

# The Bellringer

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## Church Family Fun Night

Our Church Family Fun Night, held on Friday, March 4, 2011 was a great success. Each year our Family Fun Night theme is a mission emphasis centered around different areas of the world where there are American Baptist Missionaries. This year the geographical focus is Cuba and Mexico.

Nineteen presentations of various kinds, singing and dancing, karate, joke telling, skits, instrumentals, inspirational stories, etc. were

enjoyed by a full house. The conference room was colorfully decorated and a deli-



cious potluck dinner was enjoyed. What a great inter-generational event. Thanks to all who helped make this a memorable occasion.



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*First Baptist Church of Mansfield*  
*- Established 1809 -*  
*A Word from the Pastor*

"When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go and anoint Jesus' body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb and they asked each other, "who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?"

But when they looked up they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb they saw a young man dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed." (Mark 16 : 1 – 5)

Wow! That's quite a cliff hanger isn't it? No, not really. Is anyone reading this today alarmed like those women were? No, not at all. We are so familiar with this passage, and what comes next, that all the alarm has been taken out of it by now. After all, it has been over two thousand years since it was first told. Is it possible that we are so familiar with this passage of Jesus' resurrection that we are bored with it now? After all, we read it every year at this time, and many other times throughout the year as well.

Absolutely not ! We will never grow tired of this story of resurrection. That would be like saying we are growing tired of spring coming every year. Let's just skip the crocus, daffodil, forsythia, and tulip flowers blooming, and maybe the trees don't need to bud for a change. Let's just go to bed one night with the bare tree limbs, and wake up the next morning and see the leaves fully open and out. I know some would be happy if we went from 30 degree temperatures right to 80 degrees overnight. I guess that way we wouldn't have to wait for strawberries, or blueberries, but we would miss out on maple syrup. We not only enjoy the

spring season, but we need it. We look forward to it, and we long for it. And we would be lost if we skipped over it and went right to summer.

That is the same way with these familiar Easter passages of scripture. We wait for Easter celebration and long for it. We know the women are going to go to the tomb early in the morning and find it empty. They will run and tell the other followers and then soon Jesus himself will appear to them all. The walkers on the road to Emmaus will encounter Jesus and not realize it was him until he breaks the bread again at their own table. Thomas will doubt and then believe, and Peter will know forgiveness one more time. It is all so familiar that we can tell the story without reading it, but let's read it anyways.

We need to hear it all again because this is the foundation that our faith is built on. One rock is the love of God in giving Jesus for the forgiveness of our sins. And another stone is the power of God in breaking the power of death in the raising of Jesus from the dead. Another is forgiveness itself.

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
 Where, O death is now thy sting, Alleluia!  
 Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!  
 Ours the cross, the grave the skies, Alleluia!

I'm looking forward to reading, and singing, and celebrating it all again with you .

On the Journey with you,



## Executive Board

Members of the Executive board met on March 29<sup>th</sup> to review the activities of each of the three boards and to coordinate the work of the church for the year 2011. We discussed the Camp Whiteman emphasis that the board of Christian Education is planning. The board of Deacons is conducting an reviewing the results of a survey started at their recent "Feed the Flock" pot luck. On going concerns about the churches financial situation were raised by the board of Trustees along with mention of the upcoming work day set for April 16<sup>th</sup>.

We will be having a church wide planning meeting after church on Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup> to coordinate dates of events over the remainder of the calendar year. Please plan to attend with your calendar and ideas for events which may be hosted over the remainder of the year. Below is a tentative list of upcoming dates to keep in mind.



### ***Dates:***

- April 9<sup>th</sup> Projector Committee Presentation
- April 10<sup>th</sup> Regular Spring Business Meeting
- April 16<sup>th</sup> Work Day
- April 17<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday
- April 21<sup>st</sup> Maundy Thursday
- April 24<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday
- May 1<sup>st</sup> Planning Meeting (12:30)
- May 14<sup>th</sup> Deacons Training/Shepherdson
- May 21<sup>st</sup> Spaghetti Supper
- June 5<sup>th</sup> Christian Education Sunday
- June 12<sup>th</sup> Summer hours; Year End Picnic

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact one of the members of the Executive Board.

