

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY 4-14 Palm Sunday

8:30 a.m.—Common Ground  
 9:00 a.m.—Sunday School  
 Fellowship Time/Common Ground  
 9:30 a.m.—Ushers & Greeters Prayer  
 10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
 Communion

### TUESDAY 4-16

6:30 a.m.—Elder Prayer  
 Noon—Community Prayer

### WEDNESDAY 4-17

3:45-5:00 p.m.—AWANA Fair  
 5:30 p.m.—Worship Team Practice  
 6:00-7:30 p.m.—Jr. High Youth Group  
 7:45-9:15 p.m.—High School Youth Group

### THURSDAY 4-18

6:30 p.m.—Maundy Thursday Service

### FRIDAY 4-19

Office Closed  
 6:30 p.m.—Good Friday Service

### SATURDAY 4-20

10:00 –11:30 Bridal Shower for  
 Jenna Smith & Jack Bertilson

### SUNDAY 4-21—

**Resurrection Sunday**  
 7:30 a.m.—Early Service  
 8:00 – 9:15 a.m.—Breakfast Served  
 9:00 a.m.—Sunday School  
 Fellowship Time/Common Ground  
 9:30 a.m.—Ushers & Greeters Prayer  
 10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship

## REMINDERS

### This Week

**Nursery** (9:00) Brent & Kim McNeese  
**Nursery** (10:00) Jim & Shannon Nielsen  
 & Family  
**Greeters:** Mark & June Newman

### Next Week

**Nursery** (9:00) Deb Kruger  
**Nursery** (10:00) Katie Collins & Family  
**Greeters:** Ken & Linda DeWaard

## GIVING UPDATE

Weekly Budget: \$6,600

General Fund Offering— 4-7-19: \$8,749.25

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for these people with health issues or other concerns

David Peterson	Josh Johnson	Nancy Anderson	Marv Johnson
Evelyn Hill	Doug Kneisel	Mathew Dallman	Floyd Cutshall
Blanche Friedow	Vickie Swanson Family		

- For God to give us a passion to see Christ move in our community
- Servicemen & Women—including Josiah Faust—National Guard
- Missionaries including Trinity Seminary
- Sunday School—including Women’s Class—Teachers Janice Bertilson & Chris McNeese
- Life Group Leaders—including Paul Swanson
- Youth Pastor—Pastor Jesse
- Interim Pastor Randal & Linda Kay

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**EASTER BREAKFAST SIGN-UP**—If you would like to donate food items for the omelet breakfast, please sign up in the foyer or contact Kim McNeese. Also, if you plan to attend the Easter Breakfast, please sign-up today in the foyer.

### AWANA FAIR—April 17th

- Kids will be picked up at the school as usual
- Fun games...Prizes...Hot Dogs...Music & Finish Up Books
- Club day ends at 5:00 p.m.
- If your clubber needs to finish up their book, make sure they bring their book with them to AWANA.

**YOU’RE INVITED TO A BRIDAL SHOWER**—for **JENNA SMITH & JACK BERTILSON** on Saturday, April 20th, 10:00—11:30 a.m. They are registered at Target, Amazon and Swenson’s.

**VBS TEACHERS MEETING**—Monday, April 22. at 6:00 p.m.

### AWANA AWARDS NIGHT

—April 24th at 7:00 p.m.

- You are invited to join us for the clubbers awards ceremony
- The kids will sing some of their favorite songs for you
- Please have your clubbers at the church at 6:45 p.m.
- A time of fellowship will follow the ceremony

**YOU ARE INVITED TO A BRIDAL SHOWER** for **RACHAEL SMITH AND RYAN SWANSON** on Saturday, April 27th at Dan & Brenda Smith’s home ( 215 2nd St. SE, Britt). Come and Go from 10:00—11:30 a.m. They are registered at Amazon and Swenson’s.

### UPDATE ON BLANCHE FRIEDOW

Blanche is residing at Westview Care Center 445 8th Ave. SW, Britt. Please pray for peace and calmness for her as she is no longer mobile. Cards would be a wonderful way to bless her. She really enjoys receiving and reading mail.

**WE WANT TO THANK OUR CHURCH FAMILY** for the many prayers, offers to help, cards, phone calls and love shown to us during Marv’s illness and ongoing recovery. God is great! Marv and Diane

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## “I AM the Good Shepherd”

John 10:7-14

Notes

### The Shepherd's Staff

Pastor Randal

### The Wave

There is phenomena that takes place at many sporting events; it's called, “The Wave”. It starts when a group of people rise to their feet, fling their hands in the air and sit back down with the hope that people to the right of them will do the same motion and then the people after them until it makes a trip all around a stadium.

Two thousand years ago (give or take a decade or two) another group of people gathered to create a wave. This time it was not for a sporting event but for the arrival of one humble man, upon a humble donkey, for whom the people hoped would be the promised deliverer of Israel. Not satisfied with just waving their arms in celebration, they gave a victor's welcome by waving palm branches and laying cloaks upon the ground for this kingly one to tread upon. It was quite the scene. Had Twitter been invented this would have been a “trending event.”

For millennia the church has celebrated this triumphal entry on a day we call Palm Sunday. This is the day we remember when Jesus, the Messiah, rode into the city of Jerusalem. Tragically, this week would find him not crowned with a king's crown, but with a crown of thorns. Rather than continuing to celebrate his arrival, many in these same crowds will end the week with shouts of “crucify!”

As we celebrate this Holy Week, where do you find yourself amongst the groups that gathered? Will you remain steadfast in declaring Jesus King of kings, or will you slip away into the shadows as his popularity begins to wane? Will you lift your arms in praise or remain like some of the jeering crowd?

My prayer is that you will join the gathered church and proclaim, “Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the LORD!”