



# The Journal

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## DAN'S DOODLES

TO KNOW CHRIST      TO GROW IN CHRISTLIKENESS

### TO GO IN HIS NAME

“The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, ‘Look, the Lamb of God!’” When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, ‘What do you want?’ They said, ‘Rabbi’ (which means Teacher), ‘where are you staying?’ ‘COME,’ he replied, ‘AND YOU WILL SEE.’” (John 1:35-39).

“The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, ‘Follow me.’ Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. Philip found Nathanael and told him, ‘We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.’ ‘Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?’ Nathanael asked. ‘COME AND SEE’ said Philip.” (John 1:43-46)

The most effective means I have discovered in offering a witness for Jesus Christ is simply to invite a person to read through one of the gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke or John), and keep a journal where you record what you find about His character and conduct; then come back in 30 days and let’s have a discussion on what you found. 9 times out of 10 that person will be so impressed with the person of Jesus Christ that your witness takes care of itself!

The greatest truth of human history is the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead! He has given us the inestimable privilege of sharing that truth with others. And it is not as hard as we make it. Let’s just invite others to ‘COME AND SEE’ the person of Jesus Christ as He is revealed in the Scripture and then “let God be God!” I can honestly say I have never successfully argued another person into receiving Christ, but I have seen the Word of God turned loose in their lives over a 30 day period and that is all it took!!!

Between now and Pentecost, invite another to COME AND SEE!!!

Pastor Dan

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## APRIL GREETERS

*April 4 - Peggy McNeary & Sally Burke*

*April 11 - The Sherry Austin family*

*April 18 - Becky Story & Annette Robertson*

*April 25 - Sallyanne Naile & Annette Robertson*

## EASTER LILIES

The church will be ordering EASTER LILIES again this year for Easter Sunday. They are \$15 each. If you would like to purchase one in memory/honor of a loved one, please call or come by the church office by March 25. A list of all the names of loved ones will be placed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

### **ALL-CHURCH COFFEE**

On Palm Sunday (Mar. 28) the Family Life Committee will host an **ALL-CHURCH COFFEE** immediately following the morning worship service in the Family Life Center. Everyone is welcome!

### **EASTER WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

Maundy Thursday Service (Apr. 1) at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. (The disciples of Jesus talk about Him, and observance of Holy Communion.)

Good Friday Prayer Vigil (Apr. 2) You are invited to sign up for a 15 minute slot to pray in the Prayer Room of the church, located at the bell tower entrance to the church. The hours are from noon to 3:00 p.m. Suggested prayer format will be available for you. Please sign up by calling the church office or signing in on the poster board available in the church foyer.

Good Friday Community Service (Apr. 2) will be held at the First Baptist Church at 6:30 p.m. with the Reverend Michael Wilderness bringing the message.

Easter Sunrise Service (Apr. 4) at 6:30 a.m. at the church.

EASTER SUNDAY—April 4th at 9:30 a.m. (There will be no observance of Holy Communion at this service, in lieu of the Thursday night observance.)

1st Sunday after Easter, April 11th —the Chancel Choir will be presenting a musical special for our worship that day on those who “touched Jesus’ robe” and found their lives transformed! This well be a **WONDERFUL WAY TO INVITE A FRIEND TO COME WITH YOU TO WORSHIP ON THAT DAY!!!** I really believe that Jesus will visit us in a special way at that time!!!

**Youth Holy Week Breakfasts Monday thru Friday (Mar. 29—Apr. 2) at 7:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center.**

**Children’s Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, April 3 at 10:00 a.m. at the church.**

### **I & II TIMOTHY SERIES**

Pastor Dan will be preaching a series from the little books of I and II Timothy from April 11th thru May 16th . I hope you will join us each Sunday for a practical word on intentional Christian living from these two wonderful letters of Paul to Timothy.

**THANK YOU!!!**

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful meal after the service for Rebecca. Not only did you nourish our body, you also nourished our souls. There is nothing like the love of a small town church family.

Thank you again,

Steve & Dot Secoy & family

To The Prayer Shawl Ministry,

Thank you very much for the Prayer Shawl given to our grandson, Connor, after his shoulder injury. It really touched Mae and I for your extreme thoughtfulness.

God Bless!

Donnie & Mae McClain

**THE MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, APRIL 10 AT 7:30 A.M. IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER. COME & BRING A FRIEND.**

**UMW NEWS**

The **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** will meet Wednesday, April 7 at 9:30 a.m. at the church parsonage.

Save the Date! **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN ASSEMBLY 2010**, April 30 – May 2 in St. Louis. If you are interested, please give Annette Robertson a call.

REMINDER: The **QUILT SHOW** will be held in the Family Life Center during the Dogwood-Azalea Festival, April 15 - 18. Volunteers will be needed to work during that time. If you have a quilt to enter, please contact Annette Robertson or Phyllis Halliday.

**CHURCH CAMPS FOR SUMMER 2010**

The schedule for our Summer Church Camps is now available in the church office. There are camps for students as young as 3rd grade and as close as Blue Mountain Camp near Fredricktown. Costs vary by length and type of camp. If you have already been sent a registration form and are planning to go, just fill it out and bring it to the church office. We will send it in with the deposit. The church will pay the camp fees out of Camp Shares Funds received. (The Early Bird deadline is April 16 to receive \$25 off the camp fee.)

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Minds, Open Doors*

*MAKING  
DISCIPLES*

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A DIFFERENCE*

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**APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 - Marilyn Miller
- 2 - Emma Hurley, Mark French & Marion Waggener
- 3 - Sue Simmons
- 5 - Linda Banta
- 6 - Sallyanne Naile & Thomas Keener
- 7 - Joe Handy Moore & Robert Jackson
- 8 - Nichole Thurmond
- 11 - Bob Bone
- 12 - Beth Choate & Liz Austin
- 15 - Stottsie Burnett
- 17 - Elizabeth Malugen & Emily Malugen
- 18 - Chris Boren
- 19 - Paul Keener
- 20 - Ronald Dodson
- 21 - Alana Coon Mills, Dave Brewer, Josh Moxley & Tony Giltz
- 22 - Molly Morrow & Jennifer Scott
- 23 - Don McDowell
- 25 - Carter Fenton & Abigail Michael
- 26 - Gil Giltz
- 27 - Lucy Malugen & Cameron Goodman
- 28 - Bryan Thurston, Nina Marshall, Randy French, Reggie Young & Kelly Howard
- 29 - Delaney Stack, Sarah Ponder, Stephanie Moore & Wendell Choate
- 30 - Lillian Michael

**COMMUNION AT THE MANOR**

We will serve Holy Communion at the Charleston Manor on Wed., April 14, 9:30 a.m. You are invited to come and share in the service.

