



OPEN ARMS CALLED Pastor Mark Dahn from Peachtree City, Georgia. Pastor Mark has asked us to pray for him, his current church, and Open Arms as he seriously considers this Call and asks for the Holy Spirit's guidance.

LENTEN SEASON WORSHIP THEME: "FOLLOW JESUS"

- Pray and Follow Jesus, March 3rd, John 2:13-25
- Live in the Light and Follow Jesus, March 10th, John 3:1-21
- Serve and Follow Jesus, March 17th, Mark 10:32-35
- Humbly Follow Jesus, March 24th, Philippians 2:5-11 (Palm Sunday)
- The Lord's Supper, March 28th, Hebrews 9:15, 22, Mark 14:12-26. (Maundy Thursday)
- Listen, Believe and Follow Jesus, March 29th, John 19:17-37 (Good Friday)
- Follow the Risen Lord, March 31st, John 20:1-18. (Easter Sunday)

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES: Open Arms has the practice of preparing 6th grade youth to receive communion for the first time on Maundy Thursday, the commemoration of Jesus' Last Supper. Pastor Larry will lead the second class after the services on March 3rd.

THANK YOU to Marty Moro for leading the Confirmation Class while Pastor Larry leads the First Communion class and to Dave Ferber for leading The Story class at the same time.

DO YOU HAVE life insurance or an invest with Thrivent. If you do, you qualify for two Action Team Grants each year. Online Applications for one of these grants need to be submitted at least two weeks before the event. Here are some ideas for ways your action grants could help support a ministry at Open Arms.

- March MEAL Time, March 20th
- Open Arms Community Easter Egg Hunt, March 23rd
- Easter Breakfast, March 31st

THE COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT is March 23. This big event allows Open Arms to welcome the community. Donations of individually wrapped candy and small trinket items are needed to be put into the plastic eggs. Your support and donations are appreciated.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND SERVICES

- First Communion Classes, March 3
- March is Reading Month at the Daycare
- Meal Time March 20
- Easter Egg Hunt, March 23
- Maundy Thursday Service, March 28, 6:30 PM
- Good Friday Service, March 29, 6:30 PM
- Easter Breakfast, Service, & Egg Hunt, March 31
- Confirmation Sunday, May 12

JEFF & TIFFANY KELLY'S daughter-in-law died suddenly and unexpectedly last week in Washington where she is stationed in the Navy. Sienna was expecting her and Brock's first child early in March. The funeral service for Sienna and Levi, their unborn son, is planned for this Saturday, March 2nd at David C. Brown funeral home in Belleville. Service time has not been set yet. Please keep the Kelly family in your prayers.

If you would like to help them cover travel and funeral expenses, you can go to the Open Arms website, <https://openarmscenter.com>, open up the Online Offering link and select Agape Fund. Make your gift "Kelly Family." You will be asked to enter personal information so that the church has a record of your donation and can include it in your annual offering statement. Thanks for your help and support.

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