

*From the Pastor*

Hello Jersey Church Family!

When I think about the my time at Jersey thus far, without a doubt the Easter service last year was the most powerful and meaningful worship gathering. Not only was it special because it was Easter, but it was special because of the intentional effort we made to join together—both services—as one for worship. We had parts of both services represented and it was such a special day! That makes me extra excited for this year!

This year for Easter Sunday Worship, we have a few special things planned in addition to the intentional work to have a united worship gathering. We'll celebrate baptism—this time in the Multipurpose Room as part of Easter Worship, we'll share in Communion, and we'll even have baby dedication! What better way to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus than celebrating spiritual new life (baptism) and actual new life (baby dedication)! It's going to be a fantastic day and I haven't even mentioned our wonderful choir, fantastic praise team, adorable children's choir, and many others that will be leading to make this day a BIG celebration!

I am very thankful each Sunday for all the visitors we have coming in both worship services. You're inviting your friends and family and they're experiencing the love of God and the welcome of the

church when they arrive. Keep it up! Non-attenders are more likely to be interested in attending a worship service at Christmas, Easter, and Mother's Day than any other time of year. So invite someone to join you for Easter this year. Growing churches typically average around 10-15% of

their worship attendance being made up of visitors. We're pretty close to that and I'm thankful.

April is a super busy month at Jersey. There are lots of ways to connect this month, so please look over this Newsletter carefully and make plans to join us and invite someone to join you!

Blessings,  
 Pastor Paul

*"Make plans to join us and invite someone to join you!"*

*April 2023*  
**JERSEY JOURNAL**

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**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

**SUNDAYS**

- 8:30am Contemporary Worship
- 9:30am Fellowship w/Breakfast
- 10:00am Sunday School
- 11:00am Traditional Worship
- 5:00pm AWANA
- 5:00pm Youth
- 5:30pm Choir Practice

**TUESDAYS**

- 2:00pm Chair Yoga

**WEDNESDAYS**

- 5:30pm Mid-Week Meal
- 6:15pm Children's Choir
- 6:15pm Youth
- 6:15pm Adult Bible Study
- 7:00pm GA's (Girls in Action)
- 7:30pm Praise Team Practice

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- April 2 Palm Sunday/GA's Bake Sale
- April 8 Easter Extravaganza
- April 9 Easter Sunrise Service
- April 9 Easter Celebration Worship
- April 16 Quarterly Church Conf.
- April 16 Mission Trip Meeting
- April 18 Red Cross Blood Drive
- May 5 Fish Fry and Auction
- May 21 JBC Homecoming
- June 17-23 Pennsylvania Mission Trip

*Spotlight On...*



**FISH FRY/AUCTION**

May 5 is the date for our fish fry/auction to benefit the Mission trip to Pennsylvania this year. You can start now deciding on what to donate to benefit the cause. Some businesses may donate gift cards or goods for the auction. Please let Pastor Paul or Megan know what you plan to donate.

**JOINT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

On Sunday, April 30, there will be a joint Sunday School session in the Multipurpose Room for all adults and youth. We are honored to have Andy Hale, Associate Executive Coordinator for CBFNC, to lead a Sunday School workshop on bridging the gaps between generations. You won't want to miss it!



**MISSION TRIP MEETING**

If you're planning on going on the Summit Grove Mission Trip to Pennsylvania this summer. Please make plans to attend this meeting on April 16 at 4:00pm. We'll be discussing trip details, making team assignments, and finalizing plans for our Fish Fry and Auction Fundraiser.

# Family Ministry News

Happy Spring! The children had so much fun in March! In Children's Worship and Sunday School they have been preparing for Easter and talking about the true meaning of Easter. The children have also really been enjoying Awana. They have been learning so much and having a great time. The children have also been working really hard on Wednesday nights in Children's Choir getting ready for Easter. GA's have also been busy on Wednesday nights getting ready for their Bake Sale that will be on Sunday, April 2, during the breakfast time. Make sure to stop by and get some wonderful sweet treats. All proceeds will go toward the Easter offering.

Easter is right around the corner. Join us for our Easter Extravaganza on Saturday, April 8, 10am -noon at Jersey Baptist Church! We will have crafts, games, inflatables, a scavenger hunt, snacks, and treat bags! Bring the whole family for a great time! Invite your friends and family!

Coming up in April there will be no Awana on Easter, April 9. Also the last night of Awana will be May 7. We will have a celebration that night! Awana will pick back up in September.

This month they will finish Created New and then start Power of the Spirit:

April 2- The Crucifixion

April 9- The Resurrection

April 16- New Creation

April 23-Jesus Gives the Great Commission and Ascends

April 30- Jesus Send the Holy Spirit

The youth have been having a great time. They have really enjoyed the series that we have been doing on Sunday night and the devotions we have been discussing Wednesday nights.

