

EUREKA BAPTIST CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

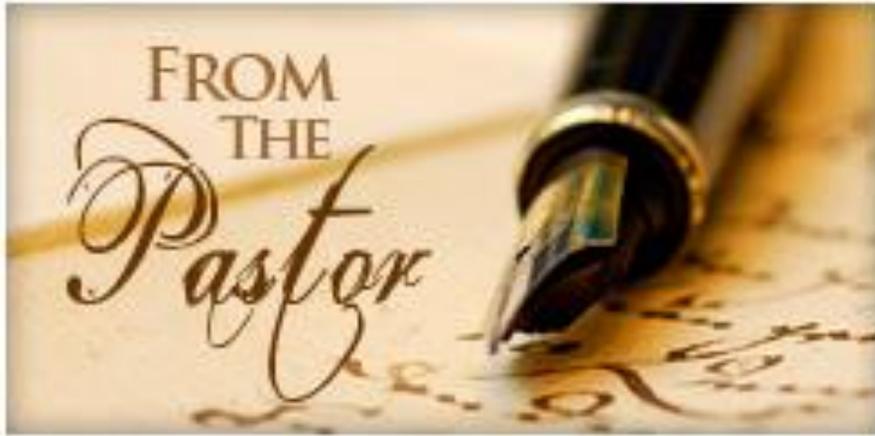


**Good Friday
Service**

Friday, April 14
6:30pm

Easter Service
Sunday, April 16
10:00am

EASTER
EASTER SUNDAY



A Note from Pastor Seth

In my first month as your pastor I have enjoyed getting to know each of you. I have interacted with all of you some and I look forward to getting to know you more in the future. I believe the Lord is going to do great things through our church. It has been a great start! I am praying for this and I hope you are praying also. It has been a pleasure preaching to you. I am sure you are getting used to my preaching style a little more each week. I am sure you have noticed that the Bible is the source of all my preaching. This is very important as true and lasting change comes through the Spirit as the Word is preached. We have already covered much over the last month. I thought it would be good to look at the big ideas we have covered so far on our journey through Philippians. We learned that we are called to Live as a gospel centered community by treasuring Christ, following his example, and proclaiming him together. We also learned that we need to make prayers of intercession for fellow believers. Specifically prayers of thanksgiving and praying for believers to grow as they go through the life of faith. Our prayers for one another do far more than we could ever imagine.

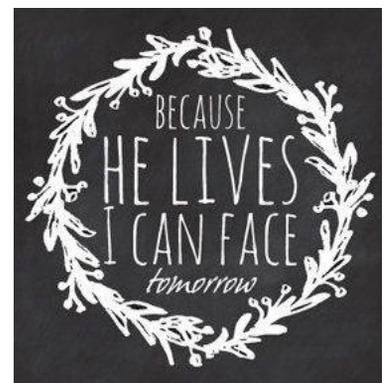
We then looked at our important goal of advancing the gospel in the St. Croix Falls area. The Apostle Paul taught us that we need to see obstacles as opportunities and also to rejoice that our apparent "opponents" who use different methods proclaim the same gospel. We also learned about the importance of glorifying Christ with our life. We do this by rejoicing that God is using our trials to bring us to final salvation, pursuing a fruitful life for Christ's sake, and helping the church. Our time is limited on earth and we must use it to be fruitful for Christ and not waste it. Lastly, we looked at the reality that we are now citizen's of Christ's kingdom. Not some period far off in the future, but now. As we live as kingdom citizens we will live as a community of believers united together in gospel ministry, our enemies will be afraid of our courage, and we will endure suffering the closer we follow Jesus (2 Timothy 3:12). This has been quite a journey the Lord has taken us on so far, and we are just getting started! In the days ahead we are going to continue through the letter of Philippians.

We will finish at the end of May. This time of year is extra special to be a Christian because of two important holidays that we will celebrate in April: Good Friday and Easter Sunday. We will have services 6:30pm on Good Friday and at 10 AM on Easter Sunday. I hope you can all make it as we remember and celebrate Christ's death and resurrection on those days.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Seth

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Sunday Morning Service
10:00am
*Kid's Church during Service
Adult Sunday School
9:00am
Bible Study
Wednesday 7:00pm



Quarterly Business Meeting

April 30th after Morning Service

Words About ...the Resurrection

Life with Christ is an endless hope;
Without Him it is a hopeless end.

Earth's saddest day and gladdest day
were just three days apart.

