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The **INFORMER**

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

A NEW DAY DAWNING

The buttercups are in full bloom now and they are speaking to my heart. They speak of the beauty and radiance of God's great creation, and my heart turns in praise to the creator. They speak of the season of renewal that comes each Spring as the cold and barrenness of Winter passes away. They speak of the new wonder of Easter as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus on that blessed spring morning. In the resurrection we find hope of a new day dawning each day.

I sense a new day dawning at Floyd Baptist as well. Each week I sense God's Spirit awakening in his people as we gather in-person or online to worship him. The Spirit is renewing and restoring us for what I believe to be an amazing season of mission and fruitfulness.

Each week I see God at work in his people as you are giving yourself to new places of leadership and ministry. You have responded to the call to provide a place called HOME for people of all ages. Our HOME Groups are more about what happens as people gather and not when and where they gather. A HOME Group is simply a group of people gathering regularly to:

- Learn/Grow in the life of Christ
- Care deeply for each other
- Have fun together
- Be on mission together.

We have Sunday School classes that are becoming HOME Groups on Sunday Morning here at the church.

We have leaders bring children together on Wednesday evenings in our Team Kid Ministry and there they are learning, caring, having fun, and are on mission.

We have leaders who are developing a new expression of Senior Ministries at Floyd Baptist that will be their expression of HOME. I am excited for when they are able to launch.

We have leaders who are learning how to launch new expressions of HOME in new places with new people and our Youth.

As we move into this New Day Dawning, I am wanting to encourage you to find your place in our worship whether in-person or online, and bring someone with you. I am wanting you to find your place at HOME. There is a HOME Group here at Floyd that is or will be designed just for you. Now is the time to join Jesus in his amazing work in our midst! Now is the time to find your place in worship! Now is the time to find your Home Group! Now is the time to experience a New Day Dawning!

Blessings,
Jeff

Call Pastor Jeff (540)577-0839 to talk more about finding a HOME Group to join or about how to transition your class or Bible Study to a Home Group.

PASTOR'S PAGE

April Sermons: Experiencing the Resurrection

April 4—Experiencing Resurrection Life: Enough Faith to Die

April 11—Experiencing Resurrection and A New King

April 18—Experiencing Resurrection Life and a Restored Community

April 25—Experiencing Resurrection Life and a New Power



EVERY DAY HEROES A Three-Week Online Learning Experience Start Date: April 12th

The Journey will equip you in:

- Being an Everyday Hero: Living out The Hero's Journey
- Jesus' Person of Peace Strategy: Discovering Who God is Bringing Close to You for His Mission in Your Life
- Discovery Bible Method: A Simple, Repeatable, and Transferrable Way to Engage in Evangelism and Discipleship

Go to this webpage to learn more about this journey and to register:

[https://community.resande.org/plans/128582?](https://community.resande.org/plans/128582?bundle_token=f1b04e15b2bf22c427f1ee8be51fdc45&utm_source=manual)

[bundle_token=f1b04e15b2bf22c427f1ee8be51fdc45&utm_source=manual](https://community.resande.org/plans/128582?bundle_token=f1b04e15b2bf22c427f1ee8be51fdc45&utm_source=manual)

Members and participants at Floyd Baptist Church will be able to participate in this journey for only \$25.00 a person because of the relationship we have with the Walking with Heroes Movement.

Contact Pastor Jeff at (540)577-0839 if you have any questions.



Church Council

New Look / New Day and Time

Sunday, April 18th, 8:30 AM, Fellowship Hall

We will focus our time on:

- Shepherding the Mission of our Church
- Encouraging and Equipping one another for our part in the mission
- Sharing the Great things God is doing in our midst
- Stewardship of the resources God has given us
- Finding ways ministries can partner together for greater impact

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Online Community-Wide Good Friday Service

We are excited to partner once again with other churches in Floyd to provide an Online Good Friday service for our congregation and the Floyd Community. This time of worship will feature moving songs, testimony, prayers, and a time of reflection from the Scriptures. Citizens will be airing this service on Friday, April 2nd at Noon and again on Saturday, April 3rd at Noon. A link to this Online Worship Experience will be made available on our Facebook page and through Email.

Congratulations on your new baby!!!

Please Welcome...

Nora Rose Smith - born March 8th, 2021 to Robert & Colleen Smith. Grandparents are Bruce & Paula Smith. Great Grandmother is Ruth Thompson.



Please Welcome...

Averie James Holman - born March 26th to Brett & Ashley Holman, 7 lb, 15 oz.



Wednesday Night Activities

Some Wednesday night activities will resume beginning April 7.

- * Team Kid for grades 1-7 will meet from 6:30-7:30.
- * Preschool Team Kid is already meeting and will continue to do so.
- * An adult Bible study led by Judy Britt will also begin on April 7.



*These Wednesday night services will continue through May 26.
There will be no meals at this time.
Masks are required.*



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Business Meeting
 Wednesday, April 14, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Church Council Meeting
 Sunday, April 18, 8:30 a.m.

Deacons Meeting
 Monday, April 26, 7:30 p.m.

