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North Baptist Church Beacon

April 2023

Over the Coffee

We have started the month of April with plenty of showers – plus high winds and some flooding. I know that I am a little tired already of checking the outside of our house for wind damage. In one of those night-time high winds, the plastic cover over my egress-well on the side of the house was picked up and taken to only God knows where. It is made of thick plastic, fitted snugly over the metal well, and I had four good-sized rocks on top of it in the four corners. The rocks I found strewn in the backyard, along with a small broken piece of the plastic, and the rest was just vanished. Let us hope that things settle down a bit as we move into these good-weather months.

The Common Lectionary Readings for April are as follows:

April 2 Palm Sunday Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Matthew 21:1-11; Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Matt. 6:14-27:66 (Readings for the Liturgy of the Palms and the Liturgy of the Passion)

April 9 Jeremiah 31:1-6; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Col. 3:1-4, Matthew 28:1-10 (Easter Sunday – also Alternative to Jeremiah is Acts 10:34-43)

April 16 Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:10-31

April 23 Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps. 116:1-4, 12-19; 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35

April 30 Acts 2:41-47; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10

We thank Chaplain Kim Kollen for filling in for me on Palm Sunday, April 2. That is why our newsletter is going out the second week this month. I was on vacation the week before Palm Sunday and through the weekend. Shari and I did some work in our yard and we hosted Joel and Matthew on the weekend. Matthew came from Indianapolis to spend the weekend. Joel is preparing to finish his move to Chicago on the first week of May, where he will begin managing a team for Chase Bank in the same area where he was before transferring to Columbus. We are so glad that we had a year with him here, although we are sad to see him go. He is looking forward to the urban environment of a mega-city again.

Please keep our secretary, Janis Snowball in your prayers. She has been going through a number of health issues lately. Thank you and Happy Easter!

Pastor Cy

April Anniversaries

Jason & Chrystal Croxton – 4/8
Terry & Judy Darst – 4/17
Danny & Heather Davis – 4/28

April Birthdays

Jacob Graham – 4/2
Nancy Bootes – 4/4
Carl Smerdel – 4/7
Shari Broughton – 4/11
Danny Davis – 4/20
Stephen Waltman II – 4/22
Carter Widman – 4/26
Carol Miller – 4/29

Assistance with Utilities and Groceries

Anyone having trouble paying bills or feeding a family may be referred to the Clintonville Resource Center for assistance. Individuals or families must live north of Hudson Street and south of Worthington, west of I-71 and east of Route 315, and must bring an ID and proof of address (such as a utility bill in their name) to CRC between noon and 4:00 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. CRC is located at 3222 North High Street, Columbus, OH; phone: 614-268-3539. Also, if anyone needs special assistance please do not hesitate to bring your situation to the attention of Pastor Cy.

Financial Secretary's Report

CATEGORY	3/1-31/23
Total Receipts	\$6,093.60
Budget Receipts	\$4,099.00
Missions	
AFC	1,555.60
Other	
Fellowship Fund	119.00
Feed & Read - Meals	320.00
-Bette Martin	

Contributions

For members unable to attend worship services, contributions may be mailed to Bette Martin, 620 High Timber Drive, Westerville, OH 43082.

Treasurer's Report for March

INCOME/EXPENSE CATEGORY	3/1-31/2023
INCOME	
BUDGET RECEIPTS	4,099.00
Designated - Feed and Read	320.00
Designated Offering - AFC	1,555.60
Designated Offering - Fellowship Fund	119.00
Income Stream from Northwestern Mutual	3,250.00
Receipts - other: Rebate from Credit Card points	35.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$9,378.60
EXPENSES	
Designated Offerings: Fellowship Fund Payment	112.00
Ministry Team Expenses: Directed Giving Missions	
Shiloh Baptist homeless ministry - funds from investment income	500.00
Dayton Christian Center -funds from investment income	500.00
Ministry Team: Worship Team Expenses--Worship music, Melanie piano	60.00
Operating Expenses	
Facilities-Equip-Maint*	2,261.32
Office Supplies	258.88
Postage	252.00
Utilities	89.27
Pastor's Compensation	4,370.29
Pastor's Compensation: M & M Retirement	715.09
Staff Expenses: Musician Services, Mike Boyer organ	225.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$9,343.85
TRANSFERS	
From Fifth Third Savings Account to Checking Account	\$2,000.00
Balance in checking account on 3/30/23**	
	\$23,995.41
Balance in savings account on 3/30/23	
	\$28,003.32
— Tim McCarthy	

Library Books

North Baptist has retained about 100 books as a 'library'. Most of these are located in the coatroom off of the narthex with a few in storage.

BIBLE READINGS FOR APRIL:

- 4/2 – 2 Thessalonians 1
- 4/9 – 2 Thessalonians 2
- 4/16 – 2 Thessalonians 3
- 4/23 – 1 Timothy 1
- 4/30 – 1 Timothy 2

Tim McCarthy

The Clever General (A True Motivation Story!)

Thousands of years ago there was a famous Chinese general with a reputation for being an astute and cunning leader.

One day, at the end of a long campaign, this general decided to stop in a stronghold with a small battalion of soldiers, sending his main fighting force ahead to rest elsewhere.

