



THE VISION

April 2020

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them and...teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you...”

Easter 2020

I enjoyed reading some excerpts from the 2020 Farmer's Almanac. I came across an article on Easter, I thought their reporting on Easter dates was interesting and helpful. I have also added the significance of Easter to a Christian.

WHY DO WE CELEBRATE EASTER? Easter celebrates Christ's resurrection from the dead, following His crucifixion! The resurrection represents the triumph of good over evil, sin, death, and the physical body.

WHEN IS EASTER 2020? This year, Easter will be observed on **Sunday, April 12**. Easter's date is just **5 days** after April's Full Moon (Tuesday, April 7), which is the first full moon of spring, known in the Christian calendar as the **"Paschal Full Moon."**

WHAT WILL BE FUTURE EASTER DATES? Easter is a "movable feast" and does not have a fixed date; however, it is always held on a Sunday between March 22 and April 25. Therefore, in 2020 Easter Sunday will be April 12 ... 2021 Easter will be April 4 ... and in 2022 Easter will be April 17. If you want more dates, check out the Almanac's dates all the way to the year 2299!

The Almanac says it this way: In 2020, the spring equinox will happen on Thursday, March 19. The first full moon to occur after that date rises the night of Tuesday, April 7. Therefore, Easter will be observed on the subsequent Sunday, April 12.

On Christian calendars, the first full moon of spring is called the **"Paschal (Passover) Full Moon."** So, Easter is observed on the Sunday after the Paschal Full Moon.

WHERE DID THE WORD "EASTER" COME FROM?

Easter, also called Pascha or Resurrection Sunday. *Pascha* (Latin) which comes directly from *Pesach*, the Hebrew word for Passover. Going back to the story of the first Passover, Moses tells the Israelites to slaughter a Passover lamb and paint its blood on their door post. The Lord protected the Israelites from death by passing over their doors and would not *"allow the death angel to enter your houses to strike you down"* (**Ex. 12:23**).

In the New Testament (**1 Corinthians 5:7**), Paul connects the resurrected Christ to the Passover. He refers to Jesus as the paschal lamb who has been sacrificed for his people's salvation. Jesus celebrated the Last Supper with his disciples during Passover, so it makes sense that the Feast of the Resurrection is connected with the Jewish holiday.

The exact origin of the word "Easter" is unclear. Some historians suggest that it came from the Latin phrase for "white week," used to describe the white garments new Christians wore when they were baptized during Holy Week.

Easter may have formed in an old German word for "east," which in turn is derived from a Latin word for "dawn." In the past, the word *Easter* could mean "to turn toward the east" or "rising."

Personally, it is unimportant if Easter comes from the German or Latin language. For me, Easter is a Christian holiday to celebrate Christ's resurrection ... and the reminder that His death and resurrection brings NEW life to all who believe by Faith in Jesus Christ!

Happy Resurrection, Easter, Sunday.
Pastor Bud Goude

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Happy Easter



Deacon's Devotional

The Death and Resurrection of Christ John 15:33

Jesus began preparing his disciples for his death and resurrection at the beginning of his ministry. He taught them humility, which would allow them to, not only speak about Jesus' works, but live them.

At the Last Supper, Jesus demonstrated his love and humility by taking on the roll of a servant and washing the disciples' feet.

As we observe and celebrate Easter, the crowning jewel of our faith, we are reminded of the love that God had for mankind: a love so strong that he would sacrifice his only son that we might have everlasting life with him.

My favorite scripture, John 15:13: "*Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends,*" demonstrates the unconditional love that God has for each and every person.

May each and every one of you have a great and rememberable Easter.

Jimmy Diggs



Jelly Bean Prayer

Red is for the blood He gave.
Green is for the grass He made.
Yellow is for the sun so bright.
Orange is for the edge of night.
Black is for the sins we made.
 White is for the grace He gave.
Purple is for His hour of sorrow.
 Pink is for our new tomorrow.

**An egg full of jellybeans,
 colorful and sweet
 is a prayer, is a promise
 is an Easter treat!**



Church Picnic

Our Annual Church Picnic will be held on
Sunday, May 17, 2020 at the CHURCH.

It will start at 5 PM with games and family fun.

Note: Dinner will be served at 6 PM.

Fried chicken, bread and beverage will be provided.

Bring a vegetable, salad or dessert,
 an appetite and a friend!

Join us for a Dessert Contest - more details to

Have a Blessed Easter

Stay Safe

We Are Praying For You



Community Easter Sunrise Service

April 12, 2020, 6:15am

Has Been Cancelled

Please Note!!

All In Person Worship Services and Activities are CANCELLED through April 18.



Deacon of the Week

4/5—Ted Fisher
4/12—Seth Gandee
4/19—Buddy Hogge
4/26—Keith Martin

Nursery Workers

4/5—L. Walton/G. Breeden
4/12—Devan/Elyza Willard
4/19—M. Wagner/Youth
4/26—A. Crummett/A. Zepeda

April Ushers

Jimmy Diggs
Gus Saunders
Amy Jacobson



CHURCH WORKERS

April Tellers

Amy Jacobson
Lynn Walton

Sun. Sch. Nursery

Sharon/Howard Warren

Older Children's Church

4/5—Paige Belvin
4/12—Jennifer/Lauren Hall
4/19—M. McNeil/D. Gandee
4/26—Connie West

Younger Children's Church

4/5—Tim Owens
4/12—N. Dyson/S. Anthony
4/19—J. West/J. Marshall
4/26—L. Sentz/R. Wells



Sunday Schedule

Sunday School (All Ages): 9:40 am
 Worship Service: 11:00 am
 C.A.R.E. Ministry: 2:00 pm

April 2020

Wednesday Schedule

5:30 pm: Children & Youth Dinner
 6:00 pm: Children's/Junior Choir
 6:30 pm: Children/Youth Bible Study
 6:30 pm: Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	6	7	8	9 <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	10 <i>Good Friday</i>	11
12 <i>Easter He IS Risen!!</i>	13	14	15	16 Vision Due	17	18
19	20 American Heritage Girls 6:30 pm	21 Armstrong Circle 6:30 pm	22 Family Night Supper 6:00 pm Business Meeting 6:30 pm	23 Acree Circle 10:00 am Girl Scouts 6:00 pm	24 AA 8:00 pm	25
26 Church Council Meeting 12 pm	27 WMU Council Mtg 10am AHG Board of Review 6:30 pm	28	29	30 Girl Scouts 6:00 pm		

April Birthdays:

Shannen Jenkins	4/5
John Miller	4/6
Bill Swindeck	4/7
William Hogge	4/8
Queenie Holt	4/10
Stewart Wood	4/15
Krysten Eifes	4/16
Cassie Wiese	4/17
Thomas Hall	4/17
Pearl Goude	4/18
Samantha West	4/19
Wesley Bullis	4/20
Tom McElfresh	4/20
L.T. Wells	4/20
Ashley Jo Zepeda	4/21
David Strickland III	4/23
Paul Greggs	4/24
Linda Mitchell	4/27
Barry Milligan	4/29
Benjamin Greggs	4/29
