

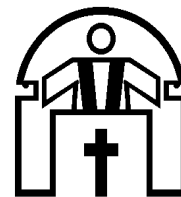
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“Resurrection Power”



We are still in the Easter season. As we mentioned Sunday, though, there's a hymn – one of my favorites, by the way – that has as its opening lines, *“Every morning is Easter morning from now on, Every day's resurrection day, the past is over and gone.”*

I've always loved that song and the message it conveys. Because of the resurrection of Christ, every day for those of us who believe in him, is a day of resurrection. As another Easter song puts it, *“Because he lives, I can face tomorrow.”* It's true, isn't it? The overwhelming knowledge and acceptance of the resurrection of Jesus enables us to face every challenge that comes our way.

In the book of Acts, we read a good deal about the ministry of Paul. Before we rush headlong into his story, though, there are a number of stories that center on Peter and his vital role in the early Church. Peter became the leader of the first followers of Jesus by his willingness to truly believe that he and the other disciples had been given extraordinary power by the Holy Spirit to continue the ministry of their Lord.

Read Acts 9:36-43 where Luke tells us of one such experience of Peter and “Resurrection Power.”

Continued Easter Blessings,
 Dennis

Giving Statements for the first quarter will be delivered this week. Please be aware that the top Giving Summary Portion reflects annual figures while the lower History portion only reflects the current quarter's giving. If you have increased your pledge since the beginning of the year, the total pledge figure should include your increase. “Charlie Challenge” pledges will not appear on these statements. Please verify all information and notify the church office of any discrepancies as soon as possible.



YOUTH GROUP PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Event Date: May 2



- Hotcakes: \$2
- Russian Pancake: \$3
- Blueberry Pancake: \$3
- Chocolate Chip: \$3

Purchase your tickets this Sunday in the Fellowship Hall from 10:00-10:30, and after church!

All money will go to the high school mission trip to Canada this summer! The cost for the trip is \$300/student, and all money will be divided between the students to help reduce the cost of their trip!

Mother/Daughter Banquet
 The Mother/Daughter Banquet will be held on Wednesday, May 5, 2009 at 6:00 PM. Menu will be roast beef, mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple-cottage cheese, rolls, strawberries & ice cream. Please get your reservations in by Sunday, May 2nd! We need to know how many to prepare for. Adults \$7, children 4 - 12 \$4 ages 3 and under are free. Make your reservations by calling the church office at 476-3355 or Dorothy Mans at 853-3545.

WELCOME SPRING

Sunday, April 25, 2010

8:00 A.M. SERVICE
USHERS
 Alice Hoover & Tony McClees

10:30 A.M. SERVICE
USHERS
 Mike Day & Madonna Smith
 Gene Carolyn Tyring

GREETERS
 Ron & Cheryl Ison
 Joe & Dorothy Carothers
 Elva Allen

LITURGIST
 Marilyn Ellsperman

NEW MEMBER ELDERS
 Marilyn Ellsperman & Donna Cooke

ACOLYTE
 Annie Engelbrecht

SOUND ENGINEER
 Ted Mitchell

FLOWER DEACONS
 Margot Savage & Dedra Settle

Eastminster Staff

Angela Brandenburg - Nursery
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 Nancy Engelbrecht - Small Group Coordinator
 Mary Fulkerson - Office Manager
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 Heidi Harper - Financial Secretary
 Felicia Holland - Youth Director
 Dennie LaChance - Sexton
 Helen Skuggedal Reed & Bret Rauscher - Organists

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 8:30 –4:00 P.M.

JUST 4 YOUTH!

Youth Group Topic: Joy

What is the difference between joy and happiness? How can we remain joyful through tough situations in life? Hope to see you there!

We are still collecting old cell phones in the youth room to raise money for the high school mission trip to Canada in the summer.



Official dates for the High School Missions Trip to Canada: July 11-16

Felicia ☺

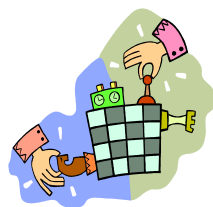
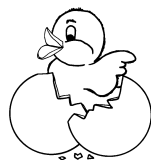
POSTPONED!

The fitness class that was being offered has temporarily been postponed. Be watching future issues of the Messenger for information on when the class will be offered again!

