



Kimberlin *Chronicle*

KIMBERLIN CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
APRIL 2020 NEWSLETTER

Dear Church Family,

At this time of the year I would normally be writing about the season that we are in and that it is one of excitement and anticipation as we approach the Empty Tomb. While this is still true, we also live in a somewhat surreal stretch that has our full and undivided attention as we have added a new word to our vocabulary—Corona Virus, or COVID-19.

As I compose these words we are currently under a “stay-at-home” order from the Governor of Indiana, which precludes us gathering for the public worship of our Lord Jesus Christ. With many not working there is real concern for the economic health of our nation, families, and even our congregation. In the past, we have all complained about the headaches of going to the store, but it has now become an exasperating and even a futile exercise.

While uncertainties mount in this bizarre situation, the common refrain is “how long will this last?” And with the Children of Israel we can join in saying, “How long, O Lord?”

Is there any hope? Let me share some observations with you all...

I have been excited to see our church and community pull together. While the example of hoarders gets our attention, I prefer to focus on the many that has reached out with love to help others. When I call to check on folks in our congregation, I usually have people asking how they can be of help to Pam and myself—before I can ask the same about their family!

While there are those not employed or on reduced hours, most of our congregation still is working or is receiving retirement funds in a timely fashion. I am encouraged when I open the mailbox and find letters that are apparently offering checks (I never open them but pass them along to the Financial Secretary). I will be honest and say that the number needs to increase greatly—and if you have not mailed your offering I ask you to do it today—but I thank God for each one that we receive!

It is frustrating to not meet with you all on Sundays, but I praise God that we continue to gather together. While not the preferred method, we have livestreamed our Sunday morning services and have not cancelled Worship even once!

Even this use of technology has been a blessing from God. How so?

Do you realize how the Gospel of Jesus Christ has been broadcast in this current environment? Churches across our nation have taken to the internet and shared the Biblical witness with many who would probably have never darkened the doors of our houses of worship. While I know that there are duplications, our Worship livestream from 22 March has recorded over 600 views, or over four-times our normal Sunday morning attendance. Praise God that the Gospel knows no bounds!

Is there any hope? Yes indeed, that is the Easter message. We who were dead in our sins had no hope, but our Lord Jesus Christ brought us life that we so urgently needed. This is true not only during viral outbreaks but every day of our lives!

We must never bottle up the Resurrection for just an annual observance but live it throughout the year. Let’s be faithful in living out our hope and sharing that reason to a world that desperately needs Jesus Christ!

Brothers and Sisters, we must never forget that we are Easter people and that we always have hope. Easter is not merely a day but a way of life.

With Love for You All, Pastor Tim.

But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.

I Peter 3:15



1 Timothy 4:12

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.

March has been full of ups and downs for all of us! We began the month with our usual 1st & 3rd Sunday Gatherings; however, we were unable to go to the Clearinghouse as planned on March 5th, (there were some communication errors). With everything happening in our world we were unsure if we would still be able to do our Spring Retreat. After talking with the camps directors and our parents, with a modified schedule, we were still able to go!

We spent Sunday afternoon eating, playing games, hanging out and we watched the movie Overcomer and finished the evening with bible study. Monday and Tuesday were pretty similar, we worked approximately 8 hours both days, helping to get the camp ready for the summer season. We picked up sticks and raked a whole bunch of leaves; unloaded electrical equipment; loaded and unloaded firewood and cleaned out cabins. The teens worked hard for these 2 days! Our trip was cut short because of the governor's stay home directive, so we had to leave Tuesday evening instead of Wednesday afternoon as planned. It was extremely disappointing, because the teens look forward to this trip every year, however we were instructed to head home, so we did. We had a great time of fellowship while we were there, a much-needed break from the craziness of the world right now. Also, thank you to everyone who donated food items, they were very much appreciated!

With everything happening in our world right now with the novel coronavirus, things have looked a little different for us. On March 18th we had our first virtual bible study. It went great! We are doing another virtual bible study on March 26th and will continue to meet this way for as long as needed. They look forward to this new way of doing bible study, as do we. With the virus, we don't know what the next month will bring. We are learning as we go, as we are treading on new and uncharted territory.

