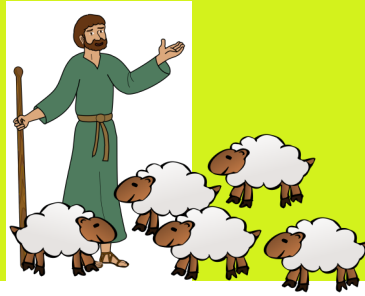


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## *Pastor's Ponderings*

### *What Does the Empty Tomb Mean for Us Today?*

When Jesus rose from the grave, what did He accomplish? **Hope.** No matter how bleak our lives might look. No matter what is going on around us, we have hope beyond ourselves. I have been privileged to know some incredible people throughout my life, and for that I am grateful. However, I know that even the greatest person around cannot fulfill my deepest longings and, at some point, will let me down. We might have heroes in our lives and we certainly need people who can give us good advice and help us along the way, but no one can save us for eternity. What our sin

does to separate us from God, the cross and the empty tomb undoes. Where we unfulfilled on our own, the empty tomb, ironically, fills the void. We have life and hope and a future because Jesus is alive! That empty tomb continues to resonate throughout history and throughout the earth that we have hope in the one who has defeated death and sin. We have victory in Him!



## **Holy Week Schedule**

- Sunday March 25: Palm Sunday
- Thursday March 29: Maundy Thursday 7:00 pm
- Friday March 30: Community Good Friday Services at Monticello United Methodist Church 7:00 pm
- Saturday March 31: Easter Egg Hunt 1:00 pm at church
- Sunday April 1:
  - Easter Sunrise Service 7:00 am
  - Deacon's Breakfast following Sunrise Service
  - Easter Worship Service 9:30 am



## **The resurrection of Jesus Christ**

*Easter Sermon*

## Sunday School Offering for April

### Monticello First Baptist Church Scholarship

FBC offers a \$500 yearly college scholarship to students who are members of our church. See Tina Wheeldon for an application.

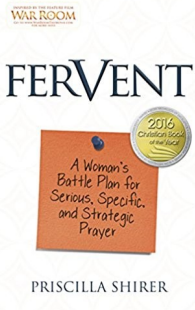


**Bible Study:** Wednesdays April 11th,  
18th, 25th at 6:30 pm

**BINGO:** Wednesday April 11 @ 2:30 pm  
Monticello Health Care

**ABW:** Wednesday April 18 @ 1:00 pm

**National Day of Prayer:** Thursday May 3  
Watch For More Details in Bulletin



ABC's next book is *Fervent*. It is a hands-on, knees-down, don't-give-up action guide to practical, purposeful praying. See Mary or Brittany if you would

like a book

ordered for you. We will begin discussions in May.

ABC = **A** Book Conversation




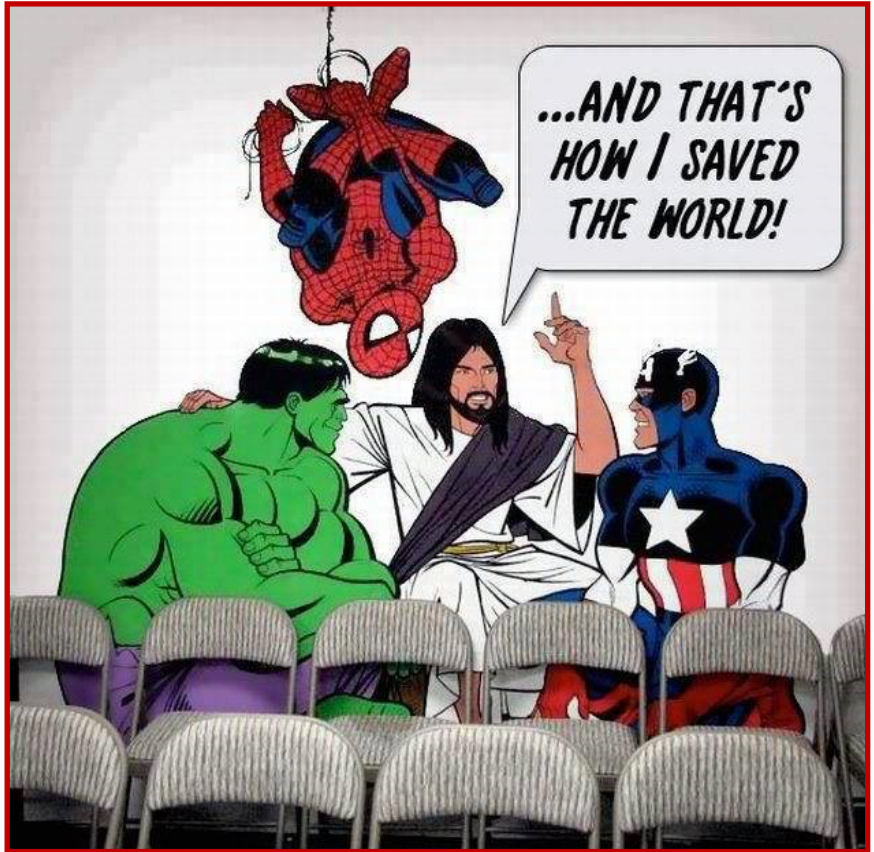
### April Birthdays

3rd Clara McMillan  
17th Susie Price  
18th Erma Musall  
19th Kelly Risinger  
23rd Mary Copas  
23rd Pat Hall



### April Anniversaries

 2nd Art & Joyce Moore  
4th Bud & Evelyn Scott  
13th Bert & Imogene Moore



Who is your HERO?

### 100 Verses Every Christian Needs To Know

#### Verse 5 of 100

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul.

*Psalms 23: 1-3 NKJV*

#### Verse 6 of 100

But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

To Him be the glory both now and forever.

*2 Peter 3:18 NKJV*

Join us for **Easter Breakfast** following sunrise service on Sunday April 1st at 7:00 am. Biscuits & gravy, sausage, eggs, and donuts, along with juice, milk and coffee.