

PLANTED ROOTS

**NEW LIFE
CHRISTIANCHURCH**
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*Plant your roots in Christ and let Him be the foundation
for your Life. Colossians 2:7*

April 2019

MARCH 17—POTATOTASTIC SPUDTACULAR DINNER

This dinner is an annual event in honor of St. Patrick's Day. In spite of the current customs, the day started in honor of a revered Irish man of God, so it's appropriate to celebrate with baked potatoes and all the toppings. Good food and good fellowship. Thanks to all who helped make it another success.

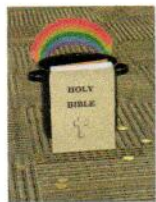
MARCH 21—FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Once again, winter changed our plans, and Family Fun Night was moved a week, but it was still fun.



A good supper of breakfast favorites got everyone in a good mood for fun. There was a big pile of yummy pancakes, scrambled eggs and sausage.

After supper, everyone gathered to watch a video called "Lutfi's Fanciful Flannelgraph" which explained what St Patrick's Day represents.



The children read a scripture and then threw gold coins into the "Bible" and had a 4 leaf clover throwing contest. They also colored pictures to decorate the bulletin board. Be sure to check out their art work.

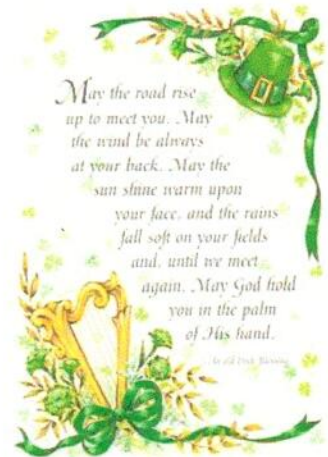


The evening devotion was a lesson by Pauline about the Bible. Did you know Luke is the longest book in the New Testament? Or that Obadiah is the shortest in the Old Testament?

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LOOKING AHEAD



Ladies Day in Lacrosse

Saturday, April 6 @ 9:30 AM

Reach Meeting

Monday, April 8 @ 6:30 PM

Ladies Comedy Night

Wednesday, April 10 @ 6:30 PM

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, April 13 @ 8:00 AM

Spring REACH Clothing Giveaway

Saturday, April 13 8 AM-1 PM

Creamery Creek Church Services

Sunday, April 14 @ 1:30 PM

Good Friday Service

Friday, April 19 @ 5:30 PM
Supper provided after (need to RSVP)

Easter Breakfast

Sunday, April 21 @ 9:00 AM

Family Fun Night

Thursday, April 25 @ 6:00 PM

Women's Bible Study

Next Bible Study will start
Wednesday, May 1st @ 6:30 PM

Woodcarving

Each Wednesday @ 1:00 PM
John Stout 638-2408

Fitness for New Life

Each Tuesday @ 6:15 PM

Greeters for April



April 7 - Ralph Petersheim & Ben Niemyjski
April 14 - Dennis & Pat Horkheimer
April 21 - Charlotte Mills & Vickie Moore
April 28 - Dave & Pam Grindle

LADIES DAY OUT

Join us for a fun day of shopping and lunch. We will meet at the church at 9:30 AM and carpool to LaCrosse. Be sure to sign up so we plan enough vehicles.



LADIES COMEDY NIGHT

Bring a friend and your favorite snack and prepare for a great night of laughter with Chonda Pierce, a Christian comedian who will entertain you with her stories. We will be watching her DVD, "Enough" starting at 6:30 PM

Spring REACH Clothing Giveaway

This is our annual community service event. We give away clothes and hot dogs. Please check the sign-up sheet and plan to help out those less fortunate.

EASTER WEEK



Good Friday service is at 5:30 PM. will be a time to reflect on the suffering that Jesus endured. The Roberts family will provide dinner after the service.

Easter Sunday, we will have a breakfast at 9:00 AM to celebrate the joy of Jesus' resurrection. Our God is and awesome God!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Everyone is invited to come for a great time of food, games, activity, worship and devotions. Please bring a friend. We'd love to grow this event to include the community. Please sign up at the Welcome Center so we can plan our meal,
NOTE: If you would like to help with this outreach effort, contact Pauline Hauge.

SUNDAY MORNING

Adult Discipleship 9:00 a.m.

Studying the book of Hebrews

Children's Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

For all ages

Studying God's Story

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Good News in a Changing World

The Book of Mark

Prayer Request: Contact Paul at 608-632-3888 or email paulroberts@mwt.net

BUILDING & GROUNDS:

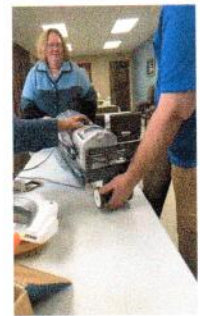
The brutal winter that we have experienced seems to be coming to the end. The robins are back, and the snow piles are receding. Which means we need a serious spring clean-up day? There will be lots of gravel to rake off the lawns, and gardens to tidy up. It's a big job and any and all help is much appreciated. We'll set a date as the weather settles.



