The Voice of Billingsville

April 2021

St. Johns United Church of Christ 14191 Billingsville Road, Boonville, MO 65233-3408

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"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."





Good Friday

The Good Friday Service of Sorrow will be April 2nd at 7:00 pm. This is always a beautiful service to remind us of the price Jesus paid for our sins.

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 3rd at 2:00 pm. Kids will enjoy activities, snacks, and an Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Board of Christian Education.

Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 4th at 7:00 am. Our beautiful Sunrise Service is back this year! Alleluia! We will receive Holy Communion. However, due to Covid-19 concerns, we will not have a breakfast after the service this year.

If you plan to bring a lily or make a donation in memory of loved ones, please let Julie know by Thursday, April 1.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, April 2: Good Friday Service of Sorrow at 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 3: Easter Egg

Hunt at 2:00 pm

Sunday, April 4: Easter Sunday Sunrise Service at 7:00 am

Wednesday, April 7: Church Board meeting at 6:00 pm

Thursday, **April 15:** Financial Reports due in the office

Sunday, April 18: Quarterly Congregational Meeting after Morning Worship

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NOTES FROM THE CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING March 10, 2021

All Council members and Pastor Jim were present.

A thank you note from CWS for Blanket Sunday was shared by Ed.

Building request by Marg Scott for Thanksgiving was approved.

Board Members received several verbal Thank Yous from the Wassmann family.

The Search Committee is having several meetings.

With the possibility of a large crowd on Easter, it was decided to not have a breakfast due to continued Covid concerns.

Yard care was discussed with it remaining the same; Janet and Kenny Stegner have been taking care of this. Thank You!!

The next council meeting will be Wednesday April 7, 2021 6:00pm at the church.

HEALTH FACTS

Search for Sleep

Sleep is one of the best ways to help keep our immune system strong to fight off infection and illnesses.

Some tips to get a good night's rest are:

- Adults need seven to eight hours of sleep and kids need nine to ten hours.
- Regular exercise during the day, not before bedtime
- Avoid eating large meals within two hours of bedtime
- Reduce caffeine and alcohol consumption near bedtime
- Consider gentle stretching, meditation, prayer or deep breathing prior to be.

This has been a long, difficult year with worries and sleepless nights. Our tasks are ever present. We need to find rest and peace, so each morning we can waken anew and praise God for our blessings.

Beautiful Lines

PRAYER is not a "spare wheel" that YOU PULL OUT when IN trouble, but it is a "STEERING WHEEL" that DIRECT the RIGHT PATH THROUGHOUT LIFE.

Why is a CAR'S WINDSHIELD so LARGE & the REAR-VIEW MIRROR so small? BECAUSE our PAST is NOT as IMPORTANT as OUR FUTURE. So, LOOK AHEAD and MOVE ON.

FRIENDSHIP is like a BOOK. It takes a FEW SECONDS to BURN, but it TAKES YEARS to WRITE.

All THINGS in LIFE are TEMPORARY. If they are GOING WELL, ENJOY them, they WILL NOT LAST FOREVER. If they are going wrong, don't WORRY, THEY CAN'T LAST LONG EITHER.

Old FRIENDS are GOLD! NEW friends are DIAMONDS! If you GET a DIAMOND, DON'T FORGET the GOLD! To HOLD a DIAMOND, you ALWAYS NEED a BASE of GOLD!

Often when WE LOSE HOPE and THINK this is the END, GOD SMILES from ABOVE and SAYS, "RELAX, SWEETHEART; it's JUST a BEND, NOT THE END!"

When GOD SOLVES your PROBLEMS, you HAVE FAITH in HIS ABILITIES; when GOD DOESN'T SOLVE YOUR PROBLEMS, HE has FAITH in YOUR ABILITIES.

A BLIND PERSON asked GOD: "CAN THERE be ANYTHING WORSE THAN LOSING EYE SIGHT?" HE REPLIED: "YES, LOSING YOUR VISION!"

When YOU PRAY for OTHERS, GOD LISTENS to YOU and BLESSES THEM, and SOMETIMES, when you are SAFE and HAPPY, REMEMBER that SOMEONE has PRAYED for YOU.

WORRYING does NOT TAKE AWAY TOMORROW'S TROUBLES; IT TAKES AWAY today's PEACE.

