

Hephzibah Baptist Times

APRIL 2025

Wednesday Menus for the Month of April:

Dinner begins at 5:50 pm.

All meals include tea and coffee.

\$7—11 & Up, \$4—Children, 5-10, \$7—Take Out
\$25 max. for immediate family.

*To-Go” Plates will be prepared by the Kitchen

Personnel after the serving line closes. We cannot guarantee “to-go” orders until all of our dine-in family members are served. As available, additional take out plates may be purchased at the regular price.

Meal dates are to be determined!

4/2 Hamburgers, Hotdogs, French Fries, Baked Beans, Salad, & Dessert	4/9 NO FELLOWSHIP MEAL
4/16 Chicken Alfredo, Salad, Vegetable, Garlic Bread, & Dessert	4/23 Baked/Fried Pork Chops, Rice, Vegetable, Roll, & Dessert
4/30 Penne Pasta, Salad, Vegetable, Garlic Bread, & Dessert	

FYI

- **MOVIE NIGHT FOR ENGAGE STUDENTS:** Saturday, April 5th, 7:00pm.
- **MEN’S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST:** Sunday, April 6th, at 7:30am.
- **POP TABS ON CANS:** Please turn in all pop tabs to Jessica Horne by April 6th. This is the very last day of collection for 2024-2025 school year.
- **NO ACTIVITIES:** Wednesday, April 9th.
- **YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON:** Monday, April 14, at Noon.
- **KID’S CANTATA KICK OFF:** Friday, April 18th at 5:00pm.
- **EASTER CANTATA:** Friday, April 18th, & Saturday, 19th, at 7pm.
- **EASTER WORSHIP TIME:** Sunday, April 20th, 9am & 11am.
- **EASTER CAKE EGG-STRAVAGANZA:** Easter Sunday, April 20th after 9am service.
- **FELLOWSHIP MEAL:** Sunday, April 27th following the church service.

TEAM MEETINGS IN APRIL:

- **Stewardship & Finance**—Wednesday, April 2nd, at 6:00pm
- **Building & Grounds**-Wednesday, April 2nd, at 6:15pm
- **Mission Team**—Wednesday, April 16th at 6:00pm
- **Deacons’ Meeting** — Wednesday, April 23rd at 6:00pm.

MEMBERSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT:

Monthly Budget Needs:	\$37,042.00
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$8,548.00
General Offering Received as of 3/24/2025	\$29,296.87
Year-to-Date Budget Needs:	\$259,294.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received:	\$255,571.65
11am Worship Service Average Attendance	123
Average S.S. attendance as of 3/24/2025	101



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Church Staff

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Unbelievably Good News

“See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.”
(Luke 24:39)

The remarkable truth of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus is a lot to take in. The men who followed Jesus had a difficult time taking the truth in, as Luke himself records. But Jesus has risen. He proved Himself to the Apostles. They touched the scars in His hands and feet. And they spent the rest of their lives proclaiming the good news of the resurrection—because it is good news. There is nothing of more significance than that one fact. Jesus rose from the grave. Because Jesus rose, death has been defeated. Because Jesus rose, all who believe in Him have eternal life. That one fact changes everything about life and history.

At Easter, we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. But this is not just good news for a small circle of disciples. It is good news to share. Invite friends and family to our Easter Cantata, “A Gathering of Grace.” They will experience music, narration, costumes, and reenactment. What a marvelous way to encounter the story of Jesus! And join us as we worship on Sunday morning at one of two services, 9 AM and 11 AM. Then come the next week when Dr. Thomas Hammond of the Georgia Baptist Mission Board speaks to us. I look forward to celebrating Jesus with you!

Your Pastor,

Michael Wren

Fellowship Meal: Sunday, April 27th following the service.

The church will provide meat and beverages. Please bring a side dish to share. We will have a guest speaker that Sunday Thomas Hammond Jr., Executive director of the Georgia Baptist Mission Board. It will be a great time of worship and connecting with one another.

EASTER EVENTS

Easter Cantata
April 18th & 19th at 7pm

EASTER SERVICES
Sunday April 20th, 9am & 11am

The Easter Cake Egg-stravaganza
Sunday, April 20th



COMING IN MAY

Mother’s Day
Sunday, May 11th

Graduation Sunday
Sunday, May 18th

Children's Ministries

KID'S CANTATA KICKOFF
April 18
5:00-6:30pm

CRAFTS ACTIVITIES GAMES

This event is going to be crafts, games, and activities that go along with the Cantata, "A Gathering of Grace," the choir is doing. These activities are based on what Jesus did during "Holy Week." Each child will receive a sticker booklet to place stickers as they watch the cantata. This will be a fun time to celebrate Easter. A meal will be provided.

EASTER CAKE EGG-STRAVAGANZA



Please bring a cake or other baked goods to the Fellowship Hall by 10:00am on Easter Sunday. The more cakes we have, the better! Please have the cake covered and bring it on a plate or in a pan/box that you do not need returned.

