

Belleview United Methodist Church (352)245-2100

April 2018



Thank God for flowers of every hue
From baby-pink roses to plumbago blue.
The fragrance of jasmine enhances the night,
And each water lily is a pearly delight.

Magnolias by moonlight brings sweet memories
As springtime awakens the blossoming trees.
The common hibiscus brings uncommon joy,
And shy violets are bashful and coy.

Long-stemmed red roses are reasons to sing,
And the frost-covered crocus usher in Spring.
Lavender orchids decorate the prom,
And pastel carnations pay tribute to Mom.

Flowers bring comfort to pauper and king,
For one cannot measure the pleasure they bring,
From Easter-white lilies to plumbago blue
Thank God for flowers of every hue!

Clay Harrison

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From the Pastor's Desk

HAPPY EASTER!

What a joyous time it is when the Church celebrates Resurrection Sunday - a time to be reminded of the power of the cross and all that it means for us. The good news is that by the cross, Jesus won the victory over sin and death, therefore reconciling people back to God and back to each other. In the cross, we remember our baptism, because in the Sacrament we see the outward sign that we died to our old lives, and rose up into a new life devoted to God. In the cross, we find our identity, because we can now live the full and abundant lives that Jesus bought for us through his death. In the victory won on the cross, we find the power to walk in the Spirit. In Galatians 5:16, we see that when we walk in the Spirit, we will no longer fulfill the desires of the flesh. In the cross, we find the power to resist evil, because Jesus ushered in the era of the Holy Spirit's power & activity in every believer. In the cross, we come to know and love ourselves, to be reconciled to our neighbors, and to seek guidance from the Body of Christ. Through the victory won on the cross, we can now full participate in means of grace, love our enemies, feed the hungry, and clothe the naked. Now that's something to celebrate!

Another great thing that is happening in April is our mission trip to Red Bird Mission in Beverly, Kentucky. The team is comprised of 16 people -13 from BUMC and 3 from other churches - including five men and eleven women. (This is a challenge to all you MEN to step up and come next year!)

Please pray for us: Colby & Sandy Hoyt, Dave & Christine Gibbs, Kay Smith, Kathy Enderson, Juanita Applegate, Mike & Kris Schonewolf, Nadine McWalker, Farris & Debby Ivey, Susan Tracey, Cathy Derosier, Steve & Violet Marynowicz.

We thank you for all your support in our fundraisers this year as we lead up to our big trip!

Pastor Kris

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Prayer & Witness Ministry

We meet Thursdays @ 10 a.m. in the church library. All are welcome, so join us in prayer for our church family and friends.

BLESSED BE THE GOD AND FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE FATHER OF MERCIES AND THE GOD OF ALL COMFORT, WHO COMFORTS US IN ALL OUR TRIBULATION.

(2 CORINTHIANS 1:3-4 *NKJV)

"Faithful Child Of God."

Oh child of God, look upward, Look toward the heavens bright Whenever you're discouraged, Look to the father of lights, Trouble-filled is this old World; It's oft so dark and drear, But God is just a prayer away, Your every prayer He'll hear. Set your heart on things above,
Oh, faithful child of God;
Let not rumblings of this World
Be like a darkened cloud.
Think on just and honest things,
The lovely and the pure;
Submit your being to the Lord,
He'll comfort and assure.

Louise Pinkerton Fritzamily

-Contributions-

Al Athey has made a donation to the church in honor of all the years of caring and support that the church has shown to him and his late wife Hazel. Al now resides in Maryland with his son

Friendly Neighbors

April 3, 2018

We meet at noon and eat at 12:30 p.m. Please bring your own table service and a dish to share.

This month we are pleased to have the Country Girl, Nancy Blough, to sing all our old favorites. So, please plan to join us as we celebrate spring with good food, fellowship and music. And remember, our group is open to all. It is not just for BUMC folks. Feel free to invite family and friends to join in.

Any questions, call Luanna Harris or Flo Ross.

