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EASTER MORNING! April 21st, 2019

Easter will be a celebration of our RISEN SAVIOR! The choir will present their cantata, *"The Last Words of Christ"*. There will be a brass quintet bringing an extra boost of music and song to the service, and the recently baptized children will be joining the church. Our hearts and minds will be open to Christ and the joy He brings throughout the morning...invite a family member, a friend, a neighbor and others to CELEBRATE with us!



CHOIR/CANTATA PRACTICE

Jeanne will be having surgery on April 3rd and will be unable to walk for six weeks. She has asked the choir to join her at her house for practices. Watch the bulletin and listen to the announcements for the upcoming days and times.

Also, anyone participating in part of the acting for the cantata will also meet at her house. The date is yet to be determined. She will contact you with the information. She thanks you all in advance for your help and cooperation – but she will BE THERE ON EASTER with extra joy in her heart to be a part of RESURRECTION SUNDAY!



Lenten Happenings will be held on April 7, 2019. Events will include crafts, an Easter egg hunt, and palm cross making for Palm Sunday.



Here's a list of items for the Humane Society collection for April.

*Please only donate the Purina brand, as switching brands causes the animals to get upset stomachs, etc

- Purina Puppy Chow*
- Purina Kitten Chow*
- Kitten litter (any brand)
- Dog leashes and collars
- Cat collars
- Dog/cat toys
- Dog/cat treats
- Bleach
- Laundry detergent
- Fabric softener sheets
- Gently used towels or blankets
- Paper towels
- Trash bags

CHILDREN'S PROJECT

The Children of the church are collecting an offering called **"30 Pieces of Silver"** for the Easter Season. Bags are available in a basket at the back of the church as you leave, or on the table in the Fellowship Hall. You can also ask any of the children to bring you a bag. We ask that you fill one, two, three or more with "silver" coins in remembrance that Judas betrayed Jesus for 30 pieces of silver. All offering collected will be donated to "One Great Hour of Sharing". We will collect this offering on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday during the morning worship service. If you want to simply make a cash donation or write a check, please note it for this offering. Thanks for your generosity and help with this children's activity.



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Sunday Worship
Church School
9:30 a.m.

Worship
10:45 a.m.

Live on WPD
Radio, 104.9 FM

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR APRIL

April 7th 5th Sunday in Lent

SCRIPTURES: Isaiah 43:16-21 *Philippians 3:8-14

SERMON TITLE: "The Cure for Boredom"

THEME: Many people are bored with their lives. The Apostle Paul found a cure for boredom in committing his whole life to following Christ. He chose the adventure and risk of following Christ over the comfort and convenience. His life was difficult at times, but never boring. And in the end, he affirms that it was well worth it.

April 14th Palm / Passion Sunday

SCRIPTURES: Isaiah 50:4-9a *Luke 19:28-40

SERMON TITLE: "Going Public"

THEME: Up to this point, Jesus has kept a low profile. Now he comes on strong. Now people must choose, are we with him or not?

April 21st Easter/ The Resurrection of the Lord

SCRIPTURES: Isaiah 65:17-25 *Luke 19:28-40

SERMON TITLE: "One Got Out"

THEME: The resurrection story is about the one who got out. Death could not hold Christ. The good news is that death cannot hold those who believe in Christ.

April 28th 2nd Sunday of Easter

PASTOR JOHN ON CONTINUING EDUCATION LEAVE

MARY BETH PALETTA WILL BE PREACHING

SCRIPTURES:

SERMON TITLE:

THEME:

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TREASURERS REPORT



Net Cash Flow-Feb	2018	2019
Income	\$47,931	\$37,932
Expenses	\$29,676	\$29,882
Net Income	\$18,255	\$8,050

PASTOR JOHN'S JOTTINGS

Dr. J. Vernon McGee talks about growing up in Santa Monica. As boys they used to play a game called "jumping to Catalina Island." It is about 25 miles directly out from the Santa Monica pier to Catalina Island. In the summer when it was hot, the boys would take turns jumping off the pier to see who could jump the farthest. It was a fun way of cooling off.

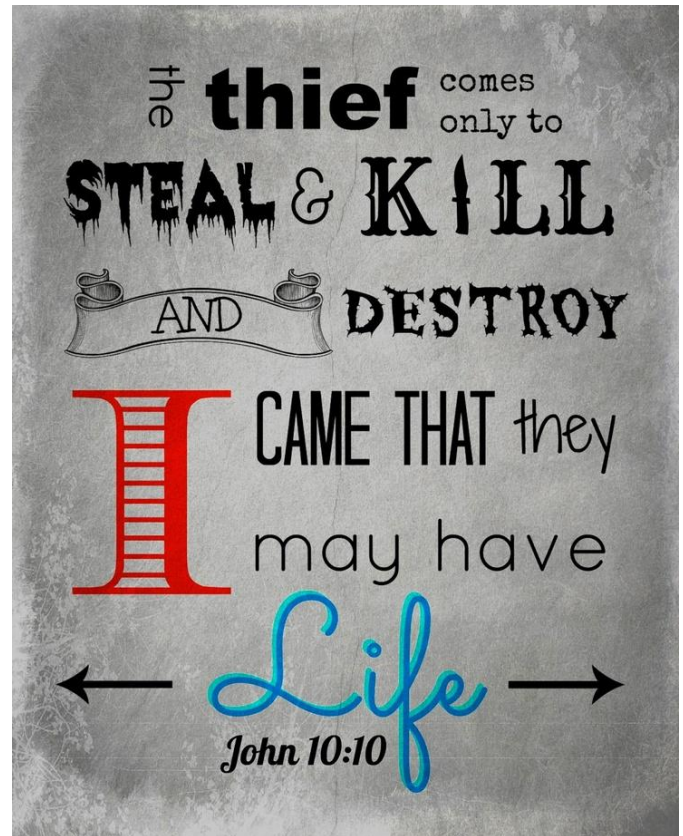
Dr. McGee points out that some of the boys jumped higher than others. Some of the boys jumped farther than the others. But no one ever actually jumped to Catalina Island! Humanly speaking that is impossible. One would have to have a boat or a bridge to get to the island.

