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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

“All we like sheep have gone astray.” Isaiah 53:6

That was true in Isaiah's time. It is true today. We all tend to go our own ways, and to think that our own ways are true and right.

We each could be Adam and Eve in that garden! Tell us not to do something and we immediately want to do it. And then we, like Adam and Eve, want to hide our faces in shame. “Original shame,” some theologians call the incident in the Garden.

But Hallelujah! Jesus Christ is risen indeed! Jesus triumphed over evil, Jesus made a way for us to be reconciled to God—to be alive again spiritually. The Eastern Orthodox church chants, “Christ is risen from the dead--trampling death by death.” (Getting technical, this is called the Paschal troparion or Christos anesti (Greek: Χριστὸς ἀνέστη).)

The Apostle Paul put it this way in 1 Corinthians 15:21-22 (CEB), “Since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead came through one too. In the same way that everyone dies in Adam, so everyone will be given life in Christ.” The Apostle Peter wrote in 1st Peter 3:18-20 (CEB): “Christ himself suffered on account of sins, once for all, the righteous one on behalf of the

unrighteous. He did this in order to bring you into the presence of God. Christ was put to death as a human, but made alive by the Spirit.”

Note again the reasons why Jesus did this: “so everyone will be given life in Christ” and “in order to bring you into the presence of God.”

The temple veil was torn when Jesus was on the cross. Jesus, as our forerunner entered into this holy place, and gave us the ability to do so, also. This holy place had been reserved for the very high priest and that high priest only to enter, and even that at great possible peril. But we today, because of the work of Jesus on the cross, because of the Atonement (the “at-one-ment”), we have the spiritual ability to come into the very presence of God, to become friends with God, to be in relationship with the only wise God, the triune God.

We become alive in Christ! We live and move and have our being in Jesus. The Kingdom of God has become our dwelling place.

Good news indeed!

Blessings-

Pastor Taysie

U.M.W. NEWS

Reminder: there are nuts (baking and eating), candy & fruitcake still available. Thank you for supporting this fundraiser.

Jane Alban has five, (5) blue binder, red & white checkered cover cookbooks available. They were printed by our church before the last green one. If interested call Jane at 410-374-4454. \$10.

OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH – will meet on Tuesday, April 26 at noon at Spargo’s in Manchester.



HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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| 4/3 | Diana Blessing | 4/17 | Phillip Fertitta |
| 4/4 | Freda Groomes | 4/18 | Nick Smith |
| 4/5 | Sandy Schaller | 4/19 | Patty Kelly |
| 4/7 | Adam Sheely | 4/20 | Georgia Blake |
| | Jane Alban | | Jack Blake |
| 4/8 | Josh Evans | 4/22 | Charlotte Hendee |
| 4/9 | Dwight Johnson | 4/23 | Clark Weikers |
| | Luke Thomas | 4/24 | Sharon Evans |
| 4/10 | Lisa Thomas | | Brayden Fertitta |
| 4/11 | Connie Hamm | 4/25 | Chris Wineke |
| | Nancy Korman | 4/29 | Jeanne Dolle |



PRAYER CONCERNS: Our devotion to prayer is one of the greatest ministries we have at Emory. Please remember these requests for prayer in your daily devotions. If you know of anyone who needs prayer, or have names to update on our prayer list, please contact the Church Office. Amy (relative of Bonnie Johnson), Joyce Applefeld, Bill Beauchamp, Bob Beverly, Mike Bitzel, Charlotte Bond, Ruth Buckingham, Jeff Cole, Sherry Cole (daughter of Laurie Harper), Ruth Crisler, Jeff Davis (son of Chuck Davis), Linda Fair, Ruby and Melvin Fair, Regina Gassman, Shirley Gordon, Peggy, Diane & Janice Hidey (mother & sisters of Rev. Barry Hidey), Anne Hakes (sister of Chuck Davis), Margaret Landreth (Patty Kelly’s Mother), Virginia Mann and her son Mike, Tracey Marcum (friend of Linda Fair) Helen Moore, Janice Raver, Shannon Raucci (friend of Leda Yeager), Sarah Robrecht, Sarah (friend of Greg Evans), Casey Terrell, Carlton Thomas, Bob Wheeler, Bill Williams (brother of Linda Fair), and Jim Woolley.



Prayer Chain: The Council on Ministries has decided to start up the prayer chain once again. We need volunteers that text message and ones that do not but are willing to phone call. If you would like inform one other person of a request for prayer, please notify Karon or the church of your willingness to participate.

