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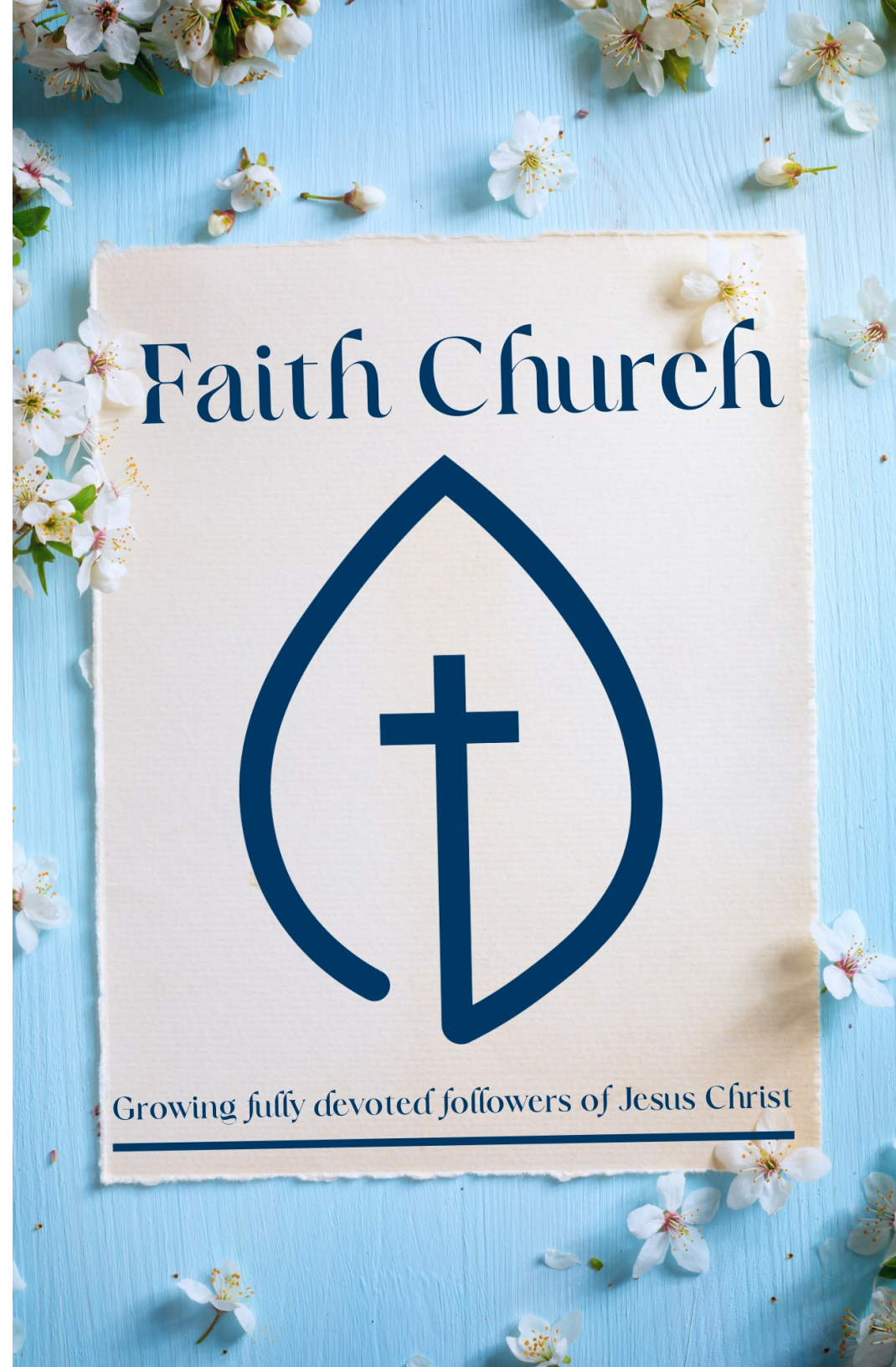
Bill Grady

Michael O'Bryant

Frank Ketschek

## our *mission*

Our mission at Faith is to grow fully devoted followers of Jesus. In order to accomplish this mission, we seek to build a community grounded in weekly worship, small group Bible study, prayer groups, and service to others.



Growing fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ

# worship *celebration*

April 7, 2024

# sermon *notes*

## **Announcements**

## **Call to Worship**

## **Song of Praise**

*"This Is Amazing Grace"*

## **Prayer of Invocation**

## **Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon**

## **Time of Greeting**

## **Worship in Song**

*"Here Is Our King"*

*"How He Loves"*

## **Prayer and Offering**

Place any tithe contributions and connect cards in the plate as it comes by.

## **Scripture Reading**

Matthew 12:33-37; Hebrews 6:17-20

## **Ordination/Installation for Frank Ketschek**

## **Children's Moment**

Children ages 4 — 1st grade are invited to meet at the back door for Kids' Praise in Room 104.

