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March & April 2022 Newsletter

Pastor's Note - March and April 2022

How are you with anticipation? Are you good at it? Not so good? In the weeks leading up to your birthday do you go snooping around the house trying to discover all the hiding places where your gifts might be, or do you like a good surprise? Is there an upside to waiting? Does it make for a much bigger thrill? How about with books? Have you ever skipped ahead or even read the ending first just to go back to the beginning less anxious about what's to come?

We're now the thick of Lent. We all know about Easter—it's coming, we know we'll get there. Then, we will celebrate the risen Christ among us. But (there's always a *but*) before we get too ahead of ourselves; before we skip to the end of this story there's the middle part yet to experience, and the last few weeks of Lent, this middle part, has a story to tell us. The end of the Easter story means very little unless we first make our way through the middle of the story. There are parts of the Easter ending that we can't fully understand or appreciate unless we know what happened before it.

Mark's gospel account is one of those endings that leave us stunned. Mark's gospel is a cliffhanger. Go ahead and stop reading this to go grab a bible... really, go grab your bible. I'll wait here... Ok, do you have your bible? Turn to the very end of Mark's gospel, chapter 16. Go ahead and read 16:1-8. Again, I'll wait here.

Done reading verse 8? That's the end of Mark's gospel. That's how he tells the Easter story. *"The women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone because they were afraid."* THE END.

You'll notice, though, that verse 8 really isn't the end. The thing really ends at verse 20, but most everyone who's studied the Bible sees verses 9-20 as a later edition. Mark didn't write it; somebody who wasn't satisfied with how Mark ended his gospel at verse 8 decided to add to it.

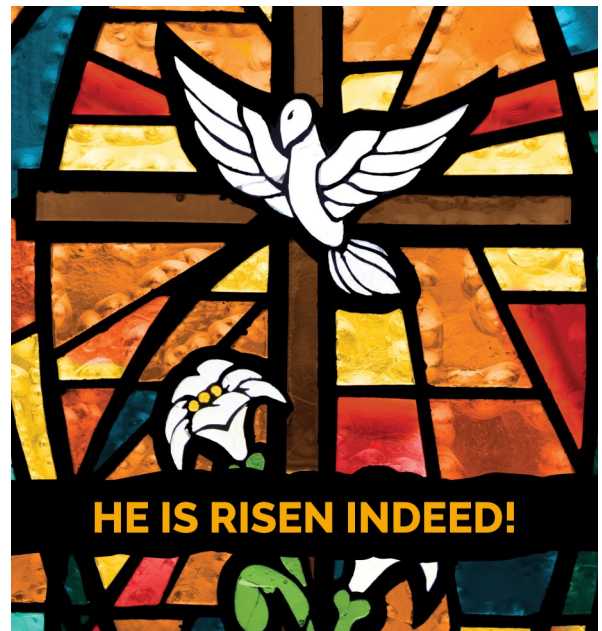
In this second part of Lent, it is our challenge to be okay with a verse 8 ending. In these last weeks of Lent, we are invited to put ourselves in the sandals of the three women who stood trembling and bewildered by what they saw, or what they didn't or couldn't see. Lent is a time for us to hold our breath and stay right there in that moment, sharing space with the three women, confounded by what God is doing among us.

Can we hold that space with them though the last weeks of Lent? Can we stand trembling and bewildered by the disorienting stories of Holy Week? If we can, the news of Easter morning will be that much sweeter.

The Peace of Christ be with You,

Patrick

REMEMBER to set your clock 1 hour ahead before you go to sleep on Saturday, March 12



April 17 - Happy Easter!

GIFTS & MEMORIALS

CEMETERY FUND

In Memory of J.C. Foster
from Bob & Susan Thompson
John & Rebecca Ramsey
James & Pamela Stiles
Liz Stone
Harold & Janet Neal
Dick & Nancy Trammel
Martha Jo Robinson
M.I.T.S. of Virginia
Lisa Hodge
Jerry & Jenny Horn
Virginia Lowe
Melissa Patrick

In Memory of Billy Shaver
from Melissa Patrick
Columbia Gas of Virginia

In Memory of Elwood Byrd
from Wendell & Betsy Coleman

In Memory of BettyJo Caldwell
from Roy & Nancy Groah
Bob & Susan Thompson
Towana Moore
The Ruth Circle
Dawn Smith
Wendell & Betsy Coleman



FELLOWSHIP HALL FUND

from Rotary Club of Waynesboro East Augusta

What is LENT?

