

The Pastor Said:

***Then the angel spoke to the women. "Don't be afraid!
I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified.
He isn't here! He is risen from the dead,
just as he said would happen.
Come, see where his body was lying."***

**We are Born Again
Kingdom People,
Living Like Jesus,
Sharing His Grace.**

I love this image, an angel announces that Jesus is alive. The reason I love it is that Jesus is my Savior. He is the Lord of my life. He is with me. He empowers me.

Are you excited? Read the words of the angel again. Read them with enthusiasm, with joy, with expectation, with gratitude. Now, jump up and down, clap your hands, and shout "glory, hallelujah, praise the Lord, AMEN!" Do it again.

The motivation for everyday is that I have a relationship with the God who rose from the dead: Jesus. My God is not a figment of imagination, or superstition. My God is not so mystical that He doesn't have a story. My God's story is the choice to leave heaven to die for my sins and rise from the dead. My God is alive in my soul, my spirit, my heart. He speaks to my mind, He energizes my body. He opens my mouth and gives me His words. What do you think?

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead gives hope. This hope is that what I am living through right now is not all that there is to life. There is more after death. There is life face to face with Jesus forever and ever. This hope carries me through the disturbing, challenging, painful moments of life. When every thing has blown up, when everything has fallen apart, Jesus is my hope. One day there will be a new heaven and a new earth. This hope assures me that the people I love who loved Jesus are in heaven. That means that one day I will be in heaven with them. We will share eternity together. We will be with people like Moses and King David. We will be with Peter, James, John, and Paul. What do you think?

As my heart, my spirit, my soul look to my risen, living Jesus I have peace. I'm not bothered as I once was because I know that Jesus is watching over me, providing for me, has a plan for me, and is working in and through me. His peace takes away my anxiety. Everyone of us can spiral out of control over all the things we can't control. But, with Jesus I am able to see more clearly what is important and what I need to do. If I can't control my life, but Jesus is in control of my life, then I can do what Jesus wants and not do what I want. Living in the peace of Jesus Christ is weight and burden I don't need to carry. Even though I try to pick up my burdens and become weighted down again, Jesus reminds me to give it back to Him. What do you think?

The resurrection of Jesus is a result of the death of Jesus for my sins. Jesus died and rose from the dead so that I could be saved from my sins. When you chose to believe that Jesus died and rose from the dead to take away your sins, you will be saved.

Come celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, the forgiveness of your sins, and the new life He gives you.

Pastor Joe



Good Friday Community Worship April 3



Coshocton Baptist Church is hosting worship beginning at **Noon** through scripture readings. We will then hear nails pounded into the cross. The Cross of Jesus will be raised. This time of worship will be a reminder to us of Jesus' sacrifice so that we will draw into a closer relationship with Him.

[Our Maundy Thursday meal/service is cancelled.]



Sunday Morning Messages

April 5 Resurrection / Easter Sunday
"Get A New Life: Jesus is Alive"

Matthew 28:1-10

April 12 "Get A New Life: United with Jesus"

Ephesians 1:3-10

April 19 "Get A New Life: The Promised Holy Spirit"

Ephesians 1:11-14

April 26 "Get A New Life: Wisdom and Revelation"

Ephesians 1:15-23

THE MONTHLY MISSION EMPHASIS FOR 2026

- Jan - Missionary Maintenance Services
- Feb - America for Christ
- Mar - Cooking Oil for Shepherd's Assembly
- Apr - Fellowship of Christian Athletes**
- May - One Great Hour of Sharing
- Jun - Heavenly Road Baptist Camp
- Jul - Pregnancy Center of Coshocton
- Aug - Lifewise (Release Time Ministry)
- Sep - World Missions
- Oct - New Life Ministries
- Nov - Blankets for the Homeless
- Dec - Retired Ministers and Missionaries

Salvation Army food items and diapers for the Pregnancy Center are received each week.

Here are our most urgent needs:



- Diapers - Size 4, 5 and 7
- Pull-ups (Boys) - Size 2T
- Baby/toddler fluoride-free toothpaste
- Boys Socks (up to 2T)
- Winter Shoes (children) - Size 7

Layette items (**new items** only please):
 Crib sheets, bath towels, teething, rattles

Large (approx. 13"x6"x10") baby shower gift bags

Thankfully, we have a potential long-term donor for wipes, so that is not a need for now. We truly make sure that we're only asking for things that we are running low on, or that move quickly.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 17—Terese Zelones
- 27—Ashley Roahrig
- 28—Sharon Hahn



Dear First Baptist Church & Congregation:

I apologize for being so late in getting this report to you. All is well with the pantry and we are moving forward with things. The weather has warmed up and we are thankful for that. The giving to the pantry is up a little and holding. We thank God for His goodness to us and our community.

	Total
Households Served	217
Clients 0-17 years old	60
Clients 18-59 years old	143
Clients 60 and older	195
Total Number of Clients	349

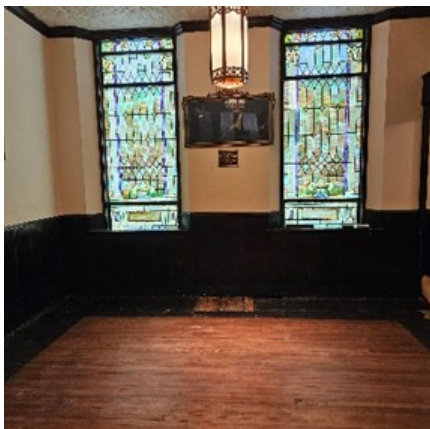
God Bless You Always.

