

FREE METHODIST CHURCH
 350 E. Furnace Street
 Platteville, WI 53818
 Pastor Jeff Suits
 April 21, 2019

Prelude
 Welcome
 *Call to Worship Matthew 28:5-6a
 *Hymn “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” #217
 *Invocation
 *Hymn “Christ Arose” #216
 *Greeting One Another
 Scripture Reading John 20:1-8
 *Song of Praise
 Pastoral Prayer
 *Song of Praise
 Dismissal for Children’s Church
 Life in the Church
 Worship Through Giving
 Offertory Hymn “He Lives” #220
 Message “Who Are You Looking For?”
 Prayer
 *Song of Praise
 *Benediction
 Postlude

**indicates that the congregation should stand*

Song Sheets- Printed copies of the lyrics for today’s Songs of Praise are in the Foyer and Wing

Please take a moment to fill out the yellow attendance form and place it unfolded in an offering plate when they are passed.

Thank you for worshiping with us today. Worship is a priority for us. Our services are prayerfully planned with the intent of helping each person in attendance connect with God in a meaningful way. Our style of worship is one that blends the great hymns of the faith with newer praise and worship songs, seeking to relate to the varying preferences within our church family.

Sunday: Sunday School 9:30 am
 Worship Service 10:30 am
 Evening Service 6:00 pm
 Celebrate Recovery 6:00 pm
 Wednesday: Family Night 6:30 pm
 Alternate Thursdays: Women’s Bible Study 1:00 pm
 Adult Sunday School Classes:
 Sonshine Center---Christian Leadership---Teacher: Don Gander
 Sanctuary Wing---Book of John---Teacher: Stan Ewing

Nursery and Toddler Nursery is for ages three and under
 This Week: : Joyce Herr, Katie Shea, Jenna Shea
 Next Week: Craig Humphreys, Liberty Johnston, Tom Hamm
 Usher Next Week: Tom Hamm & Leon Pick
 Financial Tellers Next Week: Tom Hamm & Andrew Pulver

THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE HERE THIS EVENING

LILIES – Those of you who provided lilies for our Easter decorations may take them with you following the worship service this morning. Thanks for sharing.

EASTER POTLUCK at the Sonshine Center following morning worship for anyone who doesn’t have family dinner plans. Please bring a dish to pass.

M & M MEETING Tuesday evening at 6:00 p.m. at the Sonshine Center.

WOMEN BIBLE STUDY Thursday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. at the Sonshine Center.

LADIES AND GIRLS Salad and Dessert Luncheon Saturday at 12:30 p.m. at the Sonshine Center. Bring your favorite salad or finger food and a dozen cookies/bars to share.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY that meets on Monday nights, has started a new 6-week study on "God: The Great I Am". Meetings are from 6:30 - 8:30 at Regan Eaches' house (1055 N 4th St.) Anyone interested is invited to join us. We expect to complete the study before June, so those whose summers are too busy will still be able to participate. Call Karen Jensen at 608-330-0864 with any questions.

BRIDAL SHOWER for Mackenzie Johnston is Sunday, April 28th at 1:00 p.m. at Platteville Bank and Trust, 10 Keystone Parkway. She is registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond, Amazon and Target. Please RSVP to Megan Wiech by text at 507-450-5427.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH is seeking for substitute teachers and helpers. We want YOU to help teach our children about Jesus! The curriculum is easy to teach. If you are interested, please contact Rebecca Fohner at 507-271-4003.

MARRIAGE CONFERENCE - "Weekend to Remember" is for Couples that are ready to invest in their marriage and intentionally move towards oneness. You will be helped to understand God’s blueprint for marriage so you can create a legacy of greatness. May 17-19 at the Madison Marriott West. \$350 per couple is for registration. Discounts are available. Please see Brad or Emily Mowry or Pastor Jeff. For more information go to familylife.com and click "Weekend to Remember".

KEYS – If you have a key to the church or Sonshine Center and don’t have a real need for it, please turn it in to Pastor Jeff or Tom Goodney.

PRAY ABOUT MISSIONS

HIGHLIGHTING OUR MISSIONS GIVING

Praying for Asia - Every road leads to an endless number of villages. Every village has a need. Every city has an endless stream of faces. And every face has a name. The numbers are staggering from our earthly perspective. More than 4 billion people, the vast majority adhering to Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, or some form of animism or ancestor worship. All reach out beyond themselves for something more. We can give them Jesus. The Free Methodist Church has contacts or established ministries in at least 20 countries in Asia.

