



Elkville Christian Church
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Praises: Adrien and Corrine (Wilson) Smith welcomed a brand new baby girl, Nora Maye Smith on Friday, March 20th!! Baby Nora weighed 6 pounds and 9 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long. Congratulations to the Smith Family!!! Maddie Darnell and Macie Darnell both dedicated their lives to Christ and were baptized in Him yesterday, March 21st!!! Congratulations to both Maddie and Macie!!!

New Members: Marsha Coffer place her membership at ECC on February 8th!!!

Surgery & Recovering: Lynn Cobin (emergency surgery); Tim Davis (former ECC minister-requiring quadruple bypass before kidney transplant); Matt Brown (surgery at Carbondale hospital to repair broken legs after being struck by car while walking his dog); Bobbie Starr (elbow surgery in April); Jeanette Thompson (needing knee replacement)

Others in Need: Gene Gray (in Herrin Hospital) Sharon Jordan (Virginia Pabst's sister-in-law-heart issues); Jess Brooks (car accident); Mary Lydia Jenkins (heart trouble); Scott Chapman (heart issues); Rita Richardson (health issues); Maggie Coats (David Haven's 9 year old granddaughter in Texas-kidney stones); John Proz (requiring 24 hour care) Shawun & Brenda Hamley (providing John Proz with 24 hour care-pray for strength and stamina as they provide a caring home for John); Larry Thompson (brain bleed); Ellen Rath; Larry White; Blake & Cori Moon (lost young son in house fire);Ashlee Murry; Clifford Whittington (Serious health issues from a recent fall); Kayla Wilson (Liver issues will need a transplant in the future); Jeannette Thompson (multiple health issues); Clifford Bishop (health issues); Patty Manis (continued carotid issues);Rick Greenley (frontal temporal dementia-no treatment and is progressing); Dagan Crews (Nashville, TN-heart problems); Margie Tanner (health issues from fall); Alec Valerius (Prayers for sensation to return in legs below the knees); Evey Maye (kidney disease-one kidney only functioning at 1%); Dawn Cashion (heart issues); Cheryl Reese(Pancreatitis & liver cirrhosis); Vickie Lewis(Health issues); Nyle Ford; Richard Shimkus (balance and overall health)

Those With Cancer: Maven Cole (12 year old with bone cancer); Carlie Lane (breast cancer); Mikky Gerald's (Breast Cancer); Heather Bookstaver (teacher at Du Quoin); Paula Ellis; Sara Hinde (Lung Cancer); Mehgan Russell (39 years old with cervical cancer); Denny Elledge (lung cancer); Bill Jenkins (lung & kidney cancer); Lori Kelly (Carla Bigham's- stepdaughter-Kidney cancer-surgery 10/27); Rachel Rider (pancreatic cancer); Robin Frailey (diagnosed with ovarian cancer); Donny Turner (also pray for wife, Donna); Courtney Severs (brain cancer); Lisa Bastien (melanoma); Stanley Webster (pancreatic cancer); Allen Russell (Jeanette Thompson's son-in-law's brother, having bone marrow transplant for leukemia); Mary Lynn Morber (ovarian cancer); Stacey Arnett (multiple myeloma); Raelin Chaffin(thyroid cancer); Lucy Boss (5 year old with leukemia); Barb Nawakoski (lung cancer); Mary McGriff (ovarian cancer); Brian Tuthill (leukemia); Logan Kraeger (31 year old with stage 4 cancer);

Kathy Yates; Janelle Coleman (mother of 3-breast cancer-preparing for double mastectomy followed by chemo; Reice Mae Albright (Goreville High School student-brain tumor); Cheryl Baker; Jeanette Thompson (leukemia); Linda O'dell (stage3 cancer);

Military Service: Gabe Kreid (Air-Force); William Meadows (Air Force-stationed in Las Vegas, Nevada); Bryce Mathis (Army Ranger); Zac Jorgenson (Air Force-stationed in North Dakota); Nick Depyatic (Air Force-stationed in Wyoming);Micheal Brown (Navy); Chad Lipe (deployed overseas); Major Luke Grieder (Army-stationed in Poland); Rylan Ragar (Coast Guard-stationed in Puerto Rico); Andrew Martin (Army-LTC@Pentagon); Jessica Sickles (Air Force-being deployed overseas); Jeffrey Davis (Navy); Stavian Bizailion (Army); Mekenna Goessman (National Guard); Brooklyn Miller-McMullen (Coast Guard)

Those in Mourning: Family of Jo Ellen Rodely; Jeff Collins; Larence George; Jerry Aken

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Services and Times

Sundays

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Night Fellowship

(September through May)

Meal 5:45 p.m.

