



A Church that Serves

SLBC Purpose

...to glorify God by making disciples who: **intentionally devote** themselves to their own spiritual growth, **joyfully celebrate** knowing Christ through corporate worship, **faithfully connect** with others for fellowship and accountability, **actively participate** in the ministry of the church and **purposefully invest** their own time and resources in order to reach and disciple others in obedience to the great Commission. **Sunday School For**

All Ages - 9 AM

\*Worship - 10 AM

\*On Facebook

Family Ministry

6-7:30 PM

ALL are Welcome!



John 8:12



Maundy Service w/Communion, Sunday, March 29th, 6 PM. Easter Sunday, April 5th-Sunday School 9 AM, 10 AM special music and singing followed by guest speaker Levi Powell with a powerful Easter message. No evening Family Ministry or activities. Everyone is encouraged to come and support your Church with all the events scheduled during this most Holy of seasons. We strive to glorify the Name of Jesus in all we do at South Lexington and encourage you to share Jesus' love and spread His Light with others. Invite someone to Church for regular service or any of our special events!

Youth/Children Ministry Fundraiser-Indoor Garage/Bake Sale Fri-Sat

Apr 10th 8-5; 11th 8-2. **BBQ/Bake Sale** Sat Apr 11th 1-3 PM \$10 per plate. Please



Church Garage Sale

bring items to drive-thru during set-up Apr 6th-9th. Volunteer bakers needed to provide Cakes, Pies, Cookies, Cupcakes, Bread, for both days of Fundraiser. Give Frank Williamson a



call if you have questions or need large item pick-up 803-767-8175.

SLBC will be host to "Eternal Harmony's" Spring Sing w/the "Pine Ridge Boys", Saturday, April 18th at 6 PM. Come and show your support with special music and singing praises to our Savior. A love offering to be received.



We have spent six weeks in two local elementary schools teaching the Good News to approx. 115 children. As we finish the Spring session, we look back at the opportunity we had in planting many seeds, watering, and nurturing others and seeing some bloom into professions of faith. This has been a trying time in one of our clubs. The children were more active and took longer to settle down. We know Satan has a hand in children being disruptive; but as leaders we learned that God is more powerful and always in control. God gave us stamina to deal with all that was going on and as the Bible Story began, the children were all settled and listening. As a result, God drew 3 children to Himself for which we celebrate! We thank God for the time we had to love on these children and pray they will grow through what they have learned. Please join us in praying for volunteers, children, their families, school teachers and staff. After a short break, we will return (God willing) in the fall. If you would like any information about the GNC, please call Doreen 803-429-0402. **Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, (Ephesians 6:18)**

**Save the Date:** Sunday, May 31st-Thursdays, June 4th 6-8:15 PM. Committed and dedicated volunteers needed. See Mackenzie or Teresa to volunteer! Children are the promise of the Future, assurance of greater things to come. Shine a light on Jesus at our Illumination Station because "Jesus is the Light of the World!"

Mark your calendars for "Sr. Adult Appreciation", April 19th, as we recognize our Seniors for their Faithfulness, Presence and Leadership at SLBC! A meal will be provided, served by our youth. (Sign-up for food preparation count). Please Pray for all our "Seniors On The Go" at SLBC, Because We love them!

He is not here, He is Risen as He said He would-Indeed! Hallelujah!!





**A Word From Pastor Butch...** Greetings in the name of Jesus! Each year at about this time, as we see trees, flowers and grasses begin to come to life, my mind begins to focus upon Easter. Just over 2,000 years ago, the greatest few days this world has ever known took place. The events of those few days provide all men the greatest opportunity they could ever know, not just for their lifetimes, but for an eternity to come. I have heard the phrase, "life-changing" used a lot. Nothing else that ever could happen can truly change lives the way Jesus gave us the chance to experience real life - abundant life - eternal life. Mans' two greatest enemies are sin and death. Sadly, man in and of himself cannot defeat either of these great enemies. Sin is common to all. We were born sinners, we sin by choice, and sin is the pattern of our lives. For all sins are un-avoidable. Though we may grow to control some of the sins that beset us, we can never fully stop sinning. The hard part is that sin always brings death. Physical death was brought into the world by sin; but more importantly, there is also a second death, spiritual death. The wages of sin is the second death. But in just a few days, 2,000 years ago, Jesus defeated sin and death. Though He Himself was sinless, He took all of our sins on Himself, and died paying the price of our sins. He paid our sin debt. With His death on the cross, He gave us the opportunity to live without having to face the day of reckoning and accounting for our sinful lives. Then, on the third day, He arose from the grave, while defeating death for all who place their faith in Him. Because of what Jesus did, if we place our faith in Him, we can truly say as Paul said (1Cor.15:55-57), " '...Death is swallowed up in victory. Oh death, where is your victory? Oh death, where is your sting? ' The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. " We invite you all to come and join us as we celebrate our victory in Jesus. *God Bless You, We Love You! Butch*



