

First Baptist Church of Spring Hill

The Messenger

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<u>Family Ministries Pastor</u> <u>Josh Howland</u>

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Ministry Assistant Paula Zimmer If Jesus just came and He lived and He died on the cross and then was buried, then the biography of the Lord Jesus is no different from any other notable person of history. If that's all it was you could just write, "He was born, He lived, He died: end of story." I mean, if the crucifixion is the conclusion of the story of the Lord Jesus Christ, then it is all over.

It is because the tomb where Jesus was buried is empty that you and I rejoice today in the living Savior. You see, over all of the other tombs of the religious leaders of the world there is a message like this: over the tomb of Buddha is the message, "OCCUPIED." Over the tomb of Confucius is the message, "OCCUPIED." Over the tomb of Mohammed is the message, "OCCUPIED." Burt over the tomb of Jesus Christ is the message, "HE IS NOT HERE. HE IS RISEN AS HE SAID." And so, you see, it is this truth which resurrects faith.

Now all of us have been given a certain amount of faith. Romans 12:3 says, God has dealt to each one a measure of faith. That means that all of us have been given this commodity of faith. However, the key is where we place our faith. You see, it is where we place our faith that determines whether our faith is something that comes alive or our faith is something that dies. And I want to tell you we are living in a day where for many people, faith has died.

Listen, you and I worship a Savior today who was dead, buried, and now is resurrected, ascended to the right hand of the heavenly Father, and one of these days we'll see Him with physical eyes but we experience Him today by a spiritual relationship which is far deeper and more meaningful than anything physical could ever be.

See, when faith moves from groping faith to growing faith to glowing faith, the inevitable result is a desire to tell somebody else about it; to share the good news that Jesus is alive.

Today, what you need to do is praise the name of the Lord Jesus! I hjave good news to tell you: He is alive, and He has said He will come into your heart, and He will change your life, and He will make you a new person, and He will give you the love, and the joy, and the peace that you've been longing for.





From the Library...

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Have you ever examined the word "resurrection"? To be resurrected means you're reborn; restored to life. It's a miraculous do-over, a second chance at life, an opportunity to try again.

Jesus was literally restored to life on Easter Sunday and He offers restoration to us, as well. No matter what broken places you might be facing in your life at this very moment, our risen Savior can restore. Broken marriages? He can fix it. Broken heart? He's the best heart surgeon on the planet. Broken relationships? He's the mender of fences.

A god who restores is a God who can be trusted. And because of His great faithfulness, He's worthy to be praised? Lord, You are worthy.

Here are a few books from our library...

Next Door Savior by Max Lucado. The universe's Commander in Chief knows your name. He has walked your streets. Endowed

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with sleepless attention and endless devotion, He listens. The fact that we can't imagine how He hears a million requests as if they were only one doesn't mean He can't or doesn't. He He can and does. There is no person He won't touch; no place He won't go to find you. For even though He is in heaven, He never left the neighborhood.

<u>Power of the Cross</u> by Tim LaHaye. Many people think of the cross as a symbol of what Jesus did for us 2000 years ago. However, the author reveals through amazing stories that the cross is far more: it can change the course of your life today! Discover how God is at work around the world redeeming broken lives and making them whole. Every story is unique, yet all have one thing in common: new life begins at the cross.

We pray our church has a very Happy Easter.

Yours in Christ, Mary Robertson & Joan Frank



Happy Birthday to You!

- 2 Mary Hester
- 5 Paul Hahn
- 6 Evangeline Gallimore
 - **Emily Sparkman**
- 7 Patty Welch
- 8 Linda McLain
- 10 Meredith Warren
- 11 Teagan Johnson
- 14 Pam Prentice
- 16 Ava Huntzinger
- 17 Rusty Robinson
- 18 Trisha Price
 - Paula Andre
- 24 Cynthia Huntzinger
- 29 Kristyn Crotzer
- 30 Julie Crotzer



To: The person, family or Sunday School Class that gifted me the Amazon gift card, Thank you!



Words cannot express the Blessing this is! I would love to give you a big hug!!!

Again, Thank you **So** much - Paula Andre



Thank you for your generous support of The Well. We continue to collect food for this local food pantry – bring items when you come to worship on Sunday or if you are not attending "in-person" worship

yet, feel free to drop by the office during office hours and we will come pick up the items from your car. We gave over 70 lbs of food to The Well in March, plus money donations. We are also taking monetary donations – mark your offering "The Well".

**You may now give to The Well designated fund via online giving, text giving, or the Church Life app.



2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday /	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
EASTER SUNDAY	Special Easter Sunday Schedule Easter Brunch: 10:00 am Worship Service: 11:00 am (one service only)			1	2 Church Office Closed	Pisen
aster SUNDAY	5	6 10 am Ladies Prayer Group	7 6:30 pm Facebook Live Bible Study	8	Facility in Use- Homeschool	10
Worship Service 9:00 & 11:00 am	12	10 am Ladies Prayer Group	6:30 pm Facebook Live Bible Study	15	16	17
Worship Service 9:00 & 11:00 am	19	20 10 am Ladies Prayer Group	21 6:30 pm Facebook Live Bible Study	22	23	24
Worship Service 9:00 & 11:00 am	26	27 10 am Ladies Prayer Group	6:30 pm Facebook Live Bible Study	29	5:30-7:30 pm Facility in Use-Homeschool End of Year Party	For I know that my Redeemer lives.

Schedule of Services: Sunday

 Sunday
 Wednesday

 Worship – 9:00 am & 11:00 am
 6:30 pm Facebook Live Bible Study

 Children's Worship – 11:00 am (excluding last Sunday of each month)

All Activities other than Sunday Morning Worship & Children's Worship are currently suspended until further notice. Thank you for your patience as we work through the Guidelines for reopening during the pandemic.





OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2021

As in the past 2 years, we will again be collecting items on a monthly basis for OCC Shoeboxes. The collection basket is in the Senior Ladies

SS Classroom. Below is a list of the items suggested for each month. Please remember that items must be fresh & new.

April: Small Stuffed Animals



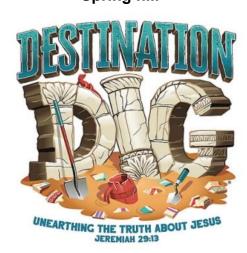
Do you need offering envelopes? Please see Jim Fultz on Sunday, or contact the church office. A box will be prepared for you and placed at the Welcome Desk for you to pick up.



Easter Sunday Schedule

10:00 am "He's Alive" Brunch
11:00 am Worship Service
(There will be one service only)

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2021 June 7-11, 2021

We have some big plans for Vacation Bible School this year, and we know that God is going to do a great work! There are some changes we're making this year to ensure we will have an inperson VBS.

- 1. To keep our class sizes under COVID guidelines, we are not opening up VBS registration to the public this year. We encourage you to invite a few friends, but there will be cap on class size.
- 2. We are changing from 5 days to 3 days for our VBS. The dates will be Monday, June 7th through Wednesday, June 9th. We will have a special VBS themed Children's Worship service on Sunday, June 6th.
- 3. Instead of a VBS Family Night, we will invite parents to stay for lunch on Wednesday, June 9th, when they pick up their students.

These changes will help us maintain safety and be able to meet in person instead of holding VBS digitally again this summer.

We are looking for Volunteers! June will be here before you know it! Contact Josh Howland to let him know you are excited to serve!!



Future Growth Funding

\$20,661.62 in a Construction Acct. at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank \$357,771.97 in a Building Fund at the