

The Shepherd

March/April 2025

Hello Everyone,

8 Come, behold the works of the Lord, Who has made desolations in the earth.

9 He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and cuts the spear in two; He burns the chariot in the fire.

10 Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth! 11 The Lord of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah

- Psalm 46:8-11

Whenever I contemplate tranquility and the calmness of the day, I envision sitting by serene waters. In those moments, I reflect on the words from scripture: & Be still and know that I am God.& The Scripture chosen for our Newsletter highlights God's presence, power, and control. Let's remember all that God has done for us and brought us through. Sometimes life feels overwhelming, and we need to pause and breathe. Let God take control of the situation. Selah

The word & Selah&; often appears in the Psalms and means to pause and praise the Lord. Understanding this meaning can provide better insight into the Psalmist's intentions. After expressing various emotions like anger, frustration, and hopelessness, the Psalmist uses the word & Selah & as a reminder to stop and offer praise. We will be entering into the Lenten Season soon; March 5th will be Ash Wednesday. Let us, throughout this season, pause and praise the Lord.

Remember how God had shown His love for you, as His Son traveled His journey to save our souls and give to us the promise of everlasting life with Him. Be still and know that He is God.

Blessings,
Pastor Cyndi



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(If we have missed your special day, please notify the church office to be added to the list! 330-482-2382)

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If your birthday is in March. or April. and it is not on the list we wish you also a very Happy Birthday.



Christiana House

Christina House launches text-only crisis line.

The Christina House Domestic Violence Program has launched a text-only crisis line. Persons seeking help or information about domestic violence can text 234-335-7908 24 hours a day. A trained advocate will reply to the text message and offer advice, a listening ear, or referral to other resources. Information about any of the Christina House's services is available through the text line. The crisis phone line is also available 24 hours a day for phone calls at 330-420-0036.

The Christina House program includes an emergency shelter, legal advocacy, case management, and referral to other community resources. The legal advocate offers information about and assistance with protection orders. To connect with the legal advocate directly individuals can call 330-420-0845 Monday through Friday from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm. Additionally, the Christian House offers community education about healthy relationships, teen dating issues, and domestic abuse. The community education specialist can be reached at 330-744-3320 ext. 206.

Missions

Looking for Volunteers to help Judy Stevens with Missions. Please let Jusdy know if you are interested. And ask

how you can help. Thank You.

Way Station

We are also collecting nonperishable foods for The Way Station.

There are boxes and baskets at church where these items are being collected.

Thanks to all that donate!

Good as New Shoppe

The winter has been tough for all of us. The store sales has been affected and we had to close early one day. But Spring is right around the corner, we have put out a few spring items to brighten up the store. We will be taking consignment starting April 3rd to June 10th. Call for appointment!

Store hours Friday 10-4
Saturday 10-3.
Store Phone Number: (330) 831-0399

Thanks Everyone
Marge & Linda

Church Women United

The women's group does not meet often these days. We have gone more to church-wide events such as bi-monthly breakfast and maybe having a picnic in the summer. We do the Street Fair parking project in September as a fundraiser. The money from that project this year will be donated toward sealing the parking lot and marking parking spaces. The trustees will be getting estimates once the weather clears up and will hopefully be able to proceed. Other donations will be accepted once we get the estimates and know a cost.

Join us for breakfast at Dutch Haus on April 16th at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome and no reservation is needed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- In person Worship Services are on Sunday's at 10:30am.
- Adult Sunday School will resume in April the Sunday after Easter, it will be held 9:30 am Sunday mornings.
- Bible Study with Pastor Cyndi will also resume in April the Wednesday after Easter, on Wednesday at 10 am in the Pastor's Study.
- Our last Soup Sale for will be in March. We will receive pre-orders only. The deadline to order soup will be March 9th and pick up will be Thursday March 13th from 3:00 to 4:30 pm. The soups we will have to order will be: Chicken Noodle, Stuffed Pepper, Beef Vegetable, Ham & Bean, Chili, and Potato. The cost is \$8 qt. Call the office to order (330) 482-2382
- Ham Dinners will resume in May.
- March 16th we will have Chef Brad's Brunch after Worship Service. There is always good food and good fellowship with our church family. We will not have Brunch in April.
- April 14th deadline to order Tulips, Hyacinths, and Lillies in memory of your loved ones for Easter. Call 330 482-2382.
- April 17th we will be having our Maundy Thursday Service/Dinner. If you can come and join us. The Dinner will start at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Reservations will need to be made so that we have a count for how many we will be serving. To make reservations please call the church office 330 482-2382.
- Good Friday Service will be held at 5 pm. Sanctuary will be open from 3 to 5 for personal prayer and meditation.
- Easter Service will be held at our regular Worship Service time 10:30 am.