Dana Yanaway (Moderator)

Laura Austin (Chair board of Christian Education)

Terry Yanaway (Chair board of Deacons)

John Riesen (Chair board of Trustees)

Ron Baker (Pastor)

## Plaque Unveiled



April 10, 2011. Dedication of the plaque identifying the Church as a historically significant structure in a Connecticut Local Historic District and on the National Register of Historic places. The plaque was awarded by the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism. Meradith McMunn read appropriate scripture passages, Bill McMunn explained the reason for the award, and Pastor Ron Baker unveiled the plaque.

# AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING 2011

*"Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness."*

MATTHEW 9: 35 (NR S V)



**R**ecognizing that all people are made in God's image and are loved by God, our church must reach across cultural, social, economic and racial lines with practical acts of love within the church and the community. Holistic ministries should address physical, social, psychological and spiritual needs of individuals—particularly the needy, forgotten and defenseless. Our church must be characterized by believers who are committed to the reconciliation of relationships among all people. Loving relationships within the local church produce unity, accountability and a powerful demonstration of God's presence within our communities. Beyond the local church, they are manifested in cooperation and interdependent relationships with other Christians locally, nationally and internationally. Together, we can make a difference for the cause of Christ by supporting the America for Christ Offering 2011.

This year's theme—"Touching Lives, Transforming People"—is an encouraging reminder that Jesus' public ministry was all about a transformational hope for people in need. With his hands, Jesus touched, comforted, prayed and blessed people. The same hands, whose power restored sight to the blind, made the lame walk and miraculously fed the 5,000. In Christ, we have both the model and the strength to "touch and transform" people in the church and the community. It is our personal walk with the Lord that transforms and enables us through the power of Christ to live not for ourselves, but to serve

God by serving our neighbors. Our hands become the tools of Christ in a world of need and opportunity. Christ's work of transformation is accomplished when we step into the lives of people around us.

We are impelled by this year's theme to touch people with whom we come in contact every day with the transformational love of Jesus Christ. I ask you to join me in giving generously to the America for Christ Offering 2011 being taken up on May 1<sup>st</sup> with a goal of \$1,500 for our Church, and in helping us to reach our goal in support of touching and transforming lives for the cause of Christ!

Yours in Christ,

The Missions Committee, Joy Erickson, Doug Whittemore, Denise Keane and Olivia Baker

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Whether one works in Soup Kitchens, or does missions abroad, or helps someone across the street when it is inconvenient to do so, or works everyday at home bringing up one's children modeling a godly life for them and instructing them in the Lord, or taking the time to pray daily for those in need of it, it is all one and equally insignificant compared to God's work (particularly in our hearts). What is important is knowing Him. And to know God is to love Him and know Him loving us.

Doug Whittemore, member of Missions Committee

## A Mission Letter: To Know and To Do

This is a busy mission year for me. I have chosen to cut back on my work in the US in order to do more volunteer missions overseas. As I write this, I am in the middle of a two week mission at a hospital in Siguatopeque, Honduras. Next month (April 9-16) I am co-leading a group mission of Urologists, nurses, anesthesia personnel, and interpreters to Valladolid, Mexico. In May, I am going to a mission hospital in Peru and later this summer back to Africa.

However, drawing attention to my work is not my intention with this letter. In fact, while I am happy to answer questions about my work and to ask people to pray for me, I am otherwise happy not to talk about it. In particular, part of me dreads talking about it if it is going to lead to any special recognition or praise. This is because I fear the pride of my flesh, but also because I feel the Lord has created in my life a unique set of opportunities which has allowed me to do this work and for which I am thankful to Him. Just writing this is uncomfortable for me, but this is not just a personal letter; it also touches upon an important point about missions that involve all of us.

It can become easy for the Christian as he/she pilgrims in this life on one's journey toward a closer relationship with the Lord to focus on "doing", or acting out one's faith, and lose sight of the importance of balancing this with a growing daily relationship with God. Many Christians (and even missionaries!) have been known to do great works, yet have professed only later in life to truly come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior. How can this happen?

James asks "What good is it...if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds?" (James 2:14). We can never forget that faith is not real if it is not lived out. "Do not merely listen to the Word, and so deceive yourselves." (James 1:22). But what James is referring to is not doing missions abroad or at home, or any other great work, but rather being obedient to the Word. He assumes that there is an active ongoing humble rela-

tionship with and before God, much of which requires a trust in His Word and seeking Him in it. "Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial...he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him." (James 1:12). "Those who love him." This implies a pretty close bond. And to love someone presupposes that you know them.