Dr. McGee uses this as an example of what Jesus did for us. We cannot work our way into salvation. Some people do more good works than others. Some people do greater and more sacrificial things than others. But no one makes the leap to salvation by himself.

This month we will celebrate the bridge that Jesus built for us to the kingdom of God. We will remember Jesus' death and we will celebrate his resurrection. He died for us, because we couldn't get there on our own. He rose for us, because death could not hold him. In his resurrection we see our own resurrection. In his life, we have life.

Jesus said, "I come that they might have life and have it more abundantly." (John 10:10) And so we worship and so we celebrate. Happy Easter!

Hope and Confidence,
Pastor John



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Session Highlights

Tuesday, March 19, 2019 5:30 p.m.

- Approved the Board of Deacons request to sign up for Kroger Community rewards.
- Moved June communion to the first Sunday instead of June 9th because John is going to be on vacation on June 9th.
- We have distributed welcome packets to the new residents of the Palace Center across from the church.
- Hired Ashleigh Burnett as our nursery attendant.
- Agreed to help with Vacation Bible School at Laurel Lanes and to provide \$100 toward needed expenses .
- Buddy and Beckie gave building approval use for Terra Burnett to have a birthday party for Bradley on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 17th.
- Approved baptism of Amelia June Harris
- Discussed possibility of a Red Cross day. We need more information on this.
- Terra requested use of the building for a spaghetti fundraiser by the RCB band on Sunday, March 24. Beckie and Buddy approved the request.
- Pastor John would like to take study leave April 22-28 to attend the series of lectures and the Inauguration and Installation of Louisville Seminary's tenth president, Alton B. Pollard III.
- Pastor John requests vacation for the week of June 3-9 and for the 2 weeks of June 24-July 8th.

Pastor's Report:

hospital visits: 2 Other significant Pastoral visits: 17

Funerals: 0

- Baptisms:**
- 3-17-2019 Quentin Lamark Harris, (d.o.b. 6-6-2005)
Son of Errick and Terri Harris
 - 3-17-2019 Kierra Mae Harris, (d.o.b. 12-12-2007)
Daughter of Errick and Terri Harris.
 - 3-17-2019 Amelia June Harris, (d.o.b. 3-4-2010)
Daughter of Errick and Terri Harris
 - 3-17-2019 Anthony James Michael Corsini, (d.o.b. 7-7-2006)
Son of Tyson Griffith & Anna Corsini

Sacrament of Communion: Was celebrated on March 3 served to 61 people.

Home communion was served to five people, by Pastor Charla with the help of elder Connie Leuliette.

Pastor's Discretionary Fund 2019

MONTH	REQUESTS	COMPLETED	AMT PLEDGED	AMT DISBURSED
January	6	6	\$ 395.53	\$395.53
February	5	5	\$ 350.00	\$350.00
TOTALS	11	6	\$ 745.53	\$745.53

* OUR *
AMAZING
 Volunteers

Children's Moments

April 7th – Dick Ogden
 April 14th - Pam Mitchell
 April 21st - James Harris
 April 28th - Jeanne Harris

Worship Leaders

April 7th – Andrea Myerberg
 April 14th - Connie Leuliette
 April 21st - Suzi Heger
 April 28th - William Mick

Deacon Greeters

April 7th – Karen Tyson
 April 14th - Judy McQuaid
 April 21st - Ginger Delawder
 April 28th - Andrea Myerberg

Acolytes

April 7th - Hannah Burnett
 and Gia Corsini

April 14th - Amelia Harris and
 Kierra Harris

April 21st – Bradley Burnett
 and Hannah Burnett

April 28th – Bradley Burnett
 and Anthony Corsini

**REREDOS
 FLOWERS**



April 7, 14, 21, 28
 May 5, 12, 19, 26



- 2 - Adam King
- 3 - Janet Wilson
- 5 - Sara Graham
- 5 - Maria Alvaro Morrison
- 5 - Anne Sedera
- 5 - Helen Layfield
- 5 - Bonnie Coleman
- 5 - Anna Corsini
- 6 - Hugh Gainer
- 6 - Jenna Bennett
- 8 - Katy Clark
- 9 - Trey Simmerman
- 9 - Marcia Graves
- 10 - Kenneth Oldaker
- 11 - Phil Northey
- 13 - Lucas Scheuvront
- 14 - Paula Bomhoff
- 16 - Ron Weist
- 19 - Lynna Palmer Moen
- 20 - Mary Virginia Paletta
- 22 - Maria Moore
- 22 - Robert M. Sabatino
- 24 - Dr. J. D. Bailey
- 24 - Madelyn May Tucker
- 25 - Zachary Keller
- 25 - Amy Strange
- 27 - Mary Beth Paletta
- 27 - Amanda Wallace
- 28 - Danielle Rinehart
- 29 - James S. Jarrett
- 30 - Parker Lawrence



- Charles Adkins
- Angie Fowler
- Eric Kuhens
- Wilma Oldaker
- Everett Shiffra
- Jennifer Wetzel
- Dottie Burkhammer
- Derek Hardman
- Doug Linton
- Susan Orr (Carole's Sister)
- Melanie Simmons
- Eddie Cox
- Jack Holt
- Nickolas Nardone
- Amy Pack
- Bonnie Smith
- Jeremy Cox
- Robbie Hood
- Kenneth Oldaker
- Joey Rogers
- Donna Smith



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