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**Four Things Jesus Taught Us**

*“The Holy Spirit . . . will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.” John 14:26*

We have many good teachers in our congregation. Some are retired after many years of service, and some are still actively teaching in the classroom. Good teachers work at finding many different ways to teach the main points of the lesson. They know that different people learn in different ways and they know that it takes a lot of repetition because we all hear, but then forget.

Jesus was a good teacher. The last several weeks we have been looking at different stories that illustrated basic principles of our faith. Jesus was excellent at using stories or circumstances that crossed his path to teach key points of his message. He taught us by the way he lived and his attitudes toward others. He also taught direct lessons with words – more what we think of when we think of a lesson. He was using every method to teach his disciples and to teach us the key points he wanted us to remember.

This month we are going to look at four teachings of Jesus from the gospel of John. We are going to consider what those teachings mean to us

and how we can apply them to our lives so that we will be more like Jesus. Join us each Sunday as we consider these scripture passages and these teachings straight from Jesus.

In other news around Spiceland Friends, this is the month that we honor our graduates. These young men and women have worked hard to complete a course of study and now are ready to graduate to the next step in their lives. We want to pray for them and support them as they celebrate their accomplishments and move on to the next phase of their lives.

Next month is VBS month. Many people will be working hard to teach these kids the principles found in the Bible. They will use role play, crafts, lessons, relationships, and much more to get those points across. Pray for the students who come and pray for the many volunteers and leaders. Step out of your comfort zone and volunteer to help out in some part of VBS. You can never know the impact you may have on a young life. I meet adults all the time who remember fondly the years they came to our VBS and how much it meant to them.

*David Brock*

We will once again be having a June-July Summer Edition of our newsletter. Newsletter articles will be due June 6 for this summer issue. We will be printing an August “Back to School” issue on July 25.

## Coming Soon! Maker Fun Factory VBS



Are you ready for some fun? Mark your calendars for June 19-23 so you don't miss out on all the fun! This year's theme is **Maker Fun Factory – Created by God, Built for a Purpose.**

VBS will be 6:00-8:30 each evening that week. Kids will have fun going to different stations throughout the evening, where everyone will discover how God lovingly made them, God is “for” them, God is with them, God will always love them, and that God made them for a purpose. VBS is for 3-year-olds through those who have completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration forms are in the Welcome Center on the table and on the church website.



I know what you are thinking – How can I be a part of this awesome ministry opportunity? Well, there are multiple ways you can help: donations (list of needs in Welcome Center), volunteer to help at Maker Fun Factory, and pray for everyone involved. All of these are very important in helping make VBS a success. Please see **Carly Griggs** if you are interested in learning more about the volunteer opportunities.

## Hog Roast and Church Picnic (Indoors!)

We will have our annual all-church indoor picnic and hog roast on Sunday, June 25, immediately following worship. The kids will share some



of their VBS songs and what they learned at VBS that Sunday during worship, so it will be a fun, exciting day! The pork, drinks, and table service will be provided, and you are invited to either bring a side dish or dessert to share or make a donation to help with the cost of the pork. This would be a great opportunity to invite your family and friends to join us as we enjoy good food and fellowship, and as we discover that God made us . . . loves us . . . and built us for a purpose!

## 2017 Graduates to Be Recognized

We will be having our Graduate Recognition Service on Sunday, May 21, during worship. **Tyler Little** will be acknowledging the achievements of our grads, while **David Brock** will be giving the message. Those graduating are as follows:

- **Cate Brock** – daughter of Mark & Christi Brock, will be graduating from New Castle and will be attending Harvard University.
- **Lindsey Peavie** – daughter of Dennis & Monica Peavie, will be graduating from Tri High and will be going to IUPUI.
- **Haley Painter** – daughter of Don & Eleanor Painter, will be graduating from New Castle and will be going to Indiana Wesleyan University.

If you know of any additional graduates, please let Tyler know.

Following our graduation service, we will be having a reception in the Family Center serving as a meet-and-greet opportunity to connect with our graduates. Refreshments will be provided.

Come and celebrate with us – join in on the fun and fellowship!

– Tyler Little

## Easter Plant Memorials

We would like to thank everyone who donated an Easter flower as a memorial for our Easter Sunday worship service. They were beautiful!

