in person worship services for Easter. However, I feel it likely that will be our decision as the day draws closer and the outbreak continues in our homeland.

So, let me come back to my questions. How do we celebrate Easter this year? I believe the answer to that question is found in the groundwork we’ve already laid in moving worship online, and in finding ways to stay connected as a congregation. We will celebrate the Risen Savior differently, but the same.

After our first Sunday with online worship a parishioner sent me a letter. He had picked up on some of the language I used that day, describing worship as being “different but the same”. In his letter, this gentleman shared a song he’d written years ago by that title “Different But the Same”. The chorus lyrics says:

“Oh, we’re different, but the same; We’re different, but the same.” (repeat)

Isn’t this true of all of life these days, including our observance of Holy Week and celebration of Easter? It will be different, yet it will be the same. We still serve a Risen Savior who’s in the world today. We know that He is living, whatever folks may say. So, we will observe his Triumphant entry to Jerusalem. We will consider this Lamb of God who’s come into the world and is the sacrificial lamb. We will share with Him in the Upper Room and follow him to Gethsemane, and wait vigil by a Garden Tomb, and then join the women in their early morning discovery. It will all be done a little differently, but the message – its impact is still the same – perhaps even more poignant in this day.

Please look for more information about our Holy Week and Easter services on our website, in the FBC Enews updates and social media posts that will be shared.

Until then: You ask me how I know He Lives? He lives within my heart!

Pastor Dan

Please Check the First Baptist website for the latest information on worship services. Palm Sunday (April 5) Worship will be by live stream.

Around The Church

Worship Pastor Candidate Weekend Moved to April 4-5, 2020

Dear Friends & Members of First Baptist:

After a year-long search process, during which time we encountered many candidates, and conducted interviews with several, **the Worship Pastor Search Committee is pleased to present our recommendation for the position of Worship Pastor at First Baptist Church, Mr. Daniel Kane.**



Daniel is a December 2019 graduate of Indiana Wesleyan University with dual Bachelors' degrees in Worship Arts and Music Ministry. A native of Kendallville, IN, and a pastor's son, Daniel is familiar with the life and rhythm of the local church. In his communication with our search team Daniel expressed an appreciation for different worship styles and spoke of his experience in leading worship with the Whiteford Wesleyan Church (Ottawa Lake, MI) and as a Chapel Leader at Indiana Wesleyan University. We believe he will bring a solid understanding of blended worship and help us be open to creative and new forms of worship expression as we take our next steps as a congregation in worship together.

Throughout the interview process the search committee has been continuously impressed with Daniel and is excited about partnering with him in ministry. We look forward to being able to introduce you to our candidate, and plan to do so during the weekend of April 4-5.

We have pushed Daniel's candidate weekend back one week from its original date, but do not want to delay your meeting him any longer. We will be hosting an online meet and greet with Daniel on Saturday, April 4 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. He will then be leading worship along with Pastor Dan on Sunday, April 5 during our 9:30 a.m. live stream service.

We hope he will be able to start ministry with us in May.

Sincerely,

The Worship Pastor Search Team – Missy Zimmerman, chair
Jeff Caldwell, Church Council Chair
Pastor Dan Cash

Around The Church

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Deadline: April 1

The E. Don Tull Scholarship is for a graduating high school senior planning to attend an institution of higher learning full-time next year and is in the amount of \$1,000.

The Foundation Scholarship is for any full-time undergraduate student and is also in the amount of \$1,000.

Applications may be obtained from the church office or the church website (Connect/FBC Foundation). They are due back to the church office or a Foundation board member by April 1, 2020 to be considered. Scholarship recipients will be announced in May.

Lenten Rose

This year we chose to use Lenten Rose for the season of Lent. The Lenten Rose is a magical little perennial that blooms in early spring, usually during Lent, hence the name. It is in the buttercup family, Helleborus genus, and closely related to the Christmas Rose. It comes in many colors, pale green edged in maroon, red-flushed, golden yellow, pink, white, dark purple (black) or even double colored and double flowered. The plant prefers shade, but will tolerate part shade as on the edge of a woodland. It can also be grown on the east side of a house protected from the hot afternoon sun. The blooms literally last a couple of months and this is a deer resistant plant. If you don't dead-head this plant, it will reseed itself producing baby plants the next year.

