

Contributions

Week 4/19/-4/25 2020

\$6,028

We are working on a way to do that online (who would have ever thought), but in the meantime, those who give by check could simply mail it to Kerry Lashlee 9748 Bent Brook Dr Montgomery, AL 36117 In the beginning, this emergency looked short term and we just thought that any and all could give it all after the emergency. Now that it looks much longer, it becomes important that we each continue to contribute weekly or monthly as we have, if we are able, because bills still have to be paid and evangelists need to continue to be supported. We will let you know when we have any better solution to the problem.



The Alabama Department of Public Health Hotline 1-888-293-8888 opened today, March 14. It allows anyone seeking information on how and where to be tested if you think you have symptoms.

Do call the elders also if you think you might have a health problem.



Neil and Barbara Smith

Anniversary 04/26/2020

Ron McDonald

Birthday 04/28/2020

Bob Trefethen

Birthday 05/05/2020

Zach Thayer

Birthday 05/06/2020

Leigh Ann & Alan White

Anniversary 05/09/2020

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APRIL 26, 2020

The Song of the Birds

“Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?” Matthew 6:26-27



Each morning, a noise begins outside our house around 5:30. I'm usually awake and often up at that time, so I hear it from our living room or basement. On those mornings when I do sleep in, I hear it from my bed. It's not an unpleasant sound. It's actually a cheerful and joyful noise. It's a signal that a new day has begun, and life has resumed. The sound is the song of the birds.

The birds begin each day singing, (I guess they are morning people!) They sing as they look for food. They sing as they sit in the trees and bushes outside our home. They sing as they sit on our roof. It's not a stressful or anxious song. They don't appear to be worried about anything. They sing joyfully and carelessly. They sing as they communicate with each other. They sing and don't seem to care who hears their song.

As I've heard these birds sing each morning during these past few weeks, I've been reminded of Jesus's teaching in the Sermon on the Mount. In Matthew 6, he talks about worry and how it doesn't benefit us and how it actually harms us. During this teaching he uses the birds as an example. They don't hoard and take what they don't need or use. They simply live each day, for that day, and trust that they will be provided for. They begin each day with a song as they start to gather and accomplish what they need to do each day. They aren't stressed, worried or anxious. Instead, they seem happy, content and filled with a song of joy. *Continued inside*



4/17/2020 - **Bob Trefethen** had a consultation with Dr. Avery, Montgomery Cancer Center Prattville Office, today. He believes that he has "Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma". It is slow growing and treatable although not curable. This is the less serious of the two outcomes. A PET CT scan is scheduled next week to look for lymphoma in the lymph nodes. Bob is thankful that prayers have been answered. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

4/25/2020 - **Helen Stewart** The doctors are still working to get Helen off the ventilator. She needs are continued prayers and support. You can mail cards to Helen at the following address:

Noland Hospital
 Helen Stewart
 1725 Pine Street
 5th Floor, North Wing
 Room 579
 Montgomery, AL 36106

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 What can we learn from the birds and from this teaching of Jesus? Of course, we are not birds. Jesus knew that as well. There are things that we need to take care of that birds don't have to worry about. We have knowledge and insight that birds will never have. We face different challenges and different opportunities than birds. We are not the same. But the principle and command not to worry still applies to us. Jesus wants us to trust Him. Jesus wants us to know that He will provide for us. Jesus wants us to live in simple faith and trust each day even as we face trials, difficulties, obstacles and even a pandemic in this life. He points to the birds and reminds us that we are more valuable to God than they ever will be. God sent Jesus to die for us. He didn't come to die for the birds! If God loved us enough to do this for us, surely, we can trust that He will continue to provide and care for us.

In times like these, I'm thankful for the song of the birds. It reminds me each day that God is present. God is faithful. He will take care of us because we are His children. Listen to the song of the birds and may it remind you of the Father's love and care for you. Michael Rector

This Sunday A.M. layout: April 26, 2020



9:00 a.m. – Bible Study – Matthew Conley

10:00 a.m. -John Burch making opening welcome to PHR remarks

First song by Matthew Bruce

Scripture reading: Harold Mustin April 26 am. 2 John 1-13

Two songs by Matthew Bruce

Prayer – Craig Sims

Song by Matthew Bruce

Lords Supper: Ron Kochik

Song – Matthew Bruce, before Bill's lesson

Bill Robinson preaches

Closing song – Matthew Bruce

ANNOUNCEMENTS-John Burch: (no facts of individuals, since open broadcast possible) (slide requesting call or email for prayers, studies, baptism)|

Closing prayer – John Demas

This Sunday P.M. layout – April 26, 2020

5:00 p.m. John Burch - making opening welcome to PHR remarks

First song by Matthew Bruce

Scripture reading: Ragan Ingram. April 26 pm. Proverbs 28:1-11

Two songs by Matthew Bruce

Prayer: Richard Howe

Song by Matthew Bruce

Bill Robinson preaches

Closing song by Matthew Bruce

ANNOUNCEMENTS-John Burch: (no facts of individuals, since open broadcast possible) (slide requesting call or email for prayers, studies, baptism)|

Closing prayer – Gary Hart

Care Groups to Follow at 6pm all Caregroups . Time to communicate no Facetime