

## Easter Season Ends With Pentecost And Trinity Sunday

By Rev. Frank Wyche, Pastor

There are seven Sundays in the Easter Season on the Christian Calendar, which puts Easter Sunday itself in the middle of 13 weeks – six weeks of Lent, Easter, and six additional Sundays in Easter.

Easter as a season lasts until Pentecost, which is 50 days after Easter. (The word *pentecost* means *50th*.)

Scripture tells us that the risen Jesus appeared to his disciples for a period of 40 days, proving his resurrection and giving them final teachings. On the last day, he ascended into heaven; that is what the Day of Ascension of the Lord recognizes. Since it is 40 days after Easter (which is always a Sunday), the Day of Ascension is always on a Thursday.

The Day of Pentecost is 10 days after Ascension, and 50 days after Easter. Pentecost, which is May 15, commemorates the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the gathered disciples in Jerusalem on the day of the Jewish Spring Harvest Festival (the Festival of Weeks).

The Sunday after Pentecost is always Trinity Sunday, which emphasizes the unity of God within the Holy Trinity, as opposed to over-emphasizing any one Person of the Godhead. Trinity Sunday will be May 22, and we will have the Lord's Supper during worship.

The idea of the Holy Trinity – that God is Three Persons (Father, Son, Holy Spirit) but One God – is actually beyond human understanding. It is a holy mystery, in which this is who and what God has revealed God to be. The important thing is that this is who **God** says God is, not who or what humans say God is. The difficulty for Christians is that we can so emphasize that God is One that we fail to recognize God as Trinity, or we can so emphasize Trinity that we fail to recognize that God is One. May God give us faith to accept both.

### Summer Hours Begin June 5

Beginning Sunday, June 5, Hebron Presbyterian Church will begin following its regular summer worship schedule for June, July, and August.

Changes for the summer schedule are:

Morning worship is at 10:00 a.m., not 11:00.

Sunday School is at 9:00 a.m., not 9:55.



**Sunday, May 1** – 6th Sunday of Easter; Relay for Life Luncheon following Worship

**Thursday, May 5** – Ascension of the Lord; 65th annual National Day of Prayer

**Sunday, May 8** – 7th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day

**Tuesday, May 10** – Circles 1 & 2 Meet, 1:30 p.m.

**Sunday, May 15** – The Day of Pentecost

**Sunday, May 22** – Trinity Sunday with the Lord's Supper during Worship

**Wednesday, May 25** – PEP Club, 1:00 p.m.

**Thursday, May 26** – New Officer Training, 5:30 p.m.; Session Meets, 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, May 29** – Last Sunday before Summer Hours

**Monday, May 30** – Memorial Day, Church Office Closed

**Sunday, June 5** – Begin Summer Hours: Sunday School at 9:00 a.m., Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m., Lemonade on the Lawn following Worship

### Lemonade on the Lawn Starts June 5

Lemonade on the Lawn, Hebron's popular summer-time fellowship event following Sunday morning worship, will begin on June 5 this year.

A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. This year, in the event that no one has signed up to provide refreshments, Lemonade on the Lawn will not be held on that Sunday, so please help out by signing up.

### Relay For Life Luncheon May 1

The Beverley Manor Relay for Life Team will hold a Relay for Life Luncheon at Hebron on Sunday, May 1, following morning worship.

The luncheon raises money for the fight against cancer. Hebron has responded well in supporting this event in the past, and everyone is invited to attend this year.

# Minutes For Regular Session Meeting Held March 24

*The Session of Hebron Presbyterian Church held its stated monthly meeting on Thursday, March 24. Minutes of the meeting were approved at the April 28 Session meeting and are printed here:*

**Present:** Elders Jan Kitts, Jim McGavock, Joann Weikert, Ross Shull, Mike Fallin, Martha Sieck, Anita Tuttle, Robert Christian, Nancy K. Cook, Lori Malcolm, Mike Ruleman, Moderator Rev. Frank Wyche, and Clerk of Session Robin Moyer. **Excused:** Elders Allen Martin and David Obenschain. **Absent:** Elders Scott Martin and Noah Turnage.

A quorum being present, the Moderator opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with prayer and devotions from John 13: 21-27, 30-36.

**Clerk's Report:** Session approved minutes of the Stated Meeting of February 25, and the Annual Statistical Report for 2015. Session approved a request from two recreational baseball teams to use the church ball field for practices.

**Treasurer's Report:** A handout was provided by Treasurer Michael Ruleman with a detailed Report of Fund Balances as of March 24, 2016. The general fund continues in the red at (-\$28,388.83). The total in our checking and savings stands at \$138,233.78.

**Old Business:** The Cemetery Committee's proposed Rules and Regulations were accepted by Session.

## Committee Reports

**Property** (Robert Christian, Allen Martin, Jim McGavock, Noah Turnage, Anita Tuttle): Committee is working on ongoing tasks.