Sometimes we can be tempted to skip the hard work of this relationship and go directly to the works. We think that this will somehow magically compel a right relationship with God and earn favor with Him. Why would we do this? Because it is hard to humble ourselves before God and face our many faults. But God is after our hearts and it is only with the regular process of doing this that we develop a love relationship with Him. This leads us to the "narrow gate" of Matthew 7:13. He KNOWS us as His own only as we engage Him in such a relationship. "Not everyone who says to me 'Lord, Lord' will enter the kingdom of heaven...I will tell them plainly 'I never knew you, away from me.'" (Matthew 7:21). Presumably those who said Lord, Lord to Him thought they were doing great things for God. But they did not know Him.

This is for our own good and much to our advantage. First of all, as I humble myself before God, I discover the reality of how much I really do need God and how inadequate it is when I do it on my own. Second, I find out how much He has done and is doing to help me in my fallenness. And third, it then becomes clear that what I do is nothing compared to what God has done. It then only becomes more natural for me to do, or act out my faith, because of the living water that God is pouring into my life. This is the reality that should be sought by any follower of Christ. It is not deep faith meant for only serious disciples; it is basic faith, Christianity 101. It is not the end, but the beginning of our faith walk. It is what it means when it says "The beginning of wisdom is the fear of the Lord."

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## RAISE THE ROOF CAMPAIGN

**Y**our Raise The Roof Committee, comprised of Ed Austin, Tricia Baker, Nancy Flynn and Patty Geissler, has been meeting regularly to develop a plan of fundraising activities to support the expense of our new roof. At our first meeting it was determined that our fundraising goal for the project would need to be \$50,000, of which \$10,000 had already been donated or pledged by church members and friends. We have unveiled a Raise The Roof Fund thermometer sign on the front lawn to show our fundraising progress. Won't it be a wonderful sight to see the level of raised funds rise to the top!

The committee felt it best to begin fundraising for this project with a letter campaign. We have developed three letters to send; one for local businesses and groups who have used our church, one for community members and another for members and friends. Nancy Flynn designed very nice looking stationary and donation forms for the letter campaign. Letters have been sent to businesses and community members and we have already received some responses. We are currently working on the next round of letters.

Our first fundraising event was the *Take Note!* Concert on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. In anticipation of the concert Sandy Zerio and Bill McMunn were guests on the Wayne Norman Radio Show; bright and early in the morning on March 29<sup>th</sup>. They did an excellent job of chatting with Wayne about our church, the Raise The Roof campaign and the upcoming concert. We appreciated their efforts very much. And it seemed to pay off



when *Take Note!* performed to a full house on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Beautiful voices filled our sanctuary and the audience reciprocated

with hearty applause throughout the performance. In honor of the historic church sanctuary many dressed in period costume and added to the enjoyment of all. The concert was followed by a delicious dessert reception in the Conference Room.

We are grateful to *Take Note!* for helping us raise roof funds. The concert enabled us to raise over \$1,000. We would like to share a little about the group for those of you who were not able to be there:



*Take Note!* is a musically eclectic a cappella group whose twenty three members share a deep love of singing and decades of vocal experience. The ensemble is comprised of singers from all walks of life in and around the Quiet Corner. They are educators and scientists, animal rescuers and professionals from business, the arts, health and human services.

Since 2003, *Take Note!* has chosen to share the gift of singing by supporting the charitable efforts of other non-profit community

## RAISE THE ROOF CAMPAIGN *continued*

organizations through benefit fundraising performances such as this. Take Note! does not charge for performances. In fact, they not only perform gratis, but provide concert posters, press releases templates, media placement advice and information, and concert programs, all free of charge. All donations received at the concert go directly to the sponsoring organization.

The group's mission statement puts it best: "Through performances in support of charitable endeavors, we are raising voices, raising spirits, raising hope..."

As a thank you for donations, we will be advertising any businesses that make dona-

tions on a bulletin board in the conference room. We also have a very beautiful painting of the church entrance painted on wood shingles from the old roof by our own Pastor Ron Baker. These shingles will be given for a donation of \$500.00 or more.



