

# **WORSHIP SERVICE** WEEKLY

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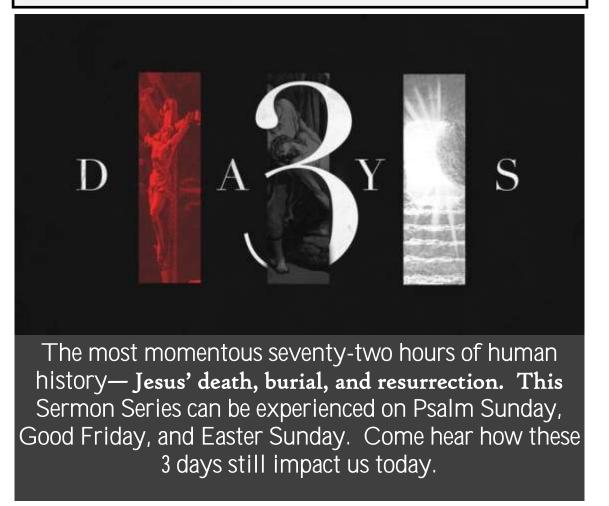
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# April 2021 Flat Rock Christian Church



# **Ebersold's Enlightenment**

If you have attended Flat Rock in the last few years, you might have noticed our mascot the "Church Cat." Church Cat is a friendly cat who loves getting attention from anyone. He does have a bad habit of walking in front of you then dropping to his back to become a tripping hazard. Lately, he has been wanting to come in the church. In fact, there have been a few nights he has been locked in the office and Gathering Place. After being locked in, he is in a super hurry to get out....but minutes later he is ready to come right back. He loves being around church. What about you? Is coming to church a Joy for you or is it something you just do? It can be easy to get caught in the trap to be just going through the motions of church. We can walk in, smile at the greeters, half heartily sing with the Praise team, get through the sermon, and hurry home. How can we change that? How can we have the excitement of Church Cat when it comes to church? Here are three simple ways to prepare yourself ahead of time BEFORE you come. First, physically get yourself ready. Get to bed early Saturday night, and get up in plenty of time to get yourself (and everyone else ready). You can really dampen the mood of worship when you're screaming at your kids (or husband) 15 minutes before worship. Second, mentally prepare yourself by not bringing the things you are worrying about next week or the week prior to Worship. Don't bring "worry" to the place that

should be worry free. If we are thinking and struggling about things of next week, how can we hear the whisper of God when He is directing us for change. Third, Pray! Pray that something will speak to you. With that, pray that lives will be changed including yourself. Pray that God will protect your Heart and your mind to receive God's challenge to you. I truly feel if we simply focus on those three things before we come to church. We will be as excited as Church Cat is...and he really is happy at church!



#### Philippians 4:4-8

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

#### In Christ, Brian

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# **Prayer Concerns**

#### Prayer

3/21- Janie Burns, possible eye surgery

3/14- Stone Family house fire, lost everything

3/14- Gary Nicholson, friend of Peggy Forrest, recovering from surgery

3/7- Unspoken request, cancer treatments

3/7- Kareta Stotsenburg is having problems from 2nd Covid shot.

3/7- Bev Howard, friend of Ursula Wilson, cancer

3/7- Brandy Wilson, friend of Cindy Miller, last stages of cancer.

3/7- David Pickett, friend of Cindy Miller, unspoken

3/7- Kim Huffman is starting radiation treatment on Monday for his hip.

3/18- Steve Tevis, friend of Peggy Forrest, having several health problems

3/7- Karin Breeding, Tina Browne's mother, has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

3/7- Wes Stepp was given 2 days to 2 weeks to live 3/18 -Sherri Buchli (Peggy Forrest's niece) starting new chemo this week

3/7 - Curt Chase, health issues

3/7- Steve Heuer, treatment for cancer

3/14 -Al Ritz (Marilyn Swinford's brother-in-law), cancer treatments

3/18- Ron Burton (friend of David Lortz) complications from surgery

3/18- Lois Byrnes back in the hospital with congestive heart failure

3/7- Linda Jones hip surgery recovery

3/7- Robert Huff (Judy Lindsey's brother) recovering from stroke in a nursing home, not paralyzed like they thought he might be

2/21- Lynn Bowman (Jane Bowman's husband) at IU hospital suffering from strokes/ heart issues and having difficult getting him to rehab

2/21- Karen Hammond (Janie Burns' sister) unspoken request

2/28- Virginia Webb hiatal hernia surgery recovery

2/28- Marcia Nading has stage 4 breast cancer, starting treatments

2/28- Forrest Theobald (Darlene Miller's brother)

#### Those in Retirement/Health Care Facilities/Shut-Ins

Mildred Edwards; Phyllis Fuel; Ruth Reynolds; Freeda Sampson; Ruth Stanton; Jerry Trimble; Annie Bennett