We thank you for your continued prayers and support. Grace & Peace, Pastor Tyler & Leah

Future Events

- May 2nd - CCA ABW Spring Retreat at KCBC, 9 a.m.-3 PM
- May 3-4 - Community Revival Services at Leroy's, 7 PM
- May 6-7 - Community 24-Hr. Prayer Vigil at Courtyard lawn, 12 PM Wed.-12 PM Thurs.
- May 7th - National Day of Prayer at the Gazebo in Courtyard, 12 PM
- May 7th - CCA ABMen's Quarterly Mtg. at Alpha Baptist, 7 PM
- May 9th - Youth volunteering at the CRADLE, 9 a.m.-12 PM
- May 9th - Mother-Daughter Banquet in FLC, 6:00 PM
- May 15th - Family Game Night at KCBC 6:00 PM
- May 16th - Shared Blessings, 10a-2p
- May 17th - CCA Spring Singspiration at KCBC, 6:00 PM

Due to the Coronavirus situation be sure to check text messages, Facebook or email to see if any of these events will happen.

EASTER WEEK SERVICES

- APRIL 9** MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE AT THE LEXINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT 7:00 PM. WE ARE INVITED TO JOIN THEM.
- APRIL 10** COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE AT KIMBERLIN CREEK AT 12:05 PM.
KIMBERLIN CREEK GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE AT 7 PM.
- APRIL 11** CHOIR PRACTICE, 9-11 A.M. AT KCBC.
PICTURES WITH THE EASTER BUNNY: 12-1 PM
EASTER EGG HUNT, FLC, 1:00 PM
- APRIL 12** EASTER 'SON'RISE SERVICE, 7:00 A.M.
EASTER BREAKFAST PREPARED BY OUR DEACONS, 8:00 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:30 A.M.
EASTER CANTATA AT OUR MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE, 10:30 A.M.

Again, all this is tentative with what is happening in our world today. Be sure to check on Facebook, text messages and email for updates.

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 (these times do vary)

STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE

	<u>SS</u>	<u>MW</u>	<u>OFFERING</u>
Feb. 23	39	112	\$ 2,125.00
Mar. 1	37	115	\$ 2,850.00
Mar. 8	41	119	\$ 4,350.00
Mar. 15	36	81	\$ 2,850.00
Mar. 22	cancelled	18	\$ 1,500.00
4 Wk. Avg.	38 (-2)	107 (-16)	
5 Wk. Total Received			\$ 13,675.00
5 Wk. Total Needed			\$ 16,650.00
4 Wk. Rec. Last Month			\$ 12,225.00

YTD needed: \$ 99,900.00

YTD received: \$ 84,625.00

(September 1, 2019-March 22, 2020)

What's been on your mind lately? How many of you remember the old saying, "A penny for your thoughts." I'm sure most of you have been affected by and thinking about the Corona Virus. It seems like every news outlet you turn to, or whichever social media platform you are using that it seems to be what's on everyone's mind. Some people are worried about their health, others are worried about their job, and I'm sure that some people have lost all hope. As I was thinking about all that is going on, and how the Easter season seems to be overshadowed by current events I could almost hear Satan laughing at the distractions that are on the minds of the world. Just as quickly as I heard Satan laugh, I immediately could feel the Holy Spirit's presence reminding me that the original Easter must have felt the same way to the early church. Now before you write me off just hear me out. The church at that time had just suffered through an extremely trying time. The Messiah, the one that they held to be the hope of the world, had just been brutally crucified right in front of their eyes. Most of them had gone into hiding, some even quarantining themselves in their own homes, so they wouldn't be questioned or have to face the reality of what was going on. It seemed that all hope was gone, and I'm sure that Satan uttered the same laugh that he's uttering now. However there came a morning that a knock came at the door, and the news was delivered that Christ had risen and hope was renewed, and the church was alive. So keep that in mind, that even though we have been forced to our homes and have had to find different ways to worship, our Savior is still alive and well. He has risen and sits at the right hand of the Father to provide the church with hope to be able to overcome whatever life may throw at us. Happy Easter. Perry Stainbrook