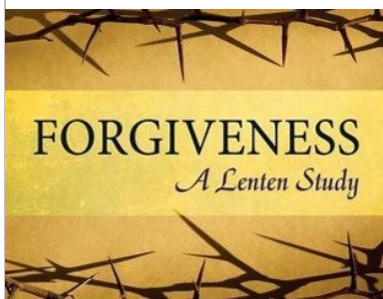
Lent is the season that leads up to Easter. It begins on Ash Wednesday and continues for forty days (not counting Sundays). The color you will see in worship during this season is purple. At the beginning of Lent, we mark the time that Jesus was sent into the wilderness. While He is there, Jesus prays and prepares for what lies ahead for Him. In a similar way, the season of Lent is a time for us to pause, pray and prepare for what lies ahead of us as we await the “Alleluia” of Easter.

Pancakes and Worship - Ash Wednesday, March 2

Pancake Meal at 6:00 p.m. in Spring Hall

Worship at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

This is an intergenerational gathering you want to be a part of. Come enjoy a delicious pancake meal with plenty of fellowship. We'll continue to engage our senses as we gather in the sanctuary for the Ash Wednesday service. We look forward to sharing a meal together, learning more about the season of Lent, and worshipping the One Who journeys with us every step of the way.



FORGIVENESS: A LENTEN STUDY Wednesdays at 12:00 and 6:00 p.m. in Spring Hall March 9 - April 13

The season of Lent is a time to reflect on our Christian journey, and an appropriate time to deepen our understanding and practice of forgiveness. Join us for this 6-week study. Sign up on the board in the sanctuary under the gathering time or you may contact the church office at office@tinklinspring.com OR 540-885-0746. Participants are asked to bring their Bible and a packed meal or snack.

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, April 10:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Maundy Thursday, April 14

6:00 p.m. Meal and Intergenerational Worship with Communion in Spring Hall

Good Friday, April 15

7:00 p.m. Multi-Sensory Worship in the Sanctuary

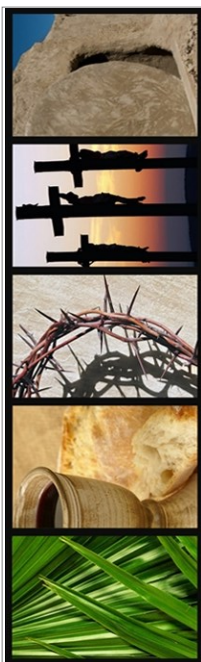
Easter Sunday, April 17

7:30 a.m. Sunrise Service in the Pavilion– bring fresh flowers to place on the cross.

8:00 a.m. Breakfast in Spring Hall provided by the Fellowship Ministry

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Sanctuary



ADULT & CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY

Women's Circles at Tinkling Spring

Ruth Circle– Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 10:30 a.m. in the Kitchenette, March 2 and April 6. Contact Ramona Bosserman, 886-4737 or Libby Beyeler, 943-3202.

Lena Venable Circle– Meets the first Monday of the month at 10:30 a.m. in the Session Room, March 7 and April 4. Contact Vicky Conyers, 337-3631, or Shirley Dana, 943-6979.

Mary & Martha Circle– Meets the first Tuesday of the month at 10:30 a.m. in the Session Room and will resume on April 5. Contact Judy Dudley, 943-8138.

School Workdays = FUN DAYS!
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. in Spring Hall
Kindergarten-Fifth Grade
\$10 per child per Fun Day



Prepare for the final teacher workday this year for Augusta County public schools. Sign up your students for Fun Day so they can enjoy games, art, mission, movie time and lots of outdoor activities. Families complete the registration form and provide the \$10 registration fee. A pizza lunch will be provided, so there's no need to bring a bag lunch unless your student prefers something other than pizza. Registration is required and forms are located in the brochure racks as well as tinklingspring.com

Monday, March 7: Registration due by Friday, March 4

Fun Days coincide with the Augusta County Schools' schedule and are subject to change.

Children at the Lord's Supper Class **Children in Second-Fifth Grades & Their Parents**

Sundays, April 3 and 10 from 1:30-3:30 p.m.
in Room 122



What is a sacrament? The meaning and importance of Baptism and the Lord's Supper is more than we can grasp through words alone. As a family of faith we seek to provide the means of education and ongoing nurture for children and their families in preparing for participation in the Lord's Supper. Together, parents AND children unwrap God's great gifts to us as revealed through Jesus Christ. The children and their families will be welcomed to the table on Easter Sunday, April 17. Contact Harriet Thompson, dce@tinklingspring.com about participating.

Faith in Action Mission Camp

Cultivating the Compassion of Jesus in Our Lives

NEW CAMP OPPORTUNITY

3 year old through completed kindergarten

Registration Fee: \$20 per child

June 13-17

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Daily

Children remain on campus.

