



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
VILLA GROVE, ILLINOIS

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February 21, 2023

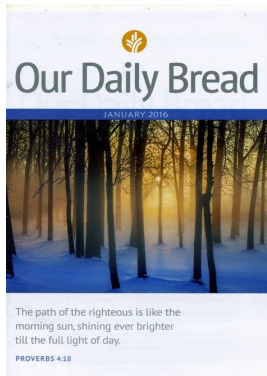
February Fellowship & Fun
Sunday, February 26-- Noon
(Please note the change of date!!)

FCC Fellowship Hall

**Please bring an ethnic food such
as German potato salad, tacos,
Dutch chocolate...**

**if you don't have an ethnic dish to bring,
bring your favorite dish!!**

Table service & drinks are provided.



Copies of the newest edition of **OUR DAILY BREAD** will be available at both the exit doors on Sunday morning.

FEBRUARY 19, 2023

Worship 80

Sunday School 47

Sunday Morning Celebration 2

King's Kids 2

Jr. High & High School 5

Blessed Believers 12

The Fellowship Class 20

Chosen Ones 6

TOTAL OFFERING: \$3,558.00

Spendable 3,124.00

Memorial 390.00

Benevolence 20.00

Worship 24.00



COMMUNITY EASTER CANTATA

Directed by Janet McCumber

Rehearsals are Sunday afternoons,

Feb. 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Performance: Sunday, April 2

**THIS IS THE LAST WEEK TO JOIN THE GROUP
TO SING IN THE MUSICAL!**

IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

Tom Black- Transitions Care

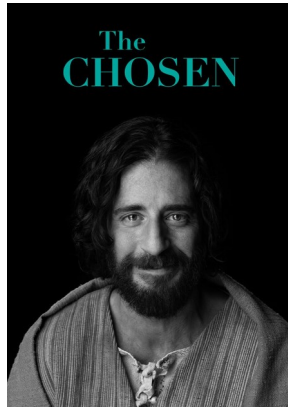
Terry Carney (relative of Scott Beccue)- prayers that she continues to tolerate her treatment and that the next CT scan shows more shrinkage of her breast cancer

George Moran (Tony & Creighton Jackson's grandfather)- shoulder surgery on March 8

Erin Shunk- on mission trip in Missouri

Sara Williamson- in Panama City, Panama, on a mission trip

Dave Young (acquaintance of Dowler's)- has lesions around his liver; 4-6 weeks of recovery



**Bible Study
6:15 p.m.
Church fellowship hall**

Thank You!



Thank you to everyone who helped out with the youth musical, "Danny & the Shacks"-- those who brought in props, those who helped with the kids, and all the extra things that were done to make the musical a success!

Dear Church family,

Thank you so much for your thoughts and prayers during the last hours of our Mother's life and for your prayers for our family. She was ready to be with the Lord.

Thanks to the church for the beautiful flowers. Thanks to WCF for the WONDERFUL dinner. Thanks to Mike for his visits to Mother, for the beautiful service, and all his encouragement. Thanks to the Chosen Ones Class, for always remembering her. Our Mother loved this church, and loved all the things she did in the church during her life here in Villa Grove. Our thanks to all for your love for her and for our family.

BRENDA ELAM, TIM AND DAVE HEFLIN

First Robins of Spring **2/20/2023**

When I lived in Minnesota, I never expected the harbinger of spring, the robin, to make an appearance until late March. So, it was a wonderful surprise when I walked out my front door in Villa Grove on February 20th and was greeted by two robins in my front yard. Maybe they were an advanced scouting team doing reconnaissance and then reporting back to the flock. Maybe I just have an overactive imagination. I smiled, because those birds showed up at just the right time to announce spring.

“Just the right time.” That idea appears many times in scripture. Nothing happens outside of God’s perfect timing. God picked Abraham to covenant with him and make him into a great nation at just the right time. Joseph was put in power in Egypt at just the right time. Moses was born at just the right time to free Israel from Egyptian oppression. King Cyrus was ruler over Persia at just the right time to allow the Israelites to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the temple. Jesus was born of a virgin at just the right time. He began his ministry at just the right time. He went to the cross at just the right time. The church came into existence at just the right time. On and on the examples go.

To me, the most incredible illustration of something happening at just the right time is recorded in Romans 5:6-8. Paul writes, *“You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”*

Praise God for His perfect timing as it applies to you and your life.

Mike



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