~Susan Coolidge

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life."
John 11:25-26

We live and die; Christ died and lived!
~John Stott

Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection,
not in books alone but in every leaf of springtime.
~Martin Luther

The joyful news that he is risen does not change
the contemporary world. Still before us lie work,
discipline, sacrifice. But the fact of Easter gives us
the spiritual power to do the work, accept the
discipline, and make the sacrifice.
~Henry Knox Sherrill

He Is RISEN! He is Risen indeed!

Submitted by Barb Trombley

It's Strange...

*It's strange how \$20 seems like such a large amount when put in the offering plate, but such a small amount when shopping.

*It's strange how one can't find the words to say when praying, but have no problem with what to say to a friend.

*It's strange how difficult it is for many to read one chapter of the Bible, but how easy it is to read a novel.

*It's strange how everyone wants front row seating at a concert, but pick the back rows at Church.

*It's strange that we need 2-3 week notice for an event at Church, but can adjust schedules for other events last minute.

*It's strange how difficult it is to learn a fact about God, but how easy it is to repeat gossip.

*It's strange how people believe everything that is seen on the internet, but question the words in the Bible.

Resurrection Cookies

This is a great recipe to make with your children or grandchildren.
You will be retelling the Easter Story with a tasty prop.

Gather:

1 cup whole pecans

3 egg whites

1 cup sugar

1 teaspoon vinegar

a pinch salt

1. Preheat oven to 300° F. (It is important that you do this first!)
2. Place pecans in a zipper baggy and let children beat them with the wooden spoon to break into small pieces. Explain that after Jesus was arrested, He was beaten by the Roman soldiers. Set the pecans aside. Read: [John 19:1-3](#)
3. Let your children smell the vinegar. Put 1 teaspoon vinegar into mixing bowl. Explain that when Jesus was thirsty on the cross, He was given vinegar to drink. Read: [John 19:28-30](#)
4. Add egg whites to vinegar. Eggs represent life. Explain that Jesus gave His life to give us life. Read [John 10:10-11](#)
5. Sprinkle a little salt into each child's hand. Let them taste it and brush the rest into the bowl. Explain that this represents the salty tears shed by Jesus' followers, and the bitterness of our own sin. Read: [Luke 23:27](#)
6. Ask your children what to add to make the cookies taste sweet. (Sugar!) Add 1 cup of sugar. Explain that the sweetest part of the story is that Jesus died because He loves us. He wants us to know Him and belong to Him. Read: [Psalm 34:8](#) and [John 3:16](#)
7. Beat with a mixer on high speed for 12 to 15 minutes until stiff peaks are formed. Then explain that their color, white, represents the purity in God's eyes of those whose sins have been cleansed by Jesus. Read: [Isaiah 1:18](#) and [John 3:1-3](#)
8. Fold in broken pecans. Drop by teaspoon onto waxed paper covered cookie sheet. Explain that each mound represents the rocky tomb where Jesus' body was laid. Read: [Matthew 27:57-60](#)
9. Put the cookie sheet in the oven, close the door and turn the oven OFF.
10. Give each child a piece of tape and seal the oven door. Explain that Jesus' tomb was sealed. Read: [Matthew 27:65-66](#)
11. Time for bed! Explain that they may feel sad to leave the cookies in the oven overnight, and Jesus' followers were in despair when the tomb was sealed. Read: [John 16:20-22](#)
12. The next morning, open the oven and give everyone a cookie. Notice the cracked surface and take a bite. The cookies are hollow! On the first Easter Jesus' followers were amazed to find the tomb open and empty. Read: [Matthew 28:1-9](#)

Cross at the front of the Church...



The stained glass cross that is lit up at the front of the Church holds a great deal of history for Eureka Baptist. In 1893, a Church was built 2 miles north of Eureka with beautiful stained glass windows. When the new Church building was built in 1922, the windows were carefully removed from the old building and used for the new building. In 2013, the time came for the windows to be replaced. A cross was made from the stained glass and put at the front of the Church. You've heard the phrase, "If these walls could talk"... well, rephrase that a bit to "If that stained glass could talk." What stories it could tell! Think of the many that wept at funerals...the many that smiled at weddings...the many that whispered at Prayer Meetings...the many that giggled during children's programs...the many that jumped for joy at VBS...the many that were tested at Church services...**and the many that surrendered their lives to Christ.**



Installation Service

Pastor Seth Brickley - Sunday, March 5th



Installation Service at Eureka Baptist Church for Pastor Seth Brickley. Area Pastors and church Deacons prayed over Pastor Brickley. Desserts followed the service.

Life long members Alvin and Susan Matson were recognized for all the years of love for our Lord and dedication to Eureka Baptist Church.





The focus in April is that the Bible teaches us that Jesus is the Son of God. The Key verse for this unit is John 20:31 "These are written so that you can believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God."

