

**REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CHURCH**

Sunday 10:00 am.....Bible Classes  
 11:00 am.....Worship  
 5:00 pm.....Worship  
 Wed. 7:00 pm.....Bible Classes

**WELCOME, VISITORS!**

We are so glad you are here. If this is your first time with us, here’s what to expect. We seek to worship according to the New Testament pattern. As a result, we **sing** without the accompaniment of mechanical musical instruments (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16). We have a weekly observe the **Lord’s Supper** (cf. Acts 20:7) which consists of unleavened bread and fruit of the vine (Matt. 26:26-29). This memorial is designed for those who have been baptized for the remission of sins to partake (Acts 2:38, 42). There will also be an **offering** collected from our members (1 Cor. 16:1-2). As our guest, you are not expected to make a donation. Feel perfectly comfortable passing the collection plate down the row. You will also hear the **preaching** of a Bible-centered message (Acts 20:7) and men leading the congregation in **prayer** (1 Tim. 2:8). We think you will find our worship meaningful and refreshing as we strive to do it in spirit and in truth (John 4:24). We encourage you to observe carefully and stay a while afterwards so that we can get to know you better and answer any questions you may have.

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**ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION RECORDS**

	2018 Goals	Last Week	1 yr ago
Bible Study	60	50	40
Sun AM	80	55	71
Sun PM	40	34	24
Wed	45	53	42
Contribution	1950	1851	1626

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**He Arose!**

One of the fundamental facts of the gospel is that Jesus Christ “*rose again the third day according to the Scriptures*” (1 Cor. 15:4). Our hope for overcoming death ourselves hinges on the resurrection of Christ. False teachers in Corinth, however, were saying “*that there is no resurrection of the dead*” (1 Cor. 15:12). This may indicate the influence of the Sadducees (Matt. 22:23), or the idea may have come from one of the numerous pagan cults in Corinth. Whatever its source, Paul launched a devastating attack against this heresy in the fifteenth chapter of First Corinthians.

As a part of his argument, Paul pointed out the horrible consequences of embracing the “no resurrection” fallacy. “*But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then...*”

➔ **Christ is not risen (13, 16).** To deny one is to deny the other. And that has far-reaching consequences...

➔ **Our preaching is in vain (14).** Without Christ’s resurrection, the gospel is an empty shell, a form with no substance.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Prayer List** \* Paxton Bloyd \* Debbie Bradshaw (lymphoma) \* Sharon Cornett \* Riley Decker (leukemia) \* Matthew Edwards (cancer) \* Dessie Frankum \* Britany Harden \* Willard Holliday \* Amanda Jewell (mitral valve stenosis) \* Wilma Landis (cancer) \* Eli Marcom (brain tumor) \* Kenny Perkins \* Kara Reed (cystic fibrosis) \* Ancil Reynolds \* Teresa Yates (cancer)

### **Medical Updates**

\* **Dessie Frankum** is under hospice care. They think her time is growing short.

\* **Jesse Stephens**, April Sholty's father, has three tumors on his heart.

**Singing Tonight (but No Fellowship Meal)** - We will have our monthly song service tonight, but there will not be a fellowship meal this month.

**Men's Prayer Breakfast** - We will have a men's gathering on **Sat., Apr. 14** here at the church building. It begins at 9 a.m. There is a sign up sheet in the foyer.

### **Our Ladies Day**

\* Our Ladies Day will be **Sat., Apr. 21**. Denise Chaffin and Julie Sterchi will be the speakers.

\* There will be a planning meeting **tomorrow evening at 6:30 p.m.** here at the church building. All ladies are encouraged to attend.

**Wedding Shower** - There will be a wedding shower for **Don Franklin Jr. & Ginna Marsh** on **Sun., Apr. 29** at 2:30 p.m. here at the church building. They are registered at myregistry.com (also at Flowers & Things in Columbia).

**Backpack Buddies** - Don't forget that Backpack Buddies in an ongoing program. Please continue to help out. A list of food items is in the foyer.

**Anniversaries This Week** - Adam & Leticia Reynolds (Apr. 1)

### **Birthday Last Week!**

We wish to apologize to Olivia Clark who had a birthday last week (Mar. 18) and we accidentally forgot to put it in the bulletin. Hope your birthday wasn't for the dogs, Olivia! (If you don't get the reference, ask her about it.)

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➔ **Your faith is also vain/futile (14, 17).** Preaching an empty message produces an empty faith. Therefore it would be futile (i.e. bringing forth no results). Christianity would be just another of the countless man-made religions.

➔ **We (the apostles and others who faithfully proclaimed the gospel) are found false witnesses (15).** Hundreds of witnesses saw the risen Lord with their own eyes (see 15:5-8). Were they all liars?

➔ **God did not raise Jesus from the dead (15).** Not only would Jesus be a dead savior, but God would be an impotent deity, unable to fulfill His own word (Remember, Psa. 16:8-11 foretold the resurrection of Christ).

➔ **You are still in your sins (17).** Jesus was "*raised for our justification*" (Rom. 4:15). If there is no resurrection (thus Christ is not raised), then we have no way to be justified before God.

➔ **Those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished (18).** The old Sadducee doctrine would be true – when you die, you're just like the old dog Rover (dead all over)!

➔ **Hope in Christ is only in this life (19).** Like the innumerable human philosophies, Christianity's only value (if any) would be in the here-and-now.

➔ **We are of all men the most pitiable (19).** Without the resurrection, Christianity would be one gigantic hoax! Christians would be the biggest dupes who ever lived! "*If the dead do not rise, 'Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die'*" (1 Cor. 15:32).

Thank God that "*Christ is risen from the dead*" and "*in Christ all shall be made alive*" (1 Cor. 15:20, 22).

- Joe Slater

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***"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" (1 Pet. 1:3)***