



The Covenanter

APRIL 2022



Winter Park
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



It's April, which means it's Easter, which means Resurrection - life abundant now, life eternal.

What others have said...

The Apostle Paul, "For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures."

C.S. Lewis, "The New Testament writers speak as if Christ's achievement in rising from the dead was the first event of its kind in the whole history of the universe. He is the 'first fruits,' the pioneer of life,' He has forced open a door that has been locked since the death of the first man. He has met, fought, and beaten the King of Death. Everything is different because He has done so."

N.T. Wright, "The resurrection completes the inauguration of God's kingdom... It is the decisive event demonstrating that God's kingdom really has been launched on earth as it is in heaven. The message of Easter is that God's new world has been unveiled in Jesus Christ and that you're now invited to belong to it."

Mary Magdalene, "I have seen the Lord!"

Gloria Gaither, "God sent His Son. They called Him Jesus. He came to love, heal and forgive. He lived and died to buy my pardon. An empty grave is there to prove, my Savior lives."

Timothy Keller, "If Jesus rose from the dead, then you have to accept all that he said; if he didn't rise from the dead, then why worry about any of what he said? The issue on which everything hangs is not whether or not you like his teaching but whether or not he rose from the dead."

Rob Bell, "It is such a letdown to rise from the dead and have your friends not recognize you."

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

Elisabeth Elliot, "Here are—six things that, if done in faith, can be the way to resurrection: be still and know, give thanks, refuse self-pity, accept the loneliness, offer it to God, turn your energies toward the satisfaction, not of your own needs, but of others'. And there will be no calculating the extent to which:

*From the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be."*

Beth Moore, "The power of the resurrection means that nothing but the tomb is meant to be empty."

Jesus, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

Many Easter blessings,

Pastor Darren

Worship Services: 8:15 & 10:30 AM | Sunday School: 9:15 AM
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Holy Week

Maundy Thursday

APRIL 14TH

7:00 PM

Easter Sunday

APRIL 17TH

7:00 AM—FRONT LAWN

10:30 AM—SANCTUARY

WPPC Concert Series Presents

Tapestry of Music

Featuring:

PENNY WALSH, ORGAN

HOLLY SMALL, PIANO

SARAH THOMAS, CELLO

SANDRA SHAFER, SOPRANO

ALEX MENDEZ, TENOR

SUNDAY, APRIL 3 @ 4:00 PM

FREE | DONATIONS ACCEPTED

MEET & GREET RECEPTION TO FOLLOW



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WPPC EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

9:00 - 10:30 AM

The morning will begin at 9am with a Continental breakfast, followed by story time, some really fun Easter activities, and visits to our Easter Activity Centers.

Bring your own basket for collecting your treasures!

CALLING ALL PARENTS AND FRIENDS!

Candy donations are needed for the Hunt!
We are looking for lots and lots of contributions!
(Please, do not bring "regular" chocolate as it melts in the heat of the Florida sun and creates more mess than fun!) We welcome lollipops, jolly ranchers, tootsie rolls, and so much more.

We need your candy by Monday, April 4.
And remember, no chocolate, except M&Ms.
Candies should be individually wrapped or packaged.

You don't need to fill the eggs - just provide bags of the sweet stuff and we'll take care of the rest!

Please bring your donations to the church front office.

Questions?
Contact Emily Wasser (emilyw@winppc.org).



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WPPC Concert Series Presents

A poster for a concert. The background is a stylized illustration of a sailboat on a blue sea under a sunset sky with orange and yellow clouds. The text is in various colors and fonts, including large, bold, orange letters for the title.

**MAGIC
OF BRONZE**
presents

SAIL AWAY

**HANDBELL
CONCERT**

SUNDAY, MAY 1 AT 4:00 PM

**WINTER PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
400 S LAKEMONT AVE
WINTER PARK, FL 32792**

Visit us online at magicofbronze.com
Follow us @magicbronzehandbells on Facebook

Free | Donations Accepted
Meet and Greet reception to follow concert.



Hannah Circle continues with in-person meetings on Monday, April 11. The group meets at 7:00 PM in Room 301. This year they have been studying the Horizon Bible Study put out by the PC(USA) entitled *What My Grandmothers Taught Me! Learning from Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus*. They feel blessed to have Pat Morgan as their knowledgeable and fearless study leader. All women of the church are invited to join this 2nd Monday of the month gathering of sisters who pray together, study together and enjoy a lot of fellowship. For questions, please contact Eileen Silvers - eileens@cfl.rr.com or 407-376-2133.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES
9:15—10:15 AM

RELATIONSHIPS IN ACTION (R IN A) • ROOM 301

Relationships in Action is a Sunday School class that studies issues “with the Bible in one hand and the newspaper in the other.” Each week features a different theme and a different speaker to present each topic. They are interested in social issues that affect their lives and the lives of others and how we as followers of Christ can be a factor in positive change.

