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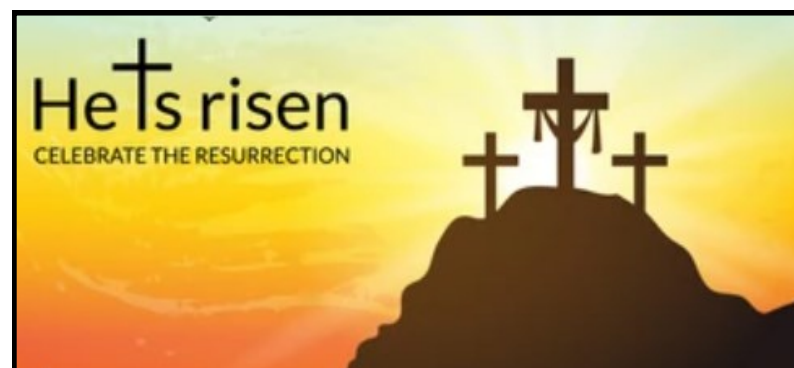
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*Please come and join us and see what's happening at
Pfafftown Christian Church!*



We would love to have you visit and worship with us!

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He is Risen

April, 2022

THE VISITOR



**PALM SUNDAY
STUDY & WORSHIP
SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022
10:00 & 11:00 A.M.**

Come and join us at 10:00 a.m. for a special Bible Study in the Downstairs Fellowship Hall followed by Worship at 11:00 a.m. We will remember the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem on this special Palm Sunday. Jesus rode into the city on a donkey as His followers spread palm branches at His feet and in His path as they cried "Hosanna" or "Savior". Our Savior would later be arrested on Holy Thursday or Maundy Thursday and His crucifixion on Good Friday thus marking the beginning of Holy Week and the final week of Lent.

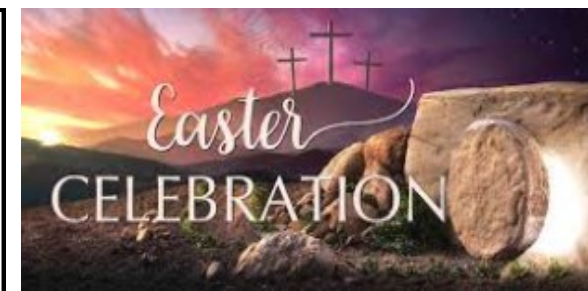
**Maundy Thursday
Worship Service**



**MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE
Thursday, April 14
7:30 p.m. ~ Sanctuary**

On Jesus' last night before his betrayal and arrest, He washed the feet of his disciples and then gave them a new commandment "to love one another as He had loved them." Maundy Thursday commemorates this foot washing and the Last Supper of Jesus with His Disciples in the Upper Room.

Please be sure to join us as we remember our Lord and Savior's teachings through scripture, meditation and Holy Communion.



EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17

You don't want to miss joining us as we gather together to celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Lord and Savior!

9:30 am - Breakfast Buffet in the DFH

10:00 am - Easter Egg Hunt (Lawn)

11:00 am - Worship Service

****Please remember to bring your fresh cut flowers to the Sanctuary by 9:30 a.m. so they can be placed on the Easter Cross in the Chancel.**



10:00 AM

Children, get your baskets ready for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt following breakfast and before worship!



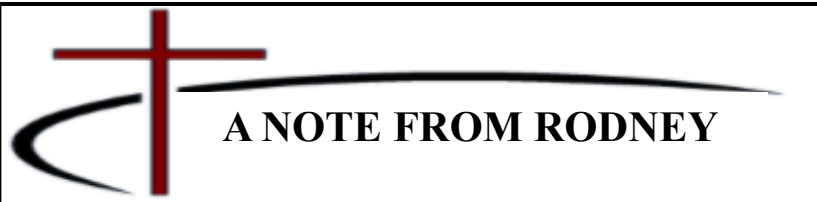
APRIL WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, April 3 ~ Rev. Jeff Carter

Sunday, April 10 ~ Rev. Rodney Stilwell

Sunday, April 17 ~ Rev. Robert Wolfe

Sunday, April 24 ~ Rev. Rodney Stilwell



A NOTE FROM RODNEY

FLASH and FUNDAMENTALS

It's early Spring so many of us have been watching a lot of basketball lately. Me, too. Watching the games, I'm amazed sometimes by so many players in today's college game who lack the basic skills of dribbling, rebounding, and boxing out. The list of the skills they lack goes on. They have a lot of FLASH but few FUNDAMENTALS.

Fundamentals are essential, especially the Christian faith. The Apostle Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians outlines the basics.

Now I would remind you, brethren, in what terms I preached to you the gospel, which you received, in which you stand, by which you are saved, if you hold it fast -- unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve . . . then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

Too many Christians are long on FLASH and short on FUNDAMENTALS. Paul's words remind us of the Easter Fundamentals:

Go to the Cross – we have to die to self

Go to the Tomb – He is risen from the grave, there is hope!