INFORMER
 deadline for the May issue is
Wednesday, April 21



Please let the church office know if you have any updates for anyone on the prayer list. We appreciate your helping us keep it accurate so we can be praying for those in need. To make changes, add or delete names, please call (540) 745-2677 or e-mail floydbaptist@swva.net



Tithes and Offerings

To continue giving tithes and offerings during this time, you can either mail your offering to the following address or initiate an online Bank Payment from your bank using the same address.

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

3- Cathy Banks	16- Tommy Spangler
4- Mona Helms	16- Betthney Weeks O'Connell
4- Jolyn Linkous	18- Jordan Penrose
5- Faith Nichols	21- Jaden Paige Nichols
8- Nelthia Barton	22- Tammy Worrell
9- Mary Caitlin Dickerson	28- Jackie Underwood
9- Steve Mende	29- Gregory Wilson
14- Bailey Gardner	29- Ethan Krantz
15- Helen Roberson	30- David Cannaday



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

SERVICE MINISTRIES

Greeters

April 4	Richard Wood Jim & Louellen Sharp
April 11	Maurice & Connie Quesenberry Chris & Kim Bond
April 18	Connie Browning Danny & Martha Thompson
April 25	Robert & Donna Petty John & Ashlee Weeks
May 2	Richard Wood



Deacon of the Week

April 4	Steve Hamlin
April 11	Scott Lovitt
April 18	Jack Morris
April 25	Winky Nichols
May 2	Jeremy Quesenberry



PRESCHOOL NEWS

We are enjoying being able to teach the real meaning of Easter and the kids are having fun having Easter Egg Hunts! Spring pictures will be taken soon, too! We feel blessed simply to be here every day!



MUSIC MINISTRY

Karen Whitlock, Minister of Music

Living Hope is a contemporary, Christian song written by Phil Wickham. The song describes the story of Easter, reminding us of God's great sacrifice, Jesus. Use this song this week as a devotional and praise to God as you prepare your heart to celebrate Easter.



Living Hope



How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke your name into the night.
Then through the darkness
Your loving kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The king of kings calls me His own
Beautiful savior, I'm yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the roaring lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me.



Hallelujah, praise the one who set me free.
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me.
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope.



Wickham describes what the song means to him. "God has rescued us from a place that we could never have rescued ourselves. Our future was death, but Jesus came in and brought life - a living hope - into our souls and into our lives."

MISSION NEWS



Operation Christmas Child.

Each month the Youth will be collecting an item that will be used in filling the shoeboxes in November for Operation Christmas Child.

In April, washcloths will be collected.

Cash donations also appreciated in order to purchase extra things needed. Please place your donations in the box located in the Sanctuary. *Thank You!*



Food Drive

Please help us with our collection of food items for the local food bank.

The theme for April is:

Peanut Butter, Jelly & Crackers

Please drop off your donations by

April 30

in the box outside the Fellowship Hall



Senior Smiles

Senior Smiles goal is to supply the residents of Skyline Nursing Home with personal name brand supplies they don't have access to, like body wash, shampoos, after shave, magazines and much more. A suggestion sheet is available at the drop off box.

As the Senior Smiles ministry continues throughout the year, I want to thank all who have generously given. Please continue placing your donations in the drop box near the Fellowship Hall entrance.

Senior Smiles, Judi Dempsey



APRIL 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 12pm-Good Friday Online Community Worship Svc. Broad- cast on Citizens Channel 20, Posted to Floyd Baptist 11pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Channel 20	3 12pm-Good Friday Community Service on Citizens Channel 20
4 EASTER Lord's Supper 9:45am- Sunday School (for the clas- ses that are meet- ing) 11am Worship Svc 12pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's	5 7-9pm, FH, AA	6 10-12am - FH, Area Pastors 6-8, Trey, Annex	7 10am FB Live Prayer 6-8, Trey, Annex 6:30 - Team Kids 6:30 - Adult Bible Study 7-9 pm AA & Al- Anon, Annex	8	9 Linda Smith/Gerald Smith/Wedding, FH & Sanctuary All Day 11pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Channel 20	10
11 Mission Sunday 9:45am- Sunday School (for the clas- ses that are meet- ing) 11am Worship Svc 12pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Channel 20	12 7-9pm, FH, AA	13 6-8, Trey, Annex	14 10am FB Live Prayer 6-8, Trey, Annex 7pm, Business Mtg., Sanctuary 7-9 pm AA & Al- Anon, Annex	15	16 11pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Channel 20	17
18 8:30 am Church Council 9:45am- Sunday School (for the clas- ses that are meet- ing) 11am Worship Svc 12pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Channel 20	19 7-9pm, FH, AA	20 2-3 pm FH, Christmas for Kids 6-8, Trey, Annex	21 10am FB Live Prayer 6-8, Trey, Annex 6:30 - Team Kids 6:30 - Adult Bible Study 7-9 pm AA & Al- Anon, Annex	22	23 11pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Channel 20	24
25 9:45am- Sunday School (for the clas- ses that are meet- ing) 11am Worship Svc 12pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Channel 20	26 7:00pm Deacons Meeting 7-9pm, FH, AA	27 6-8, Trey, Annex	28 10am FB Live Prayer 6-8, Trey, Annex 6:30 - Team Kid 6:30 - Adult Bible Study 7-9 pm AA & Al- Anon, Annex	29	30 11pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Channel 20	