**Luke 12:31** *But rather seek ye the Kingdom of God; and all of these things shall be added unto you.*

What are our priorities? Is it the house we want to live in, the car we want to drive and be seen in or a boat that will sit in our yard most of the time and not used? Do we want to keep caught up with the "Joneses"? Is it a prestigious job or world travel? All of these are just material things we want but maybe not need. The scripture above tells us that first and foremost we are to seek the Kingdom of God and He will supply all that we need, including eternal life with Him. May we all strive to get our priorities straight. Praise and worship Him with all our heart, mind, and soul. Mr. Jerry, Admin/Finance



We would like to thank everyone for the prayers, calls, texts, and thoughts during the past several months throughout Mom's illness. We also truly appreciate the meal gift card and the beautiful Peace Lily provided by the Church. Your kindness and thoughtfulness have been a great blessing to our family during a difficult time. *Tonya Williamson-Linda Gale Merritt Family*

**AFTER EASTER...** *After* is every Christian's middle name. In his autobiography, *A Song of Ascents*, missionary E. Stanley Jones tells of an African man who changed his name to "After" immediately following his conversion. Because all things were new and different and important after he met Christ, the man wanted to reflect that new reality in his name as well as in his thinking. Easter is what makes us "After" Christians. After we accept the Risen Christ, nothing in life is ever the same.

**TRIVIA...** How is the date for Easter determined each year? Easter is observed on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the first day of spring-so Easter can fall on any Sunday usually between March 22 and April 25. **2026-April 5th; 2027-March 28th; 2028-April 16th.**



Christian Sympathy in the death of: Larry Bodenhamer; Frank Morrow; Alma Watkins; Ryan Watton; Ronnie Williamson. Death is not the end of Light, it is only the gate-way to Eternity. For if there were no grief to hollow out our hearts, there'd be no room for joy. Prayers for God's Peace, remembering you in your sorrows.



Deacon's qtlly meeting-Sunday, **April 12th at 5 PM.** Joe McKay, Deacon Chair.



Our Food Pantry is stocked so well that we won't need to collect anything in April thanks to all our "Food Angels" and our much appreciated Volunteers!



Sr. Adults monthly Thursday lunch fellowship April 30th-11:30 AM. You're invited for fun, food and great fellowship. Bring food/desserts for sharing at our "Pot Luck" lunch. We would love to have you be part of our "Seniors On The Go" group at SLBC, Walter Brown, Ministry Leader.



**Health Kits Ministry-** Place items in the 2-gl ziploc bag provided and return to Church by April 12th for delivery to LBA by April 16th deadline. Be a part of touching lives in Christ's name. Remember, we meet 1st Wed ea. Month 5:30 PM. Rosemary Miller, WOM.

**Church Directory**

**UPDATE**

An in-house printing of our "Online Directory" will be made available soon. We would like to include anyone that attends SLBC with accompanying picture. Please call Cynthia Grigsby (422-3317) for you/family to be included. This is our 2nd printing of "On-Line Directory" with newest members and families and visitors included. We appreciate Cindy and Ronnie Grigsby both (our volunteer photographers) who can include a pic of you and your family as well. Help us all get to know one another even better at SLBC! Your participation is greatly appreciated!

**Christ's empty tomb guarantees our victory over sin and death.**



**Sunday Schedule**

Sunday School  
9:00 AM  
Morning Worship  
10:00 AM

**Sunday Evening**

Choir Practice  
5:00 PM  
Family Ministry  
6 - 7:30 PM  
Disc Bible Study 6 PM

**Wednesday Schedule**

Food Pantry 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
Evening Bible Study (Amos) 6:30 PM

**On-Going Activities**

Weekly Tuesday Prayer Time (All Welcome!) 9:00-9:30 AM  
Weekly Tuesday Disc. Bible Study 10:00-11:00 AM  
WOM 1st Wednesday Meeting-Apr 1st 5:30 PM  
Agape Stitches 3rd Wed Meeting-Apr 15th 10:00 AM  
FCA Breakfast White Knoll High School Last Tues Apr 28th 7:00 AM  
Senior's Monthly Lunch Fellowship -Thurs Apr 30th 11:30 AM

