



Pastor and First Lady Hackett

Opportunities to Be in the Presence of God through the Study of His Word, Prayer, and with Regular Worship while maintaining Social Distance!!!

Pastor and First Lady Hackett and a small cadre of Ministers, Deacons, lay members, and Musicians have helped provide a continuation of regular worship services, Weekly Bible studies, Sunday School, and Prayer Services. How have they accomplished this???

- * Sunday Worship services are now streamed online on Facebook live and then made available for viewing later on the Greater Salem Website: greatersalembaptist.org or the Greater Salem Facebook page.
- * The weekly Bible study continues on Facebook Live each Wednesday at 6:00 PM and can be viewed later on the Greater Salem website or Facebook Page.
- * The Wednesday Noon Day Prayer requested that we all offer up prayer at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday.
- * You can join in the weekly Sunday School lesson via a conference call. If you call 978-990-5000 and when prompted enter the access code 721799# at 9:30 AM on Sunday.
- * The Women's Ministry's Bible Study is being held via Conference Call. They are meeting weekly on Saturdays for one hour at 10:00 AM. For Audio only please call [978-990-5000](tel:978-990-5000), access code [703263#](tel:703263) to be a part of the class. If you'd prefer audio and video go online at <https://join.freeconferencecall.com/tanishahackett> All women, ages 18 and over, are welcome. If you have questions please contact Tanisha Hackett at tanishahackett@gmail.com
 - * Don't forget to check on Each other, Greater Salem!!!
- * Tithes and offering can be delivered to the church on weekdays between 10 AM and 2:00 PM. They can be given to the Deacons on duty (587-8869) or placed in the mail slot (after hours). You can also send them to Greater Salem Baptist Church at 1009 W Chestnut, Louisville 40203. Call 587-8869 if you need someone to pick-up your tithes and offerings.
- * If you'd like to take the Lord's Supper, You can do so on this Sunday, April 5th. It will be served by the Deacons on the parking lot. Please drive through to be served. (As always, Remember to maintain a proper Social Distance)

Happy Resurrection Sunday - April 12, 2020

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APRIL

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	6	7	8 Corinne Armstrong	9 <i>Maundy Thursday</i> Deja Mathis Diana Richardson	10 <i>Good Friday</i> Desiree Bishop Sallie Haskins	11
12 <i>Resurrection Sunday</i>	13 Lenette Dennison Katie Harris	14 Phillip Moore	15 Harold Gilmer Willie Glover	16	17 Lesia Martin	18
19	20	21	22	23 Shatelle Beason Jonathan Higgins	24 Renita Ennels	25 Betty Garrison
26	27 Hattie Hunt Kenia Lee	28 Deanna Berkley	29 Linda Cox	30 Zel Fleming	May 1 Hilda Appiah	May 2 Jaleah Beason



*Happy 30th
Wedding
Anniversary to
Eulalia and
Artemus Banks.*

*Married
April 12, 1990*



SPECIAL DATES THIS MONTH

- ◇ Holy Week, April 5-12, 2020
- ◇ Palm/Passion Sunday, April 5, 2020
- ◇ Maundy Thursday, April 9, 2020
- ◇ Good Friday, April 10, 2020
- ◇ Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020
- ◇ Administrative Professionals Day, April 22, 2020



Resurrection Quotes

"Easter is a time when God turned the inevitability of death into the invincibility of life."

—Craig D. Lounsbrough

"Never yet was a springtime, when the buds forgot to bloom."

—Margaret Elizabeth Sangster

"The fact of Resurrection Day is the fulcrum upon which our worship pivots."

—Preston Philpott

"I feel as if God had, by giving the Sabbath, given 52 springs in each year."—Samuel Taylor Coleridge

"Spring shows what God can do with a drab and dirty world."

—Virgil A. Kraft

I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

—Jesus

From Social Media/Anonymous

Make no mistake. When loved ones are removed from your home by ambulance because the virus has hit them hard, you are not going to be able to follow them there, sit by their hospital bed and hold their hand. You are not going to be able to pop in at 7.00 pm for visiting hours. They are going to have no one other than exhausted and brave hospital staff to see them through days or weeks of barely breathing through a ventilator until they either die or recover. They are not going to be well enough to text you.