## Daffodil Days

A very "sincere thank you" message has been received from the New England Division staff and volunteers of the American Cancer Society for our participation and support of the purchase of Daffodils!

This donation of \$485.00 will be helping to find Hope and Cure for cancer! Thank you to all who enjoyed these lovely flowers!

Coordinator,  
Lena Barry



Looking ahead, the Mission Trip Youth will be conducting a public **Spaghetti Supper** on **May 21st**. The proceeds of the supper will be split between the mission trip and the Raise The Roof Fund. Please support this supper by donating items, volunteering at the supper and/or coming to the supper...and bringing your friends and neighbors. Let's make this the most successful Spaghetti Supper yet. We are also planning a **Strawberry Supper** on **June 11th** to raise funds for the roof.

If you have any ideas or suggestions for the committee, please speak with Ed, Tricia, Nancy or Patty. Thank you for your support!

## Youth Mission Trip



The annual **Spaghetti Supper** is coming! Please join us as we plan and put on another delicious spaghetti supper fundraiser. We hope to raise needed funds for this summer's **Youth Mission Trip** to York, PA and for the church **Raise The Roof Fund**.

You are invited to help us by providing donations of food items or volunteering to help out with the supper. We also welcome folks to attend the supper! Please invite your friends, neighbors, and family too.

The supper will be held on Saturday, May 21 from 5-7 pm at the church. It will feature spaghetti and meatballs, tossed salad, Italian bread and assorted desserts. The cost will be \$8 for adults and \$4 for children.

Signup sheets for donations will be available in the conference room soon. If you can volunteer to prepare, serve, or help with clean up, please speak with Morgan Baker, Patty Geissler or Pastor Ron.

## Ladies Aid Society

The Ladies Aid held a dinner meeting on Friday, April 1st. The first order of business was to elect officers for the group. Elected officers for this year are: Patty Geissler-President, Jill Stedman-Myette-Vice President, Laura Austin-Treasurer and Nancy Flynn-Treasurer.

We continue to research and work on the following projects- new chairs with a storage unit for the conference room, new window treatments in the Pastor's office and possible new carpeting in the narthex.

We have collected enough recipes for the cook book and are working on the cover design and a forward for the book. We are exploring various publishing options at this time.

Some fundraising plans for the year include an Apple Crisp Sale and Butter Braid and Rada Knife sales at the end of the year.

We invite and encourage everyone to participate in our Ladies Aid meetings and activities. We hope to have a meeting in the near future where we can invite some of you who have never been before to join the fun!

### *Good News!! from Sandrine Dubroca in France*

Dear friends,

I made it !!! I can't believe I'm a doctor. The defense was the longest and most exhausting 3 hours of my life but it went well. Thank you all for being a support all those years!

Take care,  
Sandrine



April 2, 2011. Sandrine defending her dissertation on The Opening of the West and the Pacific from 1770-1846

## Church Women United

The local Church Women United held its Human Rights Celebration at First Baptist Church in Mansfield on January 23, 2011. We were fortunate with the weather at that time, NO SNOW, which would have meant a rescheduling!

All went well as Ed Austin was honored for his dedication and work serving within many programs in our local communities to which benefit human rights.

Ed has been and continues to be an inspiration to many organizations, local causes and his church family!



This year the Steeple Chase, which Ed has been coordinator and the director, will be held in his honor!

CONGRATULATIONS once again Ed we are so proud of your accomplishments.

## *May Friendship Day*

**Saturday, May 14, 2011  
at 9:30 a.m.**

**"Living Our Friendship,  
Passing on the Key"**

Hampton Congregational Church  
Main Street, Hampton, CT



The year May Friendship Day's program is "Living Our Friendship, Passing on the Key" a time to come together to honor women of all ages, to renew old friendships and cultivate new ones, to pray and celebrate together!

A special women will be honored by giving her the Church Women United Valiant Women Award!!

There will be a potluck lunch so bring a salad to share following the program!

## Board of Trustees

The officers of the Trustees for 2011 are Chair - John Riesen, Secretary - Karen Hocking, Safety Committee representative - Nils Setterberg and Stewardship representative - Nancy Flynn.

There is continued **serious concern** over the budget in light of the fact that the undesignated income for the General Fund for the first quarter of 2011 was \$25,189.23. That is \$6,049.00 less than the first quarter of 2010 and our expenses significantly exceeded our income last year.

