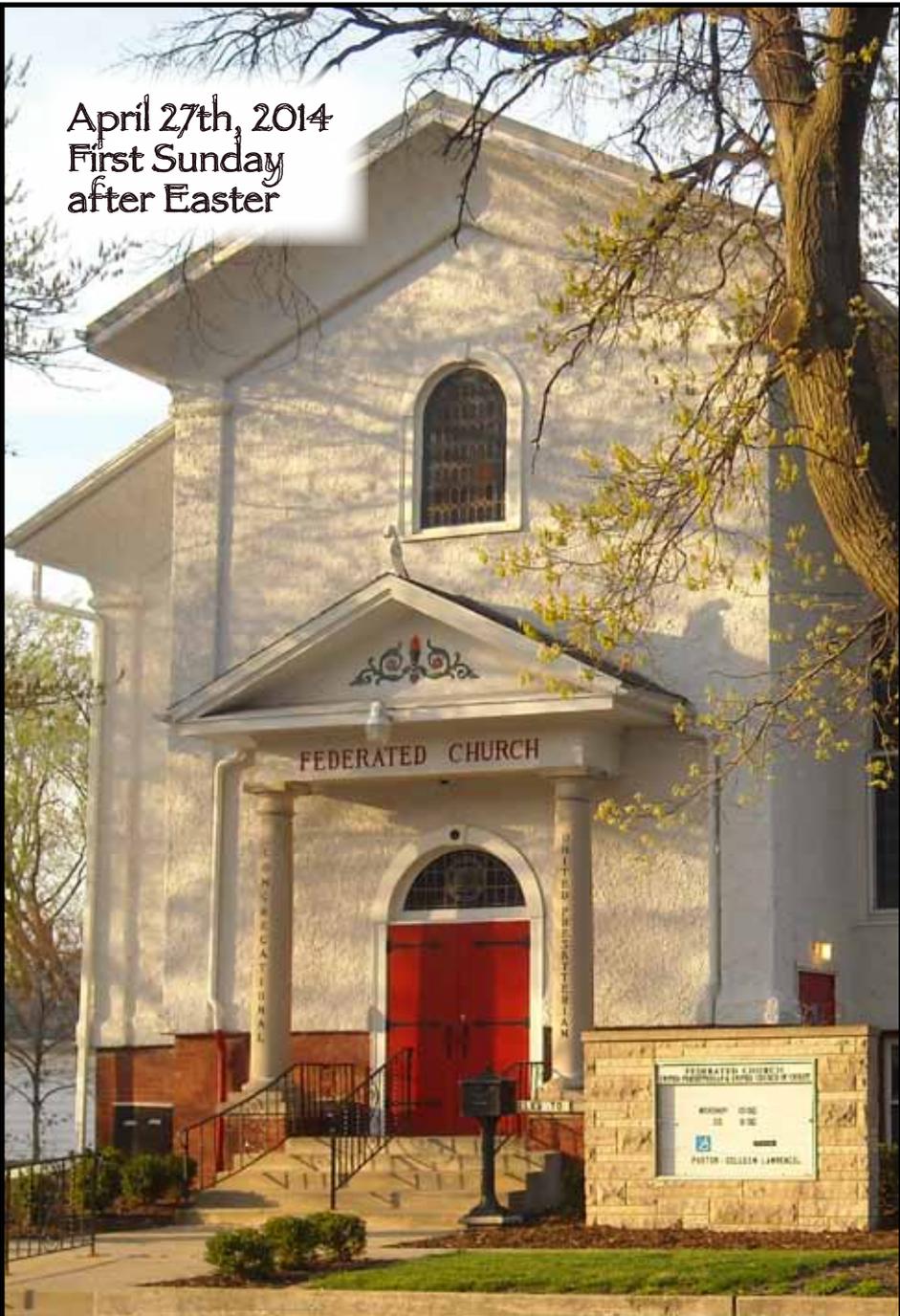


April 27th, 2014
First Sunday
after Easter



The Federated Church of Paxton

10:00 a.m. Worship Service



Sharing of Joys, News, Concerns

Unison Prayer

O God, Thou Lord of Springtime & Harvest, we beseech Thee to bless the seed sown throughout the world for substance of mankind. So water it with gentle rain from heaven & warm it with the golden sunshine that it may bear fruit a hundredfold, to the glory of Thy Holy name & the welfare of Thy people; through Jesus Christ our Lord & Savior. Amen. (*Rural Life Sunday, 1930*)

