

Bondurant Christian Church The Messenger (Disciples of Christ)

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SUNDAY WORSHIR

@ 10 am

March 3 Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 / John 2:13-22 Sermon: "Thin Places" Guest Speaker: Laurie Berry March 10 Hymn Sing March 17

> Scripture: John 3:14-21 Sermon: "A Powerful Truth"

March 24 - Palm Sunday Scripture: Mark 11:1-10 Sermon: "Palm Sunday"

March 28 - Maundy Thursday Scripture: Luke 22:39-43 Sermon: "Man on the Right"

March 31 - Easter Sunday Scripture: Matthew 24:6-9 Sermon: "Easter"

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MEETINGS THIS MONTH

BOARD MEETING

March 11 @ 6:30 pm Please send your board reports to the church office by March 4th. Bondurant Christian members are welcome to attend meetings. If you have an item to put on the agenda, please submit it to Tammy Davis one week prior to the meeting. BCC members are welcome to attend the Monthly board meetings. **WORSHIP TEAM MEETING** March 3 @ 11:15 **MEMBERSHIP TEAM**

March 10 @ 11:15





SERVING IN MARCH

ELDERS

3/3-Tammy Davis & Jan Johnson 3/10-Tammy Davis & Jan Cummings 3/17-Tammy Davis & Jan Cummings 3/24-Tammy Davis & Jan Johnson 3/28-Jan Johnson & Gomattie Hewlett 3/31-Tammy Davis & Jan Johnson

DIACONATES

Jayne Higginbottom, Krystyn Brown, Lonita McLean, Kane Van Der Molen

> STEWARDSHIP Carl Sprague & Tammy Davis

> > AUDIO VISUAL Karla Crawford Ed Wegele JR AV - Rotation

ACOLYTE Kane Van Der Molen

GREETERS March 3-Kristy & Kane Van Der Molen March 10 - Amy & Emiliee Williams March 17– Needed March 24 - Needed March 31 - Needed

NURSERY

March 3 - Carrie Harvey March 10 - Kristy Van Der Molen March 17– Needed March 24 - Needed



4 Shari Walling 7 Joseph Harvey 7 Kane Van Der Molen 8 Hannah Greene 11 Jim Byers 11 Ryan Davidson 11 Darlene Joy Dolopei 16 Brendan Greene 16 Tanner Valentine 17 Len Roovaart 18 Buster Rounds 20 Kelsi Newcomb **21** Darline Brooks 22 Carly Jane Lenhart 23 Scott Bishop 25 Ben Lesan 26 Darlington Dolopei 26 Carol Roovaart 27 Ashley Dush 29 John Walling 31 Doug Williams



EASTER LILIES ORDER FORM Easter Lilies orders for the sanctuary will be taken through Wednesday, March 6th The cost is \$15.00 per plant.								
In order to avoid confusion, we would like to have the money accompany your order. If paying by check, make it payable to the Bondurant Christian Church and put it, along with the order form, in the offering plate, in the Administrative Assistant's mailbox in the church office or mail your								
form/payment to: Bondurant Christian Church 304 Grant St. S, Bondurant, IA 50035.								
Number of plants ordered: @ \$15.00 each Amount enclosed: \$								
 Please specify if it is in MEMORY or in HONOR of the person(s) named. Print the information below clearly and as you would like it to appear in the bulletin. If you have any questions, please contact the church at 967-2328. 								
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I will leave my plant at the church I will take my plant home after the last Easter service.								

FUN FOR COLD WINTER NIGHTS

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keep watch	king	Moneychangers	Palm Sunday
palms	Passover	temple	Upper room

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

BCC Cares Appreciation

Last month, BCC Cares and many from our church family reached out to a needy young mom and her 4-year old son. It was heartwarming to see the support everyone extended and to know it was appreciated. I recently received a wonderful thank you from her for our church family and would like to share it with you ...

"I wanted to send a note to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your kindness and generosity. The help you have given me has afforded me a sense of peace and the ability to "breathe" again. It definitely helped me get my feet back under me to be able to start this next chapter in life on the right path. Thank you so much!"