Trustee Report

Thank you for supporting our church. Your contributions help us maintain our building and facilities, allowing us to continue our ministries and Worship services. This winter, we had a minor repair on the boiler, for which we are grateful. We also installed new thermostats, one in the Teen Room and another outside the Pastor's study, allowing us to maintain a comfortable temperature. We are currently waiting for Tri-State Glass to complete the glazing of windows in the Prayer Garden area and the remaining Sunday School rooms. Lastly, we plan to reseal and restripe the parking lot. We have arranged for two companies to provide quotes after March, once winter has passed.

Pastor Cyndi

Kids Club

The Kids Club and youth group have had a lot of fun starting out the new year. We've talked a lot about bullying and to be kind to others. The kids had a Valentines Day party and made Valentine decorations for the sanctuary bulletin board.

The older kids (6th grade and up) got to experience their first district event at the "Y Night" which is an all night lock-in at the YMCA in Youngstown. The kids enjoyed swimming, volleyball and playing cards with new friends they met from other Methodist churches.

I want to thank Ginny Neville for supporting our Kids' Club and Brad for always having things ready for us.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY

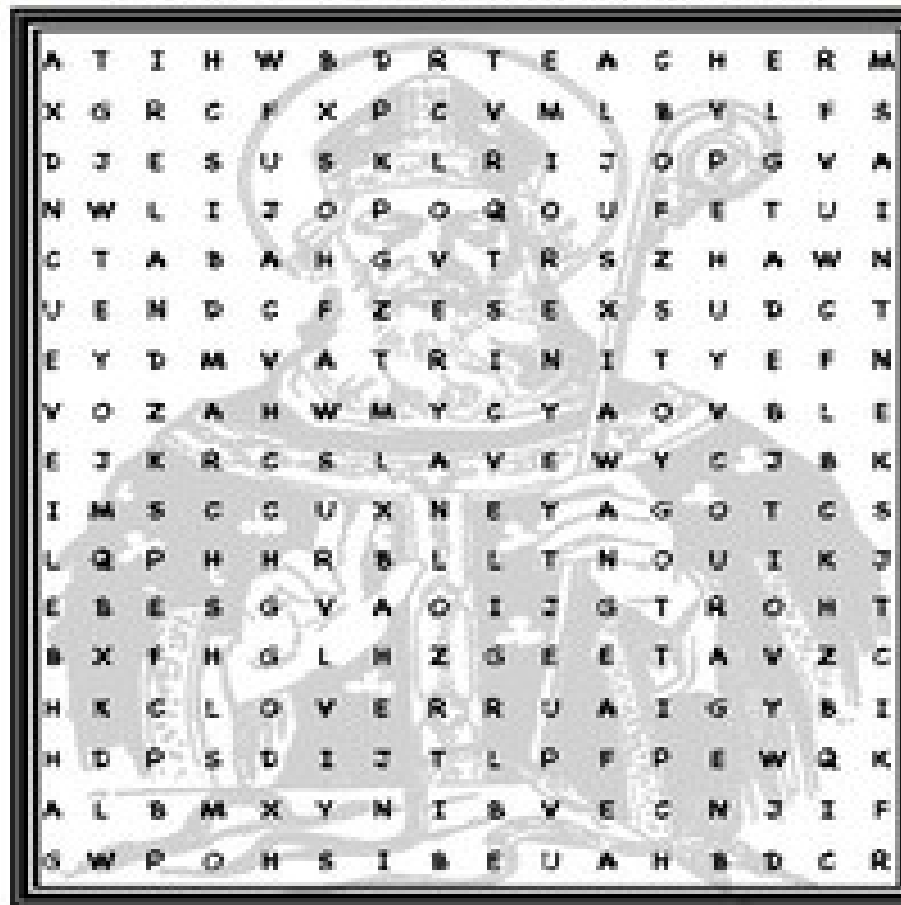
Trivia

- _____ 1. Which creature did St. Patrick drive out of Ireland
- _____ 2. Where was the first Saint Patrick's Day Parade held?
- _____ 3. When did the custom of St, Patrick's Day brought in America?
- _____ 4. Which American city holds the largest parade?