You are not going to be able to phone the ward to check in on them regularly (staff will be too busy for that). During that time, they will be completely alone, while you sit at home waiting to hear whether they have made it through.

Imagine that person is someone you love dearly. Because it's going to be a reality for many in the coming weeks.

And if that person in the hospital happens to be you, going through that ordeal completely alone, it would be nothing less than terrifying.

Please stay home and only go out if absolutely necessary. Social distancing is imperative right now for your family and mine.



Sunday School Lessons At-a-Glance

Justice

Unit 2: God Promises a Just Kingdom

The lessons for Palm Sunday and Easter examine the promised Messiah as the defender of justice. In Lesson 8, Esther's triumph is reviewed as demonstrating the prevailing of God's justice. For children, the unit concludes with the narrative from Solomon as an example of God's justice; while adults study the Lord's proclamation of the redeemed nation where justice and righteousness are restored.

Unit 2: God Promises A Just Kingdom

Lesson 6, April 5 - A Just Servant - Isaiah 42:1-9

Lesson 7, April 12 - A Resurrected Savior - 1 Corinthians 15:1-8, 12-14, 20-45

Lesson 8, April 19 - An Executed Scoundrel - Esther 7:1-10

Lesson 9, April 26 - A Justice-Loving God - Isaiah 61:8-11; 62:2-4a

We believe that the Sunday School Ministry helps the church in reaching the lost, edifying the saved, and raising up spiritually healthy disciples for Jesus Christ. Pastor Hackett

GREATER SALEM was scheduled to Celebrate its 92nd Church Anniversary on April 19th. Prayerfully we'll be celebrating later this year.

THEME: I am A New Creation In Christ Jesus. *Psalms 51:10 - Create In me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me).*

At this time Sunday services and Wednesday Bible Studies are being presented online at Facebook live and on the GSBC website:

GreaterSalembaptist.org

HEALTH NOTES FOR APRIL 2020

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

The contagious disease we are now experiencing worldwide is an unprecedented event. Even our scientific knowledge and technology could not prepare us for what we are facing. Experts are trying to find out more about the virus, how to prevent the spread and how to treat it. Although we're truly thankful for their expertise, as Christians we know that underlying all their efforts that God is in control and he will see us through.

As you are searching for information online be aware there are scams, rumors and false information spreading on social media. Unfortunately, scams may also be through the mail, telephone or other means. So be alert. Be sure to go to trusted sources like those below for updates:

United States and international information is provided through the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) www.cdc.gov/coronavirus or the World Health Organization (WHO) at <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>.

Kentucky information can be found at <https://kycovid19.ky.gov>. There are daily television updates at 5pm from Gov. Beshear and local authorities.

Kentucky coronavirus hotline: 1-800-722-5725

It's important that we take common sense steps to prevent the spread of the virus and decrease the possibility of being infected with COVID-19

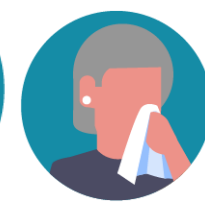
Coronavirus: Protect Yourself Know How it Spreads

There is currently no vaccine to prevent coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus.

The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person.

Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6



feet).

Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs. Coronavirus can also live on surfaces. See "Clean and Disinfect" below.

Take steps to protect yourself

Clean your hands often

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after you have been in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.

If soap and water are not readily available, **use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol**. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.



Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

Avoid close contact

Avoid close contact with people

who are sick

Put **distance between yourself and other people** if COVID-19 is spreading in your community. This is especially important for [people who are at higher risk of getting very sick](#).

Take steps to protect others



Stay home if you're sick

Stay home if you are sick, except to get medical care. **If you develop any warning signs of infection (such as fever, cough or trouble breathing), call your doctor for instructions.**

Before going to a doctor's office or emergency room, be sure to call ahead and inform the medical staff that you may have been exposed to COVID-19. Your healthcare provider will work with your local public health department and the CDC to determine if you need to be tested for the coronavirus.

Cover coughs and sneezes

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow.

Throw used tissues in the trash.

Immediately **wash your hands** with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, clean your hands with a hand sanitizer that contains at least

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60% alcohol.



