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### The Heartbeat

#### Newsletter

Love God, Love People, Serve Others.

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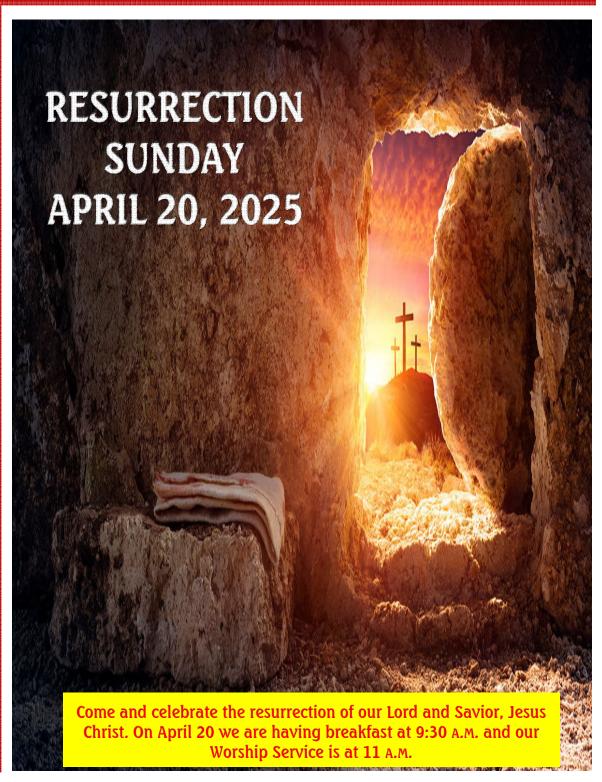
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## Perspectives :

# GIFTS AND TALENTS

God has given each of us

from His great variety of

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

1 Peter 4:10

Use them well to serve one another.

A few weeks ago, I preached about ministry and the importance of finding your place to serve. Many people never get started because of busyness, uncertainty of where to serve or unsure of the gifts they have and where they may be most effective. They stay stuck in neutral. The last few weeks, I have been driving a bus route during the morning on one of our older buses. It runs great but occasionally it may be slow to shift. It's a very dependable bus with a few quirks because of its age.

As reliable as it has been, it does occasionally skip a gear. You simply have to put it in neutral and try again. It reminds me a lot of the church and how each of us who make up the beautiful and diverse group we have here at Memorial. Each of us is uniquely gifted and talented in our own different and individual ways. We all have something to give and offer, but often we need to kick back to neutral and try again.

Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

I Peter 4:10

God has given each one of us unique abilities, talents, and gifts. The question is, how do we put them to work. We talk often about discovering your gifts and talents and using them to work together as a church body. God has entrusted us with certain resources, gifts and abilities. Our responsibility is to live by that trust by managing these things well, according to his design and desire.

Unfortunately, far too many Christians go to work with the idea that their talents exist simply for them to make a lot of money so they can retire. God gave you talents to benefit others, not yourself. And God gave other people talents that benefit you.

Today's popular culture teaches that the ends justify the means, a message of "I can do whatever I need to in order to get what I want."

This is certainly not a new concept. At the end of the book of Judges we read that "everyone did what was right in his own eyes" (Judges 17:6). Yet, as Christians we must reject this false strategy and embrace the teaching of Scripture that establishes a moral law that guides all our actions.

Jesus summarized the moral law this way: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." and "Love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:36-40).

So let's get together, work together and follow God together as we seek to do more than simply survive as a church. Existing is not what we are called to do! We are called to Thrive! To be so much more than a group that merely meets together! Let's do immeasurably more with what God has equipped us with. And let's those who follow us, find that we were Faithful to His Call!

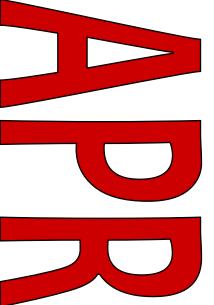
Running with Him!