April 3 • Planning Session

Planning session for May and June. All are welcome.

April 10 • Parables

Pat Morgan will finish with our exploration of the Parables.

April 17 • Easter Sunday

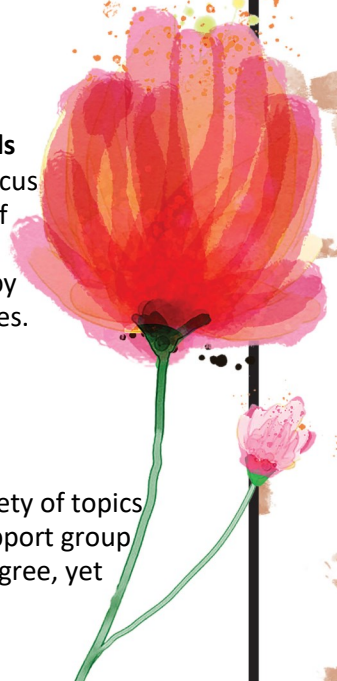
No class.

April 24 • The Holy Land Revealed: Discovery and Site of the Dead Sea Scrolls

Having previously addressed the Pharisees and Sadducees, this session will focus on a group that many scholars identify with the Essenes. It is first in a series of three lessons on the people who resided in the community at Qumran. This is the group that is credited with having deposited the Dead Sea Scrolls in nearby caves. Fragments of over 900 different scrolls have been discovered in 11 caves.

SEEKERS CLASS • ROOM 315

The Seekers is a discussion based Sunday school class that studies a wide variety of topics ranging from Books of the Bible to Theology to Current Events. They are a support group that spends time On fellowship as well as discussion and they are able to disagree, yet move in a positive direction during their discussions.





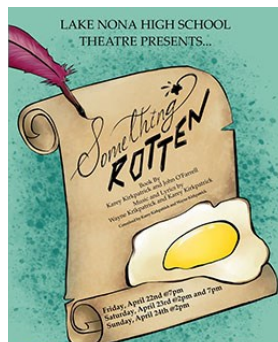
THE EASTER PEOPLE



My long-time friend Rev Dr. Richard Hardel, is a man of surpassing wisdom and great humor. He often refers to his fellow believers as THE EASTER PEOPLE. Christmas is the day set aside for us to celebrate Christ’s birth. It is certainly a joyous time that we share with the world, but the world has had its way with Christmas. It has become a commercialized celebration filled with Frosty the Snowman, the Grinch, cute little elves, Rudolph (of the Nose) and Grandma getting run over by a you-know-what!

We are not “The Christmas People.” We are THE EASTER PEOPLE. In truth our faith, at its core, is a “stumbling block” to the unbelieving world. Easter is the day we acknowledge and celebrate His resurrection; the day Jesus walked out of that tomb as proof that He is indeed the Messiah, the Risen Lord! Our eternal salvation is guaranteed. It is a fact! It is the truth! Hallelujah! Easter belong to us! The day (and the celebration) is unique to our faith. Thank God for that! Greet each other on that day with the phrase “He is risen!” and respond with “He is risen indeed!” This salutation is called the “Paschal” greeting; it is a centuries-old custom still widely used today. It is based upon Luke 24:34 (KJV(ESV) and is a joyous and uplifting Easter greeting.

As Easter Sunday approaches may each of us look to that empty tomb and rejoice. Our salvation is complete. Our Lord’s work on earth is finished. Nothing more need be added. We are saved, and the world has been changed forever. We are THE EASTER PEOPLE. He is risen! He is risen indeed!



Broadway at Lake Nona High School, that is! We have been invited to the dress rehearsal performance of *Something Rotten*, a musical fresh from the Great White Way, performed by the Lake Nona students. The show is an irreverent comedy about a struggling writer during the era of Shakespeare who is told by a soothsayer that musicals will be the biggest thing in theater. Gail Chase is director of the production, Jackson Chase has the lead role, and Justin Chase will be musical director. Date for this outing is Thursday, April 21. We will board the WPPC Bus at 9:00 AM and return to the church about 1:00 PM. There is no charge, but we will take up a collection to donate to the Drama Department of the school. Call the church, 407-647-1467, to reserve your place on the bus. We can take 15 passengers.