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>March 29</b> <b>Palm Sunday</b> 5th Sunday Bldg Debt Offering Maundy Service and Lord's Supper 6PM	<b>March 30</b>	<b>March 31</b>	<b>1 Katherine Elliott</b> <b>Andrew Kneece</b> <b>Caleb Kneece</b> <b>Barbara Priester</b> We will have Wed Evening Bible Study & WOM (5:30 PM)	<b>2 Dee Griner</b> <b>Susan Powell</b>	<b>3</b> 	<b>4</b> <b>Andy Leftin</b>
<b>Annie Armstrong Easter Offering through Easter-April 5th SLBC Goal: \$1,500 RTD: \$1,284</b>						
<b>5 Ron Matthews</b> ** 	<b>6 William Rast</b> <b>Dolly Stroud</b> <b>Amy Turner</b>	<b>7 Cindy Grigsby</b> <b>Pam McFaddin</b>	<b>8 Vivian Smith</b>	<b>9 Jacob Warren</b>	<b>10 Ron Howell</b> <b>Garage/Bake Sale Fundraiser</b> <b>8 AM-5 PM</b> 	<b>11 Garage/Bake Sale Fundraiser</b> <b>8AM 2PM</b> <b>11AM-3PM BBQ/Bake Sale Fundraiser</b>
<b>School Spring Break Friday, April 3rd - Friday, April 10th</b>						
<b>12 Deacon's Qtly Meeting 5 PM</b>	<b>13 Terry Lacy</b> <b>DJ Watson</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15 Danny Loftis</b> <b>AGAPE Stitches 10 AM</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17 Clayton McCurdy</b> <b>Aubree Turner</b> <b>Marie Turner</b>	<b>18 Gospel Singing</b> <b>Eternal Harmony</b> <b>Spring Sing 6 PM (Love Offering)</b>
<b>19 Irma McKay</b> <b>Marty Sharpe</b> <b>Sr Adult Appreciation Meal Served By Youth</b>	<b>20 Melissa Wooten</b>	<b>21 Acacia Lacy</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26 Jerry Conyers</b> <b>Linda Stratakos</b>	<b>27 Larry Lacy, Jr.</b>	<b>28 FCA 7 AM Breakfast</b> 	<b>29 Bruce Kelpner</b> <b>Marina Reynolds</b> <b>Larry Smith</b>	<b>30 Morgan Scircle</b> <b>Sr. Adults Lunch Fellowship 11:30 AM</b>		
 <p><i>**Easter Sunday is the most important day in the Christian calendar. It's the day Christ proved He is Lord over sin and death. Let us heartily join together to celebrate and rejoice!</i></p>						

**Character is like the foundation to a house...It's below the surface.**

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 \*Ray Bair 767-0039 \*Randy Chalmers 429-6081  
 Joe McKay 603-8792

*Recap as of Mar 22nd (12 Weeks)...*

Receipts	YTD \$85,764
Expenditures	YTD \$83,867
Budget Requirement	YTD \$83,818 (12 Wks)
Designated	YTD \$12,218
The Gideons: \$1,013 Annie Armstrong: RTD: \$1,284	



On-line Giving is now available thru Tithe.ly on Facebook or thru Church's website [www.slbchurch.com](http://www.slbchurch.com). Your prayers and financial support are very much appreciated!



***The Garden of Daily Living***-Plant three rows of Peace: Peace of Mind, Heart and Soul. Plant four rows of Squash: Squash Gossip, Indifference, Grumbling, and Selfishness. Plant four rows of Lettuce: Lettuce be Faithful, Kind, Patient, and Lettuce really Love One Another; and remember, no garden is without Turnips: Turnip for Meetings, Service and Turnip to Help One Another.



***Always With Us***-40 days after Easter, we celebrate Jesus' Ascension into Heaven. This occurred 10 days before Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus' followers, as He had promised. Jesus' Ascension reminds Christians that although His body couldn't remain present everywhere, we can universally experience His spiritual presence. In fact, Jesus' final words to His disciples (and to us) contain this key promise: "I am with you always, even to the end of the age"-Matt:28-20.



**Because He Lives! I can face tomorrow and all fear is gone!**