

Good News Letter

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Dear FBC family:

The greenery that precedes the arrival of Resurrection lilies at the parsonage has arrived. Since Easter is as late as is possible this year it will be a true spring Easter. One sign of the new life that God offers is that he is still calling people into ministry. On April 10 we will gather in worship to hear Sam Chesser give his testimony about his call. I will share a bit about how the process of ordination works in the American Baptist Church, USA. At our April business meeting the congregation will vote on Sam's licensing to the ministry. As a church you have nurtured Sam for almost half of his life. I hope you will share in both of these significant events.

As a part of our Lenten preparation some of us have considered being part of an effort to raise enough money to purchase a heifer for Heifer Project International. Look for details to come. We are in the process of thinking about creating a website for this effort as a part of what is known as a Heifer Project Team. In a time when there is so much bad news about what is

going on around the world perhaps it is time to concentrate on sharing.

As a church family we continue to lift up Jimmie Moore and his extended family as he continues his

treatment. We are especially hopeful that space might open up at Willowbrook as a transition possibility. Be diligent in prayer for all the items that come up in our joys and concerns time. If you are not already on our email prayer chain and would like to be added please let me know.

As you continue in your Lenten spiritual journey

I would like for you to meditate on Philippians 4:2,3. Ask yourself if your name could be substituted for Euodia or Syntyche. If not could you be the one to help those who can? Follow that meditation up with Philippians 4:4-7.

Holy Week offers many opportunities for worship. Make the week special, invite a friend to join you in worship.

Your Pastor,



America for Christ

In only three weeks we surpassed our goal! We collected \$647.23. Impressively, the children and youth collected \$82.23 in loose change during that period. We are especially proud of the work all our young people did in promoting this offering. Thank you everyone.

— Kathy Chesser

A Heartfelt Thank You

Both Jimmie and I want to thank each and every one of our church
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UPCOMING LENTEN SERVICES

Palm Sunday — April 17

Maundy Thursday — April 21
A candlelight communion service will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 pm. Please enter and leave in silence.

Good Friday — April 22
A community service at St. Mary Church will begin with the Stations of the Cross at 11:00, followed at 12:00 by an Ecumenical Prayer Service.

Easter Sunday — April 24
Sunday School at 9:15; Morning Worship at 10:45



family who have been supporting us so faithfully for the past several weeks since the accident. The Ladies Prayer Group assembled a wonderful assortment of goodies and puzzle/diversion books to help occupy our minds and time. Jerry & Lana drove me to Columbus. Tim and Kathy spent the entire first day with us, offering kind and loving support. Prayers have been offered, greeting cards received, messages posted on the CaringBridge website; hugs, visits, food...the list goes on. Please know that we sincerely appreciate every gesture and kindness. It helps make this life-changing event more bearable.

Sincerely,

– Jane Moore

Order Your Easter Lilies

Easter lilies can be ordered to decorate our church on Easter Sunday. They can be given in memory or honor of someone, and you can take them home after our Easter service.

The price is to be announced (probably around \$8). Place your orders with Melissa Mercer or Jim Stephenson. The last day to place orders is Palm Sunday (April 17).

Thank You

On behalf of the Board of Christian Education, I would like to thank all the youth who worked so hard to learn about missions and to create the posters for America for Christ. You all did such a wonderful job in creating the posters and sharing during the Sunday morning worship services during the month. I also want to thank the Sunday school teachers who worked with the youth.

– Pam Faulk

People in Need

Our special items for the month of April are shampoo and conditioner. Please bring these items the first of the month and put them in the PIN basket.

– Kathy Chesser

Do One Thing

If many little people in many little places do many little deeds, they can change the face of the earth. African proverb

Here is a list of 10 things to consider doing, in no particular order.

1. Pray for all our public servants.
2. Read a Psalm each week.
3. Plant a tree.
4. Contribute to the Heifer Project.
5. Gossip less; complain less; smile more.
6. Pray for the rights of all children around the world.
7. Invite someone to attend Easter worship with you.

8. Plant a butterfly garden.
9. Donate food to an animal shelter.
10. Eat lunch with someone who usually eats alone.

– Pam Faulk

March ABW

ABW met on March 21 at Buehlers with 9 women attending. We enjoyed good food, fellowship and remembered those in need of our congregation. Our Love Gift offering totaled \$25.21. Remember, all are welcome at these gatherings on the third Thursday each month at 11:30 at Buehlers!

– Evelyn Lee

Trustees Notes

- The recent electrical work cost \$720.00. The fire department reinspected and was pleased with the work.
- A new dehumidifier was purchased for the parsonage's basement. The cost was \$150.00.



• A big thank you goes to Larry Faulk for cleaning and waxing **all** the tile floors.

– Peter White
Reporting for the Trustees

Young at Heart

The Young at Heart group met for lunch on March 10th in the Fellowship Hall. The weather relented and gave us a "safe day for seniors to be out," and 10 people came.

We were happy to have Bertha Van Brimmer attend. It had been quite a while that she couldn't be with us.

Jean Syler and Anna Brown helped get about a dozen cards out to absent friends and shut-ins. We voted money out to two places — \$25 to Genevieve Peterson's card ministry, and \$25 to Caring Bridge as a tribute to Jimmie Moore.

Next meeting will be on April 14 — the second Thursday of the month. Fifty-five or older? It's for you. Can't fix a thing to bring? A jar of pickles goes fine, or a sack of 'tater chips, or nothing at all except yourself.

– Jean Wickum
Convenor

Personals

• Alec Ferguson and Jane Mercer made the Honor Roll and Sarah Bowman made the Merit Roll at Dempsey.

• Jimmie Moore continues to build strength and skills while undergoing physical therapy at OSU's Dodd Hall. He has battled some low blood pressure problems, but that seems to be improving. Jimmie and Jane thank everyone for their prayers, cards, visits, and support.

• The Delaware Piecemakers which meet at our church currently have a quilt display at the Delaware Library until the end of March.

• Ian Ferguson sprained his ankle in phys. ed. class.

PRAYER LIST

This list is prepared by the Deacons.

Prayer requests will be removed after 2 months unless "renewed".
Please send changes to Larry Faulk (Lfaulk01@aol.com)

Church Contact	Name	Reason for Prayer
The Deacons	Pam DeBiasio	Health Issues
	Jean Osborne's sister-in-law, Ruthie	Health Issues
	Jimmie Moore	Car Accident Injuries
	Jean Wickum	Condolences on the death of Susan Mussard
	Harry Rittenhouse	Recovering from surgery and complications
	Sophia Stephenson	Health Issues
	Nancy Snook	Health Issues
Jean Wickum	Fran Cook	Heart Problems
Evelyn Lee	Bertha VanBrimmer	Health Issues
	Florence Faulk	At Delaware Court
Barb Reed	Regan Riedmiller	Health Issues
Robert Russell	His mother in West Virginia	Dementia

• Don Williams thanks everyone for their cards, thoughts, and prayers during his recovery from his injury.

• Archie Trigg's brother-in-law, Delbert Webster died. He was married to Archie's sister Margaret.

• Mary Lou Lovell spent several days at Grady and then at Grant Hospital to have her heart checked out. The doctors found no blockages. Good news for Mary Lou.

• Larry, Pam, and Erin Faulk spent spring break at Disneyworld.

– Pam Faulk
Personals Editor

Birthdays and Anniversaries

April 10 Jane Mercer
Connor Trigg
15 Ray Serviss
Tyler Wayne Fogle
20 Fred & Pam DeBiasio
Tammy Ferguson
21 Jimmie Moore
27 Colin Ferguson
29 Deborah Fogle
Benjamin Trigg

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