

Children are excited to hunt eggs at the Easter Egg Hunt on April 8, 2023.



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From the Pastor...

Operation In-As-Much is this Saturday! It's a strange name for a great day. Of course, if you're familiar with the King James version of Matthew 25, the name isn't as odd.

*Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren,
ye have done it unto me.*
Mattheew 25:40

Matthew 25 is where Jesus tells a parable about separating the sheep from the goats (spiritually speaking). The sheep are the ones who feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, take in strangers, clothe the naked and visit the sick and prisoners.

We won't be doing all these exact things Saturday, but they are all in the spirit of In-As-Much. This is a church-wide event, and we will have projects for all age groups and skill levels. Every project starts in the Family Life Center.

Yard Sale – 8:00 a.m. till Noon (Volunteers come at 7:30 am), Team Leader: William Barnard
All proceeds will help our Kentucky Mission Team provide flood recovery in Eolia, Kentucky.

Clothes Closet – 8:30 a.m. till 11:30 a.m., Team Captain: Brenda Falter
Welcome guests and help them find clothing. Other jobs include sorting and stocking donations.

Birthday Party Bags – 9:00 a.m. till completion, Team Leader: Valerie Granade
Put together birthday party kits for families that come to Iredell Christian Ministry.

Hygiene Kits – 9:00 a.m. till completion, Team Leader: Hilda Lee
Assemble hygiene kits for kids at Power Cross Ministries.

Lunch at 5th Street – 9:00 a.m. till completion, Team Leader: Melissa Wilson
Prepare and serve lunch to residents and other people experiencing homelessness.

Yoke Fellow Help – 9:00 a.m. till completion
Assist with sorting and stocking donations. This provides assets to help those in need.

Upper Room Projects – 9:00 a.m. till completion, Team Leader: David Potter
Help build and install sound panels that will improve the acoustics at Upper Room

Come join a team and help as long as you're able!

Schedule

Sunday, April 23

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary & Live Stream

Monday, April 24

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

Wednesday, April 26

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

5:15 p.m. Family Night Meal

6:00 p.m. Preschool Choir, Children's Choir,
& Missions

6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, April 27

1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet

Sunday, April 30

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary & Live Stream

Monday, May 1

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

Wednesday, May 3

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

5:15 p.m. Family Night Meal

6:00 p.m. Preschool Choir, Children's Choir,
& Missions

6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, May 4

1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet

Church Staff Directory

Dr. Nelson Granade.....Senior Minister
Mr. James Martin.....Minister of Music & Worship
Rev. Melissa Wilson.....Minister of Children & Youth
Mrs. Elizabeth Kilby.....Minister of Young Families & Missions
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A Message From Minister of Young Families & Missions Elizabeth Kilby

I love Operation Inasmuch days. Paired with the community yard sale, it is a great time where we go out into the community and the community gets to come to us. That is the beauty of this day. Scripture reminds me again and again that we are made to be in relationship and community with one another and this is such a beautiful way to come together and serve, while cleaning out our closets and helping the community. Please join us to celebrate this special day on Saturday, Yardsale starts at 8:00 a.m., Clothes Closet opens at 8:30 a.m. and Inasmuch starts at 9:00 a.m.

We are excited about the Kentucky Mission trip which is just around the corner. If you haven't let me know that you are coming please let me know ASAP. You don't want to miss out on this opportunity to see this great part of the country and help some who are in need after the flood in the fall. Mission trips are my favorite way to bring people together from all corners of the church to have a common bond and share with one another while loving the people around us. They provide me with inspiration to move forward in new ways of sharing with those around me the gospel and the importance of why we do what we do.



Spiritual Statistics

Weeks of April 9 & 16, 2023

| | 4/9 | 4/16 |
|----------------------------|-----|------|
| Live Stream Views. | 36 | 4 |
| In-Person. | 307 | 155 |
| Sunday School. | NA | 98 |

Financial Statistics

| | April | Year-to-Date |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Giving Goal | 65,926.00 | 577,319.00 |
| Budget Receipts | 40,160.00 | 519,418.00 |
| Goals Not Yet Met | (25,766.00) | (57,901.00) |
| Alms | 1,281.00 | 9,057.00 |
| Designated | 1,153.00 | 39,890.00 |

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 8, 2023





Announcements

Wednesday Evening Menus

April 26
breakfast for dinner

May 3
shepherd's pie

No reservation is needed.
Cost is \$5.00/adult and \$4.00/child.

First Baptist T-Shirts Available

We have a T-shirt for you! We're encouraging every member to purchase a FBCS T-shirt (Adult sizes \$12, Children sizes \$10). This is an outreach project and we hope you will wear them around town to let people know about our ministries.

We will also use these shirts to identify ourselves when we do mission projects (like Operation In-As-Much) and group trips (like camps or senior trips). T-shirts are available in the office during the week as well as Wednesday evening (fellowship hall) and Sunday mornings (welcome center).

Baptismal Discussion Report Wednesday, April 26, 2023 6:00 p.m. - FLC

In January and February, our congregation studied baptism and shared our views on our current policies. Our deacons have been processing this information and will report back to the congregation 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 26, 2023. No motions will be made. This is information and discussion only.

Cassidy Barker, African Missionary to Share

Our own missionary to Tanzania, Cassidy Barker, is home and looking forward to sharing her experiences with her church family. Please join us 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 3, 2023 to welcome Cassidy back and hear her story.

Happy Birthday

May 1

Hannah May

May 2

Angie Eubanks
Charlotte Gordon
Chuck Heckel
James Johnson
Kaye Martin

May 4

Jewel Travis

May 6

Kevin Beale

May 7

Jeanette Eller

May 8

Don Hawkins

May 10

Debi Martin

May 11

Kristy Mitchell

May 12

Jenevecia Acosta
Lynn Deal
Hilda Lee
Brenda Wilson
Jan Wuertz

May 13

Debbie Elliott
Nina Waters

May 15

Mickey Robinette

May 17

Lauren Milwood
Web Mitchell
Derek Osborne

May 18

Grace Ashley
Neill Pardue

May 19

Rachel Beale
Aiden Jones

May 20

David Deal
Anna James

May 21

Daniel Mitchell

May 22

Jeanie Murdock

May 23

Tom Brandon

Suzanne Osborne

May 25

Carter Hinceman

May 26

Jack Causey

May 27

Carolyn Dellinger
Melissa Wilson

May 30

Burwell Whittenton