The youth will be continuing their Bible Studies for Life: Students. This month's series is Encountering Christ as we study six individuals in the Gospel of John who had life-changing encounters with Jesus.

On Sunday night we will continue our new study called "Don't Believe Your Eyes". It is a 7 week series which examines the stories of Broken People in the Bible. We believe certain things about ourselves, because we live in a broken world where love can seem like nothing more than an illusion. But Jesus casts our labels and disappointments aside and shows us what it truly means to be loved.

Coming up this month the youth will be serving the meal on Wednesday, April 5. Also wanted to remind everyone there will be no youth on Easter, April 9.



# Announcements

## EASTER FLOWERS

Easter geranium orders are being taken now, and all orders need to be in to the office by April 3. The cost of each geranium is \$11. Call the Church Office with your order in honor or in memory of a loved one.

## BAPTISM ON EASTER SUNDAY

We'll be celebrating baptism on Easter Sunday! If you're interested in being baptized, please let Pastors Paul or Megan know so they can talk more about it with you.

## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Mark your calendar for April 18 for our blood drive for the Red Cross. The hours are from 2:30pm until 7:00pm. To make an appointment, you may call 1-800-REDCROSS (800-733-2767) or make your appointment online at RedCrossBlood.org and enter Sponsor Code: Jersey Baptist. For further information, contact Debra Randall.

## BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES FOOD ROUNDUP

The month of April is designated to be the month for food and supply collections for the Baptist Children's Homes. A list of items needed is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office, and on one of the bulletin boards closer to the sanctuary. They can also use gift cards such as Wal-Mart, Food Lion, Lowes, Ingles, Sams Club to purchase perishable items. A quote from BCH President Michael Blackwell, "Boys and girls arrive in our care needing to eat immediately. It's why the Food Roundup is vital." Baskets are available for your donation.

# Records and Reports

## MARCH TITHES & OFFERINGS

General Fund Giving	\$20,901.00
Other Giving:	
Ham Family	\$710.00
Pastor's Pantry	\$390.00
Heck Jones	\$100.00
BCH-Sara Knapp	\$150.00
Wednesday Night Meals	\$275.00
Blessing Box	\$85.00
Mission Trip	\$30.00
Memorials-Bruce Trexler	\$175.00
Fish Fry Donation	\$37.00
Annie Armstrong Easter Off	\$130.00
Cemetery Fund	\$100.00
Sales Tax Refund	\$3,801.00
Memorial-Margie Faires	\$100.00
Community Missions	\$100.00

## ATTENDANCE

<b>Mar. 5</b>		<b>Mar. 26</b>	
8:30 am	110	8:30am	127
11:00 am	61	11:00am	58
Sunday School	132	Sunday School	128
<b>Mar. 12</b>			
8:30 am	84		
11:00 am	41		
Sunday School	87		
<b>Mar. 19</b>			
8:30am	92		
11:00am	45		
Sunday School	98		

# Praying for Each Other

## Church Members

Eric Mainess, Phyllis Willis, Charlotte Dougan, Bobby Joe Owen, Margaret Beeker, Rev. Phillip Gregory & Barbara Gregory, Jonie Myers, Dolly Lemly, Jacob Randall, Robert Sturdivant, Roger Hilliard and Patsy Hilliard, Kim Workman, Philip Workman, Jennifer Penninger, Arabella Caffey, Hilda Leonard, Bobby Lanning

## Our Friends

Frances Hughes, Carol Hughes' mother-in-law; Jordan Sharpe, Ruth Sharpe's grandson; Shirley Blankenship; Charles Blankenship; Dennis Tate, Patsy Hilliard's brother; Ronda Troutman, Keith Weaver's sister; Emily Mann, Roger & Malcolm Myers' niece; Robert & Darlene Caudle, Malcolm & Roger Myers' sister, brother-in-law; Jim Hilliard, Margaret Lemly's brother; Arnold Sharpe, Glenn Penninger's cousin, Buford Blankenship, Linda Hunt, friend of Lynn Myers, Marilyn McDowell, Andria Smith's mother; Dale Frank, Josh Frank's father; Mike Love, Liz Batson's father, Gerald Wimmer, Margaret Beeker's son-in-law; Jane Cox, Barbara Chapman's care giver; Susan Jester, friend of Becky Myers, Scott Quinn, Laura Lanning's brother

## In Assisted Living Care

Aline Lyon, Abbotts Creek; Gail Mainess, Brookdale Assisted Living; Edith Myers, Davidson Health & Rehab (formerly Alston Brook); Eloise Hilliard, Gail Sewell, Ruth Swink Lexington Healthcare; Connie Carrick, Margaret Lemly, Piedmont Crossing; Ann Darr, Trinity Oaks, Salisbury

