

There is something almost magical about Spring. The cold emptiness of winter gives way to warmer days and nature waking up all around us. Wherever we look we are reminded about renewal and rebirth and that though the night is dark it only lasts a season. There is always hope coming with the dawn.

As we look around at the green reappearing around us let us not forget that we have hope not because of the changing of the season, but because of an empty tomb. Jesus chose to come and walk as a man. Jesus chose to die on a cross. Jesus defeated death and the grave. Jesus is alive now and forever more, and Jesus invites you to join him in this renewed life. That is why we have hope. We have hope because of Jesus.

So this year as you walk outside and feel the warmer air, as you enjoy the sights and rhythms of spring do not forget the Savior who died and rose again. Do not forget the Savior who offers you eternal life. He is the reason we have hope. He is the reason we celebrate.

Jesus is alive and He invites you to join with Him. This Spring let us rejoice that Jesus died for our sins and even more that He rose again. Jesus is risen. Let us Rejoice!

—Shane



FRIENDSHIP EGG HUNT

April 16 | 10:30 a.m.

Bring your family and invite your friends to our annual Friendship Family Egg hunt. We will have a good time finding eggs while also learning about the resurrection of Jesus. This would be a perfect opportunity for you to invite your friends and neighbors to come to church.



FAMILY GAME NIGHT

April 23 | 5:00-9:00 p.m.

The Friendship Youth and Children's Ministry has planned a fun night of board games for the Friendship Family. Anyone from age 5-105 is invited to attend. We will be learning lots of fun new games and playing some old favorites as well. Snacks and pizza will be provided.



Welcome to our New Members

Brent & Pam Samuels

We're Glad You're Here!



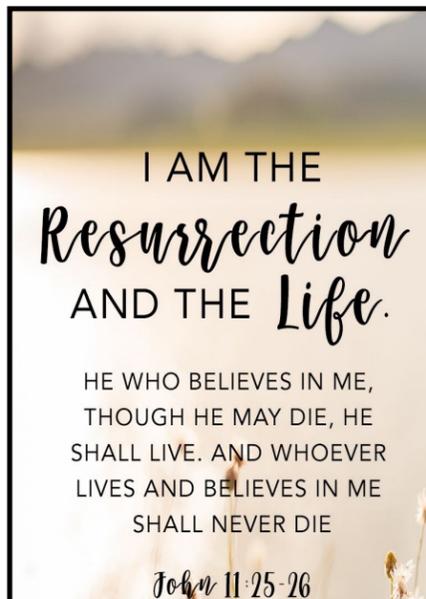
Weekly Activities

SUNDAY

Sunday School - 9:30 am
Worship - 8:15 am & 10:45 am
Evening Worship - 6:00 pm
Children's Bible Study - 6:00 pm
Youth Bible Study - 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY

Prayer Service - 6:30 pm
Youth Bible Study - 6:30 pm
Kids Choir - 6:30 pm



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Budget Receipts

Required to Date: \$ 120,231
Received to Date: \$ 125,608

Nursery Volunteers

April 3

8:15 a.m. — Amanda Triplett
10:45 a.m. — Spencer & Melissa Hawkins

April 10

8:15 a.m. — Tori Ramsdell
10:45 a.m. — Carol Fields & Lakin
Gene & Deborah Reaney

April 17

8:15 a.m. — Nancy Bruce & Masami Smith
10:45 a.m. — Michael & Melissa Myers
Kathy Goodman & Kathy Baucum