Wear a facemask if you are sick
If you are sick: You should wear a facemask when you are around other people (e.g., sharing a room or vehicle) and before you enter a healthcare provider's office. If you are not able to wear a facemask (for example, because it causes trouble breathing), then you should do your best to cover your coughs and sneezes, and people who are caring for you should wear a facemask if they enter your room.

If you are NOT sick: You do not need to wear a facemask unless you are caring for someone who is sick (and they are not able to wear a facemask). Facemasks may be in short supply and they should be saved for caregivers.

Clean and disinfect

Clean AND disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily.

This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.



If surfaces are dirty, clean them: Use detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.

To disinfect: Most common EPA-registered household disinfectants will work. Use disinfectants appropriate for the surface.

Options include:
Diluting your household bleach.

To make a bleach solution, mix:

5 tablespoons (1/3rd cup) bleach per gallon of water
 OR

4 teaspoons bleach per quart of water

Follow manufacturer's instructions for application and proper ventilation. Check to ensure the product is not past its expiration date. Never mix household bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser. Unexpired household bleach will be effective against coronaviruses when properly diluted.

Alcohol solutions.

Ensure solution has at least 70% alcohol.

Other common EPA-registered household disinfectants.

Follow the manufacturer's instructions for all cleaning and disinfection products (e.g., concentration, application method and contact time, etc.).

Things you can do to support yourself

- **Pray.** Talk to God about your concerns and pray that his will be done.
- **Take breaks from watching, reading, or listening to news** stories and social media. Hearing about the pandemic repeatedly can be upsetting.
- **Take care of your body.** Take deep breaths, stretch, or meditate. Try to eat healthy, well-balanced meals, exercise

regularly, get plenty of sleep, and avoid alcohol and drugs.

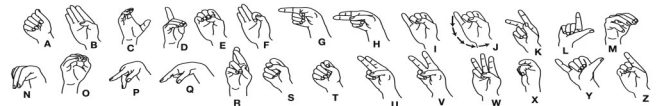
- **Make time to unwind.** Try to do some other activities you enjoy.
- **Connect with others.** Talk with people you trust about your concerns and how you are feeling.
- **Call your healthcare provider if stress gets in the way** of your daily activities for several days in a row.
- **If you, or someone you care about, are feeling overwhelmed** with emotions like sadness, depression, or anxiety, or feel like you want to harm yourself or others call 911

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA's) Disaster Distress Helpline: 1-800-985-5990 or text TalkWithUs to 66746. (TTY 1-800-846-8517)

Resource: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) www.CDC.gov/coronavirus
 3/23/2020

APRIL Puzzle!

Hands play a key role in the biblical accounts of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. Use this sign-language alphabet to retell what happened.



Jesus' _____ were _____
 to the tree. Two criminals were also crucified,
 one on the _____
 and the other on the _____ of Jesus. Jesus
 cried out with a loud voice, " _____ ,
 into your _____ I commit my spirit."
 (Luke 23:46) Jesus' friends _____
 him from the cross to the tomb. Jesus showed
 _____ his _____ to prove
 he was Christ. Bring your _____ together
 in _____ , and thank God for his
 Son, Jesus!

I'M IN LOVE

By: DENISE L. B. ZELLARS

I Love a good title, don't you? A good title will excite most readers and make them anticipate and yearn for details. *Right?*

What is love? We learned in Sunday school that love is an action word. God clearly defines love in **1Corinthians chapter 13** and He gives us perfect examples of love throughout the bible and particularly in the Gospels of **Matthew, Mark, Luke** and **John**.

How can I know if I'm really in love? *Seriously??* Are you still asking this question, even after you have been directed to God's Word? If so, then you have not read His Word and if you have read His Word, you my dear, *obviously*, have not received His Word. So pause here and let me *re-direct* you to **1 Corinthians chapter 13**. There is a huge difference in reading and receiving, *I'll explain later*.