In Loving



Memory

*Christian Sympathy is extended to
the family and friends of
Myrna Erwin who passed February 28th.*

LIBRARY NEWS

DORIS ANGUISH, LIBRARIAN

The Crucifixion Window


The Crucifixion speaks for itself. In this presentation our Lord is surrounded by two who loved Him most dearly: His mother and John, the disciple into whose care He commends His mother. Jesus looks heavenward. The sun and moon are used in Christian art to show the sorrow of creation at His dying. It is shown here in the partial eclipse of the sun.

The lower panel states, "There they crucified." The emblem of the three nails symbolizes the Crucifixion—one nail for each hand and one nail which pierced both feet as seen in most crucifixes.

Some made the Temple a house of merchandise—a marketplace, but Jesus quoted from the prophet Isaiah that "mine house shall be called a house of prayer for all people." He spoke these words during the Feast of Passover, our Holy Week. Matthew, Mark, and Luke associated the cleansing of the Temple as the main act which brought our Lord to the Cross. Matthew said they tried to arrest Him. Mark writes that the chief priests and scribes sought a way to destroy Him. Luke added that priests, scribes, and principal men of the people tried to destroy Him. It started in the house of worship and ended with the event shown here.

Each of the four Gospels agree that a number of women were present at Calvary. Among them were Mary, our Lord's mother, Mary the Mother of James, and Mary Magdalene. John's gospel tells us that John the disciple was also there.






ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17


Easter is coming! That means we will gather our thoughts and prayers to be ready for this first of four Special Offerings in the Presbyterian Church this year. Since 1949, One Great Hour of Sharing has been an ecumenical effort. While each denomination allocates its gifts differently, all use their funds for ministries of disaster relief, refugee assistance and development aid. Projects supported by OGHS are underway in more than 100 countries, including the United States and Canada. For over 70 years, Presbyterians have joined together in this ecumenical effort to share God's love with others less fortunate than we. OGHS is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world and share God's love with all of our neighbors-in-need.

When you give to OGHS, you are assisting in the empowerment of others as they move past emotional, physical and spiritual misfortune. You offer them a chance to be resilient. Three programs benefit from your gifts to OGHS to partner with others to show that through Christ's love all things are possible. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance receives 32% to work alongside communities as they recover and find hope after natural or human-caused disasters; Presbyterian Hunger Program receives 36% to support initiatives that create sustainable food systems and alleviate root causes of poverty that all may be fed; and Self-Development of People receives 32% to provide resources and education to oppressed and disadvantaged communities working to overcome poverty and injustice through initiatives they own and receive direct benefits.

When we all do a little, it adds up to a lot. Please prayerfully consider your gift for this Special Offering, which will be taken on Easter Sunday morning, April 17.



5 CENTS A MEAL
SUNDAY, APRIL 24



Sunday, April 24, is our 2nd quarterly collection for 5 Cents A Meal. Please continue your support for P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer To Hunger). Your contributions support the Second Harvest Food Bank, which distributes meals to partner feeding programs across our six-county area; Society of St. Andrew (SoSA), which coordinates gleaning events with volunteers to provide fresh, nutritious produce to local food banks; Alliance for International Reforestation (AIR) in Guatemala, which plants trees to provide fruit and prevent mudslides, as well as build and install fuel-efficient brick stoves in remote, poverty-stricken villages; and Madagascar Project [Dan and Elizabeth Turk, PC (USA) Missionaries]. Dan trains seminary students in the planting and cultivation of fruit trees, and helps Elizabeth implement a community health program, teach AIDS awareness and advise the family planning program. Your contributions help our partners combat hunger in so many ways and in so many places.

THE COMPASSION COMMITTEE THANKS ALL WHO SUPPORT THESE SPECIAL OFFERINGS.



COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS - Here's How to Help

We are delighted to again be serving in the Men's Service Center at the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida. If you would like to serve, please sign up on the Coalition serving list posted in the hallway near the office, or contact Nancy Galyean at 407-929-0903 or nangalyean@gmail.com.

What	When
Bake brownies (Bonnie Gaughan 407-804-2565)	Wed 4/6 9:00-11:00 AM
Prepare meal (Mary Van Hook 407-359-2388)	Thurs 4/7 9:30-11:30 AM
Bag brownies (Joanne Robertson 407-678-8254)	Fri 4/8 9:00-10:00 AM
Donate reading materials: Magazines (news, sports, cars, National Geographic, religious magazines/booklets, paperback books)	All month: Place in COALITION giant storage box in Fellowship Hall.
Prepare to transport: Gather supplies, load food & supplies into bus (Nancy Galyean 407-929-0903)	Fri 4/8 3:30-4:00 PM
Serve the Meal. Join us in the WPPC kitchen for departure to Coalition at 4:00 PM and return by 7:30 PM. Volunteers please wear closed-toed shoes; it is a violation of health code to wear flip-flops. Please sign up in office hallway or call Nancy Galyean (407-929-0903) by the Wednesday before if you would like to serve.	Fri 4/8 4:00-7:30 PM NOTE: The church bus is reserved for this function.
Cleanup kitchen: Wash, sanitize items used; store supplies	Fri 4/8 7:30-8:00 PM
Financial Donation: Make check out to WPPC; note on the memo line "Coalition for the Homeless" - mail to WPPC or bring to the church office.	Anytime

HOMELESS COALITION TEAM NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Each month about 50 devoted WPPC volunteers handle the many tasks to provide and serve a wonderful meal to our guests at the Coalition.

