



HSBC Newsletter

APRIL 2021

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Vital Signs

Year to Date (02.28.21)

Budgeted Offering: \$53,833.42

Received Offering: \$40,936.06

Budget Expenses: \$44,539.74

Average Attendance (2021)

Small Groups: 72

Views Online: 50

8:30 a.m.: 43

11:00 a.m.: 70



We/You are not perfect!

Many Christians struggle with the acceptance of their own imperfection. The statement above “We/You are not perfect!” is meant to challenge our complacency in who we think we are. Paul in his letter to the Romans challenges the identity complacency of the Jewish Christians in Rome. In the first few chapters of Romans Paul makes it clear that “there is no distinction” (3:22) between Jews and Gentiles when it comes to righteousness we find in Christ Jesus. “We are all sinners and fall short of the glory of God.” (3:23) Accepting this realization does not denote an approval of our sins. It proclaims to others and ourselves we realize our imperfection and our need for the saving grace of Christ Jesus.

When it comes to the church as a whole we cannot ignore or dismiss our imperfections. We are no different than the early churches found in the NT. The early churches struggled with disunity, lack of commitment, idolatry, and an abandonment of sound doctrine. The church today has many of the same struggles and there needs to be an acceptance of our falling short of His glory. Again this does not mean we will approve of our imperfections but realize them and seek to correct our course. If we unite together for the sake of the Gospel, we will see his Kingdom grow.

Pastor Steven

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Honor God’s Truth
Share the Gospel
Build Believers
Care for Others



BSU Update - Spring is coming...

Thank you so much everyone for loving and supporting the BSU and helping us continue to be your missionaries to the Truman campus as we keep moving to bring the message of Jesus to every student on this campus that we love.

This winter has been filled with some really exciting moments.

One of the cheerleader guys is someone we have gotten to connect with over the past 2 years thru just serving the cheer team. He lives a gay lifestyle as a student here. We have had the opportunity to share with him why it matters to God what we do and how we choose to live and why there is a way that brings life and a way that does not. And through the conversations over a year and a half ago, sharing with him and then still getting to see him but not really getting to have conversations, he continues to want to engage with not just our community,

but just in wanting to try to reconnect with his faith from growing up in a Christian home. So, this past month, he reached out to ask if we could start meeting to talk about faith and being involved with church again. He is still choosing to live a gay lifestyle, and in our first conversation we got to share again about who God is and how there is a right way and a way that leads to death and not life in Him. And we would think from over a year ago sharing this and still now that he would not want to keep wanting to talk, but he is. So we know God is doing so much more than we even realize and your prayers and support are being used by Him. We keep hoping as we count the conversations that he would give Jesus the keys to his heart and have a life changing encounter with God and begin following Him as Lord of all of his life....and be - All in. So your prayers, please keep them coming!

PS We have had several in our community struggle with emotional unhealth, which then leads to spiritual unhealth, from seeing us being at the ER at the hospital, to connecting

them to counseling services, to helping others connect to others in the community and in serving. They are trying to fight for peace in HIM, and we are so glad we get to walk with them and help them know they can be struggling with anxiety or depression or fear, and it doesn't mean they don't have a deep relationship with God; it just means they are human. We have seen progress in the healing through Him and the ownership they are taking and help they are allowing others to give. Please be praying for them, and our community to help them know Jesus and healing and hope in HIM and that they, like us all, have to fight for peace every day of our lives because faith in God is not a one time thing, and being faithful and having peace, love, and hope does not come by accident or by apathy...but comes with intention.

Go beyond obligation....live a life of intention for HIM,

Greg Xander

Campus Missionary TSU BSU



April is here!

It's time to start gardens, dig out warm-weather clothes, and make the invigorating passage into spring. Maybe this would be a good time to invigorate your spiritual life as well?

Some small groups have never closed, some are restarting, and the new online HSBC Bible Study-Joy class started just a few weeks ago. And there are Bible study groups on Wednesdays (co-ed, women's) and Tuesdays (for men). Surely, there is a Bible Study group for you! Let me know if you need help choosing.

Delighting in the word,

Elsie Rudd

Interim Small Group Director



Next Meeting:
April 18th 2021

A Note from our Associate Pastor

Church Family,

Spring is here! So is Easter! Praise the ultimate Lamb of sacrifice/Lamb of God for our sins. *“But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.”* (Isaiah 53:5, ESV). We are healed through the wounds of Christ. He was only able to resurrect because He was actually dead. He died while His blood was shed on an ugly and cruel cross as propitiation for our sins to appease God’s wrath. Praise Him!

Praise the Lord for beautiful spring blooms and life that resurrect every year. I love that we celebrate Easter in the springtime to remind us of the new life we have in Christ. Though winters can be harsh, we always have hope that new life will birth again. In our winters late in life that leads to death, we have the hope of Christ that we will see beauty for eternity.

Pastor Garrett

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April Birthdays

<u>Thomas Lasswell</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Lyrick Baker</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>Annetta Morris</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>Tabitha Cleaver</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Pamela Barnett</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>Cora Bonnel</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Mikayla Tatro</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Mary Van Houtan</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>Donna Vincent</u>	<u>21</u>
<u>Micah Tatro</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Caden Xander</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Bob Cox</u>	<u>23</u>
<u>Logan Payne</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>Carolyn Cox</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>Glad Nzolanzambi</u>	<u>23</u>
<u>Joyce Sayre</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>Bennett Fraser</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>Madison Bonnel</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Jessica Martin</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>Kalee Schoonover</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>Madlyn Jennings</u>	<u>25</u>
<u>Robert Payne</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>Donna Briscoe</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>Colton Sayre</u>	<u>25</u>
<u>John Kues</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>Reo Haynes</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>Deborah Athon</u>	<u>27</u>
<u>Ruth Thompson</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>Kathleen Lowe</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>Kevin Martin</u>	<u>29</u>

(Missing birthday? Please contact the office to update.)



Easter! One of the two most important days that all believers celebrate. It is a day that we celebrate not with decorations but in word and in music.

One of our more well-known Easter hymns is “Crown Him With Many Crowns.” A glorious hymn that describes Jesus after His Resurrection and in His place in heaven is rich in its word depiction of the Risen Savior. The authorship lists two names for the words of this hymn. It was not because this hymn was composed as a collaboration, but for another reason entirely.

According to the book “Then Sings My Soul” the hymn was originally written as six eight-line stanzas by Matthew Bridges based on Revelation 19:12. Bridges called this hymn, “The Song of The Seraphs.” A staunch anti-Catholic when this hymn was written, he later converted to Catholicism in 1848.

In 1874, Godfrey Thring, a staunch Anglican clergyman thought that some of verses were too Catholic, so he wrote six new verses for the same song.

As the years went by, the verses have become intermingled by subsequent editors who mixed the verses at their whim.

In our hymnal verses one, three and four are from Bridges’ version while verse two is from Thring’s version. Also, Bridges’ verses are not in the order that he wrote them.

As you celebrate this Easter, I ask you to try to picture that morning and the joy those first witnesses experienced when they realized what had happened and what that meant for them.

See you in worship!

Jim Barnett

Traditional Music Minister

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Steven Nelson - Pastor
Garrett Trunk - Assoc. Pastor of Discipleship & Youth
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ADAIR COUNTY MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

April 24th
11:00 am - ???

There are no income guidelines.
Recipients need to bring a photo ID, proof of Adair County
residency & a container to take home the food.

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SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY:

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service
9:45 a.m. Small Groups
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service
or Join us on Livestream
go to: hamiltonstreet.org



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