This is the way it will work. Any person requesting prayers of the church will be asked personally to contact the Prayer Chain Leader. The Leader will contact several people by text or phone and each of these people will be assigned another person to call. It's that easy! Karon's contact numbers are 443-992-2314 or karonmoore819@yahoo.com. Church phone number is 410-429-6008.

NEW HOURS

Pastor Taysie will have Office Hours on Wednesday's from 3:30 to 5:30. Drop in & say Hi! Let's chat... about whatever!

EVENTS LOCATED NEAR EMORY

NESAP CHALLENGE begins on April 1st and extends until May 1st. Their goal is to secure \$15,000 in sponsorships and ask the community to match that amount. If you would like to help them reach that goal, please mail your gift to NESAP, PO Box 831, Hampstead, MD. 21074, or your online donation to their website www.nesapinc.org. If you have any questions you make call Lynn Sheavly at 443-952-0097.

Wesley Freedom Women are hosting a dramatic presentation by Anita Gutshick, in the Women of the Bible Series titled "For Such a Time as This" on Sunday, April 17 @2pm. For more information contact the church office @410-795-2777 or Lynda Wilhelm @410-491-8818.

Deer Park UM Church is having an afternoon tea on April 23 at 2:30pm. Adults - \$8.00, Children, 6-12 - \$4, and children 5 and under are free. Their guest speaker is Rev. Stacey Nickerson, Director of Church and Community Engagement Board of Child Care. Everything you always wanted to know about The Board of Child Care will be explained. If you are interested, call Betty Roach at 410-526-7239 prior to April 6th to make reservations.

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LITURGISTS -

The liturgists for April are as follows:

April 3 Freda Groomes
April 10 Ken Fowble
April 17 Joanne Smith
April 24 Dale Buckingham



If you discover that you can't keep the date, please let Ruth Bradford know. The new sign-up sheet for May-July is posted next to the flowers.

FLOWERS

As stated in March newsletter we have a new florist to bring us flowers. We will be receiving flowers from "Flowers by Evelyn."

The sign up sheet is located in the vestibule, **there are many Sunday's still available to**

order in honor or memory of someone. The cost is \$30 for our standard order, and \$40 for a fuller order. If you would like to purchase a fuller order, please note on chart or let the office know. Please return the vases asap to the church, so they can be used for the next week flowers.



THANK YOU:

- to Alex Obriecht who designed and officiated our Holy Thursday service.
- to the Emory Players for presenting the Good Friday play, "The Gathering: A Story After The Crucifixion". It was excellent & really gets you thinking about everyone who suffered on that Friday many years ago.
- Lastly, thank you to the Emory Choir led by Bev Gandolfo for the Cantata. What a beautiful tribute to Easter.

Emory is very blessed to have such dedicated, and talented people. If you see them don't forget to thank them.

Karon Moore and Elaine Dodds are liaison's for the Maryland Health Initiative which helps patients who were hospitalized make a better transition from hospital to home. There are many opportunities to help. If this sounds like something you might be interested in, please contact Karon or Elaine.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 NESAP Challenge begins	2 Boy scouts Mulch sale, 8am-6pm 7:00pm AA & AI Anon meeting
3 10:00am Church	4	5 Council on Ministries 7pm	6 3:30pm Pastor in office Wonderful Wed., 5:45pm Bible Study, 6:45pm Choir Practice, 7:30pm	7	8	9 Farewell to Bishop Matthews-2-5 Epworth Chapel 7:00pm AA & AI Anon meeting
10 10:00am Church	11	12 SPR, 7pm	13 5:45 pm Wonderful Wed. 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:30 pm Choir practice	14 7:00pm Boy Scouts	15	16 7:00pm AA & AI Anon meeting
17 10:00am Church Wesley Freedom presentation of the Women of the Bible series 2pm	18	19 Lay Leadership, 7pm	20 3:30pm Pastor in office Wonderful Wed., 5:45pm Bible Study, 6:45pm Choir Practice, 7:30pm	21	22	23 Emory Hall in use Afternoon Tea, Deer Park, 2:30pm 7:00pm AA & AI Anon meeting
24	25	26 Out to Lunch Bunch, Noon- Spargo's in Manchester	27 3:30pm Pastor in office LAST ONE Wonderful Wed., 5:45pm & Bible Study, 6:45pm Choir Practice 7:30 pm	28	29	30 Rebuilding Together, York Road with Pleasant Grove UMC, 8-4pm 7:00pm AA & AI Anon meeting