April 24

8:15 a.m. — Craig & LeeAnn Brown
10:45 a.m. — Meredith Yancey

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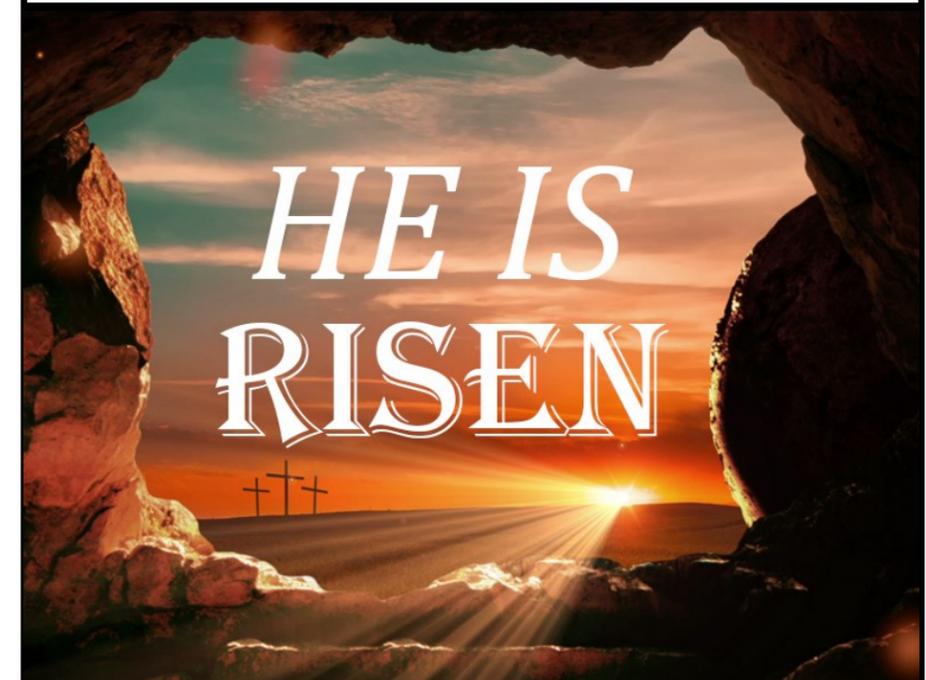
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RESURRECTION WEEKEND

At Friendship, we celebrate the truth that the tomb is empty, the stone has been rolled away, and Jesus Christ is risen! We are excited to provide several meaningful worship opportunities during Resurrection Weekend. Join us for Good Friday Worship on April 15 at 7:00 p.m. You won't want to miss Resurrection Worship on April 17 at 8:15 or 10:45 a.m. We will livestream the Good Friday Worship Service and the 10:45 a.m. Service on Resurrection Sunday. To indicate which Resurrection Sunday Worship Service you will attend, please go to www.friendshiponthenet.org/heisrisen and save your seat, use the QR code, or call the church office for assistance. There will be no evening activities on Sunday, April 17.





**“Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marveled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.”
(Acts 4:13)**

Just a few weeks prior to this incident recorded in Acts 4, the disciples were trembling for their lives as their Lord was arrested and then crucified. They had all fled in the Garden of Gethsemane and then Peter, whose boldness was legendary, had denied Jesus three times. The fact that they had been serving with Jesus for three years, witnessing many miracles, apparently did not inspire the necessary courage to watch with Jesus in the Garden nor to stick with Him to the end. Perhaps the miraculous had become a bit commonplace for them, so that when the threat to Jesus came full force, they floundered and failed miserably.

What happened that changed their state of being so dramatically in this encounter with the Jewish leaders? I believe it was two things: (1) they had seen their Lord resurrected from the dead; and (2) they were now filled with the resurrection power provided by the Holy Spirit. The power of the resurrection was within and upon them! The reality and security of God's indwelling Presence and power, inspired a boldness far beyond human courage.

Their boldness amazed the Sadducees and Pharisees who despised Peter and John as “unlearned and ignorant” men. They marveled at the fearlessness of the apostles whose knowledge was of a different and superior kind: the knowledge of their risen and resurrected Lord. And then the religious leaders noted that these men had been with Jesus!

This resurrection power is yours, and it is mine, as we continue to yield ourselves daily to the Holy Spirit. May we also confound and amaze others with the boldness of resurrection life. I pray that through the manner in which we conduct our lives, others will take note that “we have been with Jesus.”

God is good! All the time!

Jason



Operation Christmas Child Year Round — The item for April is Soap (no liquid soap) & Washcloths. A box is provided in the KidZone for your donations.

WITH DEEPEST
Sympathy

Bro. Jason & the Friendship Family express Christian love & sympathy to...

- ...Donna Hudson & family in the death of her brother, Donnie Bynum.
- ...Mary Maczuk & family in the death of her brother, James Allcock.
- ...Masami Smith & family in the death of her father, Masaaki Watanabe.
- ...Lacy Halligan & family in the death of her father, Rodger Lutz.
- ...Lynn Bond & family in the death of her mother, Dorothy Herndon.