Most often we confuse love with lust. You should know that love comes from God, only! Lust is of Satan and will deceive you on feelings of pleasure, so therefore, it will never last. *Love is not based on feelings, as it's foundation is "truth" and its priority is righteousness!!*

Now that we have read and received what love truly is, we can hold ourselves and all others accountable. *Right?*

Let's begin with your children. Okay, I should say "our", as I am an adult, therefore, authority figure and aunt, mentor, etc., and have worked with many kids, so I am held accountable, too. Let me take a slow, deep, breath (inhale 5 sec. hold it then exhale 5 sec.).

Alright, let me just say that many of our kids have been misled! The bible says to train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it (**Prov. 22:6**). If you have done this according to God's Word and your child is still rebellious, do not be discouraged as you have done your part. So now, you just

need to keep God's Word, keep the faith, keep praying and watch God! God is going to keep *His* Word, we need to do the same. He has already told us that He has chosen us long before we were ever conceived, even before He created this world, wow!! He also tells us that He has not lost not one of His sheep! *Have you truly received this?* Whose record can top His? Why worry if God has told us that He has never lost not even one of His sheep? This includes those children that we feel are lost and wayward. Somehow, and somehow if God has chosen them- *you can trust that God knows just how to bring them back*. Think about it! (**John 10:27-29**)

Onward! It is not your child's responsibility to raise him/herself! Allowing a child to choose what they want to wear, without you first teaching them or "training" them is not love! I know that choosing clothing seems so trivial, but it's a very big deal and it starts at home!

It is not okay for a little boy to dress in girl's clothing and deny that he was born a boy. Likewise, it is not okay for little girls to be taught that they are the same as boys. They absolutely are not the same! When you have confused parents that think this is okay, it results in confused children and most often they grow to be confused adults, and so the cycle of confusion continues because they are trying to live without God's Word.

I was what they called a tomboy as a small child and loved to rough house and wrestle with my brothers. I even wrestled little boys at school and beat them when competing in our middle school gym class.

That notion went out the window around age 14 and this is when my face began to uncontrollably blush whenever I saw cute boys. I would drop my head or turn my face to keep them from seeing the smile that signified a shy attraction. Sure, I continued to play sports and remained involved with after school activities, but the tomboy seemed to pass without even



realizing. I remember later thanking God that He created me to be a girl.

Fast forward, we now find ourselves in the generation of millennials and this seems to be the most confused generation of all. This is the generation of acceptance: I can live like I want to live, I can do what I want to do, I can say what I want to say. You get the point! I can even change my body from male to female and you are going to accept whatever "I" choose!! This is chaos and confusion and most definitely not part of God's plan. This to a degree mirrors Sodom and Gomorrah. God put an end to that wickedness, so it's only a matter of time before He calls an end to what seems endless in today's world.

Quit making life difficult! We have two choices: we can raise children God's way, or the world's way. If we do not raise children God's way, then we leave it up to the streets, television, and social media. Those born before 1980 should see how dramatically different television is today when comparing to what was shown twenty to thirty years ago. The world is exposing our kids to so much and we are seeing its devastating effects.

What can we do about it? We can have a relationship with Christ Jesus, we can

I'M IN LOVE

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study and know His Word and again, hold ourselves and others accountable. We do this by truly receiving His Word. We can read something all day, but it's not until we truly receive it, is when change happens. I required tutoring in 4th grade because I was not comprehending what I was reading. Thank God for my mom and teachers for discovering this early on. I then had to spend time in reading, writing and comprehension tutoring sessions for an hour each school day. I learned that

once you receive something, it is truly yours and no one can take it from you. That is the same with God's Word. Once the Holy Spirit allows us to receive God's Word, He abides within us and we in Him. This is something that the world cannot give, nor take away. Praise God!

There is always hope in Christ Jesus and He promises to make all things new again for His children (Isaiah 43:18-19 & Rev.chp.21). Although He has been incredibly patient with us and forgiving us; we should not take Him or His time for granted. Believe, accept and receive the Truth!

God descended from Heaven as Christ Jesus to save His creation from death with Satan, He was crucified on a cross, died and buried, but God promised to raise Him on the third day and He did. He was raised through the Glory of our Heavenly Father and an atonement for our sins. There is no greater Love! Christ Jesus ascended back to Heaven and left His Holy Spirit with us, our Comforter, our Helper, until He returns. That's Love! Are you in Love??

