

# Stay Connected With Us!

We are a family here at Mt. Hope, and families like to keep in touch with one another and know what is going on in each others' lives.



Amber Mintert received tenure and promotion to Associate Professor at MSSU the day the school closed campus.

All of our kids in LTC earned medals for pre-convention to include Service Projects, Worship and Bulletin Boards.



Victor Knowles is spending longer hours at POEM, posting videos of encouragement and writing a new book, "Saved! God's Wonderful Plan for Our Eternal Salvation." He can't wait to have the book signing for "My All for His Call" at church — hopefully in May!

Andy and Joan Wilson have a new great-grandson! Baby Everest was born Thursday to grandson Hunter and his wife Zoe.



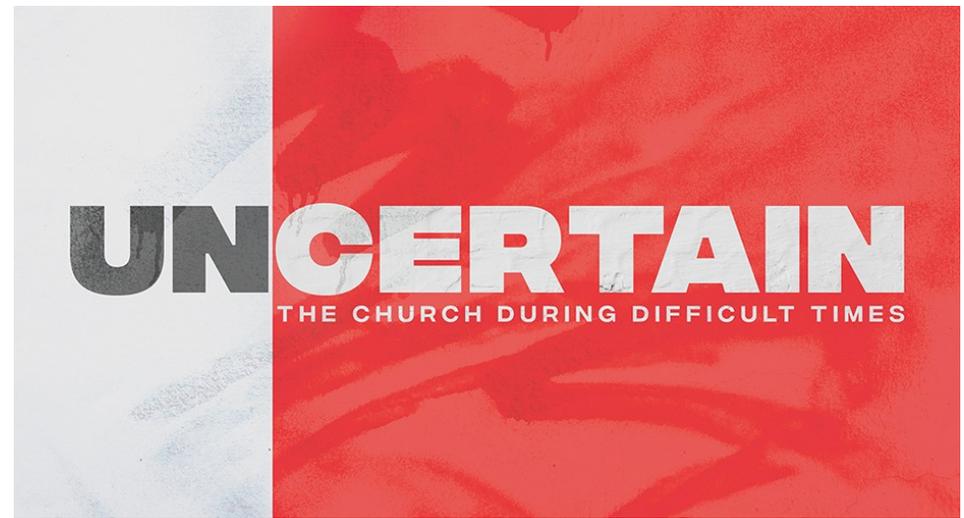
## Birthdays this week!

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| Roene Blankenship | Apr 5  |
| Seth Welch        | Apr 6  |
| Doug Griffith     | Apr 7  |
| Al Stadler        | Apr 7  |
| Chuck Kirby       | Apr 11 |

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## Uncertain: The Crucifixion

John 19

Right now, we're all living through a time of great uncertainty. Of course, the Bible is filled with stories of disaster, confusion, and uncertainty: times when it seemed like all was lost and there was nothing to be done. As we approach the Easter season, we know that the greatest of these stories is the Crucifixion.

### Four Statements from the Cross

- "Woman, behold, your son!"/"Behold, your mother!" - Jn 19:26-27**
  - Jesus continued to care for His mother and others, even during His suffering .
  - What are you doing to care for others during this time?
- "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" - Mk 15:34**
  - Reference to Psalm 22
  - It's okay to express frustration and loss to God.
  - Use your suffering to turn to God, not away.
- "I thirst." Jn 19:28**
  - Jesus is a human person, meaning that he can sympathize with us.
  - Hebrews 4:15--Jesus knows how this feels and He's praying for you .
- "It is finished." - Jn 19:30**
  - No matter what happens, Jesus wins .