"The first of April, some do say,
Is set apart for All Fools' Day.
But why the people call it so,
Nor I, nor they themselves do know.
But on this day are people sent
On purpose for pure merriment."
- Poor Robin's Almanac, 1790

April Birthdays

- 02 Sis Cullen
- 03 Mary Lou Murray
- 08 Donna Northrup
- 09 Paula Lempke
- 13 Ron Dankert
- 13 Howard Northrup
- 14 Carol Pauze'
- 16 Tom Dann
- 17 Bill Picking
- 18 Harvey Versteeg
- 20 Steve Swanson
- 23 Judy Butler
- 23 John Drake
- 26 Krystopher Sheehan
- 27 Carol Swanson

April Anniversaries

06 Joseph & Carol Backowski 22 Robert & Marilyn Moran



From the Finance Committee - Our Record of Faithfulness

Scripture Though to Ponder -

Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. -1 Timothy 6:17

Attendance January 2018 - 141

January 2017 - 172

Giving and Operational Expenses

	February 2018	Year to Date		
Giving	\$19,722.74	\$36,052.74		
Operational Expe		\$33,453.18		
+/-	\$ 3,045.73	\$ 2,599.56		

Our year to date giving has totaled \$36,052.74 while our operational expenses totaled \$33,453.18 leaving us a year to date surplus of \$2,599.56.



Thanks to everyone for your cards, calls and most of all for your prayers. I really appreciate my church family.

Shirley Eck

A Way Forward Commission

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Some of you may have heard about A Way Forward Commission. This commission was formed after the 2016 General Conference of the United Methodist Church to address the question of human sexuality and how the church will respond to those in our denomination who want to see the church sanction same-sex marriage and ordain pastors who are members of the LGTBQ community. An informative, non-biased presentation on the proposals that have come out of the Commission will be given in our sanctuary during the Sunday School hour on Sunday April 29, and I'm asking all the teachers to release their classes that day to listen to this presentation.

Until then, I want everyone to know that whatever the results of the vote are in January 2019, each church and each pastor in the conference will be given the right to decide for themselves how their ministries will be carried out related to this question. In one of the proposals, churches will be able to align with a branch of the church that identifies as either "traditional," "progressive" or "contextual."

If you would like to read more, you can put "A Way Forward Commission" into your internet browser and access more information. Thank you for praying for our Church.

Bible Study/Small Group Opportunities

Sunday 9:40am: The Wired Word—looking at a current event through a Biblical perspective. Room 304

Sunday 9:40am - Pastor Kris' Sunday School class studies scriptures relating to each Sunday's message, enabling the members, through discussion, to go deeper into the study of the day's topic. Room 303.

Sunday 9:40am - Pursuer's Class. Studies various books of the Bible. Room 302

Sunday 9:40am- Women's Class Room 301

Monday 11am - Bible Study - Revelation

Tuesday 10am - Bible Study - Revelation

Wednesday 6:30pm - Bible Study on Matthew

Wednesday 6:00pm - GriefShare

First Saturday of every month at 9am - M.E.N. (More Encouragement Needed)

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Worship 8:30am Sunday School 9:40am Worship 11:00am Open Table 5pm	Thrift Shop 9-12 Stretching 10am Bible Study 11am Square Dance 12pm Choir 3pm Bell Choir 4:45pm Cub Scouts 7pm	3 Sitercize 9am Bible Study 10 am UMW & MMU 11am Friendly Neighbors 12pm	4 Grief Share 6pm Bible Study 6:30pm	5 Thrift Shop 9-3 Prayer Group 10 am Girl Scouts 6pm Girl Scout Leaders 6:30pm Trustees 6:15 pm	6 Thrift Shop 9-3 Parents Night Out 6pm	7 Thrift Shop 9-12 Men's Group 9am Over 80's Dinner 11am
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Worship Schedule
Worship
8:30 am & 11:00 am
Sunday School
9:40 am
Open Table 5pm
(Fellowship Hall)