Bible Study 6:30-7:30 p.m.

April Wednesday Night

Menu

Meal starts at 5:45 p.m.

Cost is \$7/plate or \$18/family

4/1 No Wednesday Night Activities

4/8 Taco & Nacho Bar

4/15 Chicken Alfredo, Salad, and Garlic Bread

4/22 Sub Sandwiches, Pasta Salad, and Chips

4/29 Baked Potato Bar and Salad

The ECC Monthly Minute

An Easter Devotion: The Joy That Invades Our Hearts

by Elizabeth Sherrill

He is not here; for he has risen...—Matthew 28:6

Only a week had passed since that triumphant Palm Sunday entrance into Jerusalem—but what a difference in the little procession that set out now! No cheering crowds, no waving branches. Just a few silent women setting out in the gray dawn to perform the last sad rites at the tomb.

The day that changed human history was not a public occasion but a private one. The day when everlasting life broke into earthly time began not with celebration but with tears.

This is still the way Easter breaks into our lives—when we least expect it, when all seems lost. That's when the stone rolls away and the angel speaks and “death is swallowed up in victory” (1 Corinthians 15:54)

If it seems too good to be true, this joy that invades our hearts, it seemed so on the first Easter morning too. Mary Magdalene could not believe what her eyes were telling her; she took Jesus to be a gardener at work early among the graves. Preoccupied with her loss, she barely glanced at the figure standing before her on the path. She had a mournful task to fulfill and—

“Mary.”

There in the first light of dawn, Mary stood still. That voice...that tone of loving involvement. This was the moment, the moment when Jesus called her by name, that Easter broke like the sunrise into her heart. It is how we recognize Him still. The risen Jesus calls us so personally, comes into our lives to individually, that with Mary Magdalene, we cry out in glad recognition.

And then we do what the women did on that first Easter Sunday. Dropping their spices and ointments, the burdens of their sad errand, they rushed to tell the others. They set the pattern, these women who were first at the empty tomb, the two-fold pattern of the Christian faith newborn that Easter morning. They met the living Jesus. And they brought the good news to those who grieved.

That's always our role, when it's Easter in our lives; to tell someone else that He is risen.

For More Information

- Men's Breakfast- Lyle Thompson is leading the devotional
- Women's Breakfast-Vickie Carter is leading the devotion.
- Book Club Monday, April 13th. - Our Book of the Month is *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah
- Easter April 5th!! We will have our Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. with a fellowship breakfast to follow. Sunday School will be at 9:00 and worship at 10:00. Our Children's Easter Egg Hunt will follow services outside if weather permits. Children up to age 13 can participate and we ask that children under the age of 5 be accompanied by an adult.
- Youth and Children's Movie Night here at ECC to watch the animated movie, *David*. Kids of ALL ages up to 18 are invited to join, but we do ask that children ages 5 and under are accompanied the whole time by an adult. We will eat at 5:00 and then begin the movie at 5:30. Please sign up at the bulletin board so we know how many to prepare for.
- Serving opportunity in the nursery! If you love babies and toddlers and are searching for a way to serve, you're invited to join our rotation of nursery volunteers. If interested, see Cayla. Those interested will have to pass a background check.

Calendar + List of Events

- 4/1 No Wednesday Night Activities
- 4/3 Good Friday
- 4/4 Men's Meeting and Breakfast 8:00-9:00 a.m.
- 4/5 Easter Sunday Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m.
- 4/5 Easter Sunday-Sunday School 9:00 Worship 10:00
- 4/5 No Sunday Night Youth Group
- 4/8 Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal 5:45, Bible Study 6:30-7:30
- 4/11 Women's Breakfast 9:00 a.m.
- 4/12 Guest Services Meeting after church
- 4/12 Youth and Children's Movie Night 5:00-7:30 p.m.
- 4/13 Book Club 6:00 p.m.
- 4/15 Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal 5:45, Bible Study 6:30-7:30
- 4/18 Food Pantry 9:00-10:00 a.m.
- 4/19 Sunday Night Youth 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- 4/20 Area Men's Meeting at Minor
- 4/21 Forever Young Luncheon 12:00 noon
- 4/22 Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal 5:45, Bible Study 6:30-7:30
- 4/23 Joint Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.
- 4/26 Sunday Night Youth 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- 4/29 Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal 5:45, Bible Study 6:30-7:30 p.m.