Go to the World – share His love, and tell your story of His presence in you!

May All the Blessings of Easter be yours, PCC!

Rodney

PS: I hope to see you on Sunday, April 10, at 10AM, in the Downstairs Fellowship Hall. We will share a study on "THE HANDS OF HOLY WEEK," before the Palm Sunday worship service.



Who Am I?

Who is this little cutie pie? This sweet man is so special to his family and to the family of PCC. He has such a giving and loving heart and is always willing to do anything that is needed. The answer can be found hidden somewhere in this newsletter... please look for an * and their name.)



CWF NEWS

We look forward to resuming our CWF meetings on Tuesday April 19 at 6:30 pm in the downstairs Fellowship Hall. This will be a planning meeting and we will decide on which charities we will support this year as well as discuss our upcoming Fall CWF activities. *All* ladies are invited so... join us! We promise you will be truly blessed by all the fun and fellowship!

Holy Week ~ Easter Do-At-Home Workshop For Kids

Again this year, for Holy Week/Easter I have designed a Do-At-Home "Supply Bag" for each child that will include Biblical accounts, activity pages, and several crafts to help them better understand the events of Jesus' life of Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and His glorious resurrection on Easter Morning! These will be available for you to pick up or have delivered to you by Palm Sunday, April 10. Please pray for these children as they experience a deeper understanding of Jesus' great and everlasting love for them! -Tim



A sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex for the items needed to celebrate our Easter Breakfast. Should you have any questions about what to bring or you wish to make a monetary donation, please see Mrs. Evelyn Nifong. **Thanks!**

Notes From Tim

"Fairest Lord Jesus" is one of my favorite Easter hymns. It is a beautiful poetic meditation on the nature of Jesus Christ. Philippians 2: 5-11 --- "*Christ Jesus, who though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited. But he emptied himself, being born in human likeness and being found in human form, humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name. So that at the name of Jesus, every knee should bow in heaven and on earth and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*"

1. Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son, Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.
2. Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer who makes the woeful heart to sing.
3. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling starry host: Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast.
4. Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor,
praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

In 1873, Lutheran minister Joseph Augustus Seiss translated this hymn text. Seiss was born in 1823, in Graceham, Maryland, to German parents of Moravian heritage. He entered the Lutheran clergy after graduation in 1848 from Gettysburg College and Seminary of Pennsylvania. A prolific author, he wrote on religious topics, books of the Bible and the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln. He served in several prominent positions in the Lutheran Church in Pennsylvania until his death in 1904. This hymn has stood the test of time for over three hundred years and still continues to be sung. The tune enchants the heart, and the text transcends time. What could be more beautiful than meadows with flowers in springtime, sun beams, or twinkling stars? Jesus, our "ruler of all nature." He "shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast"!

Grace and peace to you as we together celebrate the beauty of springtime and the glory of our Risen Savior Jesus Christ our everlasting Lord! -Tim

*Tony Bryant

Remember in Prayer

Please contact Traci at the church office when someone needs to be added or removed from our prayer list. This will assist us in keeping our prayer list updated for our bulletin and newsletter publications. Thank you.

Church Family:

Frank and Pat Barber, Kevin Cline, John Grice, Jack Groff, Helen Johnson, Sarah Ingram, Fred Muetzel, Skip Stanley, Garland and Sue Terry, Betty Tilley, Julie Tilley

Others:

Jason Alexander: Friend of Jack and Mary Groff
Mike Booth: Friend of Pam Backi
Jerrie Connelly: Sister-in-law of Betty Barker
Jan Everton: Sister of Jo Stanley
Bill Flynt: Cousin of Robert Flynt
Elaine Grice: Sister of John Grice
Betty Haddock: Mother of Sharon Binkley
Cayden Kingsbury: Grandson of Rodney & Beth Stilwell

Chuck Kolstad: Son-in-law of Evelyn Nifong
Sue Miles: Friend of Jo Stanley
Dene Pitts: Friend of Traci Canter
Plemmons Family: Friends of Alan & Debbie Fletcher
John Shoaf: Cousin of Tim Shoaf
Heather Stokes: Niece of Jill Robertson
Joy Stokes: Sister of Jill Robertson
Mike Stokes: Friend of Pam Backi
Patsy Terry: Daughter-in-law of Garland and Sue Terry
Judy West: Cousin of Ann Fletcher



During the month of April we will be collecting **Instant Oatmeal and Grits**. Thank you to everyone who gives to consistently to this local ministry.



Thank You.

A word of appreciation to Paul Shropshire for covering the expenses of fresh mulch and a landscaping crew to spread the mulch around our church buildings, trees, and other areas of our lawn. It has truly enhanced our church facilities and grounds, and we thank him for this very nice gift! --The Congregation