

## Prayer Requests

Payton Vanderheiden will be having hip surgery this Friday, March 24th at Conway Baptist to repair a torn labrum. Please be praying for her surgery and her recovery.

Sophia Rabb, youngest daughter of Dillon and Sarah is being admitted to Children's Hospital for tests to help get answers for some health concerns. Please be praying for this sweet family.

## Ongoing

Bob Clark, Tami Robinson, Oliver Blankenship, Mellicent Crain, Margaret Helms, Sherry Powell, Jeri Tabor, Betty Humphrey, and Kaylee Fritts.

Expectant Moms - Kaitlin McCormick

Please join us in welcoming our New Members, Dale and Connie Sites! Their address is 3836 Hudson Rd., Russellville, AR 72802. Take a moment to meet and get to know our new friends.

The youth group is collecting plastic Easter eggs, and candy for the Easter Egg Hunt that they will put on for the little ones after services on Easter Sunday. Please leave the goodies at the Welcome desk in the foyer, or you can drop them off at the office as well. Thank you very much!



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- **Case Manager**
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## Dinner Church

We will have our Dinner Church again on the 29th of this month at 5:30. Please join us for a meal among family/friends, a quick devo., followed up by class.

## Attention Seniors

The Elders and their wives will be hosting a Senior Dinner on April 29th at 6:30 for all Seniors and their parents at the Sorrell's Barn. Invitations will be sent in the mail soon!



Miss Margaret Helms has a new address. The Crossing at Riverside, Margaret Helms #409 B, 2500 E. Moore Ave., Searcy, AR 72143. Please drop her a note and add some cheer to her day.

## Baskets Needed

Margaret Grant is in need of some baskets. She does a wonderful job putting together some nice welcome gifts for our new members, so please help her out by bringing her a basket or two when you can. Thank you!



## Westside Camping

There are many families that are joining in for the church wide camp out in April at Old Post Road Park. The dates are the 20th-23rd, or 21st-23rd. You can book at [recreation.gov](http://recreation.gov) for \$20/night. If you have any questions, reach out to Cindy Jones.



"A SWEET FRIENDSHIP REFRESHES THE SOUL."  
PROVERBS 27:9

### Sunday March 26th

Margaret Grant 2 doz donuts  
Vicki Betterton 2 doz donuts  
Baristas: Zac and Kathryn Smith

### Sunday April 2nd

Andrea Henson 2 doz donuts  
Brooke Strasser 2 doz donuts  
Baristas: Cindy Jones, Jenifer Hurt



Funds from Friendship Cafe will be going to purchase snacks for NICU families for use during their stay at UAMS. Many of us have been touched by a NICU experience, so let's show our support for these families during such scary times. Stop by the cafe and donate towards this great cause!



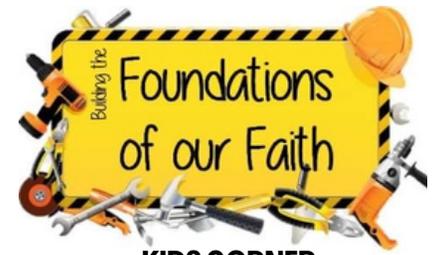
### March Schedule

3/29 Susan Taylor

Please have your cookies dropped off at Renew on Wednesdays by 6pm.

\*\*Reminder that Prayer Rooms are open on Sunday mornings starting at 10 til the end of worship for any needs that you may have and would like prayers for.\*\*

## Spring Quarter Classes listed on the back page!



## KIDS CORNER

by Kaitlin McCormick

This month in KFC, friends Bob the Builder and Believer Beaver are helping us learn that God is LOVE.

Main Idea: Jesus showed us how to love others by living His life serving others and giving His life for us.

Bible Verse: "This is how God showed His love for us: He sent His only son into the world to give us life through Him" - 1 John 4:9

Song: Jesus Loves Me

Other Scriptures: Philippians 2:5-8



Smile! Don't forget to get your picture updated on Sunday mornings for our on-line directory. They will be taken in the Women's Prayer room after services. We have received many great pics., so add yours to the list today!

