

First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)
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Office hours
8:00-noon, 1:00-3:30
Monday-Friday

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Pastor Bob will be preaching on:
"I have seen the Lord!"
Scripture: Acts 10:34-43
Text: John 20:1-18

JOIN US THIS SUNDAY
April 04, 2010
9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School

The Ruler



"Words to measure life"

Holy Week Schedule



The Last Supper

Maundy Thursday—7:00 p.m.

We will be holding a communion service in the sanctuary.

Good Friday—8:00 p.m.

Tenebrae service in the Sanctuary.



Tenebrae
SERVICE



Easter Sunday—9:00 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School

Robert W. Rueter, Pastor

John Davis, Dir. of Music
Carol Harmon, Office Coordinator and Organist

Bev Rueter, Dir. Christian Education
Rickie Coulter, Church Custodian

Serving this week

(April 04, 2010)

9:00 a.m.

Greeters	Nathan Bloyd and Family
Ushers	Peg and Bill Hays
Acolytes	Mikayla Osborne Gabby Taylor
Scr. Reader	Mindi Perez
Ch. Moment	Jean Edwards
Meditation	Bill Leitze
Elders	Bruce Edwards Paul Wright
Deacons	John Harmon Kandy Wright Amy Smith Mandy Reneau
Music	Chancel Choir
Counting	Bill Leitze Bruce Edwards
Shut-ins	Paul Wright Sherry Lindzey
Preparation	Dee Doubet
Jr. Deacon	Eric Jarvis
Coffee F'ship	Liz Pollitt
Nursery	Carl Fisher Cydni Bell

Serving next week

(April 11, 2010)

9:00 a.m.

Greeters	Denise Carmack
Ushers	Nancy and Bud Cluts
Acolytes	Avery Dean Joel Harris
Scr. Reader	Dick VanRossem
Ch. Moment	Laura Taylor
Meditation	Chuck Taylor
Elders	Don Heller Henry Dare
Deacons	Jan Taylor Dennis Doubet Dee Doubet Sherry Lindzey
Music	Chancel Choir
Counting	Chuck Taylor Don Heller
Shut-ins	Henry Dare Janet Krulac
Preparation	Sue Walters
Jr. Deacon	Lauren Snowman
Coffee F'ship	Marla Reneau
Nursery	Lauren Snowman Lydia Smith

RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:

**TURN IN
YOUR ARTICLES
EARLY!**

R E M I N D E R :

**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER
ARTICLES IS**

Monday morning, April 12, 2010.

noon
Happy Timers

Happy Timers will meet Thursday, April 15, at noon. The menu will consist of ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, and cupcakes. The program will be presented by Leon Grubor and Mark Bixler from WBYS.

This month, instead of paying for your meal, you are asked to bring \$4.00 worth of food for the food pantry.

If you aren't signed up, call Carol at 647-1363 and she will add your name to the list.

March	03-21-10	Year-to-date
Budget per week	\$ 5,149.15	\$ 61,709.80
Received	\$ 4,141.25	\$ 50,207.66
March	03-28-10	Year-to-date
Budget per week	\$ 5,149.15	\$ 66,858.95
Received	\$ 3,286.04	\$ 57,634.95

Be watching.....

Be watching for
the Easter Egg Hunt on
Easter Sunday!!



We extend our sincere sympathy to **Lois Parrish** at the death of her mother; to **Marty Hasty** and family at the death of her brother-in-law, Arlan Shoemaker; to **Bob Ritschel** and family at the sudden death of his mother in Oklahoma; and to **Eileen Elias** and family at the death of her husband, **Bob**.