Work will begin on the other side of the Sanctuary roof this spring. Congratulations to the "Raise the Roof" Fund raising committee on a great kick-off with the Take Note Concert. The event raised \$1,081.00. Please give them your full support as they

coordinate other fund raising activities in this campaign

A **HUGE** thanks to Prescott Spencer for stepping forward when no one else was willing to mow the church lawn. The quote we had for lawn mowing was \$75 per time. Prescott and Nils Setterberg have continued to work on painting. Prescott has finished completely disassembling and painting the windows of the Christian Education wing.

Finally, save the date. **Saturday April 16, 2011 is spring work day.** We have a host of jobs that need doing, both inside and out. The Church is blessed by many willing workers. Come and help us and bring a friend too.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Riesen, Chair of Trustees

## Board of Deacons

**W**hat fun we had at the Deacon Flock Event a couple of weeks ago! The purpose was to promote connections within the shepherding groups and help everyone to, not only know who "their" deacon is, but who else is in their corner of the flock. In addition to the yummy food and stellar conversation, the Deacons entertained with a short skit about the life of an imaginary deacon at FBCM.

This skit served three purposes:

1. It made us laugh! Laughter is one of the best aspects of fellowship, and we have that in spades!
2. It revealed that the Board of Deacons are a talented bunch! They ALL played their parts with flair - so you can expect to see them in future FBCM "productions"!!



3. It was meant to show that no ONE person can do ALL the ministry. It must be a group effort, with everyone providing care and also receiving care. Otherwise the ONE will burn out (or explode!) and then no one will receive the care they need.

SO - please be aware of the other people in your shepherding group. Communicate with them and minister to each other. We have the ability to make such a difference in each other's lives and to make our faith community a strong and loving place to be

## Festival of Singing Children

The Hartford/Springfield Chapter of Choristers Guild Festival of Singing Children was held Saturday, March 26, 2011 at the United Congregational Church of Holyoke. Eighteen people associated with our Church, including members of our Youth Choir and adults attended the Festival. The young people did a beautiful presentation singing nine anthems. Our own Melissa Rood was this year's director. Bill



Rood was saxophone instrumentalist and Grace Riesen, accompanist. To hear portions of this concert on your computer go to [http://](http://roodmusic.wikispaces.com)

[roodmusic.wikispaces.com](http://roodmusic.wikispaces.com) and click on "Festival of Singing Children" on the left side of the screen. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event very special.

Grace Riesen, Youth Choir Director

## Church Family News

Wow, Betty Geissler is a great grandmother once again. Her grandson, Scott Ostrander and his wife Tania, welcomed Jake Ostrander into the word on March 11. Jean and Dick Ostrander are the proud grandparents. Congratulations everyone!

To all who knew Helen Huff, after talking to her daughter, Martha recently, who by the way sends her best to everyone at the First Baptist, I (Lena) have received a new address for Helen.

Martha says "her mom would love to hear from Connecticut friends"

*Please call the church for address information for Helen Huff.*

### **Save May 14, 2011!**

On Saturday the 14th here at Mansfield First Baptist Church in the afternoon from 2-4:00 there will be an open house to celebrate *Ginny Shepardson 80th birthday and Sam and Ginny's 60th wedding anniversary*. Come and share a memory with our family, church family and friends.

No gifts just your presence, please.

*Dearest Church Family,*

*We deeply treasure our memories of our wonderful interactions with such a warm and caring church family.*

*We appreciated your surprising us with special recognition of our last Sunday with you prior to moving to Florida. Thank you for your thoughtfulness expressed in words and in the gifts. We have enjoyed already and will continue to enjoy the handsomely framed bright picture of the church, the church pictured green bag, and the corsage—lovely,*

*beautiful white rose bud.*

*We want to keep in touch with you good friends.*

*It is likely that we will visit you in April or May.*

*With much Love,  
Randy and Dottie Rose Gilliam*

*Please call the church for address and phone information for the Gilliam's.*

## Birthdays and Events



**April**

**Happy Birthday!**

April 4 Susan Figueroa  
 April 4 Bruce Bradshaw  
 April 4 Ronald Nichols  
 April 8 Nitheesha Nakka  
 April 15 Brian Reas  
 April 16 Michael Davis  
 April 16 Ginny Shepardson  
 April 17 Dante Salina  
 April 30 Samantha Gardiner