## Sunday 3/26 Worship Volunteers

Leader: Preston Abbott, Bass: Lee Henson, Tenor: Ronald Roberson, Alto: Grace Miller, Soprano: Nancy Preuit, Opening Prayer: Terry Bonds, Communion Thought: Zach Loudon, Elder/Closing: Darol Harrison, Crows Nest: Brandon Grice

## ONLINE CONNECT CARD



We would love to connect with you! Please fill out our Online Connect Card at...

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### Sunday Class Schedule - Spring

Cradle Roll/1 year olds - Nursery Area

Adult - James - Rm. 2

Adult - Psalms - Rm. 3

Ladies Class - Book Study - Family Ctr.

4yr/Pre-k/Kindergarten - Rm. 12

2 & 3 Year Olds - Rm. 16

K - 2nd Grades - Rm. 19 (Former Holy Word Studios)

3rd - 5th Grades - Museum Room

WSYM 6th - 12th grades - Cornerstone

College Class - The Rock

### Wednesday night class schedule - Spring

3 - 7 Year Olds - 4 Year Old Classroom

3rd - 6th Grade - Family Center

Girls

Girls 4th -6th Grade - Yoga w/scripture & prayer -

Creator's Canvas Room

WSYM - Cornerstone

Adult Class - Rm. 3 - Matthew

### Last Week

Class - 124

Worship - 252

Wednesday Night

Bible Study - 86

Giving: \$ 8,431

Weekly Budget:

\$13,128

YTD Giving:\$ 152,285

YTD Budget:\$157,535

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# Welcome to West Side!

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

March 26, 2023

It Works If You Work It...

by Tim Tripp

“Get cooking or get out of the kitchen,” “fish or cut bait,” “lead or get out of the way,” “close the book and get to work,” “make a decision and go,” there are many ways to say it but every phrase seems to be encouraging the same thing...action. The phrase in the title of the article is one used at Celebrate Recovery. It means that you have to do the things required by the programming for it to positively impact your “hurts, habits and hang-ups.” Someone could feasibly read all of the material and gain excellent knowledge of the Celebrate Recovery program but if they don’t put it into action, they will likely have learned a lot but have little or nothing to show for it. The complete phrase goes, “It works if you work it, it won’t if you don’t, but work it because you are worth it!” You can’t expect the desired result if you don’t put in the effort.

The same rings true with the spiritual disciplines that we have been discussing recently. There have been sermons dealing with Bible reading, prayer, quiet time, fasting, worship, generosity, serving and confession. I am convinced that all these disciplines, when done in a consistent rhythm, have the potential to produce significant spiritual growth in those who practice them. However, knowing about them and studying about them is helpful only as it motivates one to put them into practice. What I am saying is, get going!

The worst way to begin practicing any or all of the spiritual disciplines is to do it “when you have time.” You will never have time! This is one of the reasons that Satan works so hard to keep us busy so that we don’t have time. *You can, however, make the time.* I suggest that you start with a quiet time. Begin small. Resolve to get up 10 minutes earlier or stay up 10 minutes later and select a short Bible reading and say a quick prayer of praise. Do that regularly for three weeks then work to expand it. Go to 15 or 20 minutes and make that work. If you are like me, you will find that you may not be able to consistently manage longer time but you will more often than you think.

Once you have a quiet time going you can move on to another one. Talk to a spiritual friend about fasting. Talk to your family about starting a weekly family worship time. Add to that some opportunities for a family service project. Review your giving at church and pray that God shows you how you can improve that. Talk to a mentor about being accountable and use that relationship for confession. You may choose to work on them in a different order but the important thing is that you get with it. Take action. I know you will grow when you do. Don’t let another year pass thinking, “I really need to do something about that.” Make this the year that you get going with spiritual discipline.

It works if you work it. It won’t if you don’t but work it because your relationship with God is worth it!

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