



In our *thoughts* and *prayers*



**Names above will be left on for 4 weeks and then removed unless otherwise requested.*

Nursing Home: Doris Bledsoe, Jack Heuby

Our Military, SFCC Youth

Our Missions/Ministries:

Camp Illiana, Ivory Coast Christian Mission, Helping His Hands, Delhi Outreach, Open Arms Christian Ministries, V.U. Christian Campus Fellowship, Pregnancy Choices

Chet Bales, Shirley Baumert, Tina Collins, Andy Dale, Eddy Dale, Mark Dillon, Max Helton, Mike Heshelman, Randy Hill, Floyd & Jean Kamplain, Brionna Myers, Karl Newell, Tim Poole, John Rawles, Nick Weber, Dana Wright

The Kingdom Post-Easter

As we approach the greatest holiday to Christians—Resurrection Sunday—our minds drift to that final week of Jesus’ life on this earth leading up to the

resurrection. The week started with His triumphal entry into Jerusalem, which we remember on Palm Sunday. It continued with Him celebrating the Passover meal with His disciples on Thursday evening, which we commemorate as the Lord’s Supper. Of course, it was Friday that He was tried, beaten, and crucified on a Roman cross, which we call Good Friday. But the pinnacle of that final week of Jesus’ life was Sunday morning, when the stone was rolled away, and a risen Savior walked out of His borrowed tomb. And this is the event that we not only celebrate every year on the first Sunday following the first full moon that occurs on or after the spring equinox; it’s the event we celebrate every single Sunday of the year when we assemble together to declare that He is risen from the grave. Scripture is clear that the church’s entire existence hinges on the resurrection.

And even though the resurrection is an every-week celebration, it’s also extra special to commemorate it together on Easter Sunday each year. I cannot wait to celebrate it with you this coming weekend! Our online worship option has been a great opportunity for us over this past crazy year, but it will never, ever replace or be an adequate substitute for how God designed His church to function. And I’m going to come back to that in a moment.

One of the greatest moments in that final week of Jesus’ life on earth (pre-ascension) was that evening of the Last Supper, which was actually the Passover meal that Jesus took and added a whole new dimension to. He used the elements of that meal to give His disciples a simple way to remember the sacrifice He was about to make. They could get together in the future (which they did) and break bread to remember His broken body. They could drink of the wine to remember His blood shed for the forgiveness of sins. It was a beautiful, yet simple way to continue to proclaim His death until He returns again. And it’s why we still do it today as often as we gather for corporate worship. It’s a communal meal that we do together, just as the first disciples did, and there is something so unifying about celebrating the Lord’s Supper together in the same place each week.

Another thing Jesus taught them *and showed them* at that Last Supper was just as important in how He was establishing His Kingdom post-Easter (the Church). During the meal, because no one had done so upon their arrival (as was customary), and because none of the disciples themselves were willing to stoop so low to do so, Jesus got up from His place at the table, wrapped a towel around His waist, bent down with a basin of water, and He washed all of His disciples’ feet...even the feet of His betrayer Judas. John 13:1-17 speaks of this event.

The question is, “Why?” Why in the world did their Teacher and Master do this when He could have ordered any one of them to perform this menial task that was usually relegated to the lowest man on the totem pole? The reason was, Jesus had been trying to teach them throughout His ministry that His Kingdom is completely upside down from the ways of the world. The lesson here was humility, service, and love. He was showing them all three in one act of washing their feet. You see, Jesus was never just about *teaching* the right words. He was all about *demonstrating* the right actions. He was crystal clear that servanthood is essential to what it means to be His follower and that serving and loving one another is to always, always, always be central in the Kingdom post-Easter. The only ones who might get a pass are those who physically or mentally can no longer do so. The rest of us are without excuse. Jesus told us, “Go and do likewise. You will be blessed if you do.”