- _____ 5. In Ireland, what does the color green stand for?
- _____ 6. What type of creature is a leprechaun?
- _____ 7. Which profession does the leprechaun practice?
- _____ 8. Where was Saint Patrick born?
- _____ 9. When did St. Patrick die?
- _____ 10. Where is St. Patrick buried?
- _____ 11. Where did St. Patrick study religion?
- _____ 12. What was St. Patrick's birth name?
- _____ 13. What is St. Patrick's nickname?
- _____ 14. What color was originally associated with St. Patrick?
- _____ 15. What kind of plant is associated with St. Patrick?



Shamrock	New York	Boston	420 AD
Hope	Fairy	1737	Wales
Downpatrick	Gaul	Snakes	Paddy
Maewyn Succat	Shoemaker	Blue	

St. Patrick



BELIEVE
BISHOP
COURAGE
CLOVER
CROSS

GOD
HOLY
IRELAND
JESUS
MARCH

PATRICK
SAINT
SLAVE
TEACHER
TRINITY

Happy Easter

As we prepare to celebrate Easter and the rising of our King, here are some bible verses to remind us of his story and how he saved us from our sins.

Luke 24:1-12

Matthew 20:17-19

John 3:16

John 11:25-26

Matthew 28:5-6

1 Peter 1:3

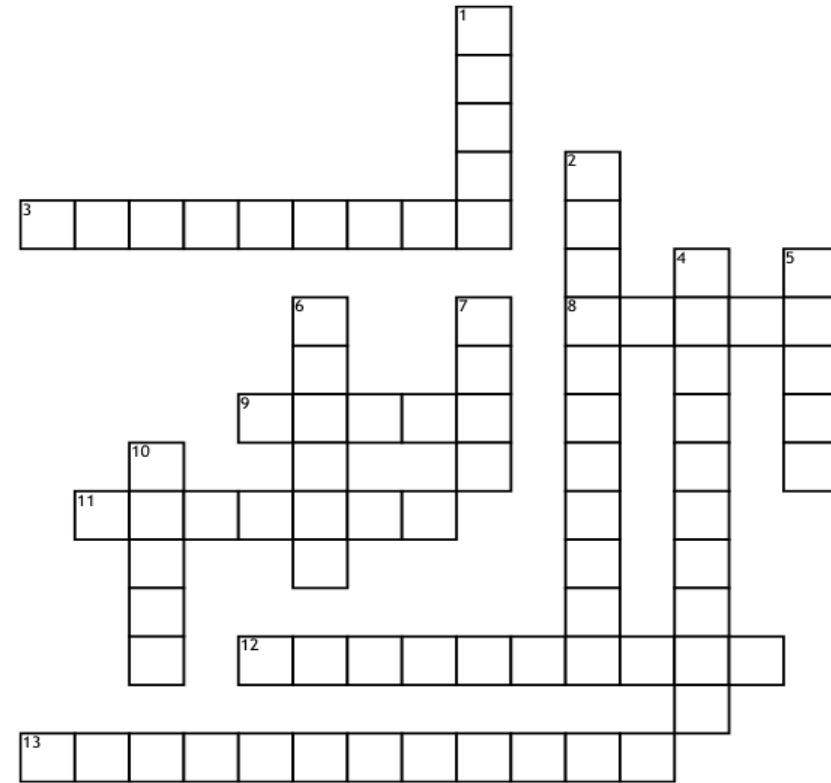
Romans 8:11

1 Thessalonians 4:14



Name: _____ Date: _____

Easter Story



Across

3. Who attended the Last Supper?

8. What did Jesus wear on the cross?

9. Who denied Jesus 3 times?

11. Who hung on crosses next to Jesus?

12. What is the Sunday before Easter called?

13. What is it called when Jesus was raised from the dead?

Down

1. Who betrayed Jesus?

2. Pontius Pilot's verdict for Jesus

4. What is the Friday before Easter called?

5. Who rolled away the stone?

6. How many disciples did Jesus have?

7. Who found the empty tomb?

10. How many days did Jesus lay in the grave?