Happy Resurrection Day!!!
Blessings,
-Denise



YOUTH CHURCH NOTES

Youth Church Sunday March 8th. Thank you, Rev. Johnathan Higgins, for a wonderful message to the youth of Greater Salem.



The Theme: **"Even Though We Make Mistakes, God Will Still Forgive Us"**. **Romans 3:23**. Rev. Higgins spoke directly to the youth and in terms that they understood and on their level. His first questions to the youth was: What is a Mistake and what happens when you make a mistake? This was followed by "What type of precautions are given when you make a mistake? At home or at School? Who do you have to answer to when you make a mistake? The youth were very open and honest with their answers." In closing, Rev. Higgins asked all the youth to write on a piece of paper any mistake they had ever made. Most of the adults participated as well. He then ask them to ball the paper up, bring it to the trash can and throw it away. He explained to the youth this is what God will do with our mistakes if we pray and are honest with him when we say that we will not make the same mistake again. Thank You Sis. Higgins for joining us and offering support to your husband.

Greater Salem Baptist Church- Making Disciples for Christ - One ♡At-A-Time – One Family At-A-Time

YOUTH CHURCH NOTES: Submitted by Lynn Fleming

Kennedy Ellis

My name is Kennedy Nicole Ellis. I am a senior at Jeffersontown High School. I have (4) siblings, two sisters and two brothers. One of my siblings lives in Connecticut and the rest live here in Louisville.

English is my favorite subject. I like to write, not school assignments but things I want to write about, e.g. personal reflections and thoughts. My least favorite subject is mathematics. I am taking Algebra III this year. I have been on the honor roll for practically my entire high school career. Good grades seem to come naturally for me. But I challenged myself to make straight "A's" my senior year. I am on track to fulfill that goal.

This school year I was selected to be in an organization called Women of Worth. These are minority women that set an example at school. We are from different cultures. We show respect, set an example for our peers and be a living example of how we all can get along. There are about 15 of us. We communicate, discuss and participate without drama. I was also the football manager this year. I was active in Dance in my sophomore year.

When I graduate from high school, I am not ready to go to college. I need a break from school. I thought of going to the International Air and Hospitality Academy in Vancouver, Washington. This is a 20-week course that will train you to be a flight attendant or to prepare you for a position in the travel industry. I like to be busy and to experience new things in new places. I have applied and have already been accepted to the Academy. At the present time I am looking for financial assistance. If I don't go to this school I will work. I don't mind working and I have had a job since I was 16 years of age.

I started working at Kentucky Kingdom in 2018 as a team member. The next summer I was a team supervisor. I worked at Chuck E. Cheese as a party host for 6 months. I work in the summers and after school. My current job is a barista at Starbucks inside of Target. I have worked there since October of 2019 and I work approximately 20 hours a week.



Another goal that I have is to buy a car. This is multi-step want. I do not have a permit, or a license and I do not have an immediate plan to learn how to drive. I am researching my options and saving my money.

I have been raised by my grandmother, Wanda Ellis. We have attended GSBC since I was (3) years of age. I have participated in all of the Youth Ministry activities: skating, arcades at Gattiland, visiting the Creation Museum, traveling to the Ark and exploring colleges in Tennessee.

I have asked my friends to come to church activities with me. They have all turned me down. They say that they are too busy. I have gone to church all of my life. I am very comfortable at church. My friends were not raised in the church, they were not taught about God as their parents did not attend church. I love my church family! We are a close knit, moderate size group, and everyone knows each other's names.

I am a very social individual. I like going out with my friend to hang out at each other's homes, going to the mall, going out to eat and seeing a movie. I am looking forward to going to my senior prom. I also went to my Jr. prom. I will be going, with my friends again this year.

This is something that my church family may not know about me, I have lost approximately 100 lbs. I made a conscious effort to lose weight. I stopped eating junk, ate (1) meal a day, wore a calorie tracker, drank a lot of water and joined the dance team at Jefferson-town. I wanted to feel better about myself. I started this journey the end of my freshman year and continued losing until the beginning of my sophomore year.

I joined Greater Salem and was baptized when I was about 10 years old. I felt that I was ready. My granny walked down the aisle with me. Pastor Hackett baptized me.