Silent Prayers

Prelude *"In the Garden"*

Setting by Joyce Jones

***BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

***Opening Hymn** *"O Bright Morning"*

By Tammy J. Rider

(Tune: Angels from the Realms of Glory)

O Bright morning, how we greet you, as the grave gives way to love!
Death and evil could not hold him, Lord of life now reigns above!
Now we bring our hearts rejoicing, Christ now lives forever more!

Now he meets us in the garden as our tears drop to the earth.
Where they meet, life springs up laughing, bursting forth with joy and mirth.

Now we bring our hearts rejoicing, Christ now lives forever more!

In our rooms of grief and mourning, as we gather filled with fear,
Suddenly he stands among us, Peace replacing every tear!

Now we bring our hearts rejoicing, Christ now lives forever more!

Now he meets us on the seashore, calling us to come and eat.
Such abundance laid before us, offered new each time we meet.

Now we bring our hearts rejoicing, Christ now lives forevermore!

***Psalm 16: 5-11**

Offertory *"Prayer"*

***Doxology**

PH, #592

*All who are able, PLEASE STAND

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Affirmation of Faith** *Apostles' Creed* Pew Insert

***Gloria Patri** PH, #579

Collect Prayer (*in unison*)

As we turn to the books written to evoke faith, we want to hear more than words. May we experience the presence of One whom death could not contain. Grant forgiveness and peace, and equip us to share His Word. Amen.

Lectionary Acts 2:14a, 22-32; 1Peter 1:3-9

Anthem *"A Picture's Worth a Thousand Words"* featuring Kammy Johnson

Gospel John 20: 19-31

Message

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Response *"Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"*

***Closing Hymn** *"Be Thou My Vision"* PH, #339

***Benediction**

Postlude *"Chorus Magnus"*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, April 27th

Worship, 10:00am
Heartland Service, 1:30pm (Elder, Jackie)
Youth Group, 5:00pm

Wednesday, April 30th

Church Office Hours, 3-7pm
Choir Practice, 7:00pm

Thursday, May 1st

UCC Clergy Mtg in Decatur, 10-2pm

Sunday, May 4th

Adult Sunday School, 8:45am
Confirmation, 9:00am
Youth Sunday School, 9:30am
Worship, 10:00am (Elder, Vicki Cole)
May Birthday & Anniversary Fellowship
following worship

Wednesday, May 7th

Church Office Hours, 3-7pm
Bible Study, 7:00pm
Choir Practice, 7:00pm

April

Birthdays & Anniversaries

4th - Vicki Cole

13th - Larry Clampitt

19th - Larry & Debbie Sexton Ann.

20th - Elizabeth Satterlee

26th - Jalen Kaiser

29th - Doug Niewold

30th - Lou Lateer



Deuteronomy 15:11

*"There will always be poor people in the land.
Therefore I command you to be openhanded
toward your brothers and toward the poor
and needy in your land."*

Upper Room Bible Church

425 W. Orleans, Paxton, IL

Standing in the need of NEW &
GENTLY USED clothing & shoes

May 2nd & 3rd - Spring and Summer Attire
August 1st & 2nd - Fall School & Winter Attire
Dec. 6th - Toy Giveaway

Laura 217-419-2334 OR Kim 217-249-2961

It takes more than one church, it takes a whole
community to carry out the WORD of God.

***Lord, We ask thanksgiving, comfort, healing
and faith for these friends and family members***

Bonnie Magnus, Robin & Randy Pearson,
Kitty Anderson, Jeff & Barb Legener

Continued Health of Cancer Treatment Patients

Janet Goudy, Alan Turner, Ivan Andreae

Homebound or in Adult Health Care Centers

Sue Moore, Donald Rhodes, Jani Fraim, Marcella Woodworth

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For the month of APRIL, please bring *peanut butter, jelly  
& canned spaghetti* for the Food Pantry.

*As always, all non-perishable food items are welcomed.*

Pastor Colleen Lawrence, Minister

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