#### Deaths

Betty Shaw (friend of Marilyn Swinford and Peggy Forrest)

Gene Ezell (friend of Peggy Forrest)

Dean Dailey

Janet Adkins (friend of Janie Burns)

#### Military

Eric Emerick, Zack Powell (TX)

#### Long-term Problems

David Adams; Donna Adams; Donna Adkins; Doris Amos; Ernie Armstrong; Wendell Bartlett; Jim Barton; Rowyn Biggers; Becky Browne; Virginia Burbrink; Jared Campbell; Glenn Carnine; Paul Carpenter; Paul Chamberlain; Jennifer Clark; Ted Collier; Bertha Coy; Janet Drake: Maddux Doyle; Mike Elliot; Ryder Fix; Chase Flanigan; Hunter Fowler; Sally Ham; Kevin Graham; Evan Hamel; Gary & Millie Hamner; Jeremy Henderson; Steve & Geri Heuer; Link Hite; Robin Hopkins; Don Hughes; Marilyn Hughes; Chris Kendall; Wayne & Nora Leach; Max Lindsay; Mary Lynn; Amie Mandat; Mary Marcum; Mary Martin (Jerry Bartlett's sister); Brittany Marye; Bryan McClure; Charles Meadows; Marcella Meadows. Joann McFadden: Aiden McWhorter: Brandi Meek; Ronnie Mitchell; Marilyn Mize; Senda Forrest Oliver; Chris Owens; Imogene Parrish; Janet Peck; Darlene Perkins; Zane Powell; Mark Prater; Chuck Ray: Sharon Reddy; Mandy Robertson; Jeff Rogers; Mike Sandefur; Tom Sanders; Sherry Shamburger; Mae Shaw; Rusty Small; Kin Smith; Jack Spaulding; Angela Stafford; Joe Stanton; Wes & Deanna Stepp; Ronnie Tennell; Chris Thompson, Mary Thompson; Kingston Turner; Don & Shelia Wade; Gary Wade; Makayla Wasson; Odessa Webster

#### Miscellaneous

Church Leadership

Coronavirus Pandemic

Missionaries Serving Around The World

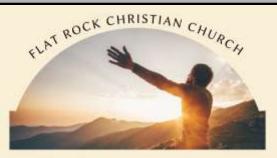
Military Families

Our Country's Leaders

Persecuted Christians

Unspoken Requests

# Look What's Happening!



# EASTER SERVICES

Good Friday Service 7:00PM Sunrise Service 7:00AM Easter Breakfast 8:00AM at The Gathering Place Worship Service 9:30AM



Come and join the fur

APRIL 3 @ 1:00 PM



THE NEW KITCHEN AT THE

GATHERING PLACE



# **EDEN MINISTRIES**



Eden Ministries' sewing department has been busy making masks for Eden and for Greensburg Primary School. They have made 300 masks and are waiting for more material so they can make more masks as a service to their local community.

The sewing department at Eden Ministries has also made school uniforms, curtains, baby crib sheets, bags and other items as well. Most of this work is done by teachers and kids empowered by Eden.

Continue to pray for

Eden Ministries and the work they are doing in Zimbabwe, Africa! If you would like to send a note of encouragement to Kevin and Susan Fry and all who are working at Eden Ministries, please note the address below.

Eden Ministries, c/o Goshen Christian Church, 2133 Berkey Ave, Goshen, IN 46526





Women long for authentic, face-to-face conversations. We are created for community, to form relationships and do life side by side.

Mentoring equips women to effectively pass the baton of faith, connect, and bridge generations.



If you are interested in this ministry as a mentor or a mentee, please email becky.frcc@gmail.com or call the church.

Titus 2:3-5 & Proverbs 31

#### H.B.H. (Homemaker's Bible Hour)

Tuesdays 10:00am

Ladies Bible Study Tuesdays 6:30pm (except the second Tuesday)