There are some interesting folklore stories about this pretty little plant: Pliny the Elder (?) claimed if an eagle saw you digging up a hellebore, he would cause your death. Pliny added you should draw a circle around the plant, face east and offer a prayer before digging. The remedy was not to be used on cloudy days. Mrs. Maude Grieve, a 20th century English herbalist claimed powdered hellbore could be scattered in the air or spread on the ground, walked on, and you would be rendered invisible. It is also said that Morgan Le Faye, King Arthur's sister, made a concoction of herbs, weeds, wildflowers including hellebores, and gave it to Guinevere to prevent her from being able to conceive. However, the best story is that a little girl named Maria was on her way to the stable to see Baby Jesus. She was crying because she was so poor and she didn't have a gift to give Him. And as she walked along, her tears melted the snow and a beautiful white flower, the hellebore, appeared.

This plant is truly a favorite of both Marsha and myself, and I will do my best to keep them going until we all meet again. If you would like one of these lovely perennials, please feel free to make a donation to the flower fund and you can take one. It won't be too late to plant them. I think there are 17 plants. Love and miss you all, it be glorious to be together again soon! (Deanna Glick)

Around The Church

Spring Grow Groups Scheduled – Save the Dates!

Please Note: Due to ongoing "social distancing" directives, our plans for Spring Grow Groups may be modified. Currently Pastor Dan is leading a ZOOM video Bible Study online, Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Email dcash@fbccolumbus.org if you'd like more information.

The Adult Education team recently set the weeks of April 13 – May 18 as our Spring Grow Group session. Mark your calendar now for this six-week, post-Easter opportunity.

We are looking to offer two Grow Group options for this session: a) *Christian: It's Not What You Think*, a six-session study by Andy Stanley, and b) *This Matters*, a six-session study by Nate Ruch (Rightnowmedia).

Grow Group hosts and leaders are needed for these studies, including 2nd Hour leaders. Please speak with Pastor Dan or Carolyn Pool if you are willing to serve in this way.

Kwai River Hostel Project

The Kwai River Hostel Mission Project started in 2000 after the Daughertys visited Thailand. An unused hostel dormitory in a small Baptist Mission Station began housing children from the outlying countryside so they could attend a good high school. Approximately \$200 of additional funds allow a year of school in a Christian environment and has been very successful. If you would like to contribute to this project, please make your checks out to First Baptist Church and indicate Kwai River on the memo line. Thank you. (Forest Daugherty)

Thank
you

I wanted to express a big "Thank You" to the Church Family for all the cards, notes and calls that I received for my 80th birthday. I received over 140 cards not only from all of you but many other past members, friends, neighbors, Emmaus Members, and family. It was great to be remembered! Thank you so much.

Jeannie Wheeler

Given the medical issues we've had in the past several months, one might think that we are in terrible shape. We're not doing back flips but thanks to several of God's people we're doing quite well. We thank you all for the prayers, cards, text messages, visits, phone calls, food, transportation, kind thoughts and words, and personification of the teachings of our Savior. Your support has been more uplifting and crucial than you can know.

God bless you all,
Danny and Anita Burton

This Month's Leadership

Pastoral Care Team

April 5 - Ron & Peggy Lane
April 12 - Dortha Anderson & Mandy Reed
April 19 - Daryl & Dot McMath
April 26 - Kerry & Alice Richmond

Emergency Responders

April 5 - Mike Compton	May 3 - Forest Daugherty
April 12 - Kim Hamon	May 10 - Mike Compton
April 19 - Judy Rhude	May 17 - Kim Hamon
April 26 - Terri Ketterling	May 24 - Judy Rhude
	May 31 - Kim Hamon

Children's Sunday School

1st Sunday

4's - grade 2:
Grade 3-6: Stephanie Olson

2nd Sunday

4's - grade 2: Marcia Cheek
Grade 3-6: Terri Ketterling

3rd Sunday

4's - grade 2: Linda Reid
Grade 3-6: Beth Caldwell

4th Sunday

4's - grade 2: Deanna Glick
Grade 3-6: Anita Yancey

5th Sunday

No children's ministry opportunity today. Children will stay with their parents in worship on those 5th Sundays.