We are in need of additional volunteers for various projects, and backup volunteers when regulars must be absent.

Any of the above gifts, or your time, are so appreciated!
To help in any way, please contact: Nancy Galyean
407-929-0903 or nangalyean@gmail.com.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<u>1</u> Sara Spivey	<u>2</u>
<u>3</u> Doug Reece Porter Spangler Ryan Wilson	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u> Thomas Skelton	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u> Betty Johnston Tatiana Lampe
<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u> Harry Oldford	<u>16</u> Ayden Blood
<u>17</u> Lisa Dreasher	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u> Brad Erb	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u> Maurice Pulliam Nelson Roe	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u> Cameron White
<u>24</u> Lynn Youtz	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u> Anne Murray	<u>28</u> Ardyth Austin Phyllis Woods	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u> Caroline James



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>1</u> Nancy Appich Shaheed Mohammed Marna Williams	<u>2</u> Marianna LaRue Lori Pantoliano	<u>3</u> Mary Ferguson	<u>4</u> Lurene Braswell Lee Corbett Curtis Koon Dave Rea Ben Reece Steve Walker	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u> Jason Mahoney	<u>7</u>
<u>8</u> Lily Boyle Norlin Ham	<u>9</u> Dan Kittinger	<u>10</u> Susan Davis Lindsay Seel Woody Storey	<u>11</u> Jodi Tassos	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>
<u>15</u> Bethanne Seel	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u> Almeda Dean	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u> Fred Murray	<u>20</u> Phil Ettinger Scott Frazier	<u>21</u> Annette Weidner
<u>22</u> Joann Robertson	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u> Griffin Seel	<u>25</u> Beverly Carpenter	<u>26</u> Ryan Yadav	<u>27</u> David Dodd	<u>28</u> Crystal Fern
<u>29</u> Alan Davis	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u> Stephen Boyle Sue Howard Margie Meliza				



The preschool's many enrichment programs offer opportunities for extra fun and learning after the regular school day has ended. Following is a peek into a recent Gifts of Nature with Mrs. Seel after school enrichment class lesson:

Cognitive scientists say that seeing faces in trees correlates to creativity. This class showed off their creative minds not only by making faces on the trees, but also unicorns and a dragon! Using slippery smooth clay to make the face and body, the children then



searched for gifts of nature to use as eyes, noses, hair and horns for their creations. And if you get the feeling you're being watched at car circle, be sure to look out for the "faces on the trees!"



Afterwards, the class planted snapdragons (*Antirrhinum majus*) in the terracotta pots they painted. These beautiful pots and plants were then taken home to care for, observe and enjoy.



Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is now open, and a few spots may still be available.

Please call us at 407-629-0727 to check availability for your child.





The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor
 The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor
 Carolyn Achenbach, Director of Operations/Accountant
 Cindy Mitchum, Executive Assistant
 Barbara Hordern, Administrative Assistant
 Justin Chase, Director of Music
 Penny Walsh, Organist
 Tricia Wilson, Director of Preschool Programs
 Kenny Lovelace, Sexton

SESSION

2022

Theresa Coker
 Bonnie Gaughan
 Fran Morrissey
 Michelle Trahan
 Jay Van Hook

2023

Syd Davis
 Fred Kittinger
 Malcolm MacDiarmid
 Jim McKinney
 Dawn Sumrall

2024

Mike Galyean
 John Gehrig
 Jayne Leach
 Audrey Santiago
 Sara Van Arsdel

DIACONATE

2022

Susan Davis
 Jane Munns
 Rachel Myers
 Christine Rich
 Dennis Schmalstig
 Meg Ball Thomas

2023

Ron Ellman
 Betty Johnston
 Sevilla Morse
 Cynthia Nants
 Jyme Smith
 Jeanne Vinci

2024

Ardyth Austin
 Lisa Dreasher
 Jerry Fitzgerald
 Nancy Galyean
 Andy Riccio

MISSIONARIES

Mark Hare & Jenny Bent - Costa Rica
 Dr. Dan & Elizabeth Turk - Madagascar

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