



A girl gave a photo to a boy she was dating with this inscription on the back: "Dear Johnny, the last two weeks have been the best of my whole life. I will love you as long as the stars shine and until the oceans run dry. Love Susan. Ps (If we break up, I want this picture back)

We know what love ISN'T. If I were to ask you to tell me what REAL LOVE is, could you do it? As we are approaching resurrection Sunday, we have a clear demonstration of what God's love looks like for us: Jesus willingly dying on the cross for the sins of the world. But what does YOUR love look like? What I love about the apostle John's writing is that he puts it very plainly. He doesn't sugar coat it. He doesn't hint at what he's trying to say. He boldly puts it out there (read 1st John chapter 3)!

I just want to give you 4 quick reminders from John as to what real love is all about.

First, real love is counter intuitive. That's why loving one another must be commanded! Often times it goes against what we feel and so to love is a choice! So with that person in your life who is difficult and undeserving of love, remind yourself that you must CHOOSE to love. Secondly, real love is sacrificial. John is up front. And it's best that you know it upfront. When you choose to love someone who is difficult or undeserving of love it will cost you something! (vs. 16) Maybe your pride. When that boss, spouse, or neighbor treats you poorly, you may have to swallow hard and choose to love him or her. Maybe real love will cost you your time or your money. But it will cost you something. Thirdly, real love is where the rubber meets the road. (vs. 18) It's not just saying all the right things...it's DOING the right things! And finally, real love is evidence of transformation. It's the mature follower of Christ who has real love. Look at verse 14. So what makes John such an expert on what real love is all about? Well, 6 times in John's gospel, he refers to himself as "the disciple whom Jesus loved". So the reason that John is an authority on what real love is all about is because John RECEIVED real love from Jesus Christ! Jesus' love was a choice. Jesus' love was sacrificial. Jesus' love was action packed. Jesus' love is a transforming love. As you live your life and you are faced with difficult people to love, remember Jesus and His real love for you!

With Easter approaching, we would like to invite you to come and experience Christ's love with us. Our Easter services will be: 7 am – Youth led Sunrise service

7:30 am – all church carry-in breakfast.
(bring food to share!)
9 am – Worship Service
10:30 am – Sunday School

Maundy Thursday
Service 6:30pm



- ◆ The **May Beacon deadline** is Wednesday, April 20.
- ◆ Ladies Bible Study meets every Tuesday at 9:30am. Contact Becky Humphrey for more information.
- Middle School Youth Group meets Sunday afternoons from 4-6:00pm. Rides from IWHS are available at 3:45pm.
- High School Youth Group meets Sunday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm. Rides from IWHS are available at 6:15pm.
- ♦ BCC bi-monthly board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 13th at 7:00pm in the Annex.
- ◆ Save the dates! BCC VBS will be held Monday, August 1st – Friday, August 5th. Details to come.
- ◆ LaMoine Christian Service Camp is hosting camp cleanup days on April 2nd & April 9th starting at 9am. For a complete camp schedule see page 5 of our beacon or visit www.lamoinecamp.org. Registration opens on April 1st. Mark is organizing a group to go work at the camp for their work day on April 9th from 9 am Noon. We will leave the church at 8:30 am and head to Carthage and pick up in Illini West parking lot at 8:45 am. We will be raking leaves, picking up sticks, and walnuts in preparation for mowing season. Bring a rake and gloves. Lunch is provided. Signup in fellowship hall.
- ◆ NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL START TIME: Beginning on April 3, we are changing the starting time for Sunday to allow for more time for fellowship following the worship service. Our new times will be: Worship 9:00 am – 10:15 am Sunday School 10:30 – 11:15 am
- ◆ An Open House for Laura Thomas will be held at the church on April 2nd from 9 am – Noon. Light snacks will be provided. Laura will give an update on her mission from 11 am – noon. Come and learn what Laura has been doing in South Africa!



