Issue 15

#### **WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS**

#### Sunday April 12, 2015 April 19, 2015 Prayer E. Stewart P. VanHorn Scripture M. Davidson D. Thomas Communion D. Smith T. Brooks Assist Chr. Middleton M. Perry Pass R. Alexander L. Montgomery Pass T. Jarvis D. Clay Usher D. Mandernach J. Fronczak Usher B. Castleman B. Mullins Prayer B. Morton R. Coss Song Leader R. Alt N Middleton S. Smith A. Clauss Nursery **Evening Worship** Praver R. Bousho R. Alt Communion P. Danz B. Mullins Praver M. Nasceif G. Maldonado

(Wednesday Midweek Bible Study)

C. & D. Middleton No Bible Time

MDYC concert

Bible Time

April 15, 2015 April 22, 2015

Prayer P. Danz Chr. Middleton

Song Leader L. Montgomery D. Smith

Prayer T. Raupp S. Fiori

# Lincoln Park Church of Christ

#### BETTER THAN GRAIN

I just read an interesting verse in my daily reading. It's Proverbs 11:26 "People curse the man who hoards grain, but blessing crowns him who is willing to sell." It does seem unfair if there are hungry people out there, you have what they need, and you turn them away anyway. There people were even willing to offer money and still got turned away! That seems selfish to me. I think that's based on fear - "If I give them some of my grain I might not have enough for myself." A faith in God would lead you to be generous. After all, you know that God is the reason your needs are met and not because of your stack of grain.

Well, I'm not a farmer so I don't have any grain stashed away. It would look funny in the coat closet . . . But thanks be to God that I have something even better! God has surely given me a great treasure that I can carry with me always: "But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us." -2 Corinthians 4:7. Church, we have the gospel. But how bad would it be if we hoarded it? How bad is it if we sit around comfortably with a smug look on our faces with no concern for others? Others need what we have - a food that leads to eternal life. Let's provide that to others. In fact, even though it's worth more than the whole world let's give it away for free.

AM Sermon: Willing to Grow Scripture Reading: John 10:16

PM Sermon: 1 Timothy 3

#### ON THE CALENDAR AND CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

<u>SAMARITAN LADIES:</u> Every Wednesday at 10:00 am

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Saturday, April 11 at 9:00 am at Charlie's in

Lincoln Park

WELCOME WELLS FAMILY

FELLOWSHIP: Sunday, April 12 after the morning service. The sign up list is posted at the back of the auditorium.



HELPING HANDS: Monday, April 13

at 10:00 am

MDYC CONCERT: Sunday, April 19 - Our evening service will begin at 5:30 pm and the chorus will follow. Monetary and food donations are needed to provide a meal for the members of the chorus before the concert. Please contact Anita Clauss if you are able to help.

LADIES' LUNCHEON: Saturday, April 25 at 11:30 am at Tijuana's on Dix in Lincoln Park

BABY SHOWER:
Thursday, April 30 at
7 pm in the fellowship
room to honor LeighAnna and Nick Middleton. They are registered
at Babies R Us and Tar-

get.



**HELPING HHI**: We are collecting the



following items for Healing Hands International: fabric (esp. cotton or flannel), cord, straps, small toys

(that work), small stuffed animals in like new condition and school supplies.

Also, if any of you would be willing to write a little note of encouragement, you can bring those to the building too and leave them in the



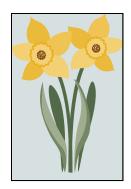
foyer. We'll tuck them in with the boxes of toys, sewing supplies and school supplies that we'll send. Any questions, please see Cheryl Alt.

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u>: Virginia Clay has a new great granddaughter, Tessa Nadine Hale, born on March 30. She weighed 7lbs 10oz and was 19 inches long. Her parents are Virginia and Charles.