Lee

**Lee Meadows**Pastor for Youth



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FR	SAT
		1 Cinderella's Closet Makeup Day, 9 a.m. GYF Lunch & Meeting, 12 NOON	2	3	4	5 Ladies Bookclub, 11 A.M.
6 Bible Study, 10 a.m. Worship Service & Facebook, 11 a.m. Deacon Mtg., 12:15 p.m. Worship Kidstyle, 11 a.m. Youth, 6 p.m.	7	8	9 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M.	10	11	12
13 PALM SUNDAY Bible Study, 10 a.m. Worship Service / Communion & Facebook, 11 a.m. Worship Kidstyle, 11 a.m. Youth, 6 P.m.	14	15	16 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M.	17	GOOD FRIDAY Office closes at 12 NOON	19
20 <b>EASTER</b> Deacon Breakfast, 9:30 A.M. Bible Study, 10 A.M. Worship Service & Facebook, 11 A.M.	21	22	23 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M.	24	25	26 Ladies Bookclub, 11 A.M.
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# WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

**Adult Bible Study** 

10 A.M.

Adult Prayer & **Bible Study** 

6 -7:30 P.M.

# **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

Praise Band Practice **Adult Bible Study** Children & Youth **Sunday Worship** Bible Study 11 A.M.- 12 NOON 8:30 A.M. 10-11 A.M. 10-11 A.M.

# **BIRTHDAYS**

29 Erin Wheeler 28 Elsie Banks 15 Pat Charles 14 Kayla Beghtol Mitchell 13 Lucas Austin 5 Michael Hatfield



#### **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

#### Thursday, May 1, 2025

Is an annual observance held on the first Thursday of May, inviting people to pray for our nation.

The first call to prayer was in 1775. Because of the faith of many of our founding fathers, public prayer and national days of prayer have a long-standing and significant history in American tradition. The Continental

national days of prayer have a long-standing and significant history in American tradition. The Continental Congress asked the colonies to pray for wisdom in forming a nation, the call to prayer has continued through our history, including President Lincoln's proclamation of a day of "humiliation, fasting, and prayer" in 1863.

The National Day of Prayer belongs to all Americans. It is a day that transcends differences, bringing together citizens from all backgrounds.

#### **MISSION TRIP**

#### HARLAN COUNTY MISSION TRIP July 13-18

We are collecting shoes for boys and girls preschool size 6 to adult 13 any color or design. You can purchase shoes and bring them to the Narthex area or you can make a monetary gift so shoes can be purchased for the trip. If you would like to go, meet new brothers & sisters in Christ, & join in the fun during the Back to School Event, contact Ruth Wiley.

Gifts given in memory of Guy Gilbert and other MBC Members.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **WORSHIP KIDSTYLE**

Sundays at 11 A.M. for kids from K-Grade 3.

#### **GYF LUNCH**

Tuesday, April 1, 2025 at 12 NOON in the Youth area. Meeting, lunch, and board games. Please bring a dish for the potluck meal.

#### CINDERELLA'S CLOSET MAKEUP DAY

Tuesday, April 1, 2025 at 9 A.M.

Volunteers are needed to assist this day. Please see Ruth Wiley if you can help.

#### **DEACON MEETING**

Sunday, April 6, 2025 at 12:15 P.M. in Graham Duvall's Classroom.

#### LADIES CHRISTIAN BOOK CLUB

Saturday, April 5 at 11 A.M. We will discuss March's book "The Rescuer."

Saturday, April 26 at 11 A.M. in the Narthex area. We will discuss "Jennifer: An O'Malley Love Story" by Dee Henderson.

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

**Kentucky Blood Center Blood Drive** 

Wednesday, May 14 in the Narthex from 8 –11:45 A.M.

#### **Guatemala Mission Trip**

June 14-21, 2025, for details, talk to Lee Meadows.

#### Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday Totals March 23 March 2 March 9 March 16 For the Record **Bible Study** 38 52 49 47 **Worship Service** 52 56 52 52 190-3 95-3 Facebook 17-1 210-3 **Budget Offerings** 6.843.00 2.342.00 3.221.29 5,773.00 18,179.29 **Lord OT Harvest** 812.00 475.00 2.085.00 220.00 3.592.00 **Designated Gifts** 108.81 190.00 100.00 270.00 668.81 **Online Giving** 430.00 0.00 100.00 330.00 0.00 **Total Gifts** 7,763.81 3.107.00 5,736.29 6.263.00 22,870.10



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### **Future Events**



<sup>8</sup> And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! <sup>10</sup> Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!" Mark 11: 8-9