Meanwhile, one of his enemies catches wind of this and decides to march his army of hundreds of thousands of soldiers on the general's all-but defenseless position.

In the middle of the night, the general's awoken by one of his men, who breaks the news:

The enemy's close. They'll be there before daybreak and the tiny band of soldiers in the stronghold will be no match for their numbers.

Hearing this, the general stops and pauses.

Understanding his predicament, he instructs his men to stand down, open the gates, take down the banners from the walls, and hide.

The general then removes his armor, dons a cloak, and sits on the battlements playing a mandolin as he looks out at the approaching army.

The enemy leader soon arrives. He recognizes the general immediately.

And orders his forces to halt.

He stops to think. He knows this general better than anyone, including his reputation for wily deeds and setting deadly traps. He waits some more.

The presence of this infamous general, sitting there with such nonchalance, makes him question himself. Was the information he received false? Is the general luring him into a trap?

Or is it a double bluff?

Is this a ploy to make him question himself and the general is, in fact, as defenseless as he seems?

He waits some more...And then he orders his forces to retreat.

Moral of the story:

First, your reputation is crucial and can deliver all sorts of positive outcomes.

Second, there's often a cleverer, more strategic way to achieve your goals. Never assume it takes sweat, blood and tears. Look for a method of attaining the same results with less effort.

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Prayer Needs

Jacques Angelino
Tammy Aquino's father Gene
Nancy Bootes
Lori Boyer
Mike Boyer
Elizabeth Brigham
Katie Brigham
Shari Broughton's Aunt Leona
Marsha Crooks
Leroy Croxton
Bea Cunningham
Judy Darst's sister Ruby Passen
Bev Dowler
Davis family
Dowdy family
Marilyn Grossi
Maryanne Hildebrand
Gary and Larry Loos; Gary's daughter Laura
Carol Miller's family
Dave & Sharon Miller
Nancy Morris
Mamie Powelson
Sandy & Bud Runyon; Sandy's niece Bev
Stiles
Craig Shields
Ruby Simpson
Debbie Smalley
Kelly & Raina Smith, granddaughter Nevaeh
Janis Snowball
Steve & Ann Waltman
Our country
Ukraine

The Story Of IN GOD WE TRUST On United States Coins

United States coins haven't always featured the famous motto IN GOD WE TRUST. Its first appearance on a U.S. coin came in 1864, when IN GOD WE TRUST debuted on the 2-cent piece following public appeal for our nation's money to recognize the Deity. One such plea came in the form of a letter Reverend M.R. Watkinson sent to Treasury Secretary Salmon P. Chase in November 1861 that proposed the motto "GOD, LIBERTY, LAW."

Secretary Chase and United States Mint Director James Pollock were moved by the reverend's letter and replied, "No nation can be strong except in the strength of God, or safe in His defense. The trust of our people in God should be declared on our national coins."

The minister's letter resonated deeply with Pollock, who recalled a lyric from the fourth stanza of *The Star-Spangled Banner*. The song, written during the War of 1812, includes the line: "And this be our motto – 'In God is our trust'." Even though the origins of the famous motto In God We Trust had been in existence since our nation's earliest days, adding the phrase to our coins wouldn't be easy.

An 1837 law required Congressional authorization of all new mottoes and devices on the nation's coins. So, the addition of a motto acknowledging God would fall not in the hands of Pollock or Chase alone, but rather occur only through legislation.

In December 1863, Mint Director Pollock proposed either OUR COUNTRY; OUR GOD or GOD, OUR TRUST to appear on the new 2-Cent piece and other coins. Secretary Chase replied to Mint Director Pollock with this suggestion: "On [the 2-Cent coin] with the shield, it should be changed so as to read IN GOD WE TRUST." On **April 22, 1864**, Congress passed the law permitting the creation of the 2-Cent coin with the motto IN GOD WE TRUST.

Another law passed by Congress on March 3, 1865 allowed the Mint Director to inscribe IN GOD WE TRUST on all gold and silver coins that "shall admit the inscription thereon."

Some U.S. coins made after the passage of the 1865 law didn't carry the IN GOD WE TRUST motto, including two famous gold coins designed during President Theodore Roosevelt's tenure in office from 1901 through 1909.

Why is that?

Because President Theodore Roosevelt didn't want them to.

Roosevelt, who was a devout Christian, believed placing God's name on money amounted to sully His name, most especially so if the coins were used for illicit purposes. When President Roosevelt commissioned famous artist Augustus Saint-Gaudens to design new coinage circa 1904, the commander-in-chief specifically requested the artist not to include the motto within the designs.

Among these coins Saint-Gaudens designed are the \$10 Indian Head Gold Eagle and \$20 Saint-Gaudens Gold Double Eagle. During their first year of production in 1907, neither classic design incorporated the IN GOD WE TRUST motto.

The government soon began receiving complaint letters from members of the public concerned about the Godless coins. Congress responded to the controversy on May 18, 1908 by mandating United States coins on which the motto had previously appeared must carry IN GOD WE TRUST. All gold coins struck since July 1, 1908, have subsequently included the motto.

<https://coinvalues.com/blog/the-story-of-in-god-we-trust-on-united-states-coins>