Doors open immediately following the 9:00am service. There will not be "pre-sales." If there are any left over cakes we will open the doors again following the 11:00am service.



All donations are greatly appreciated and go directly towards the Children's Summer Camp costs.



Don't miss it!
No Sale YARD SALE

Saturday, May 3rd
 8am - 1pm

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HEPHZIBAH BAPTIST CHURCH

NO SALE/YARD SALE

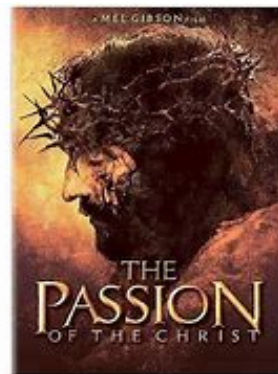
The No Sale Yard Sale will be on Saturday, May 3rd from 8am – 1pm. Invite your friends and neighbors to this Free yard sale. If you are interested in having a table at the yard sale, please see sign up sheet on bulletin board. On May 3rd you need to arrive before 7:30am to set up your table. You are responsible for taking with you any item that is left on your table home with you when the yard sale is over. We will need many volunteers to set up, mingle with people who attend and clean up following the event. If you have any questions, see Jamie Campbell or Cindy Lewis.

Student Ministries



Activities every Wednesday night from 6:30 PM-8:00 PM for Middle School and High School students at the Youth House.

MOVIE NIGHT



All Engage students join us Saturday, April 5th at 7pm at the Youth House. Snacks and refreshments will be provide. If you have any questions please see Bernard.

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY



High School Bible Study will meet April 6th & 27th from 6:00-7:30pm at the Youth House.

YOUTH CAMP

Generate Camp is scheduled for June 9-13, 2025 in Mount Vernon, GA

Women's Ministry

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, join us on Thursday morning at 10 am in the Joy classroom. We are currently studying "Trees: God's Gifts and His Lesson Through Them" led by Teri Adkins.



WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday evening Women's Bible study group is continuing "Trees: God's Gifts and His Lesson Through Them." We meet from 6:30pm-8:00pm each Wednesday in room 102.

Discipleship Ministry

CHURCH LIBRARY

The library has a section dedicated to Discipleship. This section contains materials for Personal Discipleship, Doctrine, and Evangelism. Stop by and see what might be useful to you in your walk with Christ. Donations of books and study guides in this category are welcomed. They will be reviewed for their useability. If you have any questions, please contact Daniel Cross at (706)836-9226 or email at crossdaniel4@comcast.net.

Men's Ministry

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST
 April 6th at 7:30 AM

Senior Adult Ministry

YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON

Monday, April 14th at Noon.
 Jennifer Jackson from Regency Southern Care Hospice Services will be speaking. Bring a covered dish and join us.



Missions Ministry

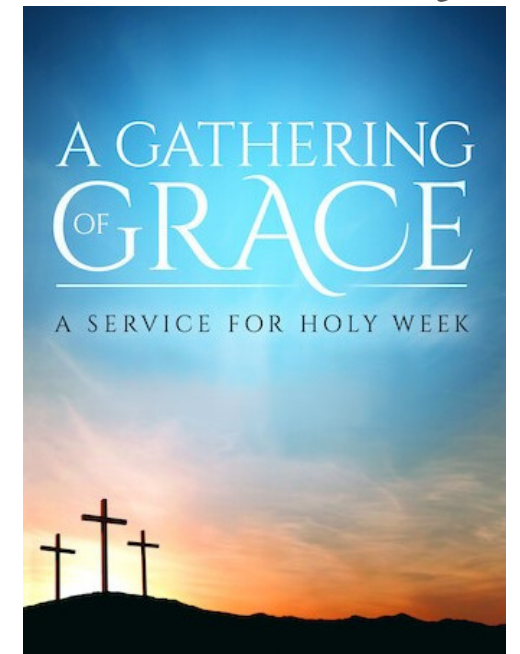


For the month of April, continue to look out for clearance items and coloring books. We will also collect stuffed toys. They can be homemade or store bought.

Amanda Larson
 OCC Project Leader

North American Missions
 JT and Bethany Wax- JT Wax is a Chaplain serving the U.S. Army in Fort Liberty, N.C. Pray for continued healing from arm fractures I sustained during Airborne operations. Pray for healing for Bethany, who is dealing with neck pain. Pray for chaplain friends, who are coming to Fort Liberty and then deploying to Korea and Kuwait.

Music Ministry



Please join us on Friday, April 18th and Saturday, April 19th at 7:00pm for our Easter cantata, "A Gathering of Grace." We will witness the events of Holy Week as Jesus makes His way to the cross, leaving us with the hope and anticipation of His glorious resurrection on Easter Sunday.