Completed first through fifth grade students

Registration Fee: \$45

June 20-24, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Daily

*Children will go offsite for daily mission projects.
 Campers bring a packed lunch each day.*

Registration Begins: Sunday, April 3

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, May 31

At Faith in Action, campers and leaders will explore themes of compassion throughout the Bible as we worship, learn, play, serve and create.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

The Grace and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

What does it mean to minister to, alongside, and for youth and young adults? Is this ministry simply another 'program offering' of our church? Does this ministry belong entirely to the staff position and ministry committee to which we entrust it? In the words of the apostle Paul,

***"But strive for the greater gifts.
And I will show you a still more excellent way."
(1 Corinthians 12:31, NRSV)***

Prioritize Relationships

The most important thing we can do for and with our young people is to form real, meaningful, and lasting relationships with them. This is precisely how Jesus established the church, first as a band of followers he called out from their ordinary lives and then disciplined into future leaders. This is how the church has always grown, through inviting neighbors, friends, and co-workers into this community to which we belong. Youth and young adults need to know this is a place where they *belong* and a place where they are *needed*.

Intergenerational Mission

Nothing shares the love of Christ quite like serving others. It is no surprise that this is one of the most attractive and exciting elements of ministry for our young people. They have the youthful energy many of the older members do not; yet they lack some of the skills, experience, and resource our older members may have. This is why partnering across ages to be Christ's hands and feet is both practically and deeply spiritually satisfying for young people and the whole church. Youth and young adults respond when they are truly *needed* and *valuable* to a cause.

Substantive Teaching

Today's young people are smart. It's often the case that they aren't educated in the same ways or oriented toward the same goals that previous generations were. Nevertheless, our young people are smart. They will not suffer a sugar-coated Gospel. They will not show up for a warm-and-fuzzy Jesus. They will not serve a 'comfortable' church. They want the real story, the cost of discipleship, spelled out and modeled for them. They want to be challenged, and to be part of something worthwhile. We have to continue to preach the Gospel in Spirit and Truth. They can handle it. They expect nothing less.

Living as a Holy People

Finally, our young people need to see what it means to live the Christian life. They need to look around this community of faith and see excellent models of faith, hope, and love in each person's word and deed. They need you to teach them how to live out our faith in the world outside these walls. They need to know they are not alone in this crazy venture of discipleship. They have looked up to you their whole lives.

Will you continue being ministers to our Youth and Young Adults? They need us *all*.

In Christ,

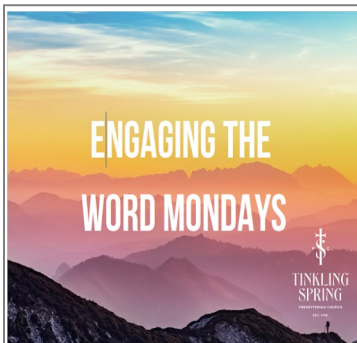


John M. Dull
Director, Youth and Young Adult Ministry



KNITTERS - still need

Thank you so much for the ones that have volunteered to help with prayer shawls. It's much appreciated. Still could use some help with our quest and need. Please contact Shirley Woytach at 540-221-2481 or swoytach@gmail.com with any questions.



Have you ever wondered what to do with the messages you hear in worship? Join Pastor Patrick as we engage in conversation with the previous month's scripture passages and sermons—reflecting upon them, engaging in conversation about them, and dialoguing with them, all in an effort to be in communication with God about them. Join us on the following Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the Session Room on March 21 and April 11.



Continue giving God's tithes and your offerings of faith as the work of ministry continues. Please send your offerings to:

Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church
c/o Receiving Treasurer
30 Tinkling Spring Drive
Fishersville, VA 22939

NOTES FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

- ✓ The deadline for submitting items for the **COMBINED MAY & JUNE** newsletter is 12:00p.m. on Friday, April 1.
- ✓ Send your brief announcement for the weekly bulletin by 12:00 p.m. each Wednesday.

When writing announcements for the bulletin or newsletter, please keep in mind the five W's:

WHO? WHAT? WHEN? WHERE? WHY?

Answer all of these questions in your announcement, and you can be sure that your news will be heard. Please send your articles to office@tinklingspring.com or place your information in the secretary's mailbox in the workroom. All submissions are subject to editing.

Because of time constraints, submissions for the weekly bulletin and monthly newsletter received after the deadline will appear in the next publication.

If you have not been receiving church emails, or if you would like to be added to the distribution list, please contact the church office

(540)885-0746 or office@tinklingspring.com.