CHARLES PAINTER

Given by Kathy Painter,  
Dennis, Monica, Audrey, Lindsey & Joshua Peavie  
Michelle & Randy Clapp

JAMES R. PICKERING,  
REA & WINIFRED RATCLIFF,  
RALPH & ERMA PICKERING,  
JESSE & MAY RATCLIFF,  
MARY JANE FRENCH

Given by Richard & Linda Ratcliff

CHARLOTTE & HUGH MCGINNIS  
Given by Gerald & Darlene Darling

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## Easter Plant Memorials *(Continued)*

RON ZIMMERMAN

Given by Debi Zimmerman

PAUL, JR. & JUANITA REECE,

ADA & FLOYD HINSHAW,

PAUL, SR. & GOLDIE REECE

Given by the Reece Family

DAVID NEWKIRK,

BOB & BETTY NEWKIRK

Given by Virginia Newkirk & Family

GARY BAUGHAN,

CATHERINE EICHENBERGER,

GERTRUDE LYKENS

Given by Carolyn Lantz and Daughters and Families

MR. & MRS. RALPH McCOY

Given by Carolyn Lantz and Daughters and Families

BUD LANTZ

Given by Carolyn Lantz and Daughters and Families

JAMES R. PICKERING

Given by Lisa & Rick Little

KENNETH & BETTY BAILEY

Given by Randy & Sonja Coffman

BURTON & ADA COFFMAN

Given by Randy & Sonja Coffman

GEORGE & HARRIETT ARMSTRONG,

WINIFRED HUFF

Given by Greg Armstrong & Rita Shock

MY HUSBAND, DENNIS HOLT

Given by Joan Holt

LOUISE GOODWIN

Given by Monte & Irene Goodwin

EARL & ETHEL PRIGNITZ

Given by Monte & Irene Goodwin

KENNETH & GOLDIE BOGUE,

WILMA BOGUE WEST

Given by Wayne & Pat Bogue

DOUG & NANCY STRUNK,

KEN EMERSON

Given by Wayne & Pat Bogue

JERRY & JANET KNOTTS,

FRED MATHEWS

Given by Brad & Lisa Knotts

DOROTHY APPELEGATE,

PHILIP APPELEGATE,

EARL APPELEGATE

Given by Esther Applegate,

Judy Lee & Family,

Marilyn Ingle & Family

PHILIP THEODORE APPELEGATE,

BETTY LOUISE APPELEGATE

Given by Esther Applegate,

Judy Lee & Family,

Marilyn Ingle & Family

OUR FAMILIES AND OUR FRIEND,

LOREN FITZHUGH

Given by George & Barbara Lacy

AL & ARLENE CHAMBERLIN,

HOMER & LIDA CRANDALL,

BILL SMITH, & OTHER FAMILY & FRIENDS

WHO HAVE PASSED

Don & Cindy Crandall & Family

RUEL & LUCILLE BRYSON

Given by Betty Moffitt

MAX & DAVID MOFFITT

Given by Betty Moffitt

WALTER & MARY MARGARET CLAY,

EARL APPELEGATE,

PHILIP & DOROTHY APPELEGATE

Given by Jim, Janet, Mary & Rachel Putnam,

Esther Applegate

DICK PUTNAM, ANNE PUTNAM

Given by Jim, Janet, Mary & Rachel Putnam

BILLY R. SMITH,

AL & ARLENE CHAMBERLIN,

O. B. SMITH, BRENDA CATRON,

MARIAN COFFMAN, LEIGH KOGER

Given by Cathy Smith

## Walking Group Is Taking a Break!

The walking group has ended for the summer. Enjoy your summer, be well, and safe. Anyone is welcome to walk in the summer when the church is open. See you Monday, September 11, to begin walking group once again.

Best Wishes,

**Pam & Tom Pyle**

## Please Remember in Prayer



### Church Family

Family of Mildred Gephart  
Ginny Bryson – fell; knee injury  
Steve & Judy Stevens – Judy recovering from surgery;  
both traveling to California for Kyle’s wedding  
Evelyn Huss – arm injury  
Kathy Painter – fell, broken rib  
Carolyn Lantz – colon reversal surgery  
Lin Sadler – medical testing  
Janet Craft – recovering from surgery  
Nancy Coffin Coleman – heart attack  
Libby Henshaw – sciatic nerve pain, steroid injection  
Tom Ratcliff – hospice care  
Irene & Monte Goodwin – health problems

### Extended Family and Friends

Mary Kleeman (Linda Van Osdol) – heart attack &  
pneumonia  
Family of Brian Shelton  
Sister of Tommie Hunt – seriously ill  
Lee & Vera Young (Ruby Katherine Barker) – Lee had  
heart attack  
Marcia Ash (Jason Ash) – seriously ill  
Great granddaughter of Ruth Knotts – appendectomy  
Isabelle Cummins (Claudia Garner) – knee  
replacement surgery  
Nick & Chris (Jacob Specht) – hiking Appalachian Trail  
Jan Hurst (Judy Stevens) – serious health problems  
Ed Shepherd (Judy Stevens) – lung cancer  
Anita Williams (Lisa Little) – cancer treatments  
Family of Stella Copeland  
Chad, nephew of Janice Radcliff – severe pain;  
undergoing testing  
Father of Cate Moore – hip replacement surgery 4/17  
Cyndi (aunt of Josh Griggs) – cancer recurrence that  
has spread  
Theresa Wilson (Cathy Harris) – thyroid cancer  
treatments  
Family of Heather Poe  
Rosie Fowler (Beth Carr) – recurrence of cancer  
Friend of Dave Moore – having some serious  
problems  
Jackie (Strunk) Clendenin – serious health problems,  
testing  
Kenny Carter (Marilyn Ingle) – advanced cancer  
Tom Leonard (Priscilla James) – broken ankle  
Sarah Maley (Kandi Rutledge) – metastasized breast  
cancer  
Our country and servicemen and women

## Sermon Topics for May

**David Brock** will be preaching each Sunday in May. We will honor our graduates on May 21 during worship, and there will be a reception following the service.