Prayer priorities: Pray for open hearts to receive the gospel, for opportunities and open doors to share, and for boldness and courage to share in the face of persecution and opposition. Pray for missionaries and leaders, both national and international. Pray also for mutually beneficial partnerships to form between the church in the USA and the church in Asia to support pastors, leaders, churches and ministries. Pray for God to provide Bibles for pastors and new believers.

OTHER MISSION NEWS

AFRICA-Construction is underway at the Wesley Missionary Institute in Togo. Pray that the construction will be able to proceed uninterrupted so that classes may begin on schedule. Also, be in prayer for the students who will come to be trained.

ASIA-The Sauder family and the Van Tiffin family will both be traveling back to the U.S. this week. Both missionary families have young children. Pray for smooth travel and the adjustments they have after they arrive. Also, pray that they will build strong partnerships with churches and individuals as they travel during the months leading up to General Conference.

EUROPE-Larry and Katie Winckles, missionaries in Hungary, request prayer for the Holy Week worship services at both the Budapest and Győr church. Pray that the Holy Spirit will awaken lives to the wonder of who Jesus is and what his life, death, and resurrection means for them today.

LATIN AMERICA-Pray for the pastoral care groups that will be starting this month with all missionaries and national leaders. Pray for the 301 new houses of peace meeting throughout Latin America. Pray for multiplication of disciples and God's direction in the leadership coaching process.

MIDDLE EAST- Many in the Middle East are deciding to follow Christ, and it costs them their relationships with family members. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give them peace and assure them of their adoption into God's family. Also, pray that their family members will witness the transformation of their lives and they too will seek to know Christ.

INTERNATIONAL CHILD CARE MINISTRIES (ICCM) Pray for the children in Cambodia who have recently been in motorcycle accidents. Pray they will fully know and experience God's hand of healing power as they recover.

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CRAFT ITEMS needed for camp crafts at Sky Lodge - Spray paint any color, small to medium silk flowers, pinecones various sizes, empty thread wooden spools, bed springs, horse shoes, screw on lids from milk jugs, old CD's, metal lids off frozen orange juice, any size wooden embroidery hoops, empty card boxes, empty cereal boxes with the bag inside too, any size clean peanut butter jars. Place them in the blue bin in the church basement.

OUR MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Matt & Jenny Goodman – Ministry to Muslims

PRAYING FOR LOCAL MINISTRIES

Sky Lodge Christian Camp – Steve & Terry Hankins

PRAYING FOR PLATTEVILLE

Trinity Episcopal Church

OUR CHURCH FAMILIES

Monday	Blake Butson
Tuesday	The Shannon Butsons
Wednesday	The Tom Butsons
Thursday	The James Cahills
Friday	Jeanette Campbell
Saturday	Sharon Carter
Sunday	The Alex Cejpeks

SPECIAL NEEDS - PRAY FOR:

1. President Trump, his administration, Congress, Supreme Court
2. Spiritual revival in the United States
3. Our military personnel– Taylor Wiech, Brice Brooks, Bret McMahon, Christopher Harkness, and Vincent Anderson
4. Neighbors, friends and family members who need to know Jesus
5. Persecuted believers that their ministry activities will remain undetected by authorities or others who wish to silence them
6. Family members who need to know Jesus
7. Families in our congregation that are struggling
8. Those with health issues- Boris Pena
9. Mark Bader as he continues chemo treatments
10. Steven & Miranda Goodman as they work through the ups and downs of this pregnancy
11. Pastor Wilson from Cameroon who is in need of a visa to attend General Conference
12. Scott and Janelle Elliot and family at the passing of Janelle's grandfather, Glen Stuart

PRAISE & ANSWERS:

1. Kayla Tetzlaff welcomes the birth of a daughter, Nova Boykin, born April 7.

A WEEK OF BIRTHDAYS

- 4/21 Mary Lu Gander
- 4/23 David Spink
- 4/24 Eric Colorado
- 4/27 Carolyn Johnston



A WEEK OF ANNIVERSARIES

- 4/23 Zachary & Bethany Howard (3 yrs)
- 4/28 Gary Lindahl & Xaohong Wang (12 yrs)



**The Platteville Free Methodist Church exists for the purpose of:
Magnifying JESUS through worship and the Word,
Moving believers in JESUS toward maturity and ministry,
and
Making JESUS known to our neighbors and the nations.**

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Bulletin Information: Call Janita Ewing by Thursday afternoon at 348-9865 or email: ewingsj64@gmail.com

Pastor Jeff's day off each week is Monday.

Copies of today's service are available immediately following the service. Please ask the sound technician for a CD.

Church Website: Church monthly calendars, weekly bulletins and sermons are available at: www.plattevillefreemethodist.org