These piles are about ½ snow and ½ gravel which need to be moved. HELP!



The brush on our new vacuum decided to quit working. We wiggled, jiggled, cleaned, etc. to no avail. Alas, we called in the experts to solve the problem. We soon had every tool known to mankind arrayed on the table with our gutted vacuum. After some head scratching, probing and testing, it was determined that a faulty switch was the culprit. A new one was located on eBay, and arrived several days later, and promptly installed by our dedicated team. Results—perfectly working vacuum cleaner. Thanks to Al for doing most the work, Neil for advising, Pauline, Tammy & Carole, the support team. Once again showing the value of working together and using our talents to achieve great results.



WANT TO SERVE? Our church depends on many willing volunteers, from dish washers to electricians, gardeners to carpenters. Please check out the bulletin board to see what supplies are needed or what projects we would like to complete. Talk to Paul if you have talents that you would like to share in the work of spreading God's word to the world. Thanks for all your help.

Spring Clothing Giveaway on April 13th.

This is our annual outreach to the community. We also giveaway hot dogs. Many people stop just for lunch. We are asking those who would like to donate their spring and summer clothing for this event, please drop them off at the church. We need helpers to set up, take down, and run the giveaway.

If you can help, please sign up. Questions? Ask Pauline

REACH



If you have a heart for fellowship and/or reaching the lost in our community for Jesus, consider joining our group. We meet on 2nd Monday of each month and organize our gatherings and our community outreach.

- **New-comer welcome mailers:** We sent out 6 welcome packets to people who have moved into the area. If you know of any new residents, please let us know. We will be sending out the mailers on April 12th.
- **The Jail Library Ministry** is an outreach to serve people who are incarcerated in the Vernon County Jail. We will be taking the third box to the jail soon. If you have some to donate, please leave them in the collection box. You never know which book might change the life of a prisoner.
- **Nursing Home Ministry** visits the local nursing homes and ministers to the resident's needs. Contact Ruth Sinn if you'd like to participate. Phone 317-627-0017 or email rgsinn.78@gmail.com

New Life Vision Statement

Our vision ... is to become a community of believers who **look like Christ**, seeking to **change lives** within the church, across the street and around the world.

Supported Missions update

You Can Make a Difference in the Lives of People in India



Are you tired of hearing about ambulances? Seriously, I'm concerned that you, our loyal partner in providing medical care in Jesus' name, might have **ambulance fatigue** because we've talked about them so much in recent months. But, I also know that you care deeply about helping where it matters by serving the world's most vulnerable without what we consider – routine care. So, I'm going to risk it by telling you about how you can help provide two more ambulances before the coming

monsoon season in SE Asia. **Elango** is the father of three and a "circuit-riding" preacher. He covers – no I must say "covered" – his territory over treacherous roads on a motorcycle. Last year, he was in a terrible accident on the deeply rutted roads and suffered severe injuries. After hours, an open-bed pickup truck finally came by and transported him to a care facility – but the ride in the crowded bed was extremely difficult and Elango lapsed into a coma for many days. When he did awake, he was paralyzed.

Elango's paralysis would likely have been prevented if he could have been transported in a proper ambulance.

Anyi was just 16 years old and working hard to keep up on her high school studies. Her parents were away – a five-day hike – harvesting Cardamom for essential oils producers. Anyi became suddenly ill. Her entire body began to swell so on New Year's Day 2019 Stephen, a FAME mission partner, volunteered to take her on a difficult, 17-hour car ride to the hospital in Margherita Assam. But, in a car, over the rough roads – the girl passed away at the hospital – before her parents were even aware of her sickness.

Anyi's death might well have been prevented if she could have been transported in a proper ambulance.

The FAME partners in Elango's territory believe there are at least 20 serious accidents per day where an ambulance could respond with compassion and love in Jesus' name. The FAME partners in Anyi's territory used their compact mission car for medical emergencies more than 2 dozen times last December alone. Many of these instances were to transport a birthing mother with serious complications.

You and I can make a difference immediately – and our Savior can be given the credit – by placing 4-wheel drive, well equipped ambulance vehicles at these locations right away.

Together, and for just \$30,000 we can provide both of these partners with a tool that can save lives now – and for eternity. **Can you help?** I've done some math and if we can each do our part, we'll be able to have these ambulances in service before the monsoon season that typically begins by the end of April to early May.

If you would like to make a special donation to FAME toward an ambulance, please see Carole Hopper.