

# CHURCH CALENDAR

## April

28 Adult & Children's Bible Study after Worship  
30 Exercise Class 7 pm

## May

1 Confirmation 7 pm  
3-4 Woman's Retreat at Gull Lake  
5 Adult & Children's Bible Class after Worship  
7 Exercise Class 7 pm  
10 CSY522 6 pm at Open Arms  
12 HAPPY MOTHERS DAY  
12 Adult & Children's Bible Class after Worship  
14 Exercise Class 7 pm  
15 Confirmation 7 pm/**Final Class till September**  
18 Mulch Work Day 9 am to 6 pm/See flyer in bulletin for other work days  
19 Adult & Children's Bible Class /Cancelled  
19 Confirmation  
19 Playground Dedication & lunch right after worship  
20 Church Board 7 pm  
21 Exercise Class 7 pm  
26 Adult & Children's Bible Class after Worship  
27 Memorial Day/Center Closed  
28 Exercise Class 7 pm

## June

2 Adult & Children's Bible Study after Worship  
4 Exercise Class 7 pm

## "DISCOVERY PROJECT"

"Thank you, Open Arms family, for your support of the Discovery Project! The projected cost to complete the 3 phases of this project (playground, flooring, security) is \$105,000. Your gifts and pledges of \$72,000 are a major step forward towards this goal! Thank you! With the \$27,841.00 we have already received, we have ordered and received equipment for the first phase of the project (playground). Installation is almost complete and our day care kids are already enjoying the playground upgrade! Thank you all for helping this dream become a reality!

Any questions contact:  
Marty Moro at [morom3@yahoo.com](mailto:morom3@yahoo.com)

## COMING EVENTS

- ◆ May 18, 2019 Grounds Clean-up day/Tom Griffin leading
- ◆ May 19, 2019 Playground Dedication right after worship/more info coming

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Please submit all prayer request to [Bev Conry](mailto:BevConry@openarmscenter.com) at: [bconry@openarmscenter.com](mailto:bconry@openarmscenter.com)

**Abounding Harvest** - We have reached the amount pledged in our Kingdom First Goal of \$288,244! Praise the LORD!! We are now beginning "Abounding Harvest" to completely retire "THE LAND PORTION" of our debt. The remaining balance on that portion of our debt is \$179,769.

**Last weeks giving to the land debt retirement \$ 10**

Amount remaining: \$133,000.00

## Who is My Elder?

<b>Last Name Starts with:</b>	<b>Designated Elder:</b>
A - D	Ken Jones, Elder (734) 323-9058
E - H	Joe Richert, Elder (734) 716-9856
I - O	Bayo Adebajo, Elder (734) 560-2835
P - Z	Marty Moro, Elder (734) 756-1626

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# Life @



## April 28, 2019

## Sunday Worship

**Second Sunday of EASTER**  
**HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!**  
order of Worship  
Guest Pastor: Robert Kasper

**Praise/Worship:** This Is Amazing Grace, Joyful, Joyful  
**Call to Worship & Invocation**  
**Confession & Absolution**  
**Offering:** Forgiven  
**Scripture Lessons:** Acts 5:12-20; Revelation 1:4-18; John 20:19-31  
**Children's Message**  
**Sermon**  
**Apostles Creed**  
**Prayer of the Church & Lord's Prayer**  
**Communion/Praise:** What a Beautiful Name, O Praise the Name, Cornerstone  
**Announcements**  
**Benediction**  
**Sending Song:** Behold The Lamb of God

**NURSERY CARE**  
A nursery is available for children (6 mos-4 yrs) during the entire service. Trained caregivers provide a safe place for your children while you worship.

## Why do we do This?

### Call to Worship and Invocation

The Call to Worship is typically a responsive reading and designed to focus our hearts and minds on the love of God, in Jesus. Because it is responsive, we all get to participate. Here the Call to Worship is usually taken from a Psalm or written around the season of the church year.

As the Invocation is spoken, we remember that we have been made the people of God in Baptism and we live and worship in the name of our God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

### Confession and Absolution

As we come together as the people of God we recognize that we are not perfect. Even when we do our best to follow Jesus we stumble and fall. We confess our failures and hear the good news that our God forgives us and continues to lead us on the way of Jesus.