Easter Gifts for Hope Ministries Children



With Easter arriving in a few short weeks, the pace has quickened for the Missions Team and our contact, Leslie Green, at Hope Ministries. I contacted Leslie to see if they need our help with Easter gifts for the Hope Ministries children again this year, and she was delighted to receive the offer and asked if we could shop for 20 children. We now have their first names and ages for all 20. As I was preparing the signup sheet, I noticed that we may have twins on the list. I'll let you find them. DD Since I'm still in Oregon, I prepared on the computer everything that will go on the eggs and emailed to Leslie. She is so kind to offer creating the eggs and then fastening all of the information to each one. We are blessed to have her support.

On Sunday, March 3rd, we will be kicking off the campaign, so be sure to check out the lovely bulletin board in the back of the sanctuary before and after church! Carol Roovaart will give a Moment for Mission on the 3 rd to share details. Since Leslie provided names this year, please take the egg that matches the "name" of the child you select. Like last year, there will be gift suggestions on the back of each egg, and you will be asked to place your gifts in a gift bag, securely attach your egg to the gift bag, and return it to the church no later than March 17th. Delivery to Hope Ministries will be made the first part of the week of the 17 th. In my absence, Carol Roovaart and Jan Cummings will coordinate the delivery and checks/balances to be sure that everything is received. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Carol or Jan.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER . . .

□ Securely attach your egg to the gift bag containing your items so there is no guessing who the present is for.

□ Please shop "early" and bring to church by March 17 th or bring to the church office during office hours before then.

□ Gift suggestions can be found on the back of the egg. □ Leslie said to include no more than "5" pieces of candy per child and chocolate is acceptable. For the younger children, please choose soft chewable candy.

🛛 Have fun!

Thank you to all who choose to participate! The efforts from our church family will make Easter morning so special for these 20 children.

Cindy Tendall, Missions Team Chair

Spring Training for Christians

The word Lent comes from Middle English and German words for springtime. In light of the start of baseball season, some people call the pre-Easter season "spring training for Christians." This fresh perspective moves away from the flawed understanding that Lent must be somber, or that giving something up for Lent is punishment for sin or a way to earn God's favor.

As people of faith, we should never take a season off. But every so often — at least once a year! — we do well to examine where we need to get back in shape spiritually. Perhaps we will indeed opt to give something up: that swearing habit, sleeping in on Sundays, or the cost of a weekly treat so we can donate the money instead. Or maybe we'll take on something new for Lent: a Bible study, prayer routine or service project.

Hebrews describes spiritual discipline as challenging in the moment but yielding righteousness later. The writer urges us, "Lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees ... so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed" (12:11-13, ESV).

May the spring training of Lent strengthen and heal us all.



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS ...

Teresa and Mario Munoz; The family of Marlene Valentine; Andrea Fiscus, cousin of Jayne Higginbottom; The family of Skip Lenhart; The family of Leon Von Stein; Judy Wegele, Michelle Scheel; Margaret Kunze; Sandy Fry, sister-in-law of Judy Wegele; Marianne Barrett; Lynette Hubler; Cait, Emilee William's friend; John Everly; Deb, friend of Judi Webb; Dakota Barrett.



PRAYER CHAIN Bondurant Christian Church has an active prayer chain as a means for those with an immediate or pressing concern to connect with fellow Christians in corporate prayer. This is a group of people devoted to praying for the concerns of the BCC church family and to give praise to the Lord for answered prayers. If you have a prayer need you would like sent to the BCC prayer chain, please contact Pam at the church office. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Pam at the church office, 515-967-2328 or email her @ bondurantcc@gmail.com







There was so much to learn about and so much to love about this last month! Patterns, opposites, friendships and love, even dental health—special mention to Bondurant Family Dentistry for coming in and sharing tips, tricks, and facts with our preschoolers about dental health!

Delivering Valentines into our friends decorated Valentine bags sounds like such a simple activity but it is so meaningful for them. They were all so proud of their work and as much as we talked about kindness and giving, it's so different for them to be able to experience it and feel it all on their own. We also invited our mommies and special guests to decorate a sugar cookie with us for Valentines Day. We greeted them with a couple of sweet songs and rounded out our party with a little musical hearts dance-off. These days are everyone's favorite. Dad's turn is next for a celebration of Dr. Seuss!

We are very excited for spring to come! These snowy and icy days have overstayed their welcome as far as we're concerned. Thank you all for being so accommodating during our weather-related closings. We appreciate your understanding. I know it can't be easy, especially when they come last minute.