**May**

**Happy Birthday!**

May 5 Jean Alcorn  
 May 8 Bibi Mama  
 May 8 Priyanka Nakka  
 May 10 Kristin Gardiner  
 May 10 Harold Mattern (95)  
 May 12 Emma Barry  
 May 13 Amanda Keane  
 May 15 Alice Spencer  
 May 16 Bob Bauer  
 May 17 Bill McMunn  
 May 21 Nils Setterberg  
 May 22 Dave Kloss  
 May 23 Kevin Reas  
 May 28 Germaine Mama  
 May 28 Nicole Nilson  
 May 30 Shirley Corcoran  
 May 30 Lisa Reas  
 May 31 Barbara Moore

# April 2011

| SUN                            | MON | TUE                               | WED                               | THU                           | FRI                                      | SAT                            |
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|                                |     |                                   |                                   |                               | 1 Youth Group<br>6:30-9:00               | 2                              |
| 3                              | 4   | 5 EGMS 2:00                       | 6                                 | 7                             | 8 Youth Group<br>6:30-9:00               | 9 Projector Meeting<br>9-10:00 |
| 10                             | 11  | 12                                | 13 Board of Christian Ed.<br>7:00 | 14                            | 15 Soup Kitchen Youth Group<br>6:30-9:00 | 16 Spring Work Day             |
| 17 Palm Sunday                 | 18  | 19 Fred's Brickhouse<br>5-9:00 pm | 20                                | 21 Maundy Thursday<br>7:00 pm | 22 Youth Group<br>6:30-9:00              | 23                             |
| 24 Easter Sunrise Service 5:45 | 25  | 26                                | 27                                | 28                            | 29 Youth Group<br>6:30-9:00              | 30                             |

# May 2011

| SUN                             | MON | TUE         | WED | THU                 | FRI                                      | SAT                     |
|---------------------------------|-----|-------------|-----|---------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 Planning Meeting<br>12:30     | 2   | 3 EGMA 2:00 | 4   | 5 Hillside Cemetery | 6 Youth Group<br>6:30-9:00               | 7                       |
| 8 Camp Deadline<br>Mother's Day | 9   | 10          | 11  | 12                  | 13 Youth Group<br>6:30-9:00              | 14 Car Wash & Bake Sale |
| 15                              | 16  | 17          | 18  | 19                  | 20 Soup Kitchen Youth Group<br>6:30-9:00 | 21 Spaghetti Supper     |
| 22                              | 23  | 24          | 25  | 26                  | 27 Youth Group<br>6:30-9:00              | 28                      |
| 29                              | 30  | 31          |     |                     |                                          |                         |



## Dates to Remember

**April 19—Fred's Brickhouse Fundraiser 5-9:00 pm**    **May 21—Spaghetti Supper for Youth Mission Trip and Raise The Roof Campaign**  
**April 21—Maundy Thursday 7:00 pm**  
**April 24—Easter Sunrise Service 5:45 am**    **May 27—Youth Group 6:30-9:00 pm**  
**May 1—Planning Meeting 12:30 pm**    **June 3—Youth Group 6:30-9:00 pm**  
**May 3—EGMA 2:00 pm**    **June 5—Christian Ed Sunday**  
**May 6—Youth Group 6:30-9:00 pm**    **June 10—Youth Group 6:30-9:00 pm**  
**May 8—Camp Wightman Scholarship Deadline**    **June 11—Public Supper 4-6:00 pm**  
**May 13—Youth Group 6:30-9:00 pm**    **June 12—Church Picnic**  
**May 14—Car Wash and Plant Sale**    **June 12—Summer Hours**  
**May 20—Youth Group 6:30-9:00 pm**



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**WE'RE ON THE WEB!**

**[www.fbcmansfieldct.com](http://www.fbcmansfieldct.com)**

**Worship Service – 10:45 a.m.**

**Church School – 9:30 a.m.**

**Youth Choir Rehearsal, Sun. 9:00 a.m.**

**Adult Choir Rehearsal, Thur. 7:30 p.m.**

**Ministry 4 Youth, Fri. 6:30-9:00 p.m.**



An American Baptist Church