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### **Ron's Reflections**

As I sit here and write this reflection, the headline news is warning of the potential for serious tornadic activity that is approaching our area from 3-9pm this afternoon! Though it is currently sunny and blue skies are seen overhead, the news is, the storm is coming!

It is also our 41<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary today! Now, that is hard to believe that my sweet wife and I have been married for 41 years! I thank God for the wonderful woman with whom he has granted me to spend this much of my life. True, there have been very many days where the skies were blue, and the sun was shining on our marriage! And there have been those days, primarily by my own doing, where the storm clouds and what felt like tornadic activity had our home in its sights. Thankfully, our love for God and each other and our friendship has grown as the Spirit of God has shown and taught us along the way.

What we have found to be most rewarding and life giving was to, like a buffalo, step toward the approaching storm and through it, whatever the conflict was at the time. In this way, the conflict was more often quickly addressed, resolution found, and reconciliation and forgiveness achieved and received rather than to run from it and act as if nothing happened or that there was not responsibility on our part to be taken.

Now that I'm on the topic of marriage, our own in fact, allow me to share a few other truths that have enabled us to have an enduring, happy, growing, loving marriage.

We approached marriage believing that it is a holy ordinance created by God. What I mean is that God, our creator, created male and female, and that he designed and intended marriage to be for life. Genesis1:27,2:24, Matthew 19:6 Together, a decision was made as we made our vows before God for life and divorce has never been an option. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Proverbs 9:10

As followers of Jesus, He is number one in our lives, not ourselves or the other. We love Christ first and foremost. However, as we chose daily to love and serve one another we can do that as unto the Lord. This is because spouses are a gift from God. And whatever we find to do in serving one another we can do it as unto the Lord. Proverbs 18:22,1 Cor. 10:31

We both have distinct roles in our marriage. I am the spiritual head of our home and Wanda is my completing companion and life giver/nurturer/partner of our union. Together we are one flesh. I am to honor her by taking responsibility before God for her spiritual well-being and by laying my life down for her and serving her just as Christ loved the Church. I Cor. 11:1-3 and Ephesians 5:21-33 Wanda's spiritual role is highlighted and brings God glory by walking beside me in loving submission and affection. The challenge to live in this way is part of our rhythm of daily life.

We often tell each other when we see a potential storm on the horizon, "the bottom line is that I love you." So, honey, regardless of what the weather brings today, in the skies or in the accusations of the enemy in disguise, the bottom line remains the same. I.Love.You. Forever!



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### **Gatherings this week**

### **Monday through Friday**

6:00 a.m.- God moves through prayer, come pray with us every morning!

### Wednesday, April 3

8:00 a.m.- Senior Men's Bible Study in our Fellowship Hall.

7:00 p.m.- Woman's, Men's group AND Youth Group!

Kids 6<sup>th</sup> grade to 12<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome.

5:00 p.m.- Food prep for the Thursday meals if you're scheduled

### Thursday, April 4

5:30-7:00pm- Community Meal, CCC Fellowship Hall

6:00pm: Worship Team Practice

### Friday, April 5

9:30 a.m.- Senior Community Group in our Fellowship Hall.

**6:30 p.m.–** Steve & Amy Ross's Life Group, CCC Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, April 7

8:30 a.m.- Preservice Prayer in the Fellowship Hall/ Nursery Extension

**9:00 a.m.-** Coffee and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall and foyer. Get to know new faces and catch up with your church family over coffee or tea.



9:30 a.m.- Sunday School, a class for every age

**10:30 a.m.–** Worship Service. Come and join in praising God the Father through song. **After the offering is lifted**, children 5<sup>th</sup> grade and under are invited to walk down to the Fellowship Hall for Junior Worship while the pastor shares the sermon.

5:00pm: Perspective's Class, CCC Fellowship Hall



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### **Church News**

**Bethany** is having a fundraising event for **Missy Schrock**. April 6th 5-8pm. The money raised will be to help off set medical bills. All are welcome! They will have a Mexican themed evening and a brownie and ice cream bar for dessert! No RSVP required!!

### **Life Group/Bible Study opportunities:**

Jason & Chelsea Breda's Small Group is meeting Sunday, April 7th & 21st (Sunday Afternoon) 12:30 until about 2pm in the CCC Fellowship Hall. All are welcome! It is a kid friendly environment. The focus is reflecting on the sermon text.

Brian & Christie Johnson's Small Group is meeting April 9th & 23rd (Tuesday night) at their home (336 King Church Ave, Hartville 44632) led by Pastor Ron. The focus is watching and discussing the second season of The Chosen.

Steve & Amy Ross's Small Group is meeting April 5th & 19th (Friday night) starting at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall. The focus is on Discipleship.

\*Do you have a request for which you need prayer? Do you have a question about the sermon? Would you like to discuss questions about the Bible? Great! Call or text Pastor Ron at 330-704-3690.

