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#### Church Family Bible Reading Plan — April 2024

April 1: Isaiah 51-52	April 2: Isaiah 53-54	April 3: Isaiah 55-56	April 4: Isaiah 57-58
April 5: Isaiah 59-60	April 6: Isaiah 61-62	April 7: Isaiah 63-64	April 8: Isaiah 65-66
April 9: Jeremiah 1-2	April 10: Jeremiah 3-4	April 11: Jeremiah 5-6	April 12: Jeremiah 7-8
April 13: Jeremiah 9-10	April 14: Jeremiah 11-12	April 15: Jeremiah 13-14	April 16: Jeremiah 15-16
April 17: Jeremiah 17-18	April 18: Jeremiah 19-20	April 19: Jeremiah 21-22	April 20: Jeremiah 23-24
April 21: Jeremiah 25-26	April 22: Jeremiah 27-28	April 23: Jeremiah 29-30	April 24: Jeremiah 31-32
April 25: Jeremiah 33-34	April 26: Jeremiah 35-36	April 27: Jeremiah 37-38	April 28: Jeremiah 39-40
April 29: Jeremiah 41-42	April 30: Jeremiah 43-44		

#### Sunday and Weekday Schedule of Activities

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9:00 am Sunday School10:15 am Worship Service

5:30 pm Youth Meeting



6:00 pm Prayer Meeting/Membership Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday

5:00 pm Adult Choir (TBA)

0 pm Youth Ministry (Ignite!)

Our Mission: Encounter. Grow. Serve. Share

## April 2024

Our Vision: Becoming fully committed followers of Jesus Christ ...

Making a Kingdom impact on Calvert City

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Pastor	Dr. Jim Ewing
Music	Stacey Cayton (Interim)
Children's Ministry Director	Crystal Smith
Youth Leaders	Lance & Trena Gregory
Ministry Assistant	Edna Pierce
Audio/Visual Technician	Aaron Smith
Building Supervisor	Ray Tucker
Church Organist/Pianist	Vicki Madison
Custodians	Marshall (Eddie) & Gail Agen

#### Thoughts for the Weeks Ahead

Welcome to Spring! In all honesty, I don't mind cold weather, but I'm not sad that I didn't have to shovel snow this year. I suspect it'll be back next year ... but I can wait!

As we roll into Spring, we have some changes coming. As most of you know, at our March 20<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting we officially selected a Music Minister/Director Search Committee. The members of that committee are: Vicki Madison, Mark Noles, Kristin Poague, and Eric Littrell. Stacey Cayton has graciously filled in, on and off, officially and unofficially, for serval years and led us well. And I suspect that no one appreciates her leadership more than me ... having had to do that job myself for a time. She has agreed to keep filling in until we can find a replacement ... but I'm asking our church family to pray diligently for God to provide a new leader so we can give her a break! If you're aware of any potential candidates, please pass their names along to me or any of our Search Committee members.

Another Spring change is coming in our Youth Ministry. After 8+ years as our Youth Directors, Lance and Trena Gregory are ready to move into the next chapter of their lives, but thankfully, they're staying with us. They have blessed this church family and a whole lot of young lives ... some of which are now adults and leading their own families. God is gracious, and we were able to quickly identify another church family who were willing to be the new Youth Directors: Eric and Heather Littrell. They have been very involved with the Youth Ministry over 5 years, filling in when Lance and Trena were out of town. They have been faithful members of our church family, and their children, Jayden and Hadley, have been involved with our children's ministry, AWANA, and our youth ministry. Jayden has become a part of the Media Team and it's always a joy to have Hadley share her love of singing with us. Because this move entails a change in church staff, the recommendation will come from the Personnel Committee and it will require approval of the church body. To that end, I am asking for a special called membership meeting on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> to present them to the church for consideration and approval.

Change is inevitable in a church, just like the seasons. And God uses change to get us going where we need to go. I speak often about the first church in Jerusalem described in **Acts 2:42-47**. But what we can miss in their story is the fact that it wasn't too much later that same church began to encounter considerable outside resistance and persecution. So much so, that many of the members felt they had to leave Jerusalem for their own safety. At the time, they no doubt wondered why God would allow the break-up of such a wonderful community of believers. But it was these trials that got them out of their comfort zone and led them to spread the Gospel and build churches in new areas. What looked like the loss of something good, was actually the beginning of something even greater.

