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Your shepherds (elders) and sheepdogs (individuals who intentionally look after your safety) met together a couple of weeks ago to evaluate what we are doing, and to explore additional measures we might take, to keep everyone safe at church. This is obviously not a new concern for the elders. We've long had procedures in place to assure the safety of our children, fire alarms are at all exits, a smoke alarm system was installed years ago, we have an AED defibrillator in the hallway, and several have been carrying concealed since it was made legal.

We started locking the front doors after the worship service starts a couple of months ago, and have now started locking the side entrance before the morning message. Church doors will also be kept locked during the week. Last week we had the alarm system completely tested, and put up additional signs to indicate that we do have security in our church facility. Specific protocols in case of weather emergency, fire, or hostile incursion are being formulated to share with ushers, nursery workers and teachers.

Obviously the specifics of every possible emergency cannot be anticipated, but we do feel a responsibility to do what we can to keep everyone as safe as possible. If there is something more you feel we should be doing, please let me, Mark, or one of the elders know what it might be.

On a different note, I want to update you on personal plans. I've shared with you the fact that cancer has been found in my prostate, and that I was exploring options for treatment. I have now decided to proceed with brachytherapy, the implantation of radioactive seeds. I'm scheduled to have a volume study on March 20 to make certain I'm a good candidate for this form of treatment, and to determine how many titanium seeds to prepare for implantation that will take place a month later.

In the meantime, I'm heading for Mickey Mouse World for my last trip there with the grandkids. Now don't get the wrong idea. I simply mean this will hopefully conclude my obligatory grandfatherly trips to a place that has never been on my personal bucket list.

Mark will be preaching next week, but I'm planning to be back in the pulpit on the 11th.

God Bless, Rick



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Believe for Jr. High is Friday!

Please be praying for Audrey Crowe, Madison Bales, Kate Sperry, James Higgins, Lily Divjak, Anna Hunley, Jacob Divjak, Jessica Mann, Christina Mann, Braden Wiser, and Daniel Hendricks as they worship with hundreds of teens at the convention center.

STATISTICS

Worship 117
Offering \$4,263.03

SERVING THIS SUNDAY-3/4/18

Greeters Lee & Schar Zimmerman
Visitors' Stand Gary & Lori Gredzieleski
Communion Meditation Doug Marlow
Ushers Jack Stucki
..... Kent Ballard
..... Jeff Edmiston
..... Bob Williamson
..... Gary Gredzieleski
..... Chris Luzio
..... Brad Stirmell

WORSHIP NURSERY

Toddlers Rhonda Luzio
..... Emily Hughes
Infants Janet Polley
..... Jamella Reese
..... Courtney Bales
..... Sunday School
..... Julie Divjak
Infants Kristin Polley
..... Kileen Huber

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY-3/11/18

Greeters Will & Sara Bartels
Visitors' Stand Judy Marlow
Communion Meditation Doug Marlow
Ushers Jack Stucki
..... Kent Ballard
..... Jeff Edmiston
..... Bob Williamson
..... Gary Gredzieleski
..... Chris Luzio
..... Brad Stirmell

WORSHIP NURSERY

Toddlers Karen Mann
..... Jake Divjak
Infants Sara & Regan Bartels
..... Rebecca Smith
..... Sunday School
..... Julie Divjak
Infants Bonnie Ruebush
..... Dixie Williamson

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK



MARCH SERVERS

3/18 & 3/25: Otto Huber, Jack Stucki

MARCH PROJECTIONIST

Erica Blakley

MARCH GREETERS

3/18 Duane Carrell
3/25 Chuck & Janice McLaughlin

MARCH VISITORS' STAND

3/18 Rick & Janet Polley
3/25 Bob & Dixie Williamson

MARCH NURSERY

Worship - 3/18

Toddlers: Nikki & Anna Hunley
Infants: Marilyn Wenneborg
..... Janice McLaughlin
..... Grace Hunley
..... Sunday School
Infants: Janet Polley
..... Jeni Sperry

Worship - 3/25

Toddlers: Kelly Donaldson
..... Kate Sperry
Infants: Dixie Williamson
..... Renee & Madison Bales
..... Sunday School
Infants: Karen Mann
..... Vicki Small

Let Us Pray For...

--Lisa Hendricks' dad with leukemia.
--Renee Bales' co-worker's 14 year old son with leukemia.
--Bob & Carrie Sexton along with Gateway Christian Church in Mexico on a build with Andrew.

SERMONS ON PODCAST

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This is going to be a great weekend! Believe is one of my favorite conferences of the year and I am looking forward to experiencing it with all of you who have signed up!

Please arrive at my house no later than 5pm on Friday to drop off your overnight supplies and jump in the church van. Bring a sleeping bag and a pillow because I am still not sure where everyone will be sleeping. Also, you will need money for a fast food dinner before the conference on Friday and for a lunch on Saturday. There will be a merchandise table set up at Believe with t-shirts, music, etc., so consider that when determining how much money to bring.

After worshipping, playing games and studying Matthew 28:20, we will be back to our house at 4:30 on Saturday to conclude our time together. See you all on Friday!



Jr. & Sr. High Students

WinterJam this year is on Thursday, March 29th in Peoria. At first, I was worried about this being a school night since we usually get home around 1:00am. But, both Auburn and Chatham are off school the following day so it works out perfect!

They did raise the price to \$15 per person this year, but that is still very reasonable to see artists like Skillet, Building 429, Jordan Feliz and others. We will be discussing it further in the coming weeks, but in the meantime, save this date if you are wanting to go this year!



4th and 5th Grade Students

Your conference in Bloomington is right around the corner. Our exciting weekend of worship is scheduled for March 9th and 10th in Bloomington. There is still plenty of room if you haven't already signed up and we would love to have you attend!

We will be leaving the church at 4:30pm on the 9th and returning by 5pm on the 10th. The cost is \$55 plus money for 3 meals and souvenirs if something catches your eye. Also, among other overnight supplies, you will need to bring a sleeping bag and pillow. Mark Zimmerman has graciously allowed us to sleep at his comfortable house on Friday so that is a huge upgrade from last year. Don't hesitate to give me a call if you have any questions!



Jr. High Girls

Your annual pageant weekend comprised of evening gowns, nail polish, hair spray and make up has been scheduled over Spring Break which will hopefully allow everyone to attend. It will begin at 6:30pm on Monday, April 2nd here at the church and conclude the next day at noon. If you are in High School and would like to help Tina, just let her know sometime soon as she would appreciate the help!