> S.I.S. Monday 4/26 7:00pm

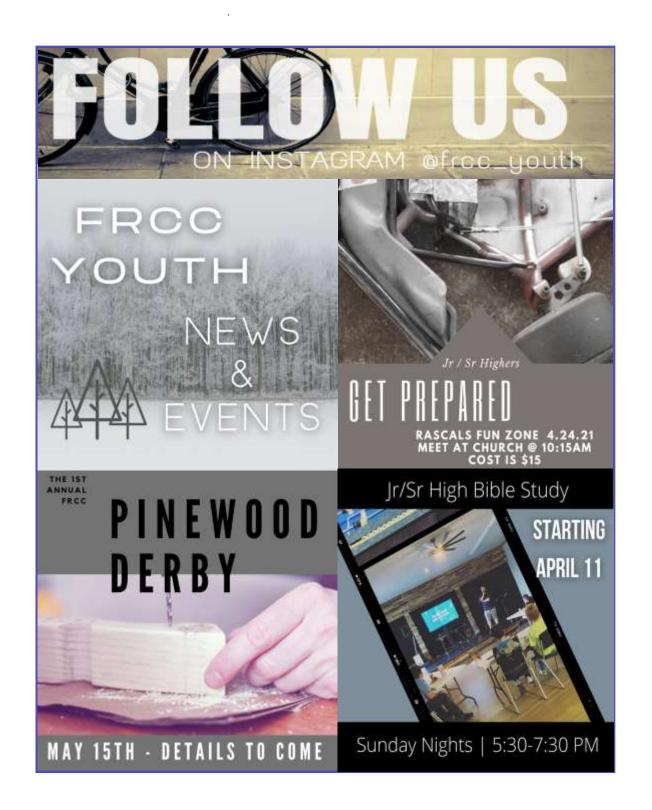
#### **Women's Virtual Bible Study**

Mondays 7:00pm

Discerning The Voice of God Sundays 7:00pm

No Coffee & Conversation this month!





# Jordan's Longhand

One of my all time favorite movies is Midnight in Paris, for various reasons. Owen Wilson plays a man obsessed with yesteryear. Especially Paris in the 1920, he thought that everything was better back then. From the music to writing, he romanticized different things about the time period. Without spoiling anything, he finds that it isn't as great as he thought. He finds that people of the 1920's even look back romanticizing everything that happened years before them.

One of my favorite lines in the film covers some of his romanticism,
"...it will be nice, we can walk in the rain. It's beautiful." then his realist wife says,
"There is nothing beautiful about getting wet."

Rain is one of the themes in the movie, it's like a double edge sword cutting both ways. Rain in general isn't a bad thing, in fact it is good. We need rain for a multitude of different reasons. No matter how one feels about California, they struggle because they don't get the rain they need, everything gets so dry it goes up in flames at a drop of a hat. On the other side of the coin, too much rain is a bad thing. Flooding can be a real problem. Too much of a good thing is bad. There is only one exception to that rule.

When we focus too much on something that isn't God, it becomes an idol to us. If we look at ourselves with a clear mind, not trying to fool ourselves, we know exactly what that idol is. For Owen Wilson Character it was the past, he was so wrapped up in it he couldn't see his marriage falling apart.

We can become blinded by our idols. We might not see them as gods in our eyes but do we worship them? At times I have to put myself in check when it comes to certain things. I ask myself, "Why do I do this? Is this for the glory of God?" I have to give myself a heart check, is this too much of a good thing?

"Then you will defile your carved idols overlaid with silver and your gold-plated metal images. You will scatter them as unclean things. You will say to them, 'Be gone!'" - Isaiah 30:22

MAN-GO TUESDAY APRIL 20TH 6:30 e CULVER'S COLUMBUS ALL MEN ARE WELCOME! MENS Monday Night BREAKFAST Fight Club AND BIBLE STUDY JOIN US FOR April 12 @ 8pm **BISCUITS & GRAVY** AND BIBLE STUDY SATURDAY, **APRIL 17@ 8:00AM** SOUTH CENTRAL INDIANA MENS FELLOWSHIP Tuesday, April 27th 2021 | MEETING CHANGE Zoom Meeting @ 7:00PM

Are you ready?

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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					Good Friday Service 7:00pm	Kids Easter Egg Hunt 1:00pm	1 2 2 5
4 Sunrise Service 7:00am Breakfast 8:00am Worship 9:30am	5	6 HBH 10:00am Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm	7	8	9	10	5 5 6 8 9
11 Elders Meeting 4:30pm	Monday Night Fight Club 8:00pm	13 HBH 10:00am Board Mtg 7pm	14	15	16	17 Mens Breakfast & Bible Study 8am	11 16 16 19 19 20
18	19	20 HBH 10:00am Man-Go 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm	21	22	23	Jr/Sr High Rascals 10:15am Ladies Day Out Brown County	22 22 25 26 26 26
25	26	27 HBH 10:00am	28	29	30		<u>Anniv</u>
	SIS 7pm	SCIMF 6pm Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm					22 S 28 G

## <u>days</u>

**Maycie Benedict Sydney Ebersold Laura Hamner Becky McInerny Austin Shannon Angelina Woodall Curtis Cox Patricia Robertson Karina Clark Chris Thompson** Jonah McInerny **Kelly Benedict Dani Tressler** Stryker Gill **Kelcey Hoevener Travis Beck Grant Emerick Tabitha Woodall Adelaide Teghtmeyer Charles Bartlett Annabella Stovall** Nicholas Lortz

### <u>versaries</u>

- **Steve and Leora Campbell**
- Grant and Laura Hamner