### **May 7**

Sermon – “Jesus Taught: I Am the Good Shepherd”  
Scripture – John 10:1-18

### **May 14**

Sermon – “Jesus Taught: I and the Father Are One”  
Scripture – John 14:1-14

### **May 21**

Sermon – “Jesus Taught: I Am Sending the Holy Spirit to Teach You All Things”  
Scripture – John 14:15-27

### **May 28**

Sermon – “Jesus Taught: I Will Pray for You”  
Scripture – John 17:1-12

## Worship Assistants for May

### Scripture Readers

Doris Hoover – May 7  
Amanda Huss – May 14  
George Fort – May 21  
Beverly Elliott – May 28



### Junior Church

Tyler Little – May 7  
Linda Brock – May 14  
Cathy Harris – May 21  
Amanda Huss – May 28

**Hosts** – Jason & Lisa Ash

**Children’s Messages** – Charlene Williams

## Notes of Thanks

“Thank you for all the prayers, thoughts, and support for **Jacob Smith** (Linda Ratcliff’s nephew). His recovery is nothing short of a miracle.” – **Kara Smith**

“The flowers were beautiful. Mom really enjoyed her church family and sharing her dumplings. Your thoughts and prayers have been greatly appreciated.” – **Family of Patsy Pitts**

## With Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Mildred Gephart** who passed away on April 25.

We also extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of **Stella Copeland** upon her passing on April 16.

## SFC Will Host New Association's Spring Meeting

We will be hosting the New Association of Friends' Spring business meeting this Sunday, April 30. We will start with a time of worship at 2:30 p.m., the business meeting starts at 3:00 p.m., and a pitch-in meal will be at 5:30 p.m.

We will provide BBQ pork, creamy potato soup, salad, dinner rolls, drinks, and table service. Everyone is invited to bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Our church is a member of the New Association of Friends, along with 13 other Friends churches. The New Association is a voluntary association of Friends Churches who work together on some ministry projects, provide opportunities for fellowship with other Friends, and is a member of Friends United Meeting. If you have questions, please talk with **Cathy Harris** or **David Brock**. Everyone is welcome to join us for part or all of the afternoon's activities.

## Spiceland Cares Day – Partners with Habitat for Humanity Saturday, May 6 – 9:00 a.m. – noon

Volunteers are needed to build the walls for the upcoming Habitat for Humanity house to be built in Spiceland. There are also some residential and town projects that need volunteers as well. To volunteer or to make a donation, please e-mail [spiceland.cares@gmail.com](mailto:spiceland.cares@gmail.com) – or talk with **Donna Tauber**, **Jody French**, or **Pam Stigall**. Gather at the town hall at 8:30 a.m. for assignments and then head out to worksites. Return to the Town Hall at noon for stories, pizza, etc. **Our men's Bible Study group will be volunteering to help that day, and everyone is invited to participate!**

## New Grief Support Groups Begins April 27

A new cycle of the **GriefShare** grief support group will be starting on Thursday evenings beginning April 27. The class will offer support and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, parent, family member, or friend.

The class will provide a warm, caring environment, and includes three parts – encouraging, information-packed videos, small group discussion about the weekly video content, and a workbook for your personal use that includes additional information on each week's theme, scripture readings, and questions to reflect on that week.

Some of the topics included are – Is this normal? The challenges of grief. The journey of grief. Grief and your relationships. Why? Guilt and anger. Complicating Factors. What do I live for now?

You are welcome to begin attending our GriefShare group at any point. Each session is “self-contained,” and you can pick up missed sessions later.

The class is led by **Janet Putnam and Cathy Harris** – and assisted by **Lisa Knotts**. The group will meet 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Mary M Room. The class meets for 13 weeks and will go through July 27 (no meeting on June 22 during VBS).

The class is free and open to anyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one. If you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a loved one, please pick up a brochure in the Welcome Center and invite others who might benefit. Contact Janet, Lisa, or Cathy if you'd like more information.

## SFC Begins Recycling – You Can Help!

We have begun recycling and need your help! Blue recycling receptacles have been placed in the Family Center and in the kitchen.

**What we're recycling:** Plastic - #1, #2, #3 (marked on bottom of containers), aluminum, steel & metal food cans, glass (clear, brown, and green), cardboard – boxes, food boxes. Please rinse out any containers that had food or liquids before placing in receptacles.

A big thank you to **Janet Putnam** for providing the containers and bags and for heading up this project! Janet brought this concern to our Monthly Business Meeting in April, and the recycling project was wholeheartedly approved, and her efforts are appreciated.

