



News from Creighton First Baptist Church



Let me begin April with a few questions. Our focus this year is on praying, God's people should be a praying people. As we end the first quarter of the year, has your prayer life changed? Are you more aware of God's answers and working in the lives of those you pray for? We have been challenged to journal, how are you doing in your journaling? Obviously, I do not need your answers, just take a minute between you and the Lord to exam your prayer life.

Our focus for the next quarter, is to pray for the Church. Pray for all Bible believing churches in our country and around the world to stay true to God's word. Pray for our church. Pray we are faithful to the Lord, protected from Satan's attacks and for our light to shine in Creighton and wherever our service is viewed around the world on line.

I know it took a minute to get here, but this April we get to celebrate the most important day for Christians. The Resurrection of Jesus! Without the resurrection, we are above all people the most pitiful, 1 Corinthians 15:19. To see the impact of the resurrection, read I Corinthians 15:12-28. If you read 1 Corinthians 15, you will see that I am not exaggerating about the resurrection being the greatest event in human history. We have reason to celebrate! I pray we not only celebrate but we also let people know why we are celebrating.

Have a blessed Resurrection Sunday and a blessed month of April.

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April memory verse: Colossians 4:2

Coming Soon!

Saturday Evening Worship Service
April 1 at 6:00 p.m.



April 7 at 6:00 p.m.



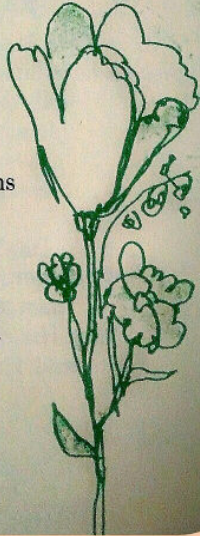
April 8 at 8:30 a.m.



Sunrise Service
April 9 at 8:00 a.m.

Because Christ Lives

A troubled world can find
 Blessed reassurance
 And enduring peace of mind . . .
 For though we grow discouraged
 In this world we're living in,
 There is comfort just in knowing
 God has triumphed over sin . . .
 For our Saviour's Resurrection
 Was God's way of telling men
 That in Christ we are eternal
 And in Him we live again . . .
 And to know life is unending
 And God's love is unending, too,
 Makes our daily tasks and burdens
 So much easier to do . . .
 For the blessed Easter Story
 Of Christ the living Lord,
 Makes our earthly sorrow nothing
 When compared with this reward.



After the Winter God Sends the Spring

*Springtime is a season of
 hope and joy and cheer—
 There's beauty all around us
 to see and touch and hear...
 So no matter how downhearted
 and discouraged we may be,
 New hope is born when we behold
 leaves budding on a tree
 Or when we see a timid flower
 push through the frozen sod
 And open wide in glad surprise
 its petaled eyes to God...
 For this is just God saying,
 "Lift up your eyes to Me,
 And the bleakness of your spirit,
 like the budding springtime tree,
 Will lose its wintry darkness
 and your heavy heart will sing."
 For God never sends the winter
 without the joy of spring.*

Community of Care

The Creighton Community of Care will be the hands and feet of Christ and respond to needs in the Creighton area, guided by Matthew 25:35-40.

At our March 20, 2023 meeting, the following was reported for the year of 2022:

Assistance was given to 7 families as follows:

Utility assistance:	\$1,183.00
Family emergencies:	450.00

TOTAL:	\$1,633.00
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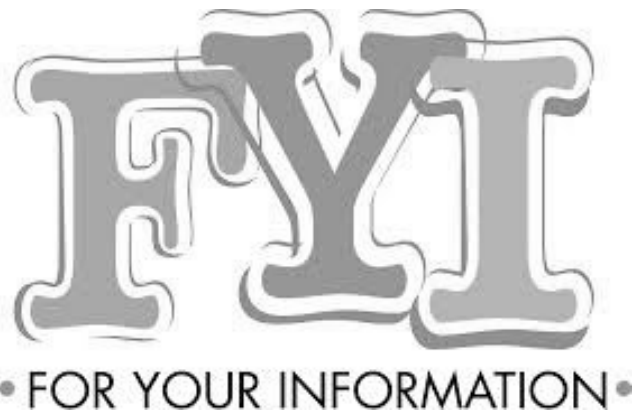
Food Pantry	\$ 500.00
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Sherwood School

Gift cards	\$1,000.00
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TOTAL:	\$3,133.00
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Our annual bake sale is scheduled for May 13.



Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service	10:45 a.m.
Wednesday evening fireside chat on Facebook®	7:00 p.m.
First Saturday Night of the Month Service	6:00 p.m.

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Our church phone #: (660) 499-2890
 (leave a message, we check the machine regularly)

Check out our website: www.fbcreighton.org





Adult Bible Studies for Life Dealing with Temptation

- April 16: The Source of Temptation (James 1:13-18)
 April 23: The Temptation to Rely on Myself Instead of God (Deuteronomy 8:2-10; Matthew 4:1-4)
 April 30: The Temptation to Test God (Deuteronomy 6:16-25; Matthew 4:5-7)

Youth Bible Studies for Life The Source of Temptation

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Children Bible Studies for Life Jesus, the Savior

- April 2: Jesus Entered Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11)
 April 10: Jesus Died for Sinners (Matthew 26:36-28:10)
 April 16: Thomas Believed (John 20:19-31)
 April 23: Jesus Restored Peter (John 18:15-18,25-27; 21:1-19)
 April 30: Jesus Returned to Heaven (Acts 1:4-11)

Preschool Bible Studies for Life We Celebrate Jesus

- April 2: Jesus Entered Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11)
 April 10: Jesus Is Alive! (Matthew 28:1-10)
 April 16: Thomas Saw Jesus (John 20:19-31)
 April 23: Jesus Helped the Disciples (John 21:1-19)
 April 30: Jesus Taught Two Men (Luke 24:13-35)



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Please take note: **NEW** dates for Vacation Bible School this year

July 11-15
 Youth and Adult
 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
 We begin each night with dinner.

July 17-21
 Children's Bible School
 Preschool through the sixth grade
 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

July 23
 Celebration of both Bible Schools
 4:00 p.m.



Low Country Chowder

2 tablespoons ($\frac{1}{4}$ stick) butter
 $\frac{1}{2}$ onion, chopped
 1 cup sliced mushrooms
 2 cloves garlic, minced
 1 can (10.5 ounces) cream of mushroom soup
 1 cup milk or half-and-half
 1 teaspoon hot sauce
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon celery salt
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon Old Bay seasoning
 salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
 12 bite-size pieces kielbasa or smoked sausage
 4 red potatoes, cooked and cut into quarters
 4 to 6 crab claws or equivalent meat from body or 1 can (8 Ounce
 claw crabmeat (optional)
 12 shrimp, cooked, peeled
 deveined corn kernels from 2 cooked ears and scrapings from
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Melt butter in a soup pot over medium heat. Add onions, mushrooms, and garlic. Cook until onions are translucent. Add mushroom soup, milk, seasonings (generally go heavier on pepper), sausage, and potatoes. Cook on medium-low until well blended and small bubbles appear. Reduce heat to low and cook for 10 minutes. Add crab (if using), shrimp, and corn. Cook for a few minutes, or until heated through. Remove promptly from heat and serve.

Makes 4 servings.

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ROASTED RED PEPPER, MOZZARELLA, AND BASIL-STUFFED CHICKEN

4 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves
 1 tablespoon Italian seasoning, divided
 salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
 1 jar (12 ounces) sweet roasted red peppers,
 sliced into 1-inch pieces
 1 bunch fresh basil leaves
 8 ounces fresh mozzarella, cut into 8 slices
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese

Preheat oven to 400°F. Grease a 13x9-inch, broiler-safe casserole. Butterfly chicken breast halves: Slice through each breast horizontally, leaving $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch "hinge." Open chicken breasts and place in casserole. Sprinkle with half of Italian seasoning and salt and pepper. On one side (half) of each breast, layer roasted red peppers, basil leaves, and 1 slice mozzarella. Fold over other side, tucking in fillings. Sprinkle with remaining Italian seasoning. Bake for 30 to 40 minutes, or until chicken is no longer pink. Remove from oven. Turn oven to broil. Top each breast with 1 slice mozzarella. Sprinkle with Parmesan. Broil until cheese is browned and bubbly, about 5 minutes.

Makes 4 servings.

