Southwest Church of the Nazarene

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Sweet Hour of Prayer

Sweet hour of prayer sweet hour of prayer That calls me from a world of care And bids me at my Father's throne Make all my wants and wishes known In seasons of distress and grief My soul has often found relief And oft escaped the tempter's snare By thy return sweet hour of prayer

Sweet hour of prayer sweet hour of prayer The joys I feel the bliss I share Of those whose anxious spirits burn With strong desires for thy return With such I hasten to the place Where God my Savior shows His face And gladly take my station there And wait for thee sweet hour of prayer

Sweet hour of prayer sweet hour of prayer Thy wings shall my petition bear To Him whose truth and faithfulness Engage the waiting soul to bless And since He bids me seek His face Believe His Word and trust His grace I'll cast on Him my ev'ry care And wait for thee sweet hour of prayer

- William Batchelder Bradbury, William W. Walford

Church Events

- April 9th, Saturday R!OT Youth Park Day Leaving church at 10:00am.
- April 10th, Sunday Palm Sunday and Blake & Jenna Bolerjack in Concert
- April 11th & 25th, May 9th & 23rd, Mondays from 6:30pm – 8:00pm MOPS meeting (moms of kids aged 0 – Grade Kindergarten)
- April 13th & 27th, May 11th & 25th, Wednesdays 9:30am – 11:30am Single Ladies & Widows Card Ministry
- April 14th, Thursday Maundy Thursday Service
- April 17th, Sunday Easter Service, Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast (no Sunday School)
- April 17th, Sunday Children's Egg Hunt following morning worship service
- April 23rd, Saturday District NMI Convention (Indy 1st COTN – 8:30am – 3:30pm)
- April 30th, Saturday District SDMI/NYI Convention (Indy 1st COTN – 9:00am – 3:30pm)
- May 12th, Thursday May 14th, Saturday Regional Celebrate Life (at Olivet Nazarene University)
- May 15th & 16th District Assembly at Indy 1st COTN. 5:00pm on Sunday the 15th and 8:30am on Monday the 16th.

Praises:

- Praise the Lord for the Whiteley Family! We are thankful they have transferred their membership to Southwest Church. May the Lord bless and use them in many ways to build our church.
- Praise the Lord for a good Sunday! The Spirit of the Lord was with us in a wonderful way through the music and the message. We also had a great attendance day of 128 people. It was so good to see returning members who have been out for awhile for different reasons: Joe and Jan Stewart, Summer Wilson, Anna and Logan (friends of the Strains).

Prayer Needs:

- Pray for our Country (President & Governing Leaders)
- Please pray for the people in Ukraine and Russia. Many lives are being impacted greatly due to the military conflict.
- Pray for the Church of the Nazarene They are asking churches to pray for our denomination. You can find this on their website <u>www.usacanadaregion.org/pray</u>.
- Pray for those out of church today those who have fallen away, our friends and neighbors who have never been or never known Christ, and those who choose to put off turning to Christ.
- Pray for a Leader for our Nursing Home Ministry. They are open and ready and would love to have us visiting and holding a service there each Sunday again.



member, or coworker to celebrate Our Risen Savior!

Prayer Needs:

 For Personal Prayer Needs, please see the mailed and emailed versions of the church newsletter.

Announcements:

Saturday, April 23, 2022

9 am - 3 pm

In Centennial Chapel on the campu of Olivet Nazarene University

\$30 event ticket | Optional \$15 lunch ticket available thr

Ladies Day is back! Join in a fun day with 2 great speakers (Alli Worthington & Sarah Forgrave) and Mandisa and band as musical guest! For more information or to order tickets. call 815-939-5330 or go directly to the website at https://www.itickets.com/ events/459291.html.

Tickets = \$30.00 ea. If you are going, please let Cindy

Robinson know so we can coordinate transportation. The lunch add-on is \$15.00 and is only available until 3/31/22. Please purchase the lunch option if riding with the church (by 3/31/22).