Office Hours 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday

Fridays: The office is closed, but you can reach the secretary via email at office@tinklingspring.com or by calling (540)885-0746 between 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

OFFICER ELECTIONS

The TSPC congregation held the election of officers on December 5, 2021. The following were elected. These officers were installed in January. There are two deacon positions and one elder position that are still to be filled.

ELDERS

Debra O'Connell - class of 2024 (second term)
 Anne Reed - class of 2024 (second term)
 Katie Bosserman - class of 2024 (first term)
 Barth Estes - class of 2024 (first term)
 Hailey Cox - class of 2022 (youth representative, one year term)
 Randy Houff - class of 2022 (fill a vacated term)

TRUSTEES

Randy Gregory - class of 2024 (second term)
 Harold Tate - class of 2024 (second term)

DEACONS

Robin Fauber - class of 2024 (second term)
 Emily Parr - class of 2024 (second term)
 Neelye Kochanowicz - class of 2024 (first term)
 Jack Reed - class of 2022 (youth representative, one year term)

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

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|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 2 Ellen Arey | 11 Nick Zawhorodny | 22 Spencer Hostetter |
| John Barban | 13 Nancy Myers | 24 Glenn Siron |
| 3 Grace Durso | 14 Spencer Brandt | 25 Roy Groah |
| Susan Cale | 15 Zach Hinch | 26 Gracie Branham |
| Kathy Tucker | 19 Clark Dana | Wade Branham |
| 4 Kim Fauber | Rob Hearn | John Dubinski |
| Katie Kochanowicz | 20 Ronnie Hearn | Annamarie Michener |
| Harold Tate | John Meade | 27 Shirley Hailey |
| 5 Brayden Chandler | Martha Jo Robinson | 28 Lena Cook |
| Brody Chandler | Melissa Lloyd | Kim Boxley |
| Paul Cunningham | | Barbara Kemp |
| Cheryl Moffett | | 29 Linwood Wiseman |
| 9 Bill McElroy | | Emma Holland |
| 10 Nancy Wadley | | |

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

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| 1 Kaiden Bravo | 11 Henry Wood | 22 Ty Cashatt |
| 2 Nancy Groah | Margie Wood | Jordan Houser |
| Devon Thompson | 13 Gene Lucas | Tanya Ingersoll |
| 6 Robin Fauber | 14 Marie Rankin-Moyers | Walker Todd |
| 7 Scarlett Kiser | Shannon Tate | 23 Todd Brandt |
| Bob Kuykendall | 19 Robbie Kuykendall | Emily Parr |
| Haze Williams | 20 Ressie King | 24 Ellen Wiseman |
| 8 Darrin Hutchinson | Mark Pringer | 26 Sarah Groves |
| 9 Al Boxley III | Karen Quillen | 27 Courtney Yancey |
| | 21 Jamey Chandler | Sara Rhiannon Dull |
| | Carroll Grove | 29 Carol Lebo |
| | Evelyn Moffett | |

March

Events at TSPC

Tuesday, March 1

12:00 p.m.

ECLC Chapel

Sanctuary

1:30 p.m.

Weekly Staff Meeting

Workroom

Wednesday, March 2, Ash Wednesday

10:30 a.m.

Ruth Circle

Kitchenette

12:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline

6:00 p.m.

Pancake Dinner

Spring Hall

7:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday Service

Sanctuary

Sunday, March 6, First Sunday in Lent

9:00 a.m.

Sunday School

9:00 a.m.

Revelation Study

ACT's Class Room

10:00 a.m.

Worship

Sanctuary

6:30 p.m.

All Youth Groups

Sanctuary

Monday, March 7

8:00 a.m.

Fun Day

Spring Hall

10:30 a.m.

Lena Venable Circle

Session Room

Tuesday, March 8

10:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Bible Book Discussion

Sanctuary

12:00 p.m.

ECLC Chapel

Sanctuary

1:30 p.m.

Weekly Staff Meeting

Workroom

Wednesday, March 9

12:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline

12:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Lenten Bible Study

Spring Hall

Sunday, March 13, Day Light Saving Begins

9:00 a.m.

Sunday School

9:00 a.m.

Revelation Study

ACT's Class Room

10:00 a.m.

Worship

Sanctuary

4:30 p.m.

Youth Groups

Youth Rooms

5:30 p.m.

Congregational Care Ministry Meeting

Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m.

Diaconate Meeting

Session Room

Monday, March 14

6:00 p.m.

Adult & Children's CE Ministry Meeting

Room 210

10:00 a.m.

