Prayer Concerns:

- McKeowns praise God for a great vacation
- Pray for Cowboys for Christ ride this Saturday
- Youth praise God for a good trip to Shipshewana, where they did demolition work
- Travel mercies for all travelling
- Continued prayer for Sharon S., who is at the Maples

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. <u>We are also looking for a servant willing to pick up our church's preorder on that Saturday.</u>

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!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR CAMP!

SUMMER CAMP BROCHURES NOW AVAILABLE! HERE ARE THIS SUMMER'S CAMP DATES:

- * PARENT/CHILD & GRANDCAMP- JUNE 9-11
- * IGNITE (11-14 YRS) JUNE 18-24
- * FUEL (8-11 YRS) JUNE 25-JULY 1
- * SPORTS (9-13 YRS) & BLAZE (14-18 YRS) JULY 2-6
- * BLAZEX (14-18 YRS) JULY 6-8
- * ARCHERY (9-13 YRS) JULY 9-13
- * PIONEER (10-12 YRS) JULY 9-15
- * MINI BIBLE CAMP (6-8 YRS) JULY 16-18



April 16th, 2023 Today's Message: God is Embracing Thankfulness

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

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Calendar:

Today, April 16th– Youth Community Event, 2-4pm (meet at 1:30 to carpool) Tuesday, April 18th– Butterfly Mornings, 9:30am, Official Board Meeting, 6:30pm Sunday, April 23rd– Youth Group, 6pm

CHANGE OF ADDRESS SERMON SERIES

OUR NEW SERMON SERIES BEGINS IN JUST TWO WEEKS. WE WILL LOOK AT LESSONS LEARNED BY GOD'S PEOPLE IN EXILE IN THE OLD TESTAMENT BOOKS OF JEREMIAH, DANIEL, AND EZEKIEL. JOIN US!

Upcoming Birthdays!!

Tuesday, April 18th– Mary Garver Sunday, April 23rd– Joyce Parcell Tuesday, April 25th– Jim Morris

Upcoming Anniversaries!!

Saturday, April 15th– Doyle & Brenda Weaver Wednesday, April 19th– John & Grace Cline

Last Week's Attendance: Sunrise Service- 51, Worship- 61

Sermon Notes:

April 16th, 2023– ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude-

Welcome and Announcements-

Opening Hymn- #2–Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Scripture & Prayer- Psalm 69:30-33

I will praise God's name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving. This will please the LORD more than an ox, more than a bull with its horns and hooves. The poor will see and be glad you who seek God, may your hearts live! The LORD hears the needy and does not despise his captive people.

Hymn- #563- Count Your Blessings

Message– God is Embracing Thankfulness Pastor Jeff Estep

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– Megan Long Don't criticize the genuine ______ of others.

Jesus _____ Mary because her act was genuine.

What did Mary have to be thankful for?

She had received Jesus' _____

Jesus had _____ with her

Jesus had ______ her brother Lazarus from the _____

Daily Scripture Readings:

Sunday– Mark 14:1-11 Monday– John 5:1-18 Tuesday– John 12:1-11 Wednesday– Luke 10:38-42 Thursday– Ephesians 1:1-14 Friday– John 11:28-35 Saturday– Ephesians 2:1-6

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