

The Courier

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

April 2020

Court Street United Methodist Church

Easter Reflections

I love Easter Sunday. In fact, it's my favorite Sunday of the year. I remember as a child, I could hardly wait for the Easter egg hunt early in the morning at my home in Concord. My siblings and I would get up early Easter morning and look high and low for Easter eggs scattered around our yard. After exhausting our energies to find every single egg, we would gather around in a circle and celebrate what each of us had found. I still find great joy reflecting on this experience because it has helped shape my understanding of Easter Resurrection. Easter Resurrection, for me, is playful. It's hunting, finding, and celebrating. Easter Resurrection is discovering God at work in our world through the gifts of creation, relationships, and the unexpected surprises of life. Easter Resurrection is the anticipation of the spring flowers getting ready to burst into miraculous works of art. Easter Resurrection is the call from an estranged family member who simply says, "I miss you, and I'm so glad I get to talk to you." Easter is the surprise gift from a colleague to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. And ultimately, Easter is the mystery of Jesus' spirit still among us and working in us to do good and to assure us that we are loved unconditionally.

After devouring chocolate bunnies, jelly beans and boiled eggs after our egg hunt, the Burleigh's would get dressed up in outfits that mom had prepared for us kids. We would load up in the car and attend Easter service at Early's Chapel Methodist Church. The aroma of Easter lilies and the welcome from the congregants made everyone feel so welcomed and loved. But the highlight of my childhood Easter Resurrection experience was when the organist would pull out all of the stops on the B-3 Hammond Organ, and lead us into singing my favorite Easter hymn, "He Lives." The last line of the chorus simply states why I can believe in Easter Resurrection, "You ask me how I know He lives, He lives within my heart."

I wonder where you will find Resurrection this Easter? I wonder where you will discover God at work in creation, relationships, the unexpected, and even yourself? I pray you will be blessed by what you discover. I would love to hear what you find, please let me know.

~ Pastor Bill Burleigh



Musical Musings Anthems for April



April 5TH ~ Palm Sunday

"Hosanna to the Son of David," by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

Although the English composer and keyboardist Orlando Gibbons died at the young age of 42, his compositions were very influential in English church music - and very popular. His monumental "Hosanna to the Son of David" was disseminated throughout England, and exists in at least 30 sources from Gibbons' time.

"Ride On, King Jesus," arranged by Robert DeCormier

Robert DeCormier, perhaps best known for his arrangements for such popular greats as Harry Belafonte and Peter, Paul and Mary, captured the essence of this beloved and energetic spiritual – enough to make one want to stand up and shout, upon hearing the final "Ride on, Jesus!"

Follow this link to hear the Chancel Choir sing this piece from 2016!!

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April 12TH ~ Easter Sunday

"Ave Verum Corpus," by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Composed in the last year of Mozart's life, this work (along with his Requiem) demonstrates his development of powerful choral writing.

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"Hallelujah," from *Mount of Olives*, by Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Beethoven's only oratorio, *Christ on the Mount of Olives*, portrays the humanity of Christ and the emotional turmoil of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. The final chorus, "Hallelujah," was originally intended to celebrate Christ's decision to submit himself, suffer and die on the cross. Nowadays, this chorus has far outshone the larger work for which it was written, and commonly celebrates the Resurrection. We are pleased to present this anthem in the 250th anniversary year of Beethoven's birth.

April 19TH ~ Second Sunday in Easter

"O Sons and Daughters of the King," arranged by John Becker (1927-)

John W. Becker worked for many years in Pittsburgh, and earned a reputation nationally as an organist and choral director. "O Sons and Daughters" is an arrangement of the French carol *O Filii et Filiae*, found in our hymnal, No. 317.

April 26TH ~ Third Sunday in Easter

"Now Winter Fades from Sight," by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

[I don't really have anything to say, here. It's a Chorale, by Bach - and therefore is awesome.]

APRIL'S ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASS

CONTINUE TO READ LESSONS WEEKLY

April 5: "Jesus Dies on a Cross" April 12: "Jesus' Resurrection" April 19: "Rebuilding the Temple"

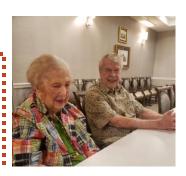
April 26: "John Prepares the Way for Christ"



Lunch at Westminster

Lunch with members living at Westminster-Canterbury will resume soon.

In the meantime, reach out to our lunch buddies with a phone call or email to let them know you miss them and are thinking of them.



WHILE WE ARE APART:



ENJOY OLD ANTHEMS ONLINE:

https://courtstreetmethodist.com/anthems-from-the-past

Listen to the Chancel Choir sing Anthems and Solos from 2016 on our website. Just follow the link and click on the file you want to hear again. Your computers will automatically play these uploaded MP3 files found on the office computer. I will upload more as I find them.