Love and Prayers,

Mark & Doris Granger

New Life Ministries

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The main floor bathroom and kitchenette plans are moving forward. In a recent meeting with John Sutton of Sutton Construction several items were discussed: flooring, electric, countertop, sink, zoning approval, and the start of construction.

John was informed that the floor in the area planned for the bathroom is oak planks. The oak floor looks great and will be suitable for the remainder of the space. He stated that an oak floor would not pass code for a public building. His recommendation is a layer of luan with either vinyl sheet or vinyl squares. When the time comes we will be able to pick out the color and

pattern. This would be done for less than \$3000.

Electrical connections, lights and outlets were also discussed. In the kitchenette area there will be three outlets, each wired separately. This will provide us with the options to safely plug in coffee pot, small fridge, crock pots.

At the present time the light switches for all three Sunday School classrooms are in the future bathroom. The simplest way to move the light switches is to run conduit on the walls, then we can paint them to match the walls. In the bathroom and kitchenette area a drop ceiling will be installed with drop in lighting. The other lighting will remain the same.

The cabinets and countertop will be 8 feet in length (a standard size). The sink will be stainless steel with a Delta faucet. This will provide significant storage space, quick use of water, and space for a small refrigerator if desired.

Zoning approval is required for all public buildings. The zoning commission requires detailed drawings. This work will be done through Sutton Construction. Once the zoning is approved, construction will begin according to Sutton Construction's schedule. The timeframe for the drawings to be completed and the zoning approval cannot be determined. John is hopeful that all of things can be completed by no later than the first of the year.

The picture above is for your reference as you try to visualize these projects taking shape.

Hopefully this is helpful. As this project, and others, progress information will be made available. The work on the floor in the remainder of the Sunday School classrooms will be scheduled soon. As the weather changes then days will be scheduled to remove the fence along the front sidewalk and along the alley, then set in place railroad ties.

—Mission of the Month—
Fellowship of Christian Athletes



Just a few days ago the world celebrated St. Patrick's Day. As with most holidays, how we celebrate today is not much related to the original meaning or purpose of the holiday. St Patrick's Day is remembering the life of a real man, who lived a life in faithful service to God's call.

The story goes that after being taken by Irish Slavers for several years, he escaped back to his homeland where he went to school for ministry and served faithfully for a couple decades. Eventually, God called him to return to Ireland - to the people who had enslaved him - and deliver the good news of the Gospel. Thousands and thousands of people came to faith in Christ because of his faithfulness and obedience to God. St. Patrick's Prayer has is a powerful prayer that confesses our daily need and dependence on Christ. I encourage you to pray St. Patrick's prayer over your life today.

St. Patrick's Prayer:

*Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks of me,
Christ in the eye that sees me,
Christ in the ear that hears me.*

Each week of Lent we have continued to take student leaders and volunteers to serve at the Lenten Lunches in Coshocton. These weeks have been a blessing for our students and for the adults that they serve. Several of our students have requested to return multiple weeks because they have enjoyed it so much!



On Sunday, March 15th, we held another UNITE event, where students from around the Coshocton Area come together for food, competition, worship, and Bible study.

This event we had a mashed potato bar, crazy volleyball tournament, worship, a message from Pastor Andy Bird, and a time of small group discussion after the message!

This month we also had the opportunity to share about FCA at a couple of different churches! We were able to share at Victory Assembly of God in Newcomerstown and Clark Township Baptist Church in Warsaw. If you are interested in FCA coming to speak at your church, let us know and we will talk to your pastor about setting up a time!

Our work in Coshocton County is made possible through the faithful prayers and financial support of generous donors. Please consider becoming a part of our support team as we seek to glorify God in this ministry.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support of FCA in the Coshocton Area. You are truly a blessing to us and to the coaches and athletes in our area! God Bless!

In Christ's Love,
Nick Johnson & John Strasser



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3 Good Friday	4 <i>Prepare your heart for Worship</i>
5 Resurrection Sunday 9:30 am Worship 	6	7 Bible Study at First Baptist 4-5 pm	8	9 Bible Study at Riverside 10:00 am	10	11 <i>Prepare your heart for Worship</i>
12 9:30 am Worship Sunday School	13	14 Bible Study at First Baptist 4-5 pm	15	16 Bible Study at Riverside 10:00 am	17	18 <i>Prepare your heart for Worship</i>
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APRIL 2026 MONTHLY MISSION

++ Fellowship of Christian Athletes ++

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY: 9:30 am Worship followed by Sunday School
In-person and Facebook @Joe Sanders

TUESDAY: 4-5 pm Bible Study
All are welcome!

THURSDAY 10 am Bible Study—Riverside Apts.

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The F.B.C.

MESSENGER



Jesus said,
**"You must be
Born Again"**

John 3:3



Faithful Servants' Schedule

APRIL 2026	5	12	19	26
WORSHIP ASSISTANT	Kelly Fender	Norma Owens	Christine Sycks	Jim Woodrum
CHURCH MUSICIAN	Angie Lentz	Angie Lentz	Angie Lentz	Angie Lentz
SONG LEADERS	Norma Owens, Kelly Fender	Norma Owens, Kelly Fender	Norma Owens, Kelly Fender	Norma Owens, Kelly Fender
	LORD'S SUPPER			

**Well done good and faithful servant.
Thank You for Serving the Lord.**