Our enrollment for fall is filling rapidly! There are only a couple spaces available on our waitlist for our four year old afternoon class, but our three's classes are growing with new families and siblings of current families and we are praising God for that! The abundance of students and enthusiasm of families joining our program is so fulfilling.

If you know of any families in search of a preschool option for this fall, please share my in formation with them. If you're able, sharing our registration posts on Facebook would be fantastic! The greatest compliment we could ever receive is a recommendation to join us here at BCCP.

Amy Baker, Preschool Director









Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 10 am Worship 11 am Worship Team mtg 5 pm CYF	4 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool Board Reports Due	5 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool		7 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool FH reserved Dr. Suess Day w/ Dad's	8 Office Closed	9
10 8 am CMF 10 am Worship 11 am Coffee Fellowship Potluck Membership team mtg 5pm Kidventure & CYF	11 Spring Break 6:30 pm Board mtg.	12 Spring Break	13 Spring Break 7 pm Adult Choir	14 Spring Break	15 Office Closed	16
17 Food Pantry Sunday 10 am Worship 11 am CWF Hope Ministries Children Gifts Due 5pm CYF	18 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool	19 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool	9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool	21 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool Messenger Articles Due	22 Office Closed	23 Church Founded 1885
24 - Palm Sunday 10 am Worship 11 am CYF Chili Supper fundraiser 31 - Easter 8:30 am Breakfast 9:30 am Egg Hunt 10 am Worship	25 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool	26 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool	9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool	28 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool Maundy Thurs- day 6 pm Supper 6:45 pm Service	29 Office Closed	30



CONNECT TO OUR COMMUNITY

Our ministries allow us to connect with each other, share our faith, become more like Jesus, and serve others.

- Sunday Worship @ 10 am
 <u>Activities that meet September May</u>
- Nursery available Sunday am, infant 4 yr. old
- CYF (Christian Youth Fellowship) Meets Sunday @ 5:00 pm
- Kidventure (grades 3rd-5th)
 Meets 2nd Sunday @ 5:00 pm
- Praise Band
- Adult Choir (practice 2nd Wednesday)
- CMF (Christian Men's Fellowship)
 Meets 2nd Sunday of the month @ 8 am
- CWF (Christian Women's Fellowship)
 Meets 3rd Sunday of the month @ 11:15 am
- Coffee Fellowships (2nd Sunday after Worship) *Check our website & calendar for up-to-date events and times.*

MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Bondurant Christian Church (BCC), under the Lordship of Jesus Christ, and as witness of the whole church, to be dedicated to the worship of God, the proclamation of the gospel, the nurturing of spiritual growth, Christian service within the community, and a witness of the love of Christ in the world.



LET'S WORSHIP THE LORD THROUGH GIVING!

Bondurant Christian Church is thankful for your tithes and offerings given to support the ministries of the church. There are several ways you can give. There is an offering plate located at the back of the Sanctuary to place your donations, you can mail your donations in, or the Stewardship team has also made available the following two different options to give online so you can contribute easily and safely.



Download the Givelify app and **search** for Bondurant Christian Church then **enter** your credit card information and **push "Give."**

BCC has a Venmo

account through which you can give your donations. The church does not get charged a credit card fee to use this option, so 100% of your giving goes to the church. Just scan the code into your phone & make your donation!



Scan QR code for payment

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Sunday Schedule

Worship Service - 10 am Handicapped facilities are also available.

Church Staff

Merri Cory, Pianist & Choir Director Pam Smith, Administrative Assistant Email: <u>bondurantcc@gmail.com</u> Amy Baker, Preschool Director Email: <u>bondurantps@gmail.com</u>

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm The deadline to submit articles for the next issue of *The Messenger* is April 18. Please submit all articles by email or in writing.

CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATES

Help us keep the church office and our flock lists up-to-date with your contact information. Please call the church office @ 515-967-2328, or email us @ bondurantcc@gmail.com if you have moved, no longer have a landline, or have adult children who have their own addresses.



Under the regulations of the HIPAA LAW, hospitals are unable to release any patient information. HIPAA This includes an elder contacting the hospital to see if someone has been admitted to the hospital.

If you or a family member are taken to the hospital and would like church care, please contact the church office immediately at 515-967-2328, so care can be provided.

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