I thank God for the self-control that I have. I am not really worried about the coronavirus; I have faith in God. I have no control over the outcome. I will do everything that they suggest to avoid getting sick, but it is all up to God. Therefore, I have faith and not fear.

There are some things that I need to improve on: I want to pray on a regular basis, read scriptures consistently, and learn to trust people more.



Grandmother Wanda

RESURRECTION SUNDAY - APRIL 12



Kaylin Dennison

My name is Kaylin Marie Dennison. My twin is Kameron and I am the little sister of Kiara. I am a senior at Male High School.

I am taking some advance classes this year: Law and Justice and Humanities. My favorite subject is English. I prefer the reading assignments over the writing assignments. My favorite book to date is "Snitch" by Allison Van Diepen. I read it in my

junior year. I like this book because it was relevant. It is about high school and how to survive it. My least favorite subject this year is Psychology. I am having trouble relating to the teacher and the subject matter.

After my high school graduation I would like to attend North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University otherwise known as North Carolina A&T. This is the number one (1) historically black university (HBCU). I have not traveled to visit the campus yet. I just know I want to go to a HBCU and go to a college out of state. I am going for my first visit during Spring break. I would like to major in nursing and eventually work in a neonatal department of a hospital. I like babies. I have baby sat my cousins and a set of twins. I started babysitting when I was 13, my cousin was 5 years old.

I currently work at Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC) on 19th and Broadway. I work 20-30 hours a week. My duties are: take and pack orders, prep food and make pot pies. I have applied for a scholarship from KFC to help me with college expenses.

I am active in Greater Salem Youth Department Ministry. My mother is the church secretary, my father is a deacon and my grandmother (June Dennison) runs the nursery and is in the kitchen on Wednesdays therefore I am at church a lot. I sing in the Youth Choir, I am a member of the Junior Ushers, I have participated in the Drama Ministry, I helped paint the teen Sunday School room on the 3rd floor, I have gone skating, to Gattiland, bowling, to the Creation museum, the College Tour in Tennessee, and the Ark in Williamstown, Ky. with the Youth department and the supervisors.

On the 5th Sunday of the month we have Youth Sundays. The youth participate in the order of service. It seems like the same youth are a part of this service on each 5th Sunday. I realize that we have a limited amount of youth and some of our Youth just come on Sundays. I feel that I have gained more confidence speaking in front of our congregation. I am slightly more comfortable speaking into a microphone. I just wish that more of our youth would come to Wednesday Bible Study so that they could have the opportunity to be involved in Youth Sundays and practice their public speaking skills. I would like to go on more outings that the youth would choose: the movies, out to eat and to the arcades. When I am an adult, I would like to work with youth and teens in the church.

I have not had any negative experiences at work (KFC), school or church that has tested my faith. I have never had a fight and I am a very even tempered individual. I like my coworkers and my KFC manager treats me like I am her child. I have not lost my patience with customers or with my peers at school. I am proud of that. Customers are not always nice, patient or kind.

I am proud that I joined church on a Wednesday after Bible Study. Pastor Hackett allowed my Dad to baptize me on Father's Day. That was a very special day for my family.

The next important date for me is April 25, 2020. I am going to my prom at the Louisville Palace.

My church family does not know that I love tennis shoes. I have bought 1 or 2 pairs each month that I have worked. My favorite brand is Nike. I buy the shoes that I like, I am not concerned about colors or styles.

September 2019 I got my restricted driver's license. I drive to work and I pick up my friend and drive us to school every day. I will be able to get my full driver's license when I turn 18 on July 24, 2020.

I have invited my friends that I met in elementary school to Wednesday Bible Study. They do not usually attend church on a regular basis. I just asked them if they wanted to come and they did attend on some Wednesday and came to Sunday School and church with me. Now all of us have jobs and different schedules. It is difficult to get anyone to commit to doing anything together the older that we get and the more responsibilities that we have.

My favorite Bible verse is Proverbs 31:25 "she is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come." NIV This is a verse in the description of the virtuous woman from Proverbs 31:10-31. I feel that this verse empowers me as a woman and it is also what I am striving to be.



April 2020!!!









PUZZLE

Picturing the Lord's Supper

Jesus ate the Passover meal with his disciples as a symbol of the new covenant.