So, that brings me back around to my earlier comment. If you have been sitting out for a while, kinda watching from the sidelines, whether you’ve thought of it this way or not, others have been serving you. Have *you* been loving and physically serving the Church, also? If not, the Kingdom has been missing something, and Christ’s Body has not been functioning as well as it should. So, we hope you’ll rejoin and resume your service soon. That’s how Christ set up His Church, and He said you *will* be blessed if you do.

A N N O U N C E M E N T S

We will continue to meet in the FCML for worship as the sanctuary undergoes repairs and remodeling. If you arrive after 9:15am, please use the single door on the west side, entering into the coat hallway.

For those worshipping online, we now have the ability to live stream from the Fellowship Center. So, you may begin watching once again right at 9:10 when we go live.

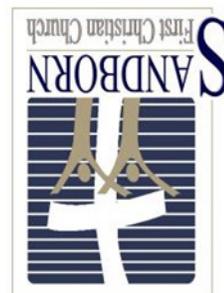
The **Community Good Friday Service** will be here at SFCC at 7:00pm on Apr. 2. This service will be live streamed like our Sunday morning services.

There will be **no Community Sunrise Service** this year. Regular Easter worship will be at 9:15 in the Fellowship Center Main Level. Bring a friend!

On Wed., Apr. 21 from 11:30am-12:30pm, the United Methodist women will be resuming the **Mission Meal** at the Comm. Bldg. carry out only at this time. Simply drive up to the door, and let them know how many meals you need. Deliveries can also be arranged, and donations will be accepted.

- Free Breakfast**
Sundays at 8:15-9:10am, FCML
- Worship & Sunday School**
Sundays at 9:15am, FCML
- Amplify**
Sundays at 10:30am, WCLL
- Plugged In**
Wednesdays at 6:30pm, WCLL
- Faithful Fitness**
Wednesdays at 6:30pm, FCLL
- Community Good Fri. Service**
Fri. 2nd at 7:00pm, FCML
- Board Meeting**
Thurs. 8th at 7:00pm, FCLL
- Elders Meeting (1 wk. later)**
Sun. 11th at 5:30pm, FCLL
- Drive-Thru Mission Meal**
Wed. 21st at 11:30am, Comm. Bldg.

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Apr. Serving Schedule	2 (Good Friday)	4	11	18	25
Bulletin & Communion Distribution	E.B. & Janelle Rawles	Thilo & Debbie Mason	Richard Mortland	Kenny & Janice Sanders	J.D. & Libby Lynch
Communion Meditation	Bryan Sanders	Steve Anderson	Forrest Lynch	Scott Williams	J.D. Lynch
Offering Prayer	To Be Determined on Sunday mornings				
Media Booth	Ralph Heshelman	Luke Powers	Debbie Mason	Madison Burress	Luke Powers
Worship Team	Janice, Karen, Amanda, Janelle, Jeff	Barb, Troy, Amanda, Janelle, Jeff	Renee, Karen, Amanda, Janelle, Jeff	Janice, Troy, Amanda, Janelle, Jeff	Barb, Karen, Amanda, Janelle, Jeff
Decision Guide	N/A	Karen Heuby	Troy Stoll	Renee Schopmeyer	Paul Kaiser
Nursery	N/A	TBD	Tyler & Alexis Van Deventer	Becky Williams	Jes Fry & Lexi Ferree
Preschool Teachers	N/A	Dana Wright	Janelle Rawles	Larry Tennant	TBD
Elementary Teachers	N/A	N/A	Jes Fry	Jeff Heuby	Troy Stoll

Happy Birthday to... Happy Anniversary to...

- 7 Alisa Anderson
- 9 Janelle Rawles
- 11 Breanne Alsman
- 11 Morgan Cazel
- 12 Karl Newell
- 23 Lisa Gregg
- 25 Adam Kaiser
- 30 Carl Apple

- 9 Doug & Debbie Daffron
- 29 Mike & Kellie Cazel

If your name was left off, please fill out an Anniversary/Birthday info sheet found on the table in the foyer and submit it to the minister.

