



## Prayer Requests:

*"Pray for one another"*

- James 5:16 -

- Diane Cote - kidney disease; health concerns
- Sandy Gagnon - dealing with chronic pain & various health concerns
- Erik Grabowski - chronic neck pain
- Leah (Glenda's daughter) - ovarian cancer; pray for pain relief; please pray for Glenda as well during this difficult and stressful time
- Ernie Perry - suffering with pain in his hip and leg; tests are being run to determine the cause; also dealing with COPD issues
- Norman Roy (Paula's sister's husband) - diagnosed with advanced ALS and now in hospice care at home; prayers needed for the family
- Tornado & Flood Victims - please pray for those who have suffered loss and damage from the 44+ tornados & flooding in eastern states (many of whom are our brothers & sisters in Christ)
- Trina (new sister in Christ in Roanoke, AL) - pray for spiritual growth & maturity in Christ
- Wayne Sampson - experiencing ongoing anxiety attacks; pray that the cause can be found, along with an effective treatment
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray that we might find a suitable and affordable permanent meeting place
- Please pray for those not with us today



*We are exercising great wisdom when we choose to make prayer a first priority, instead of a last resort.*

*"The prayer of the upright is His delight . . . He hears the prayer of the righteous."*

~ Proverbs 15:8, 29 ~

## Happy Easter!

This is the time of year when those in the denominational and religious world focus on the crucifixion of Christ (Good Friday) and His resurrection (Easter). The name Easter comes from a pagan figure called Eastre (or Eostre), the Saxon goddess of spring among the Germanic people of Northern Europe. The festival Eastre was held during the spring equinox in honor of her. Originally, there were some very idolatrous practices that went along with the celebration. The egg was a symbol of fertility, life and new birth. Easter was the goddess of fertility and her earthly symbol was the rabbit, known for its prolific breeding. So, the Easter bunny and Easter eggs are remnants of this goddess worship.

In honor of the goddess Eastre, Saxons would offer sacrifices about the time of the Jewish Passover. Through time, the name came to be given to the early celebration of the resurrection of Christ, which occurred at the time of the Passover. In early English versions, the word Easter was frequently used as the translation of the Greek pascha (Passover) – [Tyndale 1534; Coverdale 1535; Matthew's Bible 1537; Great Bible 1540; Bishop's Bible 1568]. Easter is also a nationally recognized annual holiday celebrating the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. While no yearly observance of Christ's crucifixion is commanded in the Bible, Christians are to partake of the Lord's Supper each Lord's Day to commemorate His death and remember His sacrifice (Acts 2:42; 20:7; 1 Cor 11:23-32).

The Scriptures attest that the Son of God was crucified in accordance with God's will to redeem sinful man, was buried in a borrowed tomb, and then raised to life by Almighty God on the third day – the Lord's Day – Sunday (Acts 2:23-42; 1 Corinthians 15:1-4). While His death on the cross paid the penalty for our sins, Christ's resurrection gives us hope that we too will be raised again when Christ returns (1 Corinthians 15:51-57; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18). So, the resurrection is at the very heart of the Christian's faith.

To make it even more real and more personal, those who are in Christ have already participated in His death, burial and resurrection in a figurative way, through baptism. "Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection" (Romans 6:3-5). "And thus we shall always be with the Lord" (1 Thessalonians 4:17).

The death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ, is the foundation of the Christian's hope – a confident expectation of everlasting life in the eternal presence of our blessed Lord!

— Terry Schmidt ✍

**"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"**

**- Acts 16:30 -**

**Hear** the Gospel - John 6:44-45; Rom 10:14,17

**Believe** [trust in] God - John 3:16; 8:24; Ac 16:31  
Heb 11:6

**Repent** of sins - Luke 13:1-5; Acts 2:38; 3:19; 17:30

**Confess** Christ - Mt 10:32-33; Ac 8:36-37;  
Rom 10:8-10

**Be baptized** - Mk 16:16; Ac 2:38; 8:36; 22:16;  
1 Pet 3:21

**Be faithful** unto death - Mt 7:21; Rev 2:10

☺ **Welcome Visitors!** ☺

*We are glad you have come to worship with us today. We want you to know that you are welcome. Please don't hesitate to ask if you have questions or if we can help you in any way. Please fill out a visitor's card before you depart.*

*Have a great week!*





**Ladies' Corner**

Ladies' Day: Saturday, May 18th,  
10:00—2:00 at Lakes Region church  
of Christ. Speaker: *Brenda Birckholtz*,  
Topic: "Trusting God's Timing, Purposes and  
Plans." (flyer on back table)

## ~ Announcements ~

- **Greenwood Nursing Home Service:**  
Every Sunday afternoon at 3:30 PM.  
All are welcome! ☺

## Happy Anniversary!

*Rod & Shirley - April 28th*

*Jim & Pat - April 28th*

## VISITS TO OUR WEB PAGE

This Week: 1426

This Month: 3868



## Snacks!

April 21: Pat  
April 28: Glenda

## Contribution & Attendance for April 14, 2019

Attendance — 23  
Contribution — \$690

## Order of Worship

April 21, 2019

"Praise the LORD! I will praise the LORD  
with my whole heart, in the assembly  
of the upright and in the congregation."

- Psalm 111:1 -

Song Leader: *Paul Cote*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Wayne Sampson*

Song

Scripture Reading: *George Nick*  
~ 1 Corinthians 15:50-58 ~

Song

The Lord's Supper:  
*Jason Kennedy & Ernie Perry*

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*  
"What the Resurrection Means"

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:  
*George Cuvellier*

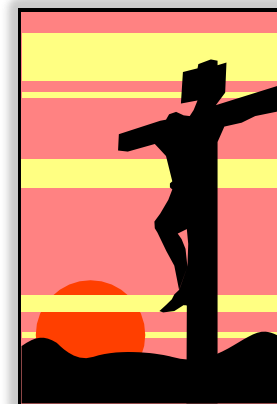
Alternate/fill-in: *Jim Miller/ Paul Bullock*

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Lord's Supper Prep: *Terry Kennedy*

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*We love Him, because  
He first loved us.*  
- 1 John 4:19 -

**April 21, 2019**

## Sunday Assembly Times:

9:30 am — Bible Class  
10:30 am — Worship  
6:00 — Bible Study

## Wednesday Assembly:

7:00 — Bible Study

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