MATTHEW 6:9-13

9 IN THIS MANNER, THEREFORE, PRAY: OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME. 10 YOUR KINGDOM COME. YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN. 11 GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD. 12 AND FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS, AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS. 13 AND DO NOT LEAD US INTO **TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US** FROM THE EVIL ONE. FOR YOURS IS THE KINGDOM AND THE POWER AND THE GLORY FOREVER. AMEN. NKJV

Sermon Series and Easter Services **JESUS CHRIST: OUR HIGH PRIEST - HEBREWS 10**

March 20 – No More Guilt March 27 – Entering God's Presence (If you missed either one of these, check it out on Facebook or our website!)

April 3 – Does Grace Ever Run Out?

April 10 – Palm Sunday and Blake & Jenna Bolerjack in Concert

April 17 – Easter Celebration

Easter Sunday (April 17th), we'll be treated to a Biscuits & Gravy breakfast prepared by Chef Harry & Terri Greene! Breakfast starts at 9:30am. There is no Sunday School this day. Then, we'll have Easter worship service and celebrate for He Has Risen Indeed! After service is over, we'll have the Egg Hunt! Be sure to invite someone to service with you for this great day!

Helping Ukraine Refugees

Beginning this Sunday and going through April 17th, we'll be collecting donations that will go toward emergency support associated with transportation, shelter, food, water, and essential supplies. Also, funds will support



NAZARENE COMPASSIONATE MINISTRIES



IT'S EGG HUNT TIME!

We are colleting candy and small treats (little erasers, stickers, temporary tattoos, "sticky hands", stampers, etc.) Can you help us out?

We'll have a collection crate in the fover for donations (through Palm Sunday, April 10th). Due to chocolate melting in the past, preferred candies would be non-chocolate ones. Also, be sure your items can easily fit in a closed in a plastic egg. If you'd rather give money than candy, see Cindy Robinson. Thank you so much for helping make this event special for the children.

churches as they care for people within Ukraine and those traveling from Ukraine to neighboring countries. We'll have the "little church" right beside our normal offering box for the next few weeks for contributions to send to NCM Ministries Ukraine Crisis Response Fund - Eurasia Region. In addition, we would like to build 100 Crisis Care Kits to send the muchneeded hygiene and comfort kits to those impacted. Find a list of requested items at the NMI table in the fover or check out the Facebook post from this week. We'll need these items by April 17th, as well. *So far, we've* raised \$240 in relief and Crisis Care Kits! Thanks!

Announcements



Saturday, April 9th - R!OT Youth Park Day – Teens will meet at the church and leave by 10:00am to go to a park to hike and have an adventure! Please

bring a sack lunch (completely disposable one is probably best), water bottle, sunscreen, bug spray, extra shoes, socks and clothes. Invite a friend along and get out and enjoy nature. Check with Dave/Dana for more information.

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Join us for Midweek Prayer Meetings 6:30pm every Wednesday

Pray for one another and those in our community, country, and world!

Palm Sunday (April 10th) We'll once again be blessed with the musical talents of Blake & Jenna Bolerjack! You won't want to miss it!



From their website ...

Award winning Christian Music Duo, Blake & Jenna Bolerjack, travel full time with concert ministry together. As husband and wife, Blake & Jenna meld their voices to create a signature, velvety blend. Their music reflects their personalities, a bubbly mix of classic and modern styles with a big sound that is energetic, happy and inspiring. They also will share their testimonies about how even in dark times God never leaves you.

Visit <u>https://blakeandjenna.com/</u> to find out more information about this duo!

Matthew 6:6 NKJV

But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.

Nursing Home Ministry

We are looking to start our Nursing Home Ministry, again, now that they have opened up for visitors! This is a great place to care for the "shut-ins" of life who may not receive any visits from friends or family. We would like to have a time of singing, prayer, and a devotion (10-15 minutes) each Sunday at 9:30am. Please pray and ask the Lord if He would like you involved in this needed ministry. Christ's love through you can make a world of difference for them! See Pastor Scott if you are interested.



Rural King is once again offering 10% of customers' receipt totals to our church! Here is your opportunity to get items for your home, yard, farm, or garden and raise some money for Southwest Church! You can shop between April 7 – 20, 2022 at your local Rural King store or at <u>www.ruralking.com</u>. Then turn in a copy of your receipt to Katrina by May 6, 2022 for submission. Thanks for blessing our church with this opportunity!

