

PASTOR'S LETTER

May 2017



Happy Easter,

Yes, I know it's the first week of May. Easter is a season not a single, one morning and its over day. It is 50 days. During this time, we hear the stories of Jesus final attempt to walk with his Disciples. His final attempts to prepare them for the work ahead of them. We hear of the Disciples hesitation, uncertainty , anxiousness and final attempts to hide from the call set before them. Near the end of the Easter season we finally hear of the Disciples stepping out into the great big world before them, sharing the good news with all those they meet.

What do we do during this season? We walk with the Disciples. We see their actions in ourselves. We look at our experience of faith and continue our journey as the Living Disciples. The world around us comes to bloom. The colors of creation fill our visions. Our children grow before us. Our days are filled with more sun light as the air begins to warm around us. Open a window, take a walk outside, turn of the computer for ten minutes and celebrate creation.

Pastor Cheryl A. Caronna

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

All those wishing to learn more about our church are invited to speak with Pastor by May 14th. We will be meeting at the end of the month to share our stories and the Congregations stories.

During worship on Sunday June 11th we will be celebrating those who have chosen to join our Church. Everyone is invited to a special coffee hour.



BIBLE STUDY

On Tuesday morning for the next few months Bible Study will be held at 10am. Our first round of topics will be Bad Girls of the Bible. This is a weekly discussion on a different woman in the Bible.

Scripture references for each week will be given ahead of time. Bible study is open to anyone wishing to be in conversation with others.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Coffee Hour Coordinator: This person(s) would help organize our coffee hour (checking in and reminding those that have signed up to serve, keeping track of needed supplies)

Pie Sale Organizer: Ole Home Day is Saturday October 14, held right on our front lawn. It is a tradition for our Church to sell pies during this event. We are in need of one or two people to organize the pie sale (get the information out to the congregation, set up delivery and clean up, etc.) For more details on what organizing this activity entails, please speak with Emily Savoie.



YOUTH EVENTS

Sunday May 7th Clean up the Park with Giv2. Students in grades 7-12 (5&6 with a parent) and chaperones will be going to Roseland Park in Woodstock 12:00-3:30

May 21st PIZZA & PLANNING following worship we will gather together to share ideas of activities and events we want to do during our next year together and decide on what mission trip we want to go on.

June 4th Children's Sunday. The youth of our Church will lead us in worship. Any youth wishing to play an instrument or be a reader should let Pastor know.

Events and activities in May

BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday Mornings 10 am May 9, 16, 30.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY: Children will be leading worship on Sunday June 4th. They will have practice following worship on May 21st and during class on May 28th.

OFFICE will be closed for **Memorial Day** on Monday May 29th.



COMMITTEE MEETINGS

4th Deacons Meeting

7th Music Committee Meeting

11th Trustees Meeting

18th Council Meeting

Christian Education Meeting -via email planning

Missions Meeting

Pastoral Relations Committee

Sunday Morning Worship Service 10 am

Children's Church School is held during the 10am worship time.

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