



FORT SMITH DISCIPLE

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Peace in the Midst of a Storm

“Jesus’ divine authority and mastery over nature are powerfully demonstrated in Mark 4. He displays His control and calm in the face of a violent storm, showcasing not only His supernatural abilities, but also His concern for his disciples’ well-being. Jesus showcases His power as the ultimate force that can bring peace and order to the chaos of the world by calming the storm with just a few words. This miracle serves as a testament to His disciples and all who witness it, reinforcing the idea that faith in Jesus can bring about calmness in the midst of life’s storms.

Reflecting on this verse, have you ever experienced a storm in your life that seemed overwhelming or out of your control? It’s in these moments of turmoil and uncertainty that we can look to Jesus as our source of peace and healing. Just as He calmed the storm for His disciples, he can calm the storms in our own lives, providing a sense of reassurance and hope. This verse reminds us to trust in Jesus’ power and goodness, even when the waves of life are crashing around us. The disciples believed that Jesus can bring stillness to any storm we may face, and we should have faith like them.”

God’s Blessing

Graduate Recognition

Please call the church office if you or any family members are graduating from high school or college this year and want to be recognized on Graduate Recognition Sunday.

Prayer Concerns

- **Walter Ahart**
- **Ruth Carson**
- **Jim Creekmore’s family**
- **Joy Jackson**
- **The Maxeys**
- **Jo Miller**
- **Marcus Robinson**
- **Shirley Farmer Russell**

In the Life of the Church

- **Sunday, April 26, 9:00 am** Intergenerational Sunday School Class
- **Sunday, April 26, 11:00 am** Elders’ Meeting
- **Tuesday, April 28, 11:30 am** Lunch Bunch at Bruce Terri, 1102 Fort St. Barling
- **Tuesday, April 28, 5:15 pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- **Wednesday, April 29, 8:00 am** Ecumenical Men’s Bible Study
- **Wednesday, April 29** Pastor’s Bible Study (12:00 and 6:00 pm)
- **Thursday, April 30, 10:00 am** Crazy Crafters
- **Thursday, April 30, 1:00 pm** Disciples of Music

Dianna's Notes

Special Music

- April 26** Amber Kirdendoll
- May 3** Dianna Jackson
- May 10** Chancel Choir
- May 17** Chancel Choir
Disciples Bells
- May 31** **Senior Sunday**
Chancel Choir
Disciples Bells featuring
Chime Solos with
Khonrad Bales and
Trey Hudlow

Elder for April

Hardie Jefferies

Deacons for April

Max File (Foreman), Todd Friday,
Floyd Hamm, Ginger Jefferies,
Barbara Lynch, Sabrina Robinson,
Jennnifer Sanchez, David Williamson

Greeters for April

Barbara Lynch and Todd Friday
Disciples Hall Entrance: Ginger Jefferies

Prepare Communion for April

Sabrina Robinson

Hope Campus News

We are collecting large boxes of breakfast cereal. Unused plasticware from takeout food is also appreciated.

MEMORIALS: We gratefully acknowledge the following gifts, given as a thoughtful expression of sympathy and of care...

- **Chris Creekmore** by Terry & Allen Hales
- **Regina Foley** by Allen & Terry Hales
- **Marilyn Maxey** by Allen & Terry Hales, Jennifer Sanchez, Carl & Evelyn Warrington
- **Sam Miller** by Allen & Terry Hales

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FOR THE RECORD April 19, 2026	
Operating Receipts To date	\$ 10,502.00 22,653.28
Endowment To date	735.00 2285.00
Children's Building Offerings Balance Due	46,842.00 47,158.00
Monthly Budgeted Needs	\$30,065.30

OFFICE HOURS

9:00 am-3:00 pm - Monday-Thursday

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday School at 9:00 am; Worship at 10:00 am

CHURCH STAFF

- Rev. Dr. Ellis Robinson**, Senior Pastor, 479-651-0456
- Dianna Jackson**, Director of Music Ministry
- Mary Beth Oliver**, Organist
- Barbara Brown**, Office Administrator
- Pam Shelby**, Financial Administrator
- Lesley Fleming**, Nursery Attendant
- Rev. Howard Marshall**, Pastor Emeritus (1990-2022)
- Rev. Randy Jay**, Pastor Emeritus