\*Any other questions feel free to call the church at 330-877-1250 or Katie Harsh at 330-885-2689

**Bethany & CCC Men's Retreat-** Friday, April 26– Sunday, April 28 at 1pm. They will be traveling to Camp Muskingum 3266 Dyewood Rd SW, Carrollton, OH 44615. It will cost about \$100. Food will be provided. You are invited to bring snacks and beverages to share.

The General Schedule is Saturday & Sunday there will be devotions in the mornings. There will be 5 teaching sessions for the whole weekend. The rest of the time will be for general fellowship time, there are many things to do around the camp.

Please see Clay Akins with any questions.

A huge thank you to all those helped make this Easter weekend a success! The rewiring and cleaning up of the stage, the Passover Meal, the Kids' Party, the bus for the Sunrise Service, the delicious breakfast after the Sunrise Service, and the Celebration Service! It was a beautiful weekend and we are so thankful for the amazing church family we have!

#### For the Record

Church attendance for last week (March 31, 2024) was 165
The total tithes & offerings given was \$6,180

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### **Upcoming events**



If you have any questions please contact

**Steve and Amy Ross.** 

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### **Prayer Requests**

Please consider writing a card, sending a text, making a call, or visiting some of our church family members that are going through a rough time. There are cards available in the church office if you need some. If you need additional info, please contact Katie Harsh or Pastor Ron Embleton.

Mary Ellen Yoder- 850 Sunnyside St. SW, Hartville 44632; 330-904-2105

Eva Kuhns Potts- 1420 Smith-Kramer St. NE, Hartville 44632; 330-453-0748

Kathleen Patterson- 1976 Gulf St. NW, Uniontown 44632; 330-877-1606

Audrey Ritter– 11750 Klinger Ave, Alliance 44601 Altercare of Alliance Rm 406: 330-823-8263

Deb Zaluski- 1291 Countryside Cir NE, Hartville 44632; 330-575-8532

Susie Boyd– St. Luke's Lutheran Community Rm 107 Pinehurst; 220 Applegrove St NE, North Canton OH 44720; 330-498-5539

Ruth DeLong- 4900 Massillon Rd. Apt. 19, North Canton 44720; 330-697-5323





### Read the Bible in a year

This year's **Bible Reading Plan** give us a little more flexibility. Instead of 7 days, it is only 5, that way in case you miss a day you're not behind. We hope it helps you read through your Bible in a year! Happy reading!

### **Week 13**

Deuteronomy 27-31; Luke 12

Deuteronomy 32-34; Psalm 13; Luke 13

Joshua 1-4; Psalm 143; Luke 14

Joshua 5-8; Psalm 116; Luke 15

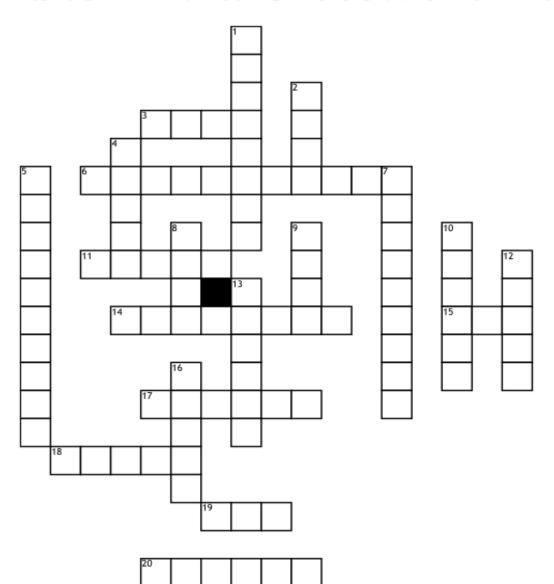
Joshua 9-13; Luke 16



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# Bible Trivia Crossword Puzzle



#### <u>Across</u>

- 3. What does Paul say may "abound more and more in knowledge and in all judgment?"
- He was king of Salem
- 11. What language was most of the New Testament originally written in?
- **14.** Where did the jailer find his faith?
- 15. Who fell off a seat and broke his neck?
- 17. Who was a Jezreelite that owned a vineyard next to the grounds of King Ahab?
- 18. Let your\_\_\_\_ so shine before men

- This book of the Bible speaks about a womb bringing forth ice.
- 20. Who was king when Paul escaped in a basket?

#### Down

- 1. Who was king of the southern kingdom when the northern kingdom of Israel fell to Assyria?
- 2. Paul's death is recorded in what book of the bible?
- 4. Which disciple found a coin in the mouth of a fish?
- But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have\_\_\_\_ one with another
- 7. Fear of the Lord is the beginning of what?

- 8. Which tribe of Israel looked after the religious aspects of life?
- 9. Thy word is a \_\_\_\_ unto my feet, and a light unto my path.
- **10.** Whose bones were carried out of Egypt?
- **12.** What type of leaf did the dove bring to Noah?
- 13. Who is the first hunter mentioned in the Bible?
- 16. Paul was shipwrecked in what island?