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Praise:

Dan Nichols-Cancer free! Surgery was a success

Prayer:

Family of Dan Ellefritz
Doug "Bull" Jackson-has been moved to a
rehab facility
Carole Crum-rehab for fractured pelvis
Cheryl Jackson-recovery from cataract surgery
Doug "Bull" Jackson-moved to a rehab facility
Mark Reeder-in hospital with Covid; suffered a
stroke; paralysis; blood clots
Aubree Briggs-EEG results were abnormal;
adding an additional seizure medication
Adam Frazier-recovery from motorcycle
accident: pain control

Ongoing Prayer Requests

Bryor Grotts-mission in Mexico
Laura Thomas-mission in Africa
Lil Lung-nursing home
Guy Thompson-kidney dialysis
Barb Schoonover-migraines; future testing
Kaylee McCloskey-Scoliosis
Barb Hanks-continued recovery from neck
surgery; numbness in hands to go away
Doug "Bull" Jackson-recovery from stroke

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Cancer:

Mike Jarrett
Sarah Ferguson Windham
Jim Nichols - prostate & pelvic cancer
Sarah (Shumaker) Degarmo - cancer returned,
bones involved, immunotherapy
Adrienne Dickerson—gallbladder cancer;
prayers for hope & healing
McKenzie Doremus-brain cancer
Aaron Ferguson-cancer
Tiffiny Long-breast cancer
David Hoover-pancreatic cancer

Missions of the Month:

LaMoine Christian Service Camp Western Illinois Campus Evang. Assoc./CSC Rapha House Christian Radio Stations

Burnside Beacon

March 2022 Attendance

| 3/6 | Church 150 SS 83 |
|------|---------------------|
| 3/13 | Church 137 SS 76 |
| 3/20 | Church160 SS78 |
| 3/27 | Church NA |

Find treasurer's reports in the fellowship hall.



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Sunday Services:

Worship Service 9:00 a.m. (Children's programming for all ages)

Sunday School

www.burnsidechristian.org

10:15 a.m.

April 2022

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|-----|------------------------------------|-----------------|--|---------------|---|
| | | | | | 1 | 2 Upen House Laura Thomas 9am-12pm |
| 3 Youth Groups Tonight | 4 | 5 Ladies Bible Study 9:30am | 6:30pm | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| PALM SUNDAY Youth Group Tonight | 11 | 12 Ladies Bible Study 9:30am | Board Mtg. 7pm | 14 Maundy Thursday Service @ 6:30pm | GUUDAY FRIDAY | 16 |
| 17 Happy Laster No Youth Groups Tonight | 18 | 19 Ladies Bible Study 9:30am | Beacon Deadline | 21 | 22 UAY | 23 |
| 24 Youth Groups Tonight | 25 | 26 Ladies Bible Study 9:30am | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |



9-Evela Elrod Travis Schulte David Prior Becky Humphrey 10-Jada Churchill

13-Aaron Carroll

19-Bryson Grotts

24 7----

21-Zach Lenz

22-Barb Ward

24-Kathy Schulte Carolyn Grainger

28-Kyle Adams



13-Jim & Wilma Snyder 18-Junior & Pat Hitz



Sisters-in-Christ Accessory Swap Wednesday, April 6 6:30pm

The Sisters-in-Christ will meet on Wednesday, April 6 at 6:30pm at BCC. We are going to try an accessory swap at this meeting. Please look in your closet and pick a purse, scarf, hat, Easter bonnet, or piece of jewelry, etc. Pick an item that you think a sister would love to have. You never know, it might be the very thing that a sister needs to complete her Easter outfit. We will end the evening with a singalong so please be thinking of your favorite hymn. Refreshments will be served.

We want to thank Diana Mohr for all the programs she has planned for us in the past. She had so many good ideas and now she wants to see what the rest of us can do!

Any sister is welcome to join us. We have a devotion, we visit, we laugh, we share, we have fun, we eat, and, once in a while, we cry together.

Co-hostesses for this event are Janie Long & Peggy Lemey.



