

Prayer Concerns:

- Jan– the man we prayed for months ago who lost his legs just got prosthetics and is walking again!
- John W.'s mom released from rehab, traveling back home
- Sharon S.– has swelling in feet, at the Maples
- Grace– praises God she got a good report at doctor's appt.
- Pray for man named John who needs his leg amputated
- Prayer for all who are traveling this week
- Pray for Cowboys for Christ ride April 15th, for good weather!

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

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!

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.



April 9th, 2023

**Today's Message:
Four Gardens, Three Trees, and
One Savior**

**HAPPY EASTER!
WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!**

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Calendar:

**Today, April 9th– Sunrise Service- 8:45am, Breakfast– 9:30am,
Worship, 10:15am,**

Tuesday, April 11th– Butterfly Mornings, 9:30am

Sunday, April 16th– Youth Community Event, 2-4pm

Upcoming Birthdays!!

Friday, April 14th– Theresa Miles Tuesday, April 18th– Mary Garver

Upcoming Anniversaries!!

Monday, April 10th– Larry & Joyce Parcell

Saturday, April 15th– Doyle & Brenda Weaver

Wednesday, April 19th– John & Grace Cline



**If you have flowers to put on our
Live Floral Cross, feel free to do so
anytime before the start of worship!**

Last Week's Attendance: Sunday School– 25, Worship– 36

**April 9th, 2023– EASTER SUNDAY!
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Prelude-

Dance of Celebration– Eva Estep

Welcome and Announcements–

Opening Hymn- #216–Christ Arose

Scripture & Prayer– *Luke 24:5-8*

While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ‘The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.’ ” Then they remembered his words.

Hymn- #220– He Lives

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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:

First Garden– Eden– Where things went tragically _____

Second Garden– Gethsemane– Where Jesus willingly takes God’s _____ at our sin upon _____

Third Garden– The Garden Tomb– Proves that our sin is _____ and _____ is defeated because Christ is risen!

Fourth Garden– Tree of Life– Which represents _____ intimacy with God in heaven

Daily Scripture Readings:

Sunday– Luke 24:1-12 **Monday–** Genesis 2

Tuesday– Genesis 3 **Wednesday–** John 3:1-21

Thursday– Hebrews 12:1-3 **Friday–** Revelation 22:1-15

Saturday– Luke 23:32-43

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