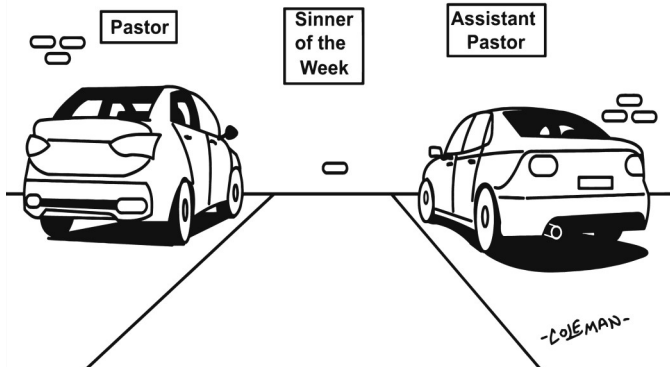


Directions: Use the picture clues to fill in key words from Luke 22:19-20, NIV.

And he took , gave  and  it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my  given for you; do this in  of me." In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This  is the new  in my blood, which is  out for you."

LUKE 22:19-20, NIV

RESERVED PARKING
CHURCH PARKING LOT



Bible Quiz

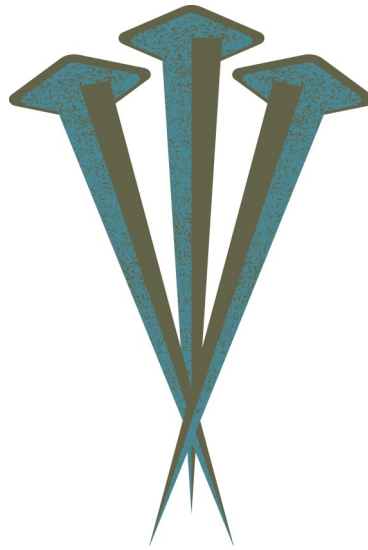
Three of the Gospels tell that when Jesus was crucified, darkness covered the earth from noon until three in the afternoon. Which Gospel does not mention this event?

- A. Matthew
- B. Mark
- C. Luke
- D. John



Answer: (See Matthew 27, Mark 15, Luke 23, and John 19.)

Christian Symbols

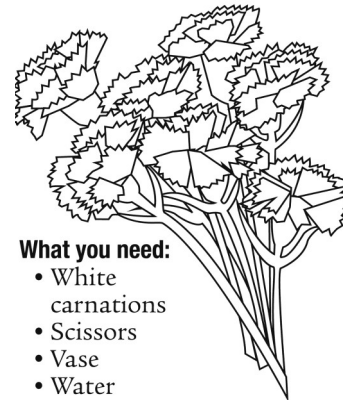


NAILS

—Nails symbolize Jesus' passion and suffering because they were used at his Crucifixion. They are often depicted in groups of three because two nails were used to secure Jesus' hands, and a third was used to secure his feet. Three nails are also used to identify Jesus as a member of the Holy Trinity.

Scripture AND NATURE

Conduct a simple experiment to illustrate Easter's meaning.



What you need:

- White carnations
- Scissors
- Vase
- Water
- Red food coloring
- Bible

What you do:

1. Cut the carnation stems (at an angle) to about 8 inches long.
2. Fill the vase halfway with water. Add 10 drops of food coloring. (More may be needed to darken the water.)
3. Add the cut flowers and observe what happens to the petals over time.
4. Discuss how this is like Jesus' work on the cross. Read 1 Peter 2:22-24 (NIV) and reflect on what his death means for us.
5. To learn more about this experiment, research capillary action.

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AFTER DEATH, WHAT?

How many times have you looked into a casket, seen the face of the deceased, and listen to the following statements: “He sure has suffered, but he is better off now” or “She is at peace, never to suffer anymore.”?

Dear reader, if the deceased had accepted Christ as Lord and Savior and had been born again, these are correct statements.

The Apostle Paul said this of Christians: “therefore we are always confident, knowing that whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: (for we work by faith, not by sight:). We are confident, I say and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.” 2nd Corinthians 5: 6 - 8.

