



Christian Caller

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Easter message

Like many, the days leading up to the crucifixion are heart breaking to me. Jesus' pain, suffering and disrespect are disturbing. However, we need to know this part of the story in order to understand the depth of our Creator's love for us. We need to recognize to what extent Jesus suffered in order to give us a better life and an eternal life.

But then there is Easter morning!

Jesus took our iniquities in His death and rose to give us the greatest gift ever given. Not only do we have eternal life, but our life on earth becomes more abundant and more meaningful.

When you open your heart to His teaching and obey His words, your life becomes more than the circumstances around you. When the connection Jesus gives through the Holy Spirit becomes your life, an unrecognizable peace begins to flow thru you.

The more you open the door to the Holy Spirit, the deeper the peace. The more time you spend in thankful prayer, the stronger the values of the Bible become and less of the World's temptations pull you away.

Jesus didn't suffer so that you could continue to live a self-filled life. He loves you too much to leave you there.

Matthew 7:13-14, "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it."

It is easier to follow our own desires, however, they will take us only to destruction. False happiness is only temporary. This verse says that only a few will walk with Jesus on the narrow road of permanent peace and joy. Be one of the few!

To honor His sacrifice, give your life fully in seeking to glorify Him. Like Jesus stepping out of the tomb, you can step into the light that only He can give.

Blessings,
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Mission Statement

***To Praise and Worship God**

***To foster Faith in Jesus Christ for the purpose of serving all people**



2212 meals were served in the month of March, that's an average of 170 meals each serve out day. The Soup Kitchen could use the following items: flour, eggs, hand warmers, toilet paper and bleach. Please drop donations off between 11-3 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday's.

APRIL EVENTS

April 6 Baby Shower for Cody and Maggie 9:00am (light breakfast will be served

Holly Greenidge giving the message

Holly is a Disciples of Christ pastor, who we are considering for a ½ time transitional/interim pastor.

April 12 Men's Group 8:00am-9:00am fellowship hall

April 13 Palm Sunday

April 14 Martha 1:00pm at Sharon Price's

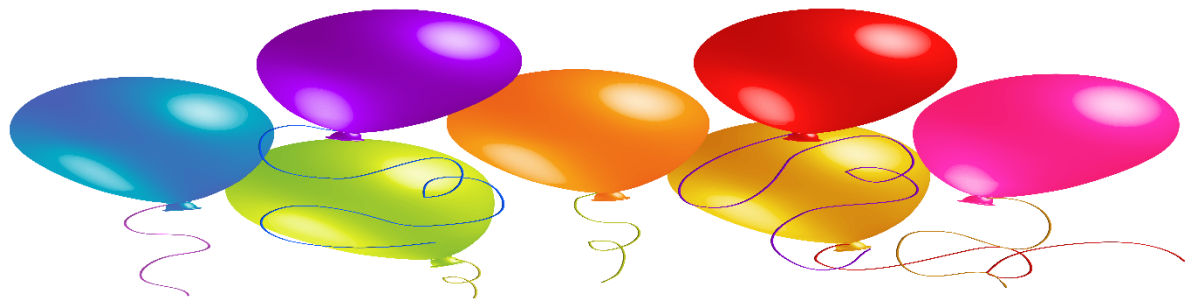
April 19 Ladies Spring Tea 11:00am fellowship hall

April 20 Easter Sunday

Egg Hunt after church for kids



**Cody and Maggie Beairsto are expecting baby #2 in May (it's a girl)
Come celebrate with them on APRIL 6th, 9:00 am
(breakfast will be served)
There will be an opportunity to win a basket of homemade "goodies" bring a package of wipes (fragrance free) and/or diapers to put your name in for the drawing.
Also, there will be a chance to contribute to a food service for Cody and Maggie, Hello Fresh. Please talk to Melissa for more details.
Other "pink" items will be greatly appreciated as well.**



BIRTHDAYS

**April 14 Judy LeSeur
April 30 Tony Lyman**

ANNIVERSARIES

April 20 Richard & Lori Slavenski



APRIL 20TH AFTER CHURCH

If you would like to donate prefilled plastic eggs or candy, small items to fill eggs please talk to Julie 541-401-1086

| | COFFEE HOUR | COMMUNION SERVERS | WORSHIP LEADER |
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| April 6 | | Julie/Atlas | |
| April 13 | | | Colene |
| April 20 | | Julie/Solomon | Colene |
| April 27 | Julie | | |

If you would like to help with **coffee hour** please talk to **Myra**, if you would like to **serve communion** or be a **worship leader** please talk to **Julie**.

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Office Hours
Monday Myra 9:30-12:30
Thursday Julie 8:30-11:30