At Graham -210 W. Walnut
Lucille Bowton Bev Rueter

At Graham Ext.-210 W. Walnut
Alan McPherson Dorothy Reneau

At Care Center of Abingdon
Dottie Stevens 801 W. Martin
Abingdon, 61410

At Clayberg Nursing Center
Violet Marshall 625 E. Monroe
Cuba, 61427

At Heartland: - 2081 N. Main
Eunice McCario Jim Paul

At Red Oak Estates: 435 N. 16
Eleanor Berry Norma Pinder

At Renaissance: 1675 E. Ash
Linnie Murphy

At Sunset: 129 S. First
Dorothy Eskridge Helen Grose Delores Spiva

At Veterans: #162, 1707 N. 12,
Carl Bushard Markword 1,
Quincy, Il 62301

At Westminster Village:
Marlyn Mahannah Eva Williams
2025 E. Lincoln, Bloomington, Il 61701

Others with special needs:

Steve Anthony (brother of Jean Edwards); Cody Armstrong (nephew of Marty Hasty, in Afghanistan until June); Ron Bankes; Laurie Bankroff (niece of Marge Danner); Brett Beam; Bob Bowman; Millicent Cox; Mary Cox Fidler; Judy Lawrence (sister of Mark Reneau); Shirley List (aunt of Susan Walters); Elaine Ostiguy (daughter of Elgin Cook); Ron Parrish; Marilyn Rupe; Ron Rupe; Becky Russell (friend of Kandy Wright); Martha Sepich (sister of Mark Reneau); Gregory Williams (great-grandson of Betty Conrad); Sarah Wright (friend of Paula Crawford)



REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

In the Hospital

In Nursing Facilities

Please note: In an effort to keep our prayer list current, names will remain on the list for 4 weeks. At that time, they will be removed unless you have called the office to ask that a name remain on the list. Thanks for your help!!

Senior Sunday Club at Graham Hospital's Cornerstone Café

Sunday, April 4
11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

~Menu~

*Vegetable Soup
Roast Ham or BBQ Ribs,
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy*

or

Sweet Potatoes and Buttered Corn

or

*Green Been Casserole,
1 Trip to Salad Bar
Dessert, Roll and a Beverage*



Next CWF Meeting

The next meeting of the CWF will be this Thursday, April 1, 2010, at 1:00 p.m..

The Leader is Betty Conrad, the lesson will be presented by Brenda Dilts, and the hostesses will be Vinnie Cufaude and Doris Taylor.

PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

EASTER SYMBOLS

I've often thought that the Eastern church has the right idea for Easter symbols. They use the tomb with the rolled away rock as the symbol of Easter. They hold that the important thing of Easter is the resurrection, for in it Jesus overcame death and sacrifice for us all. It to them is the sign of promise and celebration.

The testimony of the first disciple, Mary of Magdala, was formed there. Jesus appeared to her in the garden after he had arisen from the tomb. And she was given the unique opportunity of being the one to go to the disciples and say, "I have seen Jesus". She was the very first apostle to see Jesus after his resurrection. What a high point in her life.

That evening Jesus appeared to the disciple in the upper room. They had shut themselves in out of fear and he appears saying "Peace" to them. They found the joy to celebrate his resurrection.

We, during this upcoming season, are given the opportunity to celebrate and realize the resurrection. May the open tomb have new meaning for you. He really did come back from the dead, for you.

Pastor Bob

DAILY BIBLE STUDY 03-31-2010 THROUGH 04-17-2010

Book	Monday	Tuesday	Wed'day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
HEB			8:1-13	9:1-22	9:23-28	10:1-18
LUKE	11:37-54; 12:1-3	12:4-7	12:8-12	12:13-15	12:16-21	12:22-34
HEB	10:19-39	11:1-3	11:4-22	11:23-40	12:1-13	12:14-29

Why Go To Church?

A Church goer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. "I've going for 30 years now," he wrote, "and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons. But for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time and the pastors are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all."

This started a real controversy in the "Letters to the Editor" column, much to the delight of the editor. It went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher:

"I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this: they all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!"

When you are DOWN to nothing.... God is UP to something! Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible! Thank God for our physical AND our spiritual nourishment!