



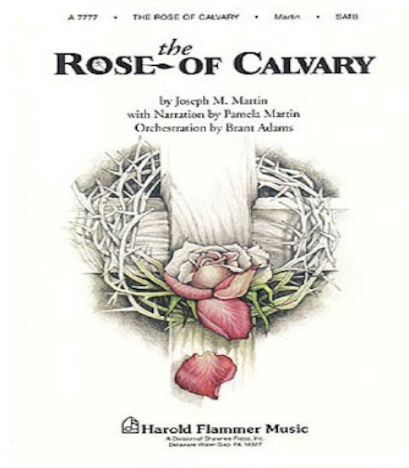
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
VILLA GROVE, ILLINOIS

PHONE: 832-5231
FAX: 832-9348

April 2, 2025

**MOVIE NIGHT- Friday, April 4
7:00 p.m.**

**The documentary, "The Ark and the Darkness" will
be shown in the auditorium.
Popcorn will be enjoyed by all!**



**On Sunday, April 13, the
Community Choir will present**

"THE ROSE OF CALVARY"

**at First Christian Church, at 4:00 p.m.
Everyone is invited to attend. The event is
sponsored by the Area Ministerial Alliance.
A freewill donation will be received
to help defray expenses.**

**FOR CHOIR MEMBERS:
Rehearsal, Sunday 4/6- 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Dress Rehearsal, Saturday 4/12- 6:00 p.m.**

**Margaret Black- not feeling well
Griffin Deem (Jeff & Helen Watson's grandson)- broken wrist
Darrell Hinkle- will have vein stent surgery on April 3
Prior (Hinkle's grandson)- in serious car accident 3/25
Sarah Hughes- radiation starts next week
Family of Annamarie (Anna) Isaac- Paula Webber's sister
Neal Russell (Don Russell's son)- muscle repair surgery next week**



MARCH 30

**Worship & Nursery 86
Sunday School 49**

**Nursery 0
Preschool Class 3
Sunday Morning Celebration 4
King's Kids 0
Blessed Believers Class 12
The Fellowship Class 24
Chosen Ones Class 6**

**OFFERING: \$2,130.00
Spendable 2,130.00**

Baptism

**Congratulations to ANGELA GRAHAM, who was baptized
by Mike last Saturday! Angela and her husband, Richard,
have become very active in the church, and all they have
done is much appreciated by everyone! The Graham's live
in the Pheasant Point subdivision.**

We welcome Angela into the family of God!



April Fool's Day
4/1/2025

Today is April 1st. It is a day when people pull tricks and pranks on one another, hopefully, all in good fun.

On April 1, 1976, the British astronomer Patrick Moore told listeners on BBC Radio 2 that at 9:47 a.m. there would be a "once-in-a-lifetime" astronomical event occurring. The planet Pluto would pass behind Jupiter, temporarily causing a gravitational alignment which would counteract and lessen the Earth's own gravity. Moore told his listeners that if they jumped in the air at that exact moment, they would experience a strange floating sensation. When 9:47 a.m. arrived, Radio 2 began to receive hundreds of phone calls from listeners claiming to have felt the sensation. One woman even reported that she and her eleven friends had risen from their chairs and floated around the room. If you believe that story is true, then you've been pranked. The broadcast never happened.

Deception is the foundation of every magician's tricks. Yet people want to believe that "real magic" exists. It doesn't. It's all an illusion.

This desire to be fooled or to fool others is exactly how Satan wants humans to live. The words fool, foolish or foolishly appear 182 X's in the Bible. The Greek word *APHRON* (fool) is an adjective describing someone without reason. They lack mental sanity and are out of touch with reality. A second Greek word, *MOROS*, describes someone who is dull, sluggish of thought, or silly. We get the word "moron" from it.

When it comes to living as God commands, Satan has fooled many people into believing that God's plan is not true or real. Paul warned of this reality in 2 Corinthians 11:3 - ***But I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ.***

Don't be a fool today or any day. Follow Christ's truth wholeheartedly.

Mike

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Website: www.fccvg.com
 Church E-mail: fccvgoffice@gmail.com
 Minister: Mike Zylstra
 Home Phone: (217)681-1034
 Mike's E-mail: fccvgmin@gmail.com
 Administrative Assistant: Brenda Elam
 Office Hours: 10:00-4:30 (M, T, Th, F)

Elders:

Scott Beccue Jerry Hughes
 John Dilliner Joe Rothermel
 Bob Dower

APRIL 6, 2025

Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.
Greeters: Joe & Fran Waldrop (Front) Bob Dowler (South)
Coffee Fix & Cleanup: Dilliner/Rothermel
Nursery: Worship: Sarah Cannon SS: Kate Shunk
Serving: R. Graham, D. Shunk, R. Duzan, P. Eisenmenger

Elder-On-Call for April: BOB DOWLER (217)549-9791
Mission of the Week: CHRISTIAN CAMPUS FOUNDATION
U. of I., Urbana/Champaign, Illinois
Andy Conklin, Director

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

JOE HOLSAPPLE
315 S. Douglas
Villa Grove, IL 61956