#### ♥ PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER ♥

REBECCA VAUGHN

**ELLIE STARKEY** 



#### CONTINUE TO REMEMBER

Javier Cuarezma, Laura Farr, Al Hutchinson, Ed Ingle, Dennis Johnson, Yolanda Joiner, Pat Longoria, Gil & Glenda Maldonado, Don Mandernach, Chuck Middleton, Peggy Morton, Evelyn Mullins, Jeff Nelson, Erma Noe, Sheryl Prosise, Pat Pugh, J.D. Roberts, Bill Saylors, Scotty Smith, Val Toby, Leila Wallace, John Wallace, Karen & Mike Ward, Linda Weick, Ron Withey, Jami Willingham



## ELDERS' EDIFICATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT CORNER



CALL TO WORSHIP

#### WITH HIS HANDS

Genesis 2:7 And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. (KJV)

I think that out of all the verses of the Bible, this is one of my favorites. During the rest of the creation story, we read that God spoke everything into being.

It is only when He came to the making of man that He quit speaking and used His hands. I can almost picture it in my mind...God stepping down from His throne and kneeling in the earth, scooping up the mud and forming the man He loved. Then in almost a kiss, He breathed His breath into the mouth of Adam. He loved Adam so much that rather than just speak him into being, He took the time and the energy to form him. He expended His breath to make him a living soul.

Thousands of years later, God once again stepped down from His throne and used His hands to prove His love. He allowed Himself to be hung on a cross. Rather than have us to forever be separated from Him, He took the time and the energy to be our sacrifice. He expended His blood to purchase us. And once again, we became a living soul. In the creation story, we can see so clearly His love for us. In the story of the Crucifixion we can see the price He paid for that love. What a gift He has given us!

The Old Rugged Cross:

On a hill far away
Stood am old rugged cross
the emblem of suffering and shame.
And I love that old cross
where the dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross till my trophies at last I lay down I will cling to the old rugged cross and exchange it someday for a crown.

written by George Bennard - 1913

Love, Chuck

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless. Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners. Christ died for us.

Romans 5:6-8

#### SCRIPTURE READING

sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.

John 10:16

#### **SERVICES**

Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am and 6:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

#### OFFICE INFORMATION

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#### **MINISTER**

Doug Wells

#### **ELDERS**

Russ Bone Randy Coss Chuck Middleton Louis Montgomery

#### THEME FOR 2015

Sweet Year of Fellowship

#### SERVING THE LORD IN APRIL



Communion Preparation & Care of Baptismal Clothing:

Carole Johnson, Mary Jane Johnson, & Elaine Dimtson

Closing the Building: Deron Smith

#### APRIL BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Matt Nasceif	1
Bill Shelton	3
Don Sanders	4
Paul Lyberg	7
Chris Middleton	9
Amanda Lyberg	14
Matt Perry	14
Steve Banules	16
Ginger Smith	17
Ron Alexander	22
Sheryl Prosise	22
Sam Fiori	29



Bill and Jenny Shelton

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### DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE FOR APRIL

#### 1) 1 Samuel 11-13

- 2) 1Samuel 14-15
- 3) 1 Samuel 16-17
- 4) 1 Samuel 18-20
- 5) 1 Samuel 21-24
- 6) 1 Samuel 25-27
- 7) 1 Samuel 28-31
- 8) 2 Samuel 1-3
- 9) 2 Samuel 4-7
- 10) 2 Samuel 8-11
- 11) 2 Samuel 12-13
- 12) 2 Samuel 14-15
- 13) 2 Samuel 16-17
- 14) 2 Samuel 18-19
- 15) 2 Samuel 20-22

- 16) 2 Samuel 23-24
- 17) 1 Kings 1
- 18) 1 Kings 2-3
- 19) 1 Kings 4-6
- 20) 1 Kings 7
- 21) 1 Kings 8
- 22) 1 Kings 9-10
- 23) 1 Kings 11-12
- 24) 1 Kings 13-14
- 25) 1 Kings 15-17
- 26) 1 Kings 18-19
- 27) 1 Kings 20-22
- 28) 2 Kings 1-2
- 29) 2 Kings 3-4
- 30) 2 Kings 5-7

#### **CONTRIBUTION**

#### WEEKLY BUDGET

\$3,400

04-05-15 \$5,836

04-12-15

04-19-15

04-26-15

FOOD PANTRY

Soup

Crackers

Complete meals

Canned fruit