

Those serving	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Sunday</u>
Announcements	Paul Carpenter	Dennis Mount
Song Leader	Austin Balon	Bob Mount
Opening Prayer	TBD	Paul Carpenter
Lord's Supper (Prayer)	Bob Mount	Glenn Brose
Helper	TBD	TBD
Helper	TBD	TBD
Helper	TBD	TBD
Closing Prayer	Paul Carpenter	Dennis Mount
Greeters	Paul & Angela	Glenn & Mary
Prayer Room	Dennis Mount	Paul Carpenter
Communion Preparation for April		Betty Mount

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Birthdays in April

Hunter Balon 4/02	Dennis Mount 4/10
Mary Brose 4/06	Dana Mount 4/26

Anniversaries in April

Re-Birthdays in April
Cheryl Irwin 4/19/1987

Attendance Record

Attendance last Sunday 19

Weekly Budget \$1,100.00

Sunday Services

Bible class 9:30 AM
AM Worship 10:30 AM
PM Worship and Class 6:00 PM

Wednesday Service

Bible Study 7:00

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Happy Easter

April 16, 2017
Hope In Christ
Ephesians 1:11-12

Welcome

We wish to welcome you to services at the Pearl Street church of Christ. If you are a visitor with us today, know that you are an honored guest. We invite you to join us each time we meet together for worship and Bible study.

Just A Thought

“The great gift of Easter is hope - Christian hope which makes us have that confidence in God, in his ultimate triumph, and in his goodness and love, which nothing can shake.”

Basil C. Hume

Weekly Memory Verse

Matthew 28:1-4, “¹Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men.”

Bible Quiz Time

To whom did Jesus first appear after His resurrection?

Today's Bible Passage

Ephesians 1:11-12, English Standard Version.

“¹¹In Him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, ¹²so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory.”

Paul's Portion

I have had the opportunity, the privilege, of attending quite a few funerals in my lifetime. Many of those funerals have been due to my profession, but there have also been numerous funerals of family members and friends. One thing that I have noticed about funerals is that it is not unusual, actually it is quite common, for people at a funeral, to comment on how “good,” or “natural” the deceased looks. This is meant to comfort the bereaved, to remove some of the pain associated with death. I suppose the thinking is that if the bereaved can be convinced that the departed look natural then it will be as if they are still with us. The idea of the departed still being with us is another oft stated concept at funerals. Again, in an effort to comfort the bereaved the well intentioned will make comments about the departed always being with us in our hearts and in our thoughts. There is some truth to this sentiment. However, as time passes the memories fade, until it hard to remember just how the departed looked and sounded. Thanks to the proliferation of photos and videos in today's society we are able to hang on longer to the images and sounds of our loved ones. Yet, even this is not a guarantee of having our loved ones with us for ever, since photos fade and media formats change. Thankfully, there exists a process by which we don't have to ever lose our loved ones, (No, I'm not talking about cryogenics). The key to never losing our loved ones is being celebrated this Sunday by many in the Christian community. The celebration of Easter, among other things, is a celebration that we can always have our loved ones, and never really be separated from them. All four of the Gospel writers, as well as other writers in the New Testament attest to the fact that Jesus the Christ was killed through crucifixion, He was placed in a tomb, then on the third day He arose from death to new life, exited the tomb, and ushered in the hope of resurrection for the whole world. This is why Paul wrote to the Thessalonians that Christians mourn not as the world does at the death of a fellow Christian, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18. We have assurance of life after this life, because Jesus rose to give us that new life. It is free to all who well accept it, share in His death and look forward to sharing in His resurrection, Romans 6:3-5.

Take Note

Spring Teen Retreat at Fort Hill, April 28-30.
Men's Retreat, Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp, May 12-13.
Ladies Retreat, Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp, June 9-10.
April's Bible reading list is available in the foyer.
Revival Tent Meeting, Highland County church of Christ,
July 16-28, on the old High School grounds.
Singing July 28th, hosted by the Highland County church of
Christ, held at the old High School grounds.

Traveling

Dennis & Colleen Mount in Arkansas.
Wise family is visiting April's family.
Amber Johnson, deployed in Iraq.

Sympathy

Our condolences go out to Yetive Sexton in the passing of
her mother, Helen Nickel.
Sympathy is extended to the Creman family as well in the
passing of Chris Creman.
Condolences to the Phillips family in the passing of
Steve Phillips.
Sympathy to the Mahony family in the passing of
Tommie Mahony.

Just For Fun

It was Palm Sunday but because of a sore throat, 5-
year-old Bobby stayed home from church with a baby-sitter.
When the family returned home, they were carrying several
palm fronds. Bobby asked them what they were for.

'People held them over Jesus' head as he walked by,'
his father told him.

'Wouldn't you know it,' Bobby fumed, 'the one Sunday
I don't go and he shows up.'

Quiz Answer: Mary Magdalene, Mark 16:9.

Illness and Prayer Concerns

Dennis Mount, continued respiratory problems.
Bob Mount, problems with legs and feet.
Judy Mason, having some health issues.
Nancy Shaffer, recovering from broken arm/elbow.
Ginger Back, health issues.
Debbie Turner, problems with her knee.
Dennis Irwin, fractured toe with complications.
Brittney Balon, surgery to fix nose break on May 5th.
Bob Fleming, Afib.
Linda Fleming, MS.
Joshua Batterton, fractured spine in a "turtle cast".
Madeline, mystery ailment causing vegetative state.
Gaylord Valentine, broken hip.
Tim Cooper, gall bladder surgery on Thursday.
Todd Banach, injuries from snowmobile accident.
Braydon Baily, recovering from surgery to remove tumor.
Olivia Erwin, issue with her brain.
Clyde Wood, depression and health issues.
Earl Carpenter, spinal stenosis, Parkinsons.
Life Issues: Banach family, Steve Jordan, Zach Slack.
Headaches/Migraines: Angel Balon, Tim Slack
Kidney issues: Glenn Bishop, Ben Back,
Edward Michaelson, Dana Mount.
Cardiac issues: Pauline Arledge, Jr. Banks, Ed Michaelson
General poor health: Charlie Balon, Kay Gillis, Cheryl Irwin,
Steve Jordan, Charlie Kessinger, Terri Knight, Mike Lucas,
Dorothy Pfister, Pat Whitacre, Kim Bank's father
Cancer: Goebel Craft, Hayden Cummings, John Dayton,
Dottie Dysen, Regina Feltner, Marilyn Heichelbech,
Linda King, Kristen, Cheryl Lapanese, Abi Lykins,
Keith Mayes, Jenna Mount's grandma, Valerie Powers,
Mary Sampson, Diane Spruance, Shirley Thompson,
Dorothy Trent, Roger Turner

Hope In Christ
Ephesians 1:11-12

I. HOPE IN CHRIST.

A. NOT PAST TENSE.

Luke 24:21

B. NOT FUTURE TENSE.

C. PRESENT TENSE.

Ephesians 1:11

II. REASON FOR HOPE.

A. CONQUERED DEATH.

Matthew 28:6

1 Corinthians 15:55-56

B. ENTERED IN.

Hebrews 9:12

C. ON OUR SIDE.

Hebrews 9:24

III. REACTION TO HOPE.

A. REJOICING.

John 16:22

Acts 8:39

B. ACCEPTING.

Acts 17:32

Romans 6:3-6

C. FOLLOWING.

1 Peter 4:1-3

John 14:15

Mark 16:16