Serving in the Nursery:

April 5

Nursery Worship—Sue Hoffman & Carol Poe
Toddler Worship—Nolan Pickup

April 12

Nursery Worship—Lucy Cash & Ashley Lowman
Toddler Worship—Charlotte Oestreicher & Susan Carter

April 19

Nursery Worship—Deborah & Molly Nelson
Toddler Worship—Jennifer Kelley & Heidi Jones

April 26

Nursery Worship—Diane & Ashley Ginn
Toddler Worship—Joy Langdon & Carolyn Baker

Communion

April Communion

Preparation:

Keith & Teresa Arbuckle

Sanctuary:

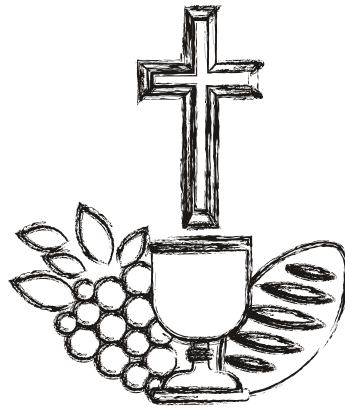
Teresa Arbuckle
Dick Miller
Lynne Lovelace
Frank Eldridge
Adam Brown
Wayne Lovelace
Joe Hamon
Keith Arbuckle
Daryl McMath

Homebound:

Janet Bailey
Susan Carter
Larry Carter
Charlotte Oestreicher
Linda Foster

Clean up:

Frank Eldridge, Wayne Lovelace,
Joe Hamon



May Communion

Preparation:

Bill & Carolyn Baker

Sanctuary:

Cliff Putterill
Lynne Lovelace
Ron Lane
Molly Nelson
Daryl McMath
Dick Miller
David Emmert
John McKay
Frank Eldridge

Homebound:

Janet Bailey
Charlotte Oestreicher
Larry Carter
Nathan Patrick
Susan Carter
Linda Foster

Clean up:

Sue Putterill, Daryl McMath,
Bill Baker, Cliff Putterill

Anyone who would like to assist with communion, please contact the church office, 812-376-3321.

If you know of a member of the church that is home bound, and not currently receiving home bound communion and may like to receive it, please let the church office know and the communion team will make contact with them.



Coffee Bar Host

April: Bill & Carolyn Baker

Coffee Fellowship - April 26

Last Names A-H are invited to bring snacks to share.

Healthy Living Tips



COVID-19

Prevention Steps for Close Contacts

If you have had close contact with someone who is confirmed to have, or being evaluated for, COVID-19 infection, you should:

- Monitor your health starting from the day you first had close contact with the person or traveled to a country under a level 3 advisory or other area affected by COVID-19. Continue for 14 days after you last had close contact with the person or traveled to a country under a level 3 advisory or other area affected by COVID-19. **Watch for these signs and symptoms:**
 - o **Fever.** Take your temperature twice a day.
 - o **Coughing.**
 - o **Shortness of breath** or difficulty breathing.
 - o Other early symptoms to watch for are **chills, body aches, sore throat, headache, diarrhea, nausea/vomiting, and runny nose.**
- If you develop fever or any of these symptoms, call your healthcare provider right away. Please call ahead so the provider can take appropriate precautions to prevent the spread of infection. Tell the provider your symptoms and that you recently traveled to a country under a level 3 advisory or had close contact with someone suspected of having COVID-19.

SYMPTOMS



COUGH



HEADACHE



RUNNY NOSE



FEVER



CHILLS



SORE THROAT



SHORTNESS OF BREATH



DIARRHEA



VOMITING



20 SECONDS



PROTECT YOURSELF FROM RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

Healthcare providers and public health officials are encouraged to visit the ISDH COVID-19 webpage at <https://www.in.gov/isdh/28470.htm> for updated news and guidance on this outbreak.



Indiana State
Department of Health

Updated: 3/12/2020

What you need to know about coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

What is coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)?

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. The virus that causes COVID-19 is a novel coronavirus that was first identified during an investigation into an outbreak in Wuhan, China.

Can people in the U.S. get COVID-19?