- 5 11:30 a.m. — JOY Club
- 6:00 p.m. — Operation Andrew, Team 2
- 10 10:45 a.m. — Outdoor Worship
- 11 7:00 p.m. — Deacons
- 12 6:00 p.m. — Operation Andrew, Team 3
- 13 5:00 p.m. — Family Night Supper
- 14 3:00 p.m. — Gospel Concert
- 15 7:00 p.m. — Good Friday Worship
- 16 10:30 a.m. — Children's Egg Hunt
- 17 Resurrection Sunday
- 19 10:30 a.m. — Women on Mission
- 6:00 p.m. — Operation Andrew, Team 1
- 20 5:30 p.m. — Finance Team
- 6:30 p.m. — Business Mtg.
- 23 9:00 a.m. — Church Work Day
- 5:00 p.m. — Family Game Night
- 24 Labor for Your Neighbor
- 26 6:00 p.m. — Operation Andrew, Team 2
- 30 1:00 p.m. — Jessica Wyatt/Cody Collins Wedding

Weekly Events:

- Mondays @ 6:30 p.m. — Ladies Evening Bible Study*
- Tuesdays @ 6:30 a.m. — Men's Prayer Group*
- Thursdays @ 9:30 a.m. — Ladies Morning Bible Study*
- Thursdays @ 5:30 p.m. — GriefShare*



Evangelism Team Challenge for April — Ask a neighbor or co-worker if they know Jesus as their Savior.



Ladies Evening Bible Study begins Monday, April 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. *Get Out of Your Head* is a Biblical guide to discovering how to submit our minds to Christ because how we think shapes how we live. As we surrender every thought to Jesus, the promises of God flood our lives in profound ways. Sign up in the Worship Center.



April 13, 5:00 p.m. The menu is: Pizza, Salad, & Dessert. Sign up in the worship center or call the church office by noon on Tuesday, April 12 if you plan to attend.



Sunday, April 24
Be watching for more details



You are invited to attend the wedding of Jessica Wyatt & Cody Collins on Saturday, April 30, 1:00 p.m. at Friendship.



Robert Lowry was born in Philadelphia in 1826. As a teen, he was active in teaching Sunday school, as well as serving in the choir of his church. He began working as a pastor, as well as a professor of

literature.

While preaching was Robert's main work for many years, he always had a deep love of music. In time, he began dedicating more effort to music and by the end of his life, he had written dozens of popular hymns and tunes such as: "Here Is Love," "I Need Thee Every Hour," "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus," "Shall We Gather at the River?," and "We're Marching to Zion."

This song which reminds us of the fact that Jesus, who was crucified, was also raised from the grave, is "Christ Arose." The text often identified by its first line, "Low in the Grave He Lay," was written and the tune (He Arose) was composed both in 1874 ... During the spring of that year, he was having his evening devotions and was impressed with the events associated with Christ's resurrection. Soon he found himself in the parlor of his home and, in a very spontaneous fashion, there came forth from his thoughts the words and music for this song...

Stanza #1 talks about how Christ lay in the tomb waiting the resurrection day: "Low in the grave He lay, Jesus my Savior, Waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!"

Stanza #2 tells about how preparations were made to keep Christ's body in the tomb: "Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus my Savior; Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord!"

Stanza 3 speaks of how Christ came forth from the grave: "Death cannot keep its Prey, Jesus my Savior; He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!"

...then the chorus which triumphantly declares,

*"Up from the grave He arose,
With a mighty triumph o'er His foes!
He arose a Victor from the dark domain,
And He lives forever, with His saints to reign.
He arose! He arose!
Hallelujah! Christ arose!"*

The resurrection of Christ from the dead is recorded in the scriptures not as some kind of allegory but as an actual event: (Luke 24:6-8). And it is presented in the scripture as the basis for our hope (I Peter 1:3-4). Therefore, we can rejoice and have hope because of the fact that "Christ Arose."

Under the Master's Baton,
Bro. Chad

Mark Trammell Quartet — Join us for a night of Southern Gospel music at First Free Will Baptist Church on Thursday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. No admission, a Love Offering will be taken. The church bus will leave Friendship at 3:00 pm. We will eat supper at Moonlight Bar-B-Q before the concert. Sign up in the worship center. See Mike Baucum for any questions.



The JOY Club will go to Hoskins BBQ on Tuesday, April 5. Meet at the church at 11:00 a.m. to ride the bus. All "seenagers" are invited to this fellowship.