However, if the deceased died in a loss spiritual condition, his troubles have just begun. The instant his soul leaves his body, it goes directly to hell to burn forever and ever. “The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.” (Psalm 9: 17). The Bible says that hell is a place “where their worm dies not, and the fire is not quenched.” (Mark 9: 44). Listen to the voice of the rich man crying out from hell: “and it came to pass, that the beggar man died, and was carried by the Angels into Abraham’s bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; and in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.” (Luke 16: 22- 24).

Perhaps someone looked at the face of this rich man as he was prepared for burial, And remarked that he was at peace now, never to suffer anymore. How wrong their statement would have been! As they were saying beautiful words over his body, his soul was screaming from the pits of hell. Suffering does not end at death for a lost person. After 10,000,000 years of eterni-

ty, he will still be burning. If you are spiritually lost and die in that condition, then you too will be doomed to a burning hell.

You might wonder what you must do to escape this torment in hell. The answer is the same one that Jesus gave to Nicodemus. “Jesus answered and said unto him, verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God.” (John 3:3). Just as you were born physically, you must be born spiritually to reach the portals of heaven. “Jesus said unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the father, but by me.” (John 14:6).

You are not promised another day on this earth. Tomorrow might be too late. Now is the time to do something about your lost condition. “...For He saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of Salvation have I succored thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of Salvation ...” (2nd Corinthians 6:2). Right now, while there is still life in your body, will you repent of your sins and call upon Jesus Christ to come into your heart and save your soul? “That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God has raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved ... For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.” (Romans 10: 9, 13). “but as many as received him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.” (John 1: 12). The decision is yours. Where will your soul be when they are preaching your funeral? Your life might end before another hour passes and your soul will be somewhere for eternity. Will you receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior and be confident of everlasting life in heaven?

If you will accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, please pray this prayer with all your heart: “Dear God, I admit I'm a sinner, going to hell. I know that I cannot save myself. I repent of my sins and put my faith in the blood that you shed for me on the cross to pay for all my sins. I now accept you as my savior and trust you to take me to heaven. Thank you for saving me. Amen.”

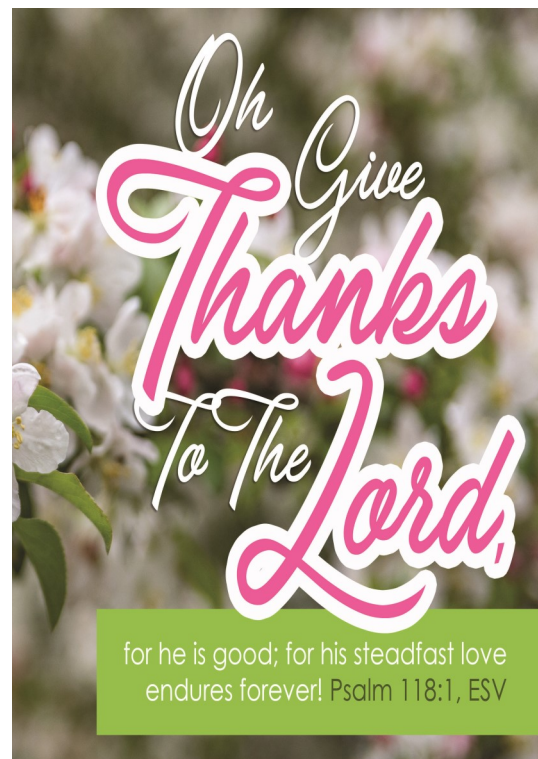
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11:00 am Morning Worship

Service of Communion

1st Sunday

11:00 am Morning Worship

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High Noon Prayer Service

Wednesdays

12:00 PM

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6:15-7:00 PM

Sunday School Teachers' Meeting (Open to All) Wednesdays 5:30-6:30 PM

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Wednesdays

7:00-8:00 PM

Bible Study for Adults Fridays

11:30AM -12:30 PM

Men's Bible Study Saturdays

10:00-11:30 AM

Women's Bible Study 2nd Saturdays

10:00 AM

Sunday School for All Ages Sundays

9:30-10:30 AM

Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Timothy 2:15

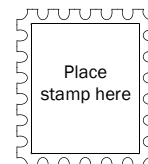
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