ENJOY OLD SERMONS ONLINE:

https://courtstreetmethodist.com/sermons-from-the-past

Listen to Sermons from pastor Bill's 1st year at Court Street. These sermons from the past ring true to today and will keep you connected to the church while we are apart. I have listened to a few while working on old files and I have yet to fall asleep! Many members have commented on what great sermons our minister gives and they are right!

ENJOY THE HISTORY OF HYMNS ONLINE:

https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/content-library/tags/the-united-methodist-hymnal

Did you know the the UMC website has a content library? They have resources for anything you are interested in learning about the United Methodist Church; including past articles written about the history of our hymns. Did you know that John Wesley's brother Charles wrote over 6,500 hymns!? You probably did, but did you know C. Austin Miles who wrote "I Come to the Garden Alone" was a pharmacist turned gospel song publisher and writer!? Follow the link above and scroll through the pages of past articles to find some of your favorite hymns. You might learn something you didn't know!

STAY TUNED FOR ONLINE WORSHIP WITH OUR SISTER CHURCH MARSH MEMORIAL UMC!!

Birthdays and Anniversaries

April Birthdays

Eleanor Pillow April 01 Mickenly Kreuziger April 04 Harriette Cash April 05 April 10 Emilia Dimitrova William Draper April 12 Stuart Jackson April 14 Aaron McGlothlin April 20 Marcia Thom-Kaley April 23 Drew Leazer April 25 Emma Grace Thom April 25 Jennifer Draper April 26 Lewis James April 28

April Anniversaries

Anne & Bruton Langley	April 21
Laura & Brent McCraw	April 23
Susan & Sam Angus	April 24



May Birthdays

Brad Diuguid	May 01
John McDaniel	May 04
Flo Traywick	May 09
Bill Phillips	May 14
Dottie Scales	May 14
Matthew Turner	May 26
Jason Brooks	May 31

PRAYER CONCERNS

All Men and Women serving in the Military

Travis Dean Burleigh – 5271 Avenue Unit 373, Shepherd AFB, TX 76311 son of Shelley and Rev. Bill Burleigh

SICK (Church members*)

- *Patsy Cundiff 1559 Lexington Drive, Lynchburg, VA 24503
- *Noel Draper 501 VES Road Drinkard 619, Lynchburg, VA 24503 Susan Dwyer – sister of Rev. Bill Burleigh
- *Christopher Lilley 408 Blackford Street #2, Lynchburg, VA 24504
- *Eleanor Pillow 1201 Langhorne Road, Lynchburg, VA 24503
- *Phil Ripley 60 Jill Alison Circle, Ormond Beach, FL 32176 Sylvia Shuff - Mother-in-Law of Rev. Bill Burleigh
- Noah Slocum 698 Don Pablo Drive, Santa Maria, CA 93455 Great Nephew of *Karen and Randall Speer
- *Alicia Speer 1815 Rivermont Ave #68, Lynchburg, VA 24503 Elaine St. Vincent – 501 VES Road Room 415, Lynchburg, VA 24503
- * Church members



Your love is as wide as the oceans
As deep as the sea
And as tall as the heavens.
May your spirit rise
like a mightly wave and come
and restore those who are ill.

You are the water of life, You are a fresh spring, You are healing rain To all those who are in need. Come Lord!

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Campaign Goal	\$300,000
Promised as of 3/29/20	\$248,981
Balance needed to reach goal	\$51,019
Received to Date	\$209,716
Received since last update	\$750.00
Elevator fund	\$10,328

A message from Irby Hudson:

Irby stopped by and left a handout about the benefits of Wild Oregano Oil to share with our members. Irby said that he takes it everyday and has not gotten sick. He said that the use of Oregano for medicinal purposes can be traced back to biblical times. Read below:

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Recent studies have confirmed that oil of wild oregano has some of the best natural anti-viral, anti-parasitic, anti-fungal and anti-bacterial properties available. It can be used externally and internally. There are no negative side effects. No prescription is needed and it doesn't cost a fortune!

Physica Energetics' Wild Oregano Oil is made only from wild, mountain-grown, 100% Mediterranean oregano, free of all chemicals and pesticides, and guaranteed to be handpicked in the pristine untarnished wilderness at the height of their potency with a conscientious awareness as to correct species (!) and ecological balance. The oil is produced by old-fashioned cold-pressing and steam distillation. No chemicals are used to extract it. Its effectiveness is enhanced by its safety, since it is entirely non-toxic. Nothing else is added to "improve" the product (like additional carvacrol!). It is perfect just as it is!

Please note that the high concentrations of *naturally occurring* carvacrol and the amount of oregano oil we are abie to offer in one capsule is substantially greater than the popular over claimed products which sell for much more.

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In worship, praise and ministry, we respond to God's call by reaching out to all people with light, hope, and a vision of God's love.

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