### Apostles Creed

The Apostles' Creed has a long history with some parts dating back to the 4th century. It is an ecumenical creed, which means that it is a statement of faith that all Christians can use. Speaking the creed together helps us remember the core of our faith.

### Communion

We gather together around bread and wine, because Jesus calls us to come to his meal together. At his meal, he offers us his very self - he is fully present, in, with, and under the bread and wine. Together at his meal we are united as the children of God and we receive the forgiveness of sins.

### Benediction

This closing blessing is normally taken from the Old Testament book Numbers. It is the blessing that Moses' brother Aaron (the first high priest in the Old Testament) spoke to God's people.

## Sunday celebrations today and every Sunday

**Worship 10:00 am - Adult & Children Bible Study right after Worship**  
**OUR MISSION:** To Serve People, Share Jesus and Send Servants who make disciples in Belleville and beyond

# welcome

## Are You New?

Whether you are just visiting or looking to stay, it is great to have you with us.

## What to expect

The only thing we ask you to do is relax. You are with People just like you. Whether you have been here many times or never been to Church before, you can anticipate an encouraging and enlightening experience.

## No Strings attached

If you are a guest with us today, please don't feel you need to give any money in the offering. This service is our gift to you. If you are a Christ-follower, we invite you to offer your tithes to God.

**Open Arms** is a church of vision committed to sharing to all people. Our services are designed to be relevant and meaningful. The use of music, drama and media are a big part of the way we share God's Word.

Whatever your circumstances—single, married, single again, with or without children— no matter where you've been or what's happened in your life, you are welcome here.

## Your Next Steps

There are many ways to get connected and involved at Open Arms.

What's your next step: join a ministry?

Contact office for questions (734) 699-5000

## Are you new and want to know more?

**Worship—Serving**

Contact Bev in the church office:

(734) 699-5000

## Sermon Notes

**Exercise Class**  
**Meets every Tuesday**  
**7 to 8 pm**  
**Leaders:**  
**Jen Ratermann &**  
**Amanda Marek**  
**All are welcome**

## DAY CARE NEWS

Open Arms operates a child day care five days each week. Open Arms members who refer anyone can receive \$100 for each referral. All members children and grandchildren are entitled to receive a 10% discount on their tuition.

Contact the office for more information.

(734) 699-5000.

**Daycare Ministry and Director**

Mrs. Greta Bower

gbower@openarmscenter.com or 734-699-5000

## YOUTH

Confirmation meets each Wednesday  
at 7 pm at Open Arms till May 15, 2019

## ELEMENTARY/PRE-TEEN PIONEER CLUB

Wednesdays/6:30pm to 8:00pm  
Ages Welcome/Kindergarten to 5th grade  
Meets Wednesdays at 6:30 pm  
Begins again in September

## "CSY 522"

(PRE-TEEN Youth 4th through 6th Grade)

Next Meeting, Friday, May 10, 2019, 6 pm



Donuts every Sunday are provided by  
Tim Horton's on Michigan Avenue in Canton

## CURRENT BIBLE STUDIES

### Men's Bible Breakfast

Meets every **Thursday** at 7 am  
At **L Georges restaurant on**  
**Michigan Ave in Canton**

## RECURRING EVENTS

### Narcotics Anonymous

No longer meets at Open Arms

## Facility Team 2nd Saturday of Even

### Months Work Day—9 am

**Team Leader Don Wellman**

Each month will have different tasks and everyone is  
invited to come and serve.

Questions call Don at (734) 697-8904

Next Serving Saturday, June 8, 2019

### Belleville YoungLives

**Next Meeting: May 9, 2019 6 pm**

## CHURCH EXTENSION FUND (CEF)

**Of The Michigan District LCMS**

### **Do You Need a Change of Direction?**

In today's uncertain economy, you may feel like you are walking up the down escalator. But changing direction might be easier than you think. An IRA from CEF can deliver excellent returns, while also helping to finance the growth of Michigan churches, schools and ministries.

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