

TRUMPET

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Seek the lost, equip the saints, send the sowers

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MONDAY MORNING MUSING (850)

Let's do good things for the kingdom this year.

Unexpected Gifts

Unexpected gifts are the best—a shot of joy producing a natural smile. I received three in the past month, out of the blue and incredible.

I received a box in the mail from a first cousin I have not seen since 1968. In it were photographs from 1905 through the 1950s from my Father's side of the family. Dad was born in 1933 and was raised on a small family farm in Perry County, Ohio. When I showed the box to him, he knew everyone in the photos. (Thanks for filling in the blanks, Dad.) Along with the photos was a locket with pictures of a man and a woman. The locket belonged to his Mother, and the images were of her and my Grandfather. A pocket watch, given to my Grandfather "on the occasion of his 21st Birthday," was the biggest surprise. There were also many letters from 1916, a brooch and ring belonging to one of Dad's Aunts.

This past Friday, my best friend gave me a leather-bound American Translation of the King James Bible published in 1827. He did not remember how he acquired it but thought I would like it. Yes, I love it!

The third gift was given to me by the Goodbar's. I asked them several years ago to get a miniature statue of the Statue of Liberty. The Goodbar's have children living in Brooklyn and I asked them to pick one up for me on one of their visits. My mother was born in Manhattan and raised in Brooklyn. I went to visit the Statue of Liberty when I was in kindergarten.

I told Sandra that this completed a set for me. On my desk is a souvenir rock with the year 1620 inscribed on it. My Father's family came over in 1620 on a ship called the Mayflower, and my mother's family came over from Hungary in 1906, and they processed through Ellis Island.

Yes, unexpected gifts are the best! Grace is a gift I did not expect. I was in the trap of works and legalism, trying to win the uphill battle of more good works than bad to earn a pass into heaven. A hopeless pursuit to escape the fires of purgatory. Unexpectedly, I found the grace of God and the sacrifice that covered all my sins: past, present, and future.

*Wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin;
How shall my tongue describe it, Where shall its praise begin?
Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free,
And the Wonderful Grace of Jesus, reaches me.*

Church Servants

May 16, 2021

Serving the Table:

Meditation: B Lott

Prayer: J Kattine

Serving South Charleston: T Geake

Communion Preparation:

Flowers for the month of May:

Worship Team: R Bennington/P Corbet/ W Lott/P Tidd

Musicians: L Burkholder/C Graf/J Dwyer/D Hays/

B Long/P Long/D Ritenour

Cradle Roll:

Kid's Grove:

Attendance

S.S.-

Worship

Offering

05/09/21

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Our Prayers Are With...

Mary, Ron, Pat, David, David, Brenda, Brett, Beverly, Molly, Joyce, Logan, Dewitt & Pauletta, Tim & Shelby, Nora, Hunter, Carol, Nora, Danny & Peggy, Mary, Bob, Carissa, Branden, Brandon, Tim & Cynthia, Bill & Marilyn, Kathy, Steve, Laura, Rachel, Denise & Tim, Tony, Our Missionaries, The Petty Family, Mark, Tina, Tom, Lori, Elizabeth, Bentley, Charlie, Jordan, Tina, Hank, Sarah, Jackie & Randy, Shawn & Tom

Shut-ins... Loretta (Elmcroft, Xenia)

Cancer... Rita, Deidra, Darrel, Eileen, Cindy Julie, Hayden, Travis, Bonnie, Tracy, Shirley, Panji, Shelly, Wilma, Tammy, Angela, Carla, Caleb, Ron, Terry, Dennis, Jim, Robbie

May Birthday's:

May 10 Bob H, Tina T

May 14 Jacob M

May 16 Jaynie M

May 18 Carol R

May 19 Jordan K, Joan S

May Anniversaries:

May 10 – Jack & Liz W

May 12 – Bill & Marta L

May 14 – Dan & Emilia L

May 15 – Tom & Sarah G

If you would like to join in on the Zoom Prayer Meeting or Bible Study, email the church and Bill will send you an invitation.

Serving the Table for May:

16 B Lott/J Kattine

23 J Kattine/J Michael

30 J Michael/J Corbet

Up & Coming Activities In Our Family...

May 13 Zoom Bible Study, 7 pm

May 15 Kairos

May 16 Morning Worship, 11 am
Youth, Online, Uploaded in the morning

May 17 Zoom prayer meeting, 7 pm

May 18 Ladies meet at the church at 9 am.
See details below

May 25 Ladies meet at Teaberries in Springfield.
See detail below

Kairos from May 1st is now on Facebook and YouTube. Next Kairos will be on May 15th.

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Ladies, Tuesday, May 18 at 9:00 A.M.–We will be planting flowers around the church, trimming up bushes, cleaning up brush in flower beds (bring your tools and a pack of annuals)

Three June dates to add: Sunday June 20 -Ladies will be fixing the men “Father’s Day” treats to eat or take with you as you depart Church.

Tuesday June 22 – Ladies at Clifton Mill for Breakfast @ 9:30 - Sign-up sheet is in Lobby.

Saturday June 26- Our first “Saturday Ladies Ministry Coffee Meeting”: It will be held at 9:30 at Orion’s in Cedarville, Ohio (devotions and discussion)

Needs for the Jamestown Food Pantry (unopened products): Toilet paper, Paper Towels, Kleenex, Bar Soap, Flour, Sugar, Potato Flakes, Spaghetti O’s, Ravioli, Canned Vegetables, Mac & Cheese, Canned Fruits, Canned Meats (Tuna, Chicken), Cans of Soup, Boxes of Cereal, Dry Rice, and Dry Beans. These items can be dropped off at Jamestown United Methodist Church, 22 East Washington Street, Monday thru Friday, 9am – 11am. You can make other arrangements by calling (937)760-3581. For more information, please see the bulletin board in the foyer.



Butler Springs Christian Camp is asking the Grove to supply 60 boxes of cereal (no cheerios or rice krispies) for summer camp this year. If you can donate, the boxes need to be here by Sunday, May 23 so they can be delivered to the camp later that week. Thank you in advance.