Submitted by Marg Scott



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Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Paula Darling, who passed away March 4.

Sharon Elliott lost her niece, Olivia, and cousin, Doug in the same week. We offer our deepest condolences to Pastor Jim, Sharon and her family.

MARCH STATISTICS							
	Offering	Benevolence	Attendance				
07	\$3035	\$75	31				
14	\$1130	\$55 Penny Sun: \$28.42 OGHS \$65	30				
21	\$391	\$0	32				
28	Will be reported in the May 2021 Newsletter						

THANK YOU

To Nancy Meyer for the beautiful altar flowers that we enjoyed the entire month of March in memory of her mother, Kathrynn Schupp.

To Linda Simmons for her donation to the Cemetery Fund in memory of Bob Simmons.

To Scott and Peggy Grissum for their donation to the Cemetery Fund in memory of Harold "Tony" Kelley.

To Jason and Melissa Hundley for their donation to the Cemetery Fund in memory of David Wenger.

"Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." **John 11:25**

	Worship Leader	Greeters & Ushers	Scripture Readings
Apr 4	Angie Hackman	Marg Scott & Jared Kueckelhan	I Corinthians 15:1-11 John 15:1-11
Apr 11	Jason Hundley	Volunteers	1 John 1:1-2:2 John 20:19-31
Apr 18	Marg Scott	Volunteers	1 John 3:1-7 Luke 24:36b-48
Apr 25	Melissa Hundley	Jason Hundley & Scott Grissum	1 John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18

APRIL BIRTHDAYS Dalton Pannell 04 **Abigail Pannell** 05 Shane Jennings 10 **Brittany Stretz** 11 Jill Helmreich 12 Louise Friedrich 14 17 Janice Cooper Cathy Bail 20 Tucker Floyd 21 Tim Kueckelhan 21 Dave Wenger 21 Cate Smith 23 O. C. (Sonny) Friedrich 24 **Andrew Grissum** 24 **Heather Simmons** 24 25 Caleb Smith Susan Forst 26 Kaylee Naylor 26

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Jamie & Shawn Swalwell	03
Tami & Ben Rold	05
Deanamarie & Daniel Naylor	06

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES 中

Teresa Diane Kueckelhan Carlson	09
Cora Louise Stegner Wisdom	09
Noel Katherine Schler	10
Linda Anne Atkinson Potter	13
Mary Jane Atkinson Fudge	13
Jaden Michael Keller	13
Douglas Eugene Johnston	14
Stacy Lynn Million Reuter	14
Karen Hibbard Johnston	20
Melinda Ellen Edwards Richardson	25
Sophia Ruth Carmichael	28

Please let these homebound and nursing home friends know you are thinking about them with a visit or a card.

Arlene Friedrich

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1331 Lyric Court Boonville, MO 65233

Louise Overstreet (Janet's mother)

Hartmann Village 615 Rankin Mill Ln Boonville, MO 65233

Shirley Schmidt (Vicki's mother)

Nye Point 2700 Laverna St, Fremont, NE 68025

Marjorie Vieth

Riverdell Care Center 1121 11th St. Boonville, MO 65233

Bernadine Wassmann

Katy Manor 205 Prospect Pilot Grove, MO 65276

PRAYER CHAIN

Carolyn Bunton (friend of Laura), hospice

Angie Carmichael, cancer

Family of Paula Darling

Pastor Jim & Sharon Elliott

Carol (Pastor Jim's sister-in-law), lung cancer

John (Sharon's brother-in-law), heart issues

Family of Olivia (Sharon's niece)

Ethan @ ECH (SS Sponsor Child)

Eula Brown Gowan

Joey Hoflander, recovering from stroke

Todi Hughes (Holly's mom)

Lyndall Galloway (Laura's father)

Iva Mae Johnson (Vicki's aunt)

Nancy Kueckelhan

Ava LeCave

Chris (Ann Muntzel's nephew), cancer recovery

Bobbie Perry (Pat Friedrich's sister)

Marilyn Rethmeyer, cancer

Karen Schnetzler

Carol Snyder

Serving in our military:

Landon Bail	Chris Hawley
Cliff Burgoyne	Natalie Meng
Jeff Burgoyne	Blayne Vickery
Lakoda Davis	James Walker



Easter Sunday

Sunday following the first full moon after the Spring equinox

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SUNDAY



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