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Event Calendar:

- April 1** Elder's meeting at 2:30PM
 - April 7** Second Sunday Series- Carol Hartoon, piano & Julie Finch, soprano & Rolf Robe, guitar
 - April 14** **Palm Sunday** -Easter egg coloring after worship
 - April 16** Stewardship meeting @ 1:30PM
 - April 18** **Maundy Thursday** meal and service @ 6PM
 - April 19** **Good Friday**-church offices will be closed

Yakima Assoc. of Faith Communities - Good Friday Service @ noon @ St. Joseph's Church
 - April 20** Men's breakfast in Fellowship Hall at 8AM
 - April 21** **Easter** - Easter brunch at 9AM

Easter egg hunt after worship
 - April 28** Vision Council meeting at noon
- After School Arts Program each Tuesday at 4PM (not held April 2nd)
 - Citizenship classes each Tuesday & Thursday at 6PM
 - Bible study each Wednesday at 11am (not held on April 10th)
 - Choir rehearsal each Wednesday at 7PM

Pastor's Column

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. (Philippians 2:5-8)

In a few weeks our Lenten journey will lead us to Easter morning and the empty tomb. But first, we must be willing to travel all the way with Jesus through the events of Holy Week. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, the upper room with his disciples, Jesus' prayer and agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, and ultimately to the cross.

Paul says that Jesus emptied himself, humbled himself to the point of death. As Jesus' followers, Paul tells us to have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. I'm not suggesting we're all called to martyr ourselves, but to be emptied and humbled is not something most of us willingly choose. I think of those times when we're helpless, vulnerable, even humiliated; when struck with severe illness or in the hospital (who can maintain dignity in a hospital gown)? Or in the face of death or tragedy. These can be experiences that bring us to our knees, that remind us that we are not in control, that can even seem to empty us of our strength, of all hope. And yet, Paul also tells us in Corinthians, in our emptiness we can experience Christ's fullness, and in our weakness, his strength.

It's a difficult paradox in the life of faith, because as I said, who would choose those things?

The Good News, the promise of Easter, is that God brings life out of, and through death. Just as the frozen ground of winter gives way to the greening of spring, so the power of God brings life to deadened, lifeless, hopeless places in our lives. God's life-giving power is the power of resurrection. Not only is there life, life is transformed! Our Lenten journey isn't over yet, but let us not falter as we follow Jesus all the way on his journey from death to life.

Yours on the journey,
Pastor Kerry



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Worship &
News

April 2019

Welcome Our New Members

We are pleased to announce that there have been new additions to the ECC family.

In late February, we welcomed **Judy Paulsen** as a member.

In March, we welcomed:

Jim and Connie Harwood

Roi Lynn Knight &

John Hawkins

Please be sure to give all of them a friendly hello and a warm welcome when you see them!

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April @ ECC

April brings many good things to ECC such as:

- **Palm Sunday** is April 14th. There will be egg coloring after worship.
- **Maundy Thursday** is April 18th. There will be a meal and service at 6pm in Fellowship Hall.
- **Easter Sunday** is April 21st. There will be no Adult study as at 9am there will be an Easter brunch. Worship is at 10:45 followed by an Easter egg hunt!
- **Easter Lilies** will be available to purchase for \$12 each, order forms can be found in your Sunday bulletins through April 14th.



Second-First Sunday Series in April

Dear Music Friends,

Please put the *Second Sunday Series* program on your calendar because the April program is actually on the first Sunday of the month in April.

On Sunday April 7 at 2:00 at Englewood Christian Church, we are very excited to present soprano Julie Finch Robé, pianist Carol Hartoon and classical guitarist Rolf Robe.

Julie, Carol and Rolf have been preparing a delightful program and we know you will not want to miss it. this notice with anyone you think might be interested in attending.

So mark your calendar for April 7 at 2:00, and we will see you then to enjoy another thrilling concert. Feel free to share

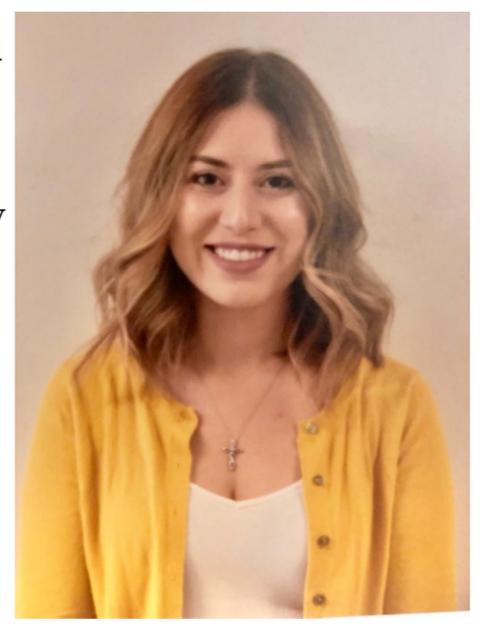


New To The Staff @ ECC

The new ECC Nursery Attendant was introduced during worship on Sunday, March 24th. For those of you that were not present that day, her name is **Mabel Torres**. She will be in attendance in the nursery during worship on Sundays for children of families that prefer to not attend worship with their parents.

Mabel comes to us from

Montessori School where she works during the week. It is a great fit in that she is already familiar with the building and surroundings. Please be sure to say hello when you see her.



Citizenship Classes resume in April

Citizenship Classes will resume again on Tuesday, April 2nd.

They will be held each Tuesday and Thursday at 6 pm until June 6th.



*Never believe that a few caring people can't change the world.
For, indeed, that's all who ever have .*

Margret Mead