MONTHLY PRAYER LIST - APRIL

CANCER PATIENTS ADDED IN MARCH

Mary Luederman Gary Willis

PRAYER CONCERNS ADDED IN MARCH

Larry & Marcia Blevins	Amanda Hurt	Unspoken
Jr. & Sis Floyd	Rita Fields	Becky Hall
John Dickerson	Armando Romero	Julia Morris
People in Tenn. Tornado	Anthony Judd	Phil Joyce
Jim & Norma Jean Mummert	Alan Edwards	Denise Miller
Anna Bell Cox	Everitt McNeely	Bobby Hall
Nicole Hoskins & baby	Tyler Spicer	Angie Riley
Tammy Robinson	JoAn Azure	Our World
Eva Johnson	Leon Brown	Ellen Brown
Eian & Mike Brown	Ron Coomer	Tonia Spicer
Dorothy Bowling	Cody Fortner	Kyle West
Jeremy Miller	George Massey	Tom Jeffries
Youth going on retreat	Lawson Family	Julia Avendaño

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF:

Betty Fox	Randy Hawn	Gina Bridgewater
Bill Schill	Betty Igou	Peggy Back Taylor
Mullikin family	Don Armstrong	Geraldine Higdon
Patsy Craig	Raymond Richie	Bill Shirley
Edward Shorty Barger		Mary Diaz

All the meetings and events below have been cancelled or postponed. Check text messages, emails or on our Facebook page to see when or if any of them will be rescheduled due to the Coronavirus.

 The Fundraising Semi-Formal Dinner at the Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp scheduled for Thursday, April 2.

Workday at the church on April 4th.

 Marathon meeting day on April 5th

Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, April 7th.

 You can still keep up your giving to the church online at the church's website:
www.kimberlincreek.com. Scroll down to where it says GIVE. Click on it and follow the instructions. You can give through PayPal with the following credit cards. Thanks so much for honoring us with your giving.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Kami Basham, Russell Wells, James St. Clair
- 4 Geneva McClellan
- 5 Dixie Miller, Carrie James, Shirley Day
- 6 Jerry & Juanita Hobbs, 1974**
- 7 Norma Jean Mummert, Kathy Shaw
- 9 Mya Nay
- 10 Jason Sebastian, Vickie Ziemba, Cameron Jeffries
- 12 Karen Brunner, Dale Sawin
- 13 Bonnie Shields
- 14 Clint James, Trudy Blair
- 15 Mike Gregg, Isaiah Nay
- 16 Vicki Sawin
- 17 Jim Kennedy, Becki McNeeley, Dakota Shepherd
- 19 Lisa Braden
- 20 Aubree Eldridge, Hunter Joyce
- 23 Brandon & Alyssa Hublard, 2015**
- 23 Lesley Miller
- 24 Pastor Tim & Pam Mohon, 1985**
- 27 Sheri-Lee Hoard
- 28 Katey Middleton, Rachael Wagner
- 30 Mickey Hall Jr.

I still want to make sure that I have everyone's birthday & anniversary on this page. If you don't think I have yours on here, please let me know. Thanks, Judy Peacock

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FAMILY MEALS

The Wednesday night family meals are open to everyone. It costs just \$1.00 per person (to help cover the cost of the entrée). We ask that you bring an item to share from the lists below or check the Sunday bulletin. If you would like to prepare the entrée for one Wednesday night, please sign up on the sheet on the desk in the small fellowship hall.

APRIL 1 - No Services scheduled for this night.

APRIL 8 - TBA
 Dessert, Drinks

APRIL 15 - Smoked Sausage/diced potatoes (Angie Avendano)
 Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Fresh Garden Salad, Dessert, Drinks

APRIL 22 - TBA
 Dessert, Drinks

APRIL 29 - TBA
 Dessert, Drinks

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ATTENDANCE

	Adults	Youth	Team Kid	Totals
2/26	28	11	16	55
3/04	17	9	19	45
3/11	15	9	19	43
3/18	There were no services.			
3/25	There were no services.			
Avg.	20	10	18	48
Last Month				
Avg.	15	11	18	44