### April 30

**11:00 Service**  
A/V-Jared Hager  
Adult Choir Practice-Jared Hager

**April Blessing Box Caretakers-George & Andie Smith**

### April Breakfast Schedule

- April 2** Eric & Dorene Snider
- April 9** Easter Service
- April 16** Andy & Jami Barbee
- April 23** Josh & Susan Frank
- April 30** Austin & Emily Trotter

## MEMBERS IN MINISTRY

### April 2

**8:30 Service**  
Audio-Kevin Wattenbarger  
Media-Ralph Randall  
Video-Trey Brown

**11:00 Service**  
A/V-Jared Hager  
Adult Choir Practice-Jared Hager

**Nursery**  
Jessica Snider, Aaron Brown

### April 9

**10:00 Service—Easter Service**  
Audio-Dan Hoffman  
Media-Patrick Cash  
Video-Tanner Milner

**Nursery**  
Sue Owen, Tonia Pennington

### April 16

**8:30 Service**  
Audio-Grant Snider  
Media-  
Video-Trey Brown

**11:00 Service**  
A/V-David Shields  
Adult Choir Practice-David Shields

**Nursery**  
Kristie Trantham, Emily Trantham

### April 23

**8:30 Service**  
Audio-Patrick Cash  
Media-Ian Cash  
Video-Tanner Milner

**11:00 Service**  
A/V-Sammy Shoaf  
Adult Choir Practice-Sammy Shoaf

**Nursery**  
Susan Frank, Laura Lanning

### April 30

**8:30 Service**  
Audio-Kevin Wattenbarger  
Media-Ralph Randall  
Video-Trey Brown

# April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b> Homeless Shelter Ministry Homebound Meals
<b>2</b> Palm Sunday GA's Bake Sale 6:30pm Deacon's Meet 5:00pm AWANA & Youth	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 2:00 pm Chair Yoga	<b>5</b> 5:30 Mid-Week Meal Wednesday Activities	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Easter Extravaganza 10am-Noon
<b>9</b> Easter	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 2:00pm Chair Yoga	<b>12</b> No Wednesday Activities this Week	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> Church Conference 4:00pm Mission Trip Meeting 5:00pm AWANA & Youth	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Blood Drive 2:30pm-7pm	<b>19</b> 5:30 Potluck Supper Wednesday Activities	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23/30</b> 5:00pm AWANA & Youth	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 2:00pm Chair Yoga	<b>26</b> 5:30 Mid-Week Meal Regular Wednesday Activities	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>

## Celebrating JBC

<sup>8</sup> Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love covers a multitude of sins. <sup>9</sup> Cheerfully share your home with those who need a meal or a place to stay. <sup>10</sup> God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another. 1 Peter 4:8-10 NLT

### Birthdays

**April 6**

**Margaret Beeker**  
8 Glendale Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**April 7**

**Monica Walker**  
1295 Riverview Blvd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**April 9**

**Libby Gant**  
14425 Dori Dr.  
Huntersville, NC 28078

**Roger Hand**

603 8th Ave. SW  
Conover, NC 28613

**April 11**

**Doris Owen**  
224 Valiant Dr.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**David Penninger**

720 J. M. Penninger Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**April 12**

**Mallory Weaver**  
8404 Linwood-  
Southmont Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**April 13**

**Scott Pennington**  
516 Millstream Lane  
Lexington, NC 27292

**April 16**

**Jared Hager**  
2435 Riverside Dr.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**Carolyn Tutterow**

P. O. Box 285  
Linwood, NC 27299

**April 24**

**Barbara Chapman**  
125 Fox Haven Ct.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**April 29**

**Leslie Cash**  
225 J. M. Penninger Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**Ralph Randall**

127 Skyline Dr.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**April 30**

**Hazel Fritts**  
127 Michael Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**April 30**

**Gracyn Blackburn**  
331 Silver Ridge Dr.  
Lexington, NC 27292

### Anniversaries

**April 21**

Kevin & Tonia Pennington

**April 23**

Daniel & Autumn Weaver

*We don't have a complete list of birthdays and anniversaries for our members and attenders. Please call the church office or email us at [jerseybaptiststaff@gmail.com](mailto:jerseybaptiststaff@gmail.com) to give us your information.*

*Thank you!*

*We apologize if we somehow missed your birthday or anniversary. If so, please contact the Church Office so we may update our records.*



*April 9, 2023*

# EASTER AT JERSEY

7:00AM SUNRISE SERVICE AT COTTON GROVE UMC  
8:00AM BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP  
9:00AM SUNDAY SCHOOL  
10:00AM EASTER CELEBRATION WORSHIP



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