Committees

*Committees are to meet quarterly and report at Business Meetings

Newsletter

If you have anything you'd like to contribute to the Monthly Newsletter, please have it to Amber by the 20th of the month. j.a.lindo@hotmail.com



We will have a meal together after Morning Service on Palm Sunday. Please bring a dish to share.



Have a minute to help?

Soon, the flowers will be coming up. Which also means the weeds will be making a visit. If you have any extra time, please help weed and maintain the church flower garden.

Kid's Corner *Jonathan Johnson*



Johnny is the 9 year old son of Jeremiah and Shaila Johnson. He lives in Eureka Center and is in 4th grade at St. Croix Falls Elementary. Johnny has 2 sisters, Josie and Julianna. Johnny loves to hear the Bible stories at Church.

What does Heaven look like?

Heaven is a big cloudy place. Like a city made out of clouds.

Do you have any pets?

That I like? Yes. Ally my dog, and our turkeys, Richard and Mertle, because they don't chase me and they are pretty.

What is your favorite subject in school?

Phy Ed because it gets my heart pumping. It's fun and we play games.

Are you in any activities?

Right now? Yes - Baseball.

What is your favorite Bible story?

The one where...something with a giant...and a slingshot...and it hits the giant...with a rock in the head.

What is your favorite thing to do?

I like to play soccer, football and catch with my Dad.

Happy Anniversary!!
Steve & Sharon Jorgenson
April 11

Happy Birthday!!
Sandy Clark - April 12

The Case of the Empty Tomb

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance.
John 20:1 (NIV)

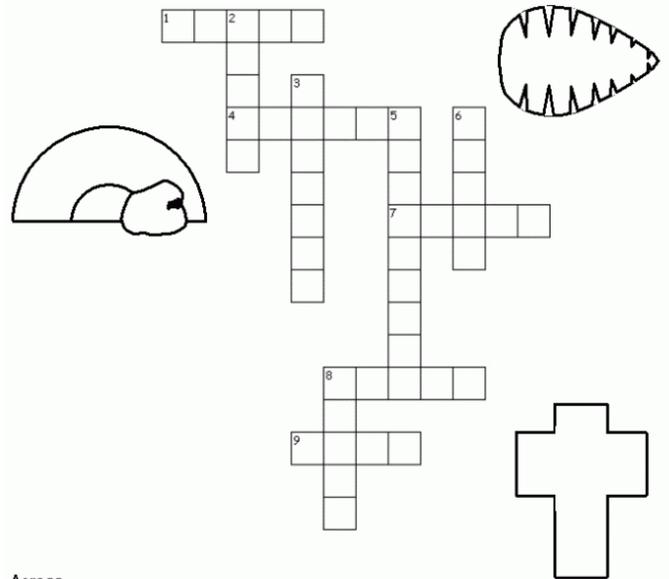
Based on John 20:1-18 (NIV)



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CRYING	STRIPS	HEAD	DEAD	STONE
WEEK	ANGELS	FIRST	BURIAL	LORD
RISE	REMOVED	TOMB	FOLDED	MARY
BELIEVED	LINEN	DAY	DARK	CLOTH