Engaging the Word Mondays

Session Room

Tuesday, March 15

12:00 p.m.

ECLC Chapel

Sanctuary

1:30 p.m.

Weekly Staff Meeting

Workroom

Wednesday, March 16

12:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline

12:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Lenten Bible Study

Spring Hall

Thursday, March 17

5:00 p.m.

TSPC Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

Sunday, March 20

9:00 a.m.

Sunday School

9:00 a.m.

Revelation Study

ACT's Class Room

10:00 a.m.

Worship

Sanctuary

4:30 p.m.

All Youth Groups

Youth Rooms

Monday, March 21

10:00 a.m.

Engaging the Word Mondays

Session Room

Tuesday, March 22

9:00 a.m.

Staff Planning

Room 210

1:30 p.m.

Weekly Staff Meeting

Workroom

Wednesday, March 23

12:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline

12:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Lenten Bible Study

Spring Hall

Sunday, March 27

9:00 a.m.

Sunday School

9:00 a.m.

Revelation Study

ACT's Class Room

10:00 a.m.

Worship/Gifts for Hunger Offering

Sanctuary

6:30 p.m.

Session Meeting

Fellowship Hall

Monday, March 28—April 1

ECLC No School/Spring Break

Tuesday, March 29

1:30 p.m.

Weekly Staff Meeting

Workroom

Wednesday, March 30

12:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline

12:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Lenten Bible Study

Spring Hall

Friday, April 1

ECLC No School/Spring Break

Sunday, April 3

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School	
9:00 a.m.	Revelation Study	ACT's Class Room
10:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
1:30 p.m.	Children at the Lord's Supper Class	Rooms 122 & 124
2:00 p.m.	All Youth Groups/Hike	TBD

Monday, April 4

10:30 a.m.	Lena Venable Circle	Session Room
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Tuesday, April 5

10:00 a.m.	Mary & Martha Circle	Room 210
12:00 p.m.	ECLC Chapel	Sanctuary
1:30 p.m.	Weekly Staff Meeting	Kitchenette

Wednesday, April 6

10:30 a.m.	Ruth Circle	Kitchenette
12:00 p.m.	February 13 and April 17 Bulletin Deadline	
12:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.	Lenten Bible Study	Spring Hall

Friday, April 8

12:00 p.m.	COMBINED May & June Newsletter Deadline	
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Sunday, April 10, Palm Sunday

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School	
9:00 a.m.	Revelation Study	ACT's Class Room
10:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
1:30 p.m.	Children at the Lord's Supper Class	Rooms 122 & 124
4:30 p.m.	All Youth Groups	Youth Rooms
5:30 p.m.	Congregational Care Ministry Meeting	Kitchenette
7:00 p.m.	Diaconate Meeting	Fellowship Hall

Monday, April 11

10:00 a.m.	Engaging The Word Mondays	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Adult & Children's CE Ministry	Room 210

Tuesday, April 12

12:00 p.m.	ECLC Chapel	Sanctuary
1:30 p.m.	Weekly Staff Meeting	Kitchenette

Wednesday, April 13

12:00 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline	
12:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.	Lenten Bible Study	Spring Hall

Thursday, April 14, Maundy Thursday

6:00 p.m.	Meal & Intergenerational Worship with Communion	Spring Hall
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Friday, April 15, Good Friday

ECLC No School/Easter Holiday		
7:00 p.m.	Multi-Sensory Worship	Sanctuary

Sunday, April 17, Easter Sunday

7:30 a.m.	Sunrise Service	Pavilion
8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	Spring Hall
9:00 a.m.	Sunday School	
10:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary

Monday, April 18

ECLC No School/Easter Holiday
Church Offices Closed/Easter Monday

Tuesday, April 19

12:00 p.m.	ECLC Chapel	Sanctuary
1:30 p.m.	Weekly Staff Meeting	Kitchenette

Wednesday, April 20

12:00 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline	
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Thursday, April 21

5:00 p.m.	TSPC Food Pantry/Clothes Closet	
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Sunday, April 24, Youth Sunday

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School	
9:00 a.m.	Revelation Study	ACT's Class Room
10:00 a.m.	Worship/Gifts for Hunger Offering	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting	Sanctuary

Tuesday, April 26

12:00 p.m.	ECLC Chapel	Sanctuary
1:30 p.m.	Weekly Staff Meeting	Kitchenette

Wednesday, April 27

12:00 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline	
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Thursday, April 28

7:30 a.m.	Endowment/Investment Committee Meeting	Room 210
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April

Events at TSPC

Rev. Patrick Ryan
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12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Office Closed
1:00p.m.-5:00 p.m.

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