EPW RUMMAGE SALE

EPW IS STILL ACCEPTING ITEMS FOR THE ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE WHICH WILL BE HELD MAY 20-22. BRING YOUR DONATED ITEMS TO THE EASTSIDE BACK ENTRANCE. THANK YOU!

Congratulations to Steve & Suzette Fritz on the birth of their granddaughter, Elaina Caroline Baker who was born on March 29, 2010. Proud parents are Bill & Amanda Baker.



Eastminster's Game Night
Saturday April 24th
At 6pm in Room 101

Join your fellow game enthusiasts for a non-electronic night of good fellowship and fun. Bring a snack, soda, or a dessert. If you have never come to Game Night, please join us. We look forward to seeing you.

PRAYER WALL

Please pray for the following individuals:

Anne Rogers
Tina Harp
Ron Fritz
Bill Doerter
Shirley Pinneo
Lonna Lee
Helen Foreman

For more specific information, please stop by the prayer wall located in Fellowship Hall.

Come One, Come All to Eastminster's SPRING PICNIC

May 16th at 5pm on the Front Lawn

Featuring The Old Dam Newburgh Band
Fun for the entire family!!

We will have a FREE Raffle again this year

The meat, buns, and drinks will be provided. The desserts, salads, and vegetables are pot luck. Please bring the type of food that matches the first letter of your last name.

A-H Dessert
I-R Salad
S-Z Vegetable

Invite your family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers. The more, the merrier!

Donations are needed for the Spring Picnic

We are looking for donations for the raffle at our Spring Picnic. We will have a Kid's Raffle and an Adult raffle. Here are a few suggestions: restaurant gift certificates, Barnes and Noble gift certificates, Showplace gift certificates, gift baskets, sports equipment, toys, board games, pool toys, beach towels, garden plants, any services such as yard work, painting, house cleaning, etc. Anything you contribute will be appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at the church office M-F from 8:30am to 4:00pm. Thank you for helping out.

"Teach, Nurture
and Inspire"



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Emma Sue Davenport, Director of Christian Education, 476-3355

Bible Villains: Their Side of the Story!

We know there are two sides to every story—have you ever wondered what the story would be from the biblical villains' side? This summer, in Summer Sunday School, we are going to have a fun time looking learning more about God's Word and broadening our understanding of biblical times by looking at "Bible Villains: Their Side of the Story!"



Our summer teaching schedule is filling up. If you would like to help present the side of one of the villains of the Bible, please call the church office or see Emma Sue Davenport to let them know.

Come Join Us Under the BAOBAB Tree for Vacation Bible School



The Baobab tree grows on the dry savannahs of Africa. They live to be over a thousand years old. Most of the time it stands leafless and bare, but twice a year, when the rains come, the tree hums with life. It leafs out and at twilight, large white flowers begin to open. All species of animals come to drink the sweet nectar and live in the tree. They gather beneath the tree to celebrate its life and tell the stories of their own.

This year, each evening of VBS, we will gather under the Baobab tree with others to learn the stories of the Bible. We will be joined by Faye the Zebra who will teach us about trust, Amy the Monkey who will teach us about Love, Bud the Elephant who will teach us how to follow, Sam the Meerkat who will teach us how to Care and Jonathan the Giraffe who will teach us how to share.

We want every child to take part in our VBS and we need enthusiastic workers to help that happen. Call the church office for more information.



Children's Worship Leaders For the Month of May



May 2	Shannon and Chris Green
May 9	Becky Nichols
May 16	Mike Lee
May 23	Lizzie Kuhs
May 30	Lizzie Kuhs

Discovering and Preserving Roots

People get involved in researching their family's history for any number of reasons:

- To satisfy your curiosity.
- To provide your children with a sense of who their ancestors were, where they came from and how they lived their lives.
- To preserve family cultural and ethnic traditions.
- To compile a medical family history.
- To assemble a family history book.
- To solve the puzzle of a lifetime.
- To confirm that everyone's life matters.
- To determine what part each of your ancestors played in shaping you into the person you now are.



Scripture tells us: "Be careful... so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them slip from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them."

Deuteronomy 4:9.

Emma Sue Davenport has been doing genealogy for over 20 years, taken genealogy courses and written several family history books. She has led a genealogy class for our church and has helped several with their personal genealogies. There has been much interest expressed in having another afternoon or evening introduction to genealogy class.

If you are interested in taking a class in late May, please tell Emma Sue or call the church office and tell them of your interest. State your preference of a morning, afternoon or evening class.