

**Old Fashioned Easter Egg Hunt** --- Join us for an Old Fashioned Egg Hunt! Bring your little ones, from birth to 5 years old for an egg hunt and your 1st - 5th graders for fun-filled relays from days gone by--sack races, balance the egg and more! See the Easter Bunny and hear the Easter message shared through puppets. Fun crafts, snacks and face painting. Saturday, April 15, 10 amnoon at the Frazer Soccer Fields. Invite a friend to visit Frazer!

**Egg Hunt Volunteers** --- We can't do it without you! Please volunteer to bring the joy of Easter to our children at Frazer Atlanta Hwy., with egg hunts, crafts, games and the Easter story told through puppets. We need help with setup, decorations and throughout the 2-hour event Saturday, April 15, 10amnoon. We also need homemade cupcakes! Please contact Kim at khendrix@frazerumc.org or 495.6397.

Baptism Sunday—April 2 --- Is God leading you to respond to Christ through baptism? Our next celebration of the sacrament of baptism will be Sunday, April 2, 2017 at 12:15 pm. To participate, sign up for baptism orientation with Karen South by emailing ksouth@frazerumc.org.

Frazer Children's Camp --- Send your children on a fun adventure this summer! Children's Camp is June 5-7 for rising 1st-3rd graders (\$175) and June 5-9 for rising 4th-6th graders (\$300). Contact Pam Cofield at pcofield@frazer.church to register.

**Gifts of the Heart** --- This is a five-week study of spiritual gifts for men, led by Charles Wise. Learn how God made you and how you can better relate to others starting Wednesday, April 26 at 6 pm, Room 7208.

**Donate Food & Personal Care Items** --- Hygiene Ministries will collect non-perishable food and personal care items in the donation carts April 2 in the Atrium. Items can also be dropped off in the Community Ministries office Monday-Thursday mornings.

Flower Dedications --- If you would like to dedicate Sanctuary flowers in honor or remembrance of a loved one or in celebration of an anniversary, sign up at the board in the library outside of the East Sanctuary.



#### March 26, 2017

#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude: "This is My Father's World"	Handbell Choir
Call to Worship: "Lift High the Cross" (8:00)	
Apostles Creed	Congregation
Hymn of Praise #163/171: "Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know" / "There's Something About That Name"	Congregation
Special Music: "There is a Green Hill Far Away" Choir; I	Ryan Dean, soloist
Prayer:	Tod Etheredge
Announcements & Call for Offering	Tod Etheredge
Offertory: "There is a Fountain"	Frazer Orchestra
Doxology	Congregation
Scripture Readers: Dan Lewis (8:00), Jim Vickrey (9:30), Lynn Greger (11:00)	
Sermon	Dr. Neil Epler
Hymn #172: "My Jesus, I Love Thee"	Congregation
Benediction	Dr. Neil Epler
Postlude: "To Thee, Lord Jesus, Thanks We Give" (Bach)	Kelley Garrett

Flowers are given by Julie Loftin in loving memory of her parents, Dr. Maurer Maurer and Julia K. Maurer.

#### "The Fight for Freedom"

Galatians 5:1-3, 6, 13-25 "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a voke of slavery. <sup>2</sup> Mark my words! I, Paul, tell you that if you let vourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no value to you at all. Again I declare to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obligated to obey the whole law.... <sup>6</sup> For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.... <sup>13</sup> You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh<sup>[a]</sup>; rather, serve one another humbly in love. <sup>14</sup> For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." 15 If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other. <sup>16</sup> So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup> For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. 19 The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; <sup>20</sup> idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions 21 and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup> Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup> Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit." (NIV)

## I. Battling the "Must Dos"

Matthew 19:16, 21-22

Acts 16:29-31

**Romans 10:8-9** 

#### **II.** Battling to Love

Matthew 22:36-40

1 John 4:19-21

### III. Battling the Flesh

**Romans 6:6-7** 

**Galatians 2:20-21** 

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# **Sunday Totals**

Worship: 2,556 Small Groups: 2,299 Giving: \$ 147,354.69

## Sunday Evening Worship at 6 pm in the Chapel

# Wednesday Supper:

Regular

beef tips, noodles, mixed vegetables, salad, rolls, dessert

**Heart Healthy\*** 

grilled chicken salad, baked fish, sugar-free dessert

Child's Menu

cheese/pepperoni pizza, chicken sandwich, chips, cookie

\*register for a heart healthy meal at frazer.church/meals