**Stewardship/Finance:** (Allen Martin, Mike Ruleman, Ross Shull, Martha Sieck): No report.

**Worship** (Nancy K. Cook, Jan Kitts, David Obenschain, Joann Weikert): Easter events include opening the Sanctuary on Good Friday from 9:00a.m. until 1:00 p.m. for private prayer and personal reflection; a Good Friday worship service at 7:00 p.m.; an Easter Fellowship Breakfast at 9:00 a.m. on Easter Sunday; and Easter worship including celebration of the Lord's Supper. Mike Ruleman will continue to do the communion assignments and Joann Weikert will continue to schedule greeters and ushers. A supply minister will be needed on May 8. The next committee meeting will be Thursday, April 7, at 6:30 p.m. At that time regular meeting dates and times and a new chairman will be discussed.

**Cemetery** (Jan Kitts, Noah Turnage, Anita Tuttle): Rules and Regulations were adopted.

**Christian Ed** (Scott Martin, Jim McGavock, Mike Ruleman): Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, March 26, beginning at 10:00 a.m. and will include other activities, concluding with a hot dog lunch. Infor-

mation was received for scholarships and applications were sent to eligible students. Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June.

**Commitment/Witness** (Mike Fallin, Martha Sieck): Minutes will be e-mailed to Session members.

**Congregational Ministries** (Lori Malcolm, Joann Weikert): Discussion on sending cards to families when appropriate from Session. Contact continues to the homebound. Committee is working on a list to make contact with widows and widowers.

**Fellowship/Service:** (Nancy K. Cook, Lori Malcolm, Scott Martin): Discussion on Homecoming Oct. 9, Lemonade on the Lawn this summer, and a summer meal.

**Personnel** (Mike Fallin, David Obenschain): Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 31 at 6:45p.m.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Frank is working on the April newsletter so that it will be available for pickup at church on March 27. Easter home communion for homebound and shut-ins is under way. Bible Study continues on Friday mornings on Paul's letter to the Romans. Pastor has one week of vacation remaining for the period of May 2015 through April 2016 and request that he be allowed to roll that week forward into the coming year, and that he take that week so as to be out of the pulpit on May 8 to be in Ashville for his son Andrew's graduation on May 7. Session approved the request.

**New Business:** There was brief discussion on the number of elders for Session.

Mike Ruleman proposed using the funds from the Noah's Ark Fund and some Memorial funds to purchase new round tables for the Fellowship Hall. After discussion, Session members asked for more time to consider the proposal.

The next Stated Session Meeting is scheduled Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

The blessings and prayer concerns of the congregation, friends, and relatives were shared by Session for corporate and individual prayer. The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the moderator at 8:13 p.m.

## PEP Club Will Meet May 25

The PEP Club will meet on Wednesday, May 25, at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall with a program by *The Happy Notes*. Please join us!



## VBS Will Be June 12-16

Hebron will hold Vacation Bible School from Sunday, June 12, through Thursday, June 16. Look for more information in future bulletins and newsletters.

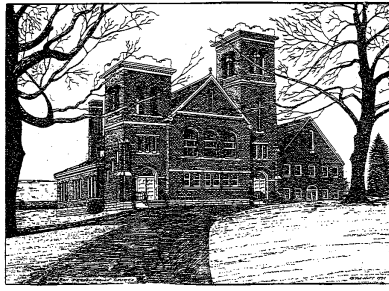
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Hebron Presbyterian Church  
Sunday School 9:55 A.M./Worship

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Ministries available to all ages

Sunday Services:

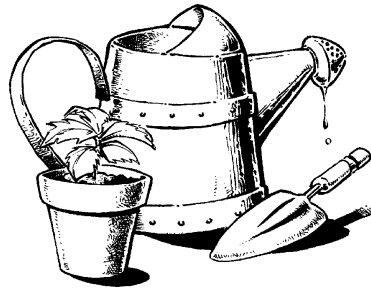
Sunday School, 9:55 A.M.

Morning Worship, 11:00 A.M.

Youth Group, 6:30-8:00 P.M.

Bible Study: Friday, 10:00 A.M.

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## MAY

### *Hebron's Birthday And Anniversary List For May*

May birthdays are:

Evelyn Whitmore	1
Tim Shull	1
Anna Cahill	1
Sharon Martin	3
Isabel Rathburn	3
Megan Johnson	4
Kaitlyn Moyer	5
Conor Cahill	5
Michael Ruleman	5
Sean Bratton	9
Allen Martin	9
Kent Shull	9
Haskins Coleman	11
John Lyle	11
Donna Moyer	14
Billie Jo Smiley	14
Andrew Rathburn	15
Nancy Hewitt	16
Janet Wiseman	16
Cole Kirtley	19
Andrew Wyche	19

Marcie Talbott	20
Steve Cahill	21
Doug Trimble	21
Bill Glover	23
Laural Johnson	23
Gregory Kirtley	24
Jimmy Brown	26
Jean Martin	31

**Very special happy birthday wishes to:** Evelyn Whitmore, who will be 88 on May 1; Haskins Coleman, who will be 85 on May 11; and Nancy Hewitt, who will be 83 on May 16.

If you know of someone who should be included, please call the church office at 885-1648, as we do not want to leave anyone out.

Notice that we have many multiple birthdays in May, with three birthdays on the days of May 1, 5,

This  
Month's  
Birthdays



and 9, and two birthdays each on May 3, 11, 14, 16, 19, 21, and 23!