

# FAMILY NEWS



## Upcoming Events

**4.14.18 Canceled,** The Emmanu-wheel Wheel Chair Ramp Build has been canceled due to the trailer being used.

**4.21.18** 2018 Honduras Mission Trip Yard Sale. If you can help please see Krysten Devereaux or Cindy Cox.

**4.29.18** Comedian Tim Hawkins appearing at Shandon Baptist Church 6:30p.m.-7:30p.m.

**5/4-5/6** Ladies Retreat at Fripp Island. The cost is a \$100.00, please give your money to Carol by this Sunday the 15th of April

## Prayer Requests

- Missions: Mike, Kris and Kaylee Bridges
- AIM: Hannah Baker & Donnie Guill (Mission UpReach)
- Grayson Carter- Ft. Riley, Kansas; Deployed to Germany
- Nathaniel and Alexis Goodley, Hawaii- Wheeler Army Airfield
- Steve Izard
- Patrick Hutto
- Robin Smith
- Lisa Smith- Karen Oliver's Sister
- Heath Hartwell-Brian Devereaux's Friend
- Kimberly Craig and Mollie Carr, Kathy Upton's daughter and niece
- Gene Lowe-Vern Lowe's Father
- Luis Gonda-Marcie, Heather & Alannah's father
- Marcello Assenza-Christine Stewart's Father
- David Dowdy
- Tom Dominick
- Chester Warren
- Harriett Betterson and Family
- Mark Black, Kris Black's Father
- Kensington Martin, 14yr old young lady at PHS with stage 4 Throat Cancer
- Michael Bridges & Family
- Madeline, Suzanne Kennedy's Great Granddaughter.

## “WHY”

When Mary broke the alabaster box of perfume, anointed Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair, she was sharply criticized for her waste and indiscretion. Jesus asked them “Why.” He said, “she has done a beautiful thing.” The beauty of this extravagant act of love is found in understanding why she did it. Similarly understanding why Judas betrayed Jesus in the same context helps us understand the ugliness that was in him.

To Judas, Jesus was worth 30 pieces of silver; the price of the lowest slave on the market. 30 pieces of silver is actually an insult. Judas had his own agenda, which was to take care of Judas. Jesus was just a means to that end. The why for Judas was economic, and self-serving. To Judas, Jesus was useful as a few meal tickets, and nothing more.

Judas and Mary illustrate two opposite whys about Jesus. Mary saw Him for who He is and loved Him. Judas saw Him as an opportunity. What is your why about Jesus? Is it cool in your circles to be a member of a church? Do you gain social connection and affirmation from others by being in church and around church? Is Jesus for sale in your life?

Or, are you like Mary who could see the beauty of the Man Himself. Mary saw Him as the very definition of God, full of glory, and exactly representing the heart of God. She was moved by that. John was also moved when he said Jesus was full of glory, the glory of the one and only Son of God, sent from the Father's heart. Mary saw beauty, John saw beauty, and they were moved by it.

I think most of us are like Peter, a third character in the story. Peter readily affirmed his affection for Jesus but when the going got tough, he failed. Failure led to tears, tears led to change, and change led to love.

Looking at Mary, Judas and Peter will help us identify our why. If we are like Judas, we will find Jesus useful even though we might have failed to see His beauty. Perhaps we follow Him for what we can get out of being associated with Him? If we discover that what we really want from Jesus is the “loaves and fishes,” we will know that we have missed His beauty. We must open our eyes and see Him as He is before it is too late.

Some of us identify with Peter. Like Peter, we love Jesus, but fail to live up to our own standards. Failure offers an opportunity to see more of His beauty and be drawn to love Him. Our failures become the places we discover and adjust our whys.

**Assembly Times**  
**Sunday Worship**  
**9:30AM**  
**Sunday Class 11 AM**  
**AWANA, Sunday**  
**10 AM**  
**Wednesday, 7 PM**  
**Bible Study**

**Weekly Stats**  
 AM Bible Class 94  
 AM Bible Class Average 83  
 AM Assembly 136  
 AM Assembly Avg. 131  
 Contribution \$7,353.00  
 YTD Average Weekly \$5,945.20  
 Weekly Budget \$7,918.62

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Congratulations!!

Congratulations to Ryan & Christie Gaskins on the birth of their son Noah,

### Anniversaries:

4.7 Rom & Robin Kellis  
 4.7 Jeff & Lanie Guill

### Birthdays:

4/11 Katalina Binnicker  
 4.13 Kris Bridges  
 4.15 Siera Kirby  
 4.17 Barbara Thompson  
 4.19 Meredith Falls  
 4.24 Allan Whitacre  
 4.27 Joseph Burns

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**Opportunities to Serve**

**April 15, 2018**

**Worship:** Connor Watkins

**Sound Room:**

Mary Joy  
Ruben Macedo

**Lord's Supper:**

Chris Amaral

**Servers in April:**

Justin Muery  
Michael Spane  
Rob Brannan  
Derek Baxley  
Cliff Brown

**Door Greeters in April:**

Terry & Kayla Kneece

**Nursery:**

Alma Ulmer  
Karen Bost

**Toddler:**

Amanda Wood  
Robin Kellis

**Communion Prep:**

Sandi Chamberlain  
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**Coffee Clean-Up:**

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**Missionaries:**

AIM Hannah Baker, Donnie Guill, Mission UpReach in Honduras: Mike, Kris, Kaylee Bridges

## YOUTH NEWS

While it seems a long way off, three months from today will be the last day of VBS 2018! This year's theme is **Game On: Gearing Up for Life's Big Game**. The Scripture comes from **2 Peter 1:3** "His divine power has given us everything required for life and godliness through the knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness." Kids today are under so much pressure to perform well, be the best, balance schedules that are full, excel in every area and it can seem overwhelming. For all of us. But when we step back, we realize that the goal is not competing in our own strength. God has given us everything we need! He has given us His Word as a playbook, He has given us Himself, and He has given us a team to spur us on in the wins and losses of life.

I will certainly be reaching out to many of you to help out with this year's VBS, July 8-11. I would love for everyone to be involved somehow!

In the meantime, I ask that all of you would commit to praying for the preparations, the children and families that will be joining us, and our outreach efforts through this ministry. We can't do any of it without your prayer and God's power working within us. Thank you in advance!

Please let me know if you're interested in helping out!

Blessings,

Lauren Brannan