2022 Volunteers

| DATE | MEDITATIONS | Church Cleaners | Nursery | |
|----------|-------------------|---|-------------------------------|--|
| April 3 | Drew Carroll | Week of 4/4-4/79: Richard Hensley, Calvin & Jenny Quesenberry, Dennis & Susie Schulte | Gail Schulte & Kathy Schulte | |
| April 10 | LJ Martin | Week of 4/11-4/16: Steve & Donna Kleopfer, Sandy Kleopfer, Team MHCWI | Pam Jefferson & Florine Dixon | |
| April 17 | Doug Jacob | Week of 4/18-4/23: George Link, Rick & Florine Dixon, Mike & Michelle Bavery, Laurie Green | Brandon & Chelsie Bliss | |
| April 24 | Wayne Caparoon | Week of 4/25-4/30: Jim & Pam Jefferson, Al & Mary Jo Frakes, Matt & Sarah Churchill | Linda Jacob & Allison Jacob | |

JR. CHURCH VOLUNTEERS:

Mark & Allison Jacob

COMMUNION PREPARER:

Toni Carlisle & Tami Carroll

COFFEE MINISTRY:

Toni Carlisle & Tami Carroll

DOOR GREETERS:

NA

COMMUNION SERVERS:

J.J. Cole Lucas Cole Aaron Carroll Jim Jefferson Robert Menn Jim Snyder Jr. Frank Hutchins Jim Bolton

Food Pantry Volunteers

MONDAYS 5-6 P.M.

4 Sharon Wheatley

11 Cassie Grotts

13 Pam Jefferson

18 Dianne Balmer

20 Barb Caparroon

27 Marcia Stiller





2022 Summer Camp Schedule

| Session | Grade* | Dates | Begins | Ends | Cost on or before May 30, 2020 | Cost on or after May 31, 2020 |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------|----------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| High Teen | 10th - 2022 Grads | June 5 - 10 | 4:00 PM | 11:00 AM | \$230.00 | \$245.00 |
| Overnighters 1 | 3rd | June 10 - 11 | 6:00 PM | 3:00 PM | \$100.00 | \$115.00 |
| Niners | 9th | June 12 - 17 | 4:00 PM | 11:00 AM | \$210.00 | \$225.00 |
| Day Camp 1 | 1st - 2nd | June 18 | 9:00 AM | 3:00 PM | FREE | FREE |
| Junior 1 | 5th - 6th | June 26 - July 1 | 4:00 PM | 11:00 AM | \$200.00 | \$215.00 |
| Day Camp 2 | 1st - 2nd | July 2 | 9:00 AM | 3:00 PM | FREE | FREE |
| First Chance | 4th | July 6 - 9 | 4:00 PM | 11:00 AM | \$135.00 | \$150.00 |
| Junior High 1 | 7th - 8th | July 10 - July 15 | 4:00 PM | 11:00 AM | \$200.00 | \$215.00 |
| Overnighters 2 | 3rd | July 15 - 16 | 6:00 PM | 3:00 PM | \$75.00 | \$90.00 |
| Junior 2 | 5th - 6th | July 17 - 22 | 4:00 PM | 11:00 AM | \$200.00 | \$215.00 |
| Junior High 2 | 7th - 8th | July 24 - 29 | 4:00 PM | 11:00 AM | \$200.00 | \$215.00 |
| Smiling Stars# | 5 years old + | July 30 | 9:00 AM | 3:00 PM | FREE | FREE |
| Just 4 Girls | Girls: 5th - 8th | July 31 - Aug 3 | 4:00 PM | 11:00 AM | \$160.00 | \$175.00 |
| Just 4 Boys | Boys: 5th - 8th | August 3 - 6 | 4:00 PM | 11:00 AM | \$160.00 | \$175.00 |

^{*}Grade the camper will be going into for the Fall of 2022. All campers can attend a session of camp 1 grade below or above their current grade level.

#Smilling Stars is our Special Needs camp. This camp is for anyone age 5 and older. All campers need a "buddy" to attend camp with them.

Registration Opens on April 1st. www.lamoinecamp.org

CAMP CLEAN UP DAYS ARE SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 2ND & APRIL 9TH AT 9AM!

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