April

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 No Wednesday Night Fellowship	2	3 GOOD Friday	4 Men's Breakfast 8:00-9:00 a.m.
5 EASTER Sunday	6	7	8 Meal 6:00-6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30-7:30 p.m.	9	10	11 Women's Breakfast 9:00-10:00 a.m.
12 Guest Services Youth & Children's Movie Night 5:00-7:30	13 Book Club 6 p.m.	14	15 Meal 6:00-6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30-7:30 p.m.	16	17	18 Food Pantry 9:00-10:00 a.m.
19 Youth Group	20 Area Men's Meeting at Minor	21 Forever Young Luncheon 12:00 noon	22 Meal 6:00-6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30-7:30 p.m.	23 Joint Board Meeting 6 p.m.	24	25
26 Youth Group	27	28	29 Meal 6:00-6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30-7:30 p.m.	30		

Birthdays

- 2nd Gus Gibbs
- 3rd Zach Jones
- 3rd Denny Harsy
- 4th Erin Carter
- 7th Landen Walker
- 9th Dennis Elledge
- 10th Joyce Elledge
- 10th Adi Jo Wilson
- 14th Kristian Porter
- 14th Heather Will
- 17th Gene Gray
- 18th Carsen Sarensen-Carter
- 19th Sarah Zirkelbach
- 20th Kevin Asbury
- 22nd Julie Garavaglia
- 22nd Dane Gibbs
- 25th Lu Pruitt
- 26th Jason Cobin
- 26th Jane Tuthill
- 28th Ashley Harsy
- 29th Becky Burroughs
- 29th CJ Monroe



Anniversaries

- 26th Denny & Peg Harsy
- 26th Dale & Karen Odom
- 26th Dustin & Brittany Dobill
- 29th Kevin & Tricia Asbury

Communion Purchase

Julie Briley

Communion Prep

Lisa Stewart & Sylvia Krelo

4/5/2026

Larry Hickman
 Craig Briley
 Paula Dunlap
 Jeremy Keith
 AJ Keith
 Dirk Valerius
 Christian Kistner
 Dale Odom

Inside Greeters

4/5 Lyle Thompson & Larry Hickman
 4/12 Becky Burroughs & Marilyn Piper
 4/19 Lisa Stewart & Sylvia Krelo
 4/26 Paula Dunlap & Bobbie Starr

Serving Schedule

Sunday School Milk & Juice

4/5 Steve & Vickie Parry
 4/12 & 4/19 Lyle & Joyce Thompson
 4/26 Joe & Cayla Reiman

Communion Servers

4/12/2026

Jim Williamson
 Gary Jones
 Jason Will
 Heather Will
 Mike Stewart
 Erin Carter
 Grace Godoyo
 Mark Wilson

4/19/2026

Jordan Evans
 Joyce Hickman
 Kevin Asbury
 Warren Yates
 Kathy Yates
 Jarrod Kreid
 Kathy Elson
 Dennis Bastien

4/26/2026

Lyle Thompson
 Aaron Thompson
 Maddax Thompson
 Bruce Ridgeway
 Gordon Burroughs
 Andy Burroughs
 Tyler Burroughs
 Tim Gossett

Hall Greeter

4/5 Gary Jones & Gordon Burroughs
 4/12 Jordan Evans & Jake Gibbs
 4/19 Steve Parry & Aaron Thompson
 4/26 Mark Wilson & Doug Gibbs

Exit Greeter

4/5 Paula Dunlap
 4/12 Dale Odom
 4/19 Vickie Carter
 4/26 Paula Dunlap

Nursery

4/5 No Nursery Volunteer
 4/12 Abby Keith and Laney Keith
 4/19 Alison Keith with Ginny Reiman
 4/26 Christy Stewart with Zoey Swenson

Opening Prayer

4/5 Brandon Buser
 4/12 Alan Evans
 4/19 Doug Gibbs
 4/26 Larry Hickman

Communion Meditation

4/5 Doug Gibbs
 4/12 Jake Gibbs
 4/19 Joyce Hickman
 4/26 Lance Weil