Easter Crossword

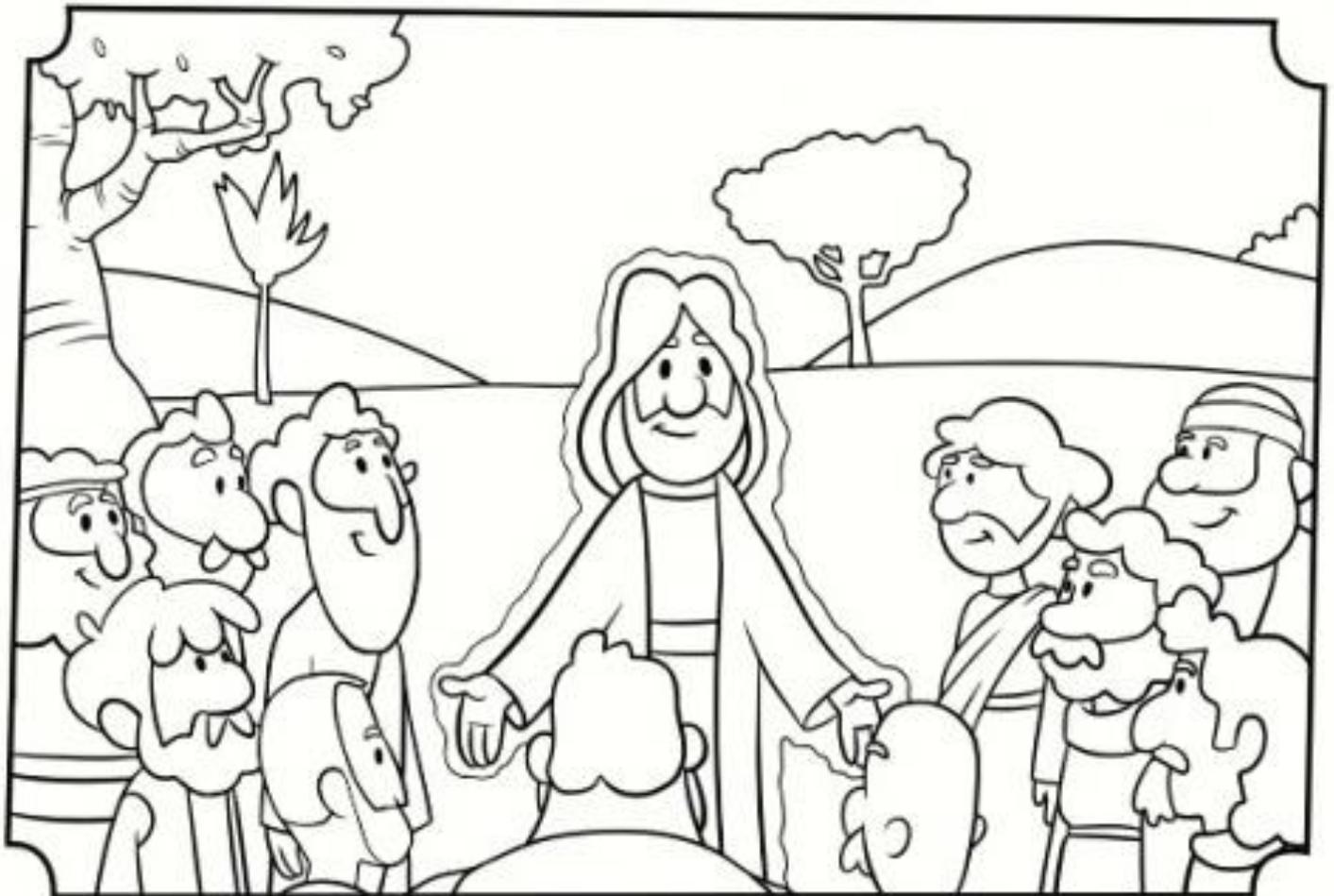


Across

- Taking this during the last supper symbolized Jesus' body.
- Jesus was forced to wear a crown made of these instead of a crown meant for a real king.
- The angel told the women, "Don't be afraid, Jesus isn't here; He has ____!"
- Instead of praying the disciples did this when Jesus went off to pray by himself.
- The main reason that God gave His only son, Jesus to die for each of us.

Down

- On Sunday the two Mary's didn't find Jesus but a tomb that was ____.
- The word people shouted to Jesus that means blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lon
- Jesus became the ____ for us, so we could be forgiven for our sins.
- Jesus was meant to die on this.
- This was put in front of the tomb so nobody could steal Jesus' body.



Jesus visited His disciples after He rose from the dead. He blessed them and went up into Heaven. Luke 24:36-53



Missionary Moment:

Dan and Esther Penney - Senegal

Several years ago, our Senegalese Baptist church association had a Harvest Festival. It's their own version of Thanksgiving, but it's always the second Sunday in January, after they've completed processing their late Fall harvest. Each family is to bring some of their grain—or optionally some cash—and it is all collected and counted on that Sunday and dedicated to the Lord's use. This year they gathered in two separate locations, since travel is a challenge for some from the farther churches. What a happy day for Dan and a few other WorldVenture colleagues, to join our Senegalese brothers and sisters in praising God for his goodness this past year. So Happy Thanksgiving, Senegalese style!

Photos: Top - A very typical village scene: a colorfully dressed woman drawing water from the well, her baby wrapped tightly to her back. Bottom - Penney Family



Parents: Please fill out and return to Barb Trombley by April 2nd so that members of Eureka Baptist Church can be praying for the children.

Child Name _____
 Age _____
 Prayer Requests _____

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EASTER FLOWER ORDER

*order due to Shaila Johnson by Tuesday, April 4th

Name _____

- ___ Lily (\$8.00) ___ Hydrangea (\$18.95)
- ___ Mum (\$12.95) ___ Crown of Thorns - 4 inch (\$6.95)
- ___ Begonia (\$12.95)

Flowers will be delivered to Church for Easter Sunday and then you are welcome to take your flowers home after the Service.
 Checks made out to Shaila Johnson.
 Mailing address if needed: 1914 230th Street, St. Croix Falls



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