## **Preaching of the Word**

**"More Than Words"**

Ecclesiastes 5:1-7

Pastor Keith Ledford

## **Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

*"Abide With Me"*

## **Response to the Word**

*"You Make Me Brave"*

## **Benediction**

# prayer requests

- Pray for our President, Vice-President, and Administration that they will have the necessary wisdom to lead our country well.
- Pray for the Lord's strength and protection for the persecuted Church all over the world.
- Pray for Israel and the many innocents suffering there. Pray for their strength and resolve against the many who would do them harm.
- Praise God that Carol Gonas' hip surgery was successful. Pray that improvements will steadily continue until she is completely recovered.
- Pray for Elizabeth Markels' recovery following her recent hospitalization after fainting. Pray that she will be able to see a doctor soon and that they will have wisdom to know how best to treat her heart condition.
- Praise God that Natalie Booth is now home from the hospital. Pray that her medication will continue to be effective.
- Pray for Lloyd Carlinsky's overall health and that he will be able to receive comfort and relief for several medical issues.
- Praise God that Joyce Loria has recovered from some recent health issues. Pray that God will keep her safe from other health challenges and will provide her with comfort and strength.
- Pray for Margaret Beaulieu as she continues to deal with breathing difficulties. Praises that she is seeing some improvement.
- Pray for the Lord's healing and comfort for the many health challenges that Brenda Castleyoung faces.
- Pray for Debbie Hull, Geri Paolini's sister, who continues to deal with the effects of lymphoma, for her comfort and healing.
- Pray for our families who are unable to join us due to their health: Jane Conlon, Linda Donato, Chuck Fisher, Lyn English, and the Del Favero Family.

# sunday schedule

8:45-9:00 am	Prayer	Prayer Chapel
9:30-10:15 am	Christian Education Classes	Classrooms
	Adults: Fruit of the Spirit	Room 103
	Westminster Shorter Catechism Study	Room 105
	Pre K — 1st grade	Room 104
	2nd—5th grades	Room 102
	Nursery, ages infant thru 3 years	Room 101
	YOUTH Sunday School	Youth Loft
10:30-11:45 am	Worship Celebration	Sanctuary
11:00-11:45am	Kids' Praise (ages 4 year olds– 1st grade)	Room 104
5:00-7:00 pm	BLAZE Youth	Youth Loft

# weekly events

<b>Monday, April 8</b>		
6:15 pm	Session Meeting	Room 105
<b>Tuesday, April 9</b>		
<b>Wednesday, April 10</b>		
6:00 pm	Dinner	Gym
7:00 pm	BLAZE Youth	Youth Loft
7:00 pm	Adult Bible Study	Room 105
7:00 pm	Sisters in Prayer	Fellowship Corner
<b>Thursday, April 11</b>		
10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study	Room 106
<b>Friday, April 12</b>		
<b>Saturday, April 13</b>		
7:30 am	Men's Morning Bible Study	Room 105
<b>Sunday, April 14</b>		
9:30 am	Sunday School Classes	Classrooms
10:30 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	BLAZE Youth	Youth Loft

# upcoming events

Please visit [www.faithsarasota.org](http://www.faithsarasota.org) for information about our church/events/recent sermons.

- Connect with us through our **Faith Connect Cards** and **Church Center App**: <https://faithchurchpca.churchcenter.com>. Church Center is a mobile app and web experience where our congregation can explore, engage, and get involved throughout the week. Download the App now and start connecting.
- **MID-WEEK DINNER AND BIBLE STUDY**— .Our Mid-week meals have resumed. Please stop by the Welcome Desk to sign up for dinner. This week's dinner will be pulled pork, baked beans, potato salad, vegetable salad, and dessert. Small group meetings and activities for all ages follow at 7:00pm. Our Bible Study meets in Room 105; our Sisters in Prayer meet in the Fellowship Corner; Youth meet in the gym.
- Our **THURSDAY LADIES' BIBLE STUDY** will meet on Thursday, April 11th, from 10-11:30am in Room 106. Please join us for a time of fellowship, learning, and prayer!
- Our **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will meet Saturday, April 14th, from 7:30-9:00am in Room 105, led by Lewis Rosove. We hope you'll join us.
- **KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY SUPPORT NIGHT** — **April 17th**. See Ministry Spotlight for details.
- On April 21st, we will be holding our **MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING** in Room 105, from 4-5pm. We are a praying church! Remember Paul's loving direction to the Church at Philippi: *"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."* (Philippians 4:6-7).
- Please continue to join us for our **DAILY DEDICATED PRAYER TIME** at 3:20pm, according to Ephesians 3:20, *"Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen."* (Ephesians 3:20-21). (Prayer focus for each day can be found in our weekly email blasts.)

# ministry spotlight

Our Kairos prison ministry to the Zephyrhills Correctional Institute (ZCI) will be supporting a weekend retreat from April 25th through the 28th. Typically, we invite you to write cards/letters of encouragement as well as to bake cookies for the event! For this retreat, we will also invite you to take part in a fellowship event meant to provide even greater support to this ministry. On April 17th, after our Wednesday night dinner, we will be staying in Room 201 (in the Gym) and, in lieu of our Bible Study and Sisters in Prayer gatherings, we will come together to hear from a graduate of Kairos at ZCI, view a short video of testimony, and collectively kick-off our cards/letters/posters efforts. We hope this type of sharing will encourage you to write the notes or cards, telling of God's love, which mean so much to these troubled men. Please plan to join us on April 17th from 7-8pm to do God's work for Kairos!

## stewardship thoughts

### **God Wants Your Best**

*"The best of the firstfruits of your ground you shall bring into the house of the Lord your God..."*

Exodus 23:19

Shortly after God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, He talked to the people about giving back to Him as part of worship. Giving back to God a portion of what He has given us was always God's