Last Week's Attendance: Sunday School- 28, Worship- 33

Prayer Concerns:

- April- Miguel home from hospital, but seizures are continuing
- Sharon S. now recovering at The Maples
- Prayers for Chad's mom Katie while family is in Hawaii
- John W.– mom doing much better, hoping to return to FL
- Pat is home from the hospital and is feeling better

The Brethren Retreat's semiannual King's BBQ Fundraiser will be held Saturday, April 22nd in Lagrange. Chicken halves are \$9 apiece or 3 for \$25, and Potatoes are \$4 per container. A preorder signup sheet is available in the fellowship hall. We are also looking for a servant willing to pick up our church's preorder on that Saturday.



EASTER SCHEDULE

Sunrise Service 8:45am Breakfast 9:30am Worship 10:15am Bring flowers
for our Live
Floral Cross!



April 2nd, 2023 Today's Message:

God is Offering Us Himself (Mark 14:12-31)

9am- Sunday School 10am- Fellowship 10:15am- Morning Worship

Welcome to First Brethren Church! We're glad you're here!

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Calendar:

Today, April 2nd— Sunday School, 9am, Coffee Fellowship, 10am Worship, 10:15am, Communion, 5pm **Tuesday, April 4th**— Butterfly Mornings, 9:30am, Youth leave for Camp Serve, 11:15am

Upcoming Birthdays!!

Tuesday, April 4th— Jayden Fowler Friday, April 7th— Tim Mullins Saturday, April 8th— Riley Miller Friday, April 14th— Theresa Miles

Upcoming Anniversaries!!

Wednesday, April 5th—Bob & June Fowler Monday, April 10th—Larry & Joyce Parcell

Our Annual Pancake & Sausage Fundraiser will be held Saturday, April 29th, from 8-10am here at the church. All money raised will provide scholarships for kids to attend camp this summer. Please plan on joining us. And MEN, we need your help to cook and serve the food!

April 2nd, 2023 ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude-

Welcome and Announcements-

Opening Hymn- #191—There is Power in the Blood

Scripture & Prayer– *Jeremiah 31:31-33*

"The time is coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their forefathers when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares the LORD. "This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time," declares the LORD. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people."

Hymn- #201 – Grace Greater Than Our Sin

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Responding in Worship— The Worship Team

Closing Prayer

If you have an offering to give this morning, please place it in the box at the back of the Sanctuary Leading Worship Today—

Sermon Notes:

The Passover Seder Jesus and His disciples shared was to remember the Israelites' escape from
We can be just as weak as the when we don't lean on the power of the
Jesus gave Communion to the disciples when they were at their
Despite our sin, JESUS ISN'T ON US!
Daily Scripture Readings:
Sunday – Mark 14:12-31 Monday – John 15:1-13
Tuesday- Mark 14:32-52 Wednesday- Mark 14:53-72
Thursday- Mark 15:1-20 Friday- Mark 15:21-41
Saturday- Mark 15:42-47

We are partnering with CAPS of Elkhart County to promote awareness for April Child Abuse Prevention Month. Part of the awareness effort is Pinwheels for Prevention, a nationally recognized visual to show your support of vulnerable children and families and unite against child abuse and neglect. First Brethren Church will be a part of a community-wide project to display pinwheel gardens which will be highlighted on CAPS' social media and website. Some of you may have seen the pinwheel garden outside the CAPS central office, where each April they display one pinwheel for each child who has died in Elkhart County in the past year due to child abuse and/or neglect. It is a sobering display of remembrance.

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