When we face challenging times, let's always remember that the church belongs to God. And if we're faithful to be what He's called us to be, we can live in confidence in Jesus' words from **Matthew 6:18** - *I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it.* (NASU) Just a reminder, FBC will be 150 years old in 2026. Apparently, He's not done with us yet!

So ... with that all said, I'm asking our members to continue to pray for our Music Search Committee to find the right replacement. Pray for God to lead and bless the changes in our Youth Ministry. And then pray that our church family would each grow deeper in our personal relationship with God. Pray for the Holy Spirit to move powerfully and clearly in our midst. And pray that we would grow closer to each other as we serve our God, this great church family, and the Calvert City community.

Together in Him, Pastor Jim And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus. Now to our God and Father be the glory forever and ever. Amen. Philippians 4:19-20 (NASU)

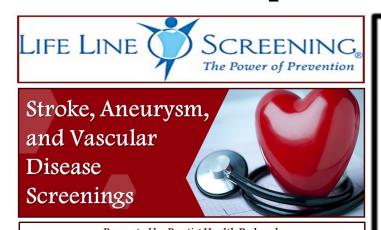
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#### Announcements, Missions and Outreach





### **Upcoming Events**



Presented by Baptist Health Paducah Thursday, May 2, 2024 First Baptist Church Calvert City Call 1-800-640-6307 for more information and appointments

# 'For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope. Jeremiah 29:11

SUNDAY MORNING MAY 19, 2024





# April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Birthday: Hazel Faulkner		6:00 pm – Prayer Meeting			
	Spring Break May 1-5		No Youth-Spring Break			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Birthday: Becky Tynes 9:00 am – Sunday School 10:15 am –Worship 5:30 pm —Youth			5:30 pm—Youth 6:00 pm – Special Called Membership Meeting/Prayer Meeting	Birthday: Donna Cayton 10:30 am—WMU (Women on Mission) Fellowship Hall	Anniversary: Don and Karen Howard Birthday: Hadley Pagel	<b>Birthday:</b> Donna Ford
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9:00 am – Sunday School 10:15 am –Worship Service 5:30 p.m. Family Fun Night-Fellowship Hall		<b>Birthday:</b> Paula Wayland	5:30 pm—Youth 6:00 pm – Prayer Meeting/Membership Meeting			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9:00 am – Sunday School 10:15 am – Worship Service 5:30 pm — Youth			5:30 pm—Youth 6:00 pm—Prayer Meeting			
28	29	30				
Birthday: Doris Haley 9:00 am – Sunday School 10:15 am –Worship Service 5:30 pm—Youth		Anniversary: Randall and Hazel Faulkner				

#### Volunteer Schedules

Tellers	Lynn and Rebecca Wilson	COUNTER	Rebecca Wilson			
NURSERY ASSISTANTS		LEAD USHERS		SECURITY TEAM		
April 7	Crystal Smith	April 7 Adam Morton		April 7	Clint Poague	
April 14	Trena Gregory	April 14	Marvin Travis	April 14	Eric Littrell	
April 21	Jill Pagel	April 21	Eric Littrell	April 21	Billy Hodge	
April 28	Kathy Poague	April 28	Clint Poague	April 28	Gerry Poague	
DEACON OF THE WEEK		PRAYER WARRIORS		ALTERNATES		
April 7	Dale Smith—270-564-8457	April 7	Clint Poague and Ray Tucker	Wayman Duncan and Andy Pagel		
April 14	Jason Young—270-703-1709	April 14	Danny Sewell and Billy Hodge	Jason Young and Phil Broyles		
April 21	Lance Gregory—270-703-4881	April 21	Donna Cayton and Shirley Harrington	Karen Howard and Heather Littrell		
April 28	Aaron Smith—615-579-3609	April 28	Trena Gregory and Anna Hodge	Sandra Wiles and Heather Risher		
MARCELLA'S KITCHEN DELIVERY SCHEDULE (Deliveries are on Tuesday of every month)						
April 2	Dale and Jean Smith, Jerry Devine	April 23	Gerry and Kathy Poague, Jill Pagel			
April 9	Cheryl Ewing, Gene Low, Jennifer Casey	April 30	Cheryl Ewing, Jennifer Casey			
April 16	Jerry Devine, Billy Hodge, Donna Cayton					