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Please join us for

Worship in the Sanctuary 9:30 am to 10:30 am

Sunday School 10:30 am



The Informer

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What Follows Easter?

The events of this year's Holy Week have been great. We tried a new type of worship for our combined Maundy Thursday service and it seems to have been well received. In Easter Sunday, we added two members to the roll at Geyer Springs, saw old friends and met some new people.

We tend to see Easter as one of the bookends of Christ's life and ministry, Christmas being the other. Christmas and Easter fall so close together in the calendar year, which leaves the better part of the year to pass until Advent rolls around again.

Pentecost should be celebrated just as much as Christmas and Easter. It marks the transition of Christ's ministry into a church. Most importantly, it marks the start of a new way of life for Christians. While the law still provides the backbone for our faith, strict adherence to the law is no longer how our faith is measured. Faith is our response to God's gifts of mercy and grace, Jesus' offer of salvation and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. Faith is about the content of the heart and mind, as well as action.

Pentecost is a reminder of the existence of the Holy Spirit in each of us. When the winds began to blow and tongues of fire appeared on the heads of the apostles that day, everyone present knew something significant was happening. Then the preaching began. While offered in one language, it was heard by everyone there in his or her own language. That was the Holy Spirit, the advocate promised by Jesus, beginning its work in a new way.

We have the Holy Spirit in each of us. It began as a spark calling you to God's side. Once we have found God's side, what we do with that spark makes all the difference. We can let it burn out now that we have our "ticket" or we can tend the fire and let it burn bright. The bright fire does so much more than that small spark could, providing



May 5 Vernetta Grizzelle
 May 24 Ken Graves

Treatment and Concerns:

Please continue to let us know of your prayer, joys, and concerns:
 Rev. David Hoffman, (501) 475-6397
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Grief:

Rehab & Nursing Centers:

Betty Stout Barnes Health & Rehab,
 Lonoke, AR

Home Bound:

Mildred Chenault
 Carol Haskins
 Charles Turley

Treatment and Concerns:

Marie Brown	Jim Washburn
Sherry Cardell	Linda McCown
Mildred Chenault	Faye O'Donnell
Allyson Cheyene	Betty Ross
Kelly Cook	Victoria Ross
Martha Drennon	Janet Swaty
Lynn Hoggard	Rodney Swaty
Hildegard May	Leslie Templeton
Kim Hoffman	Rose Teter

**Wednesday Night Fellowship
 Wednesday Evenings
 at 5:30 pm**

Adults: \$3 Children: \$1 Any of the host groups welcomes your help.

May 1	Myers
May 8	UMW
May 15	Blackwell
May 22	UMM
May 29	New Beginnings



The Food Pantry continues to feed the hungry in our neighborhood. This would not be possible without the generous support of our congregation. Donations to the Food Pantry may be given directly to Terri Hammond or to the office with a designation "Food Pantry" on your envelope.



light to see, heat for cooking, and warmth to chase the cold away.

The success of the church depends on how bright it burns. A spark can be easily missed. A raging fire cannot. The curious from all around come to see the fire. From the curious come those who want to be a part of tending the fire. Remember, the Bible frequently speaks of fire as a refiner, burning off the trash and leaving the pure precious metal for the artist's hand.

TEND THE FIRE! I realize that in the midst of turmoil and pressure both inside and outside the church, it is tough to maintain a bright fire. The time is now and you must do your part. Renew your work in existing ministries. Become a part of a different ministry. Find new ministries. Invite others to church.

Shalom, David

MOTHERS' DAY MAY 12

GET YOUR INFO IN MEMORY OF OR IN HONOR OF TO THE CHURCH BY MAY 5 TO SEE YOUR LOVED ONE'S NAME IN A SPECIAL MOTHERS' DAY BULLETIN . ALL DONATIONS GO TO THE FOOD PANTRY

EVERY DOLLAR BUYS **FIVE** POUNDS OF FOOD

FROM THE AR FOODBANK!!

I would like to honor:

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

By (my name) _____

I would like to remember :

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

PUT MONEY AND INFO IN A CHURCH ENVELOPE AND PUT IN THE OFFERING PLATE OR MAIL TO THE CHURCH AND WE'LL TAKE CARE OF IT!!

May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 ■ 9:30 AM Worship ■ 10:30 AM Sunday School	29	30 ■ 5:00 PM ESL class	1 ■ 5:30 PM WNF	2 ■ El Zocalo ■ 9:00 AM Food Pantry 9 - NOON	3	4
5 ■ Vernetta Grizzelle ■ 9:30 AM Worship ■ 10:30 AM Sunday School	6	7 ■ 5:00 PM ESL class	8 ■ 5:30 PM WNF	9 ■ El Zocalo	10	11
12 ■ El Zocalo ■ 9:30 AM Worship ■ 10:30 AM Sunday School	13	14 ■ 5:00 PM ESL class	15 ■ 5:30 PM WNF	16 ■ El Zocalo ■ 9:00 AM Food Pantry ■ 4:00 PM Newsletter Article Deadline	17	18
19 ■ 9:30 AM Worship ■ 10:30 AM Sunday School	20	21 ■ 5:00 PM ESL class	22 ■ 5:30 PM WNF	23 ■ El Zocalo	24 ■ Ken Graves	25
26 ■ 9:30 AM Worship ■ 10:30 AM Sunday School	27	28 ■ 5:00 PM ESL class	29 ■ 5:30 PM WNF	30 ■ El Zocalo	31	1 ■ Carol Haskins