Yes. COVID-19 is spreading from person to person in parts of the United States. Risk of infection with COVID-19 is higher for people who are close contacts of someone known to have COVID-19, for example healthcare workers, or household members. Other people at higher risk for infection are those who live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19. Learn more about places with ongoing spread at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/transmission.html#geographic>.

Have there been cases of COVID-19 in the U.S.?

Yes. The first case of COVID-19 in the United States was reported on January 21, 2020. The current count of cases of COVID-19 in the United States is available on CDC's webpage at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html>.

How does COVID-19 spread?

The virus that causes COVID-19 probably emerged from an animal source, but is now spreading from person to person. The virus is thought to spread mainly between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet) through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It also may be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose, or possibly their eyes, but this is not thought to be the main way the virus spreads. Learn what is known about the spread of newly emerged coronaviruses at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/transmission.html>.

What are the symptoms of COVID-19?

Patients with COVID-19 have had mild to severe respiratory illness with symptoms of

- fever
- cough
- shortness of breath

What are severe complications from this virus?

Some patients have pneumonia in both lungs, multi-organ failure and in some cases death.

How can I help protect myself?

People can help protect themselves from respiratory illness with everyday preventive actions.

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.

If you are sick, to keep from spreading respiratory illness to others, you should

- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

What should I do if I recently traveled from an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19?

If you have traveled from an affected area, there may be restrictions on your movements for up to 2 weeks. If you develop symptoms during that period (fever, cough, trouble breathing), seek medical advice. Call the office of your health care provider before you go, and tell them about your travel and your symptoms. They will give you instructions on how to get care without exposing other people to your illness. While sick, avoid contact with people, don't go out and delay any travel to reduce the possibility of spreading illness to others.

Is there a vaccine?

There is currently no vaccine to protect against COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to take everyday preventive actions, like avoiding close contact with people who are sick and washing your hands often.

Is there a treatment?

There is no specific antiviral treatment for COVID-19. People with COVID-19 can seek medical care to help relieve symptoms.



April Birthdays

4 ~ Beth Miller, Rick McClintock
7 ~ Marjorie Betz
8 ~ Tamara Brown
9 ~ Karston McIntosh
10 ~ Jeff Caldwell, Marilyn Estell
12 ~ Donna Browne, Corbie Snyder
13 ~ Donna Moore
15 ~ Alexander Kelley



16 ~ David Tobias, Jeanne Greenlee, Kayla Jones
19 ~ Kyle Olson
22 ~ Vanessa Edwards
25 ~ Carol Poe, Anna Kelley
26 ~ Susan Hoffman
29 ~ Paul Poe
30 ~ Molly Nelson

The Body of Christ Prays For...



- Betty Euler, K.M. George, Cecil & Linda Workman, Anna DeHaven, Carl & Nancy Williams, Marcia Battle, Alvin Arbuckle, Marilyn Estell, Leland Robertson, Heidi Putterill, Don & Nancy Hughes, Randy Wheeler, Margaret Nelson.

Looking Ahead - All activities pending due to the Corona Virus

Sunday, April 5 - Palm Sunday

Tuesday, April 7 - Hannah Circle (2:00 pm)

Wednesday, April 8 - Four Seasons Mending (9:00 am)

Thursday, April 9 - Property Committee (6:30 pm)

Thursday, April 9 - Maundy Thursday Communion Worship (7:00 pm)

Friday, April 10 - Good Friday Community Worship Service (12:00 pm at the Commons)

Saturday, April 11 - Children's Easter Egg Hunt/Activities (10:00 am)

Sunday, April 12 - Easter Sunday: Sunrise Service (7:30 am); Breakfast (8:15 am); Celebration Worship (9:30 am)

Tuesday, April 14 - Church Council (7:00 pm)

Wednesday, April 15 - Newsletter Deadline

Wednesday, April 22 - Quarterly Business Meeting (6:00 pm)

Sunday, April 26 - Pitch-In Coffee Fellowship (Last names A-H are asked to bring snacks)

Tuesday, April 28 - Abigail Circle (7:00 pm)

Service: Sunday Morning - Worship 9:30 am

2nd Hour Learning 10:45 am

Live streaming available for Sunday Services

In addition to watching our streaming service on our website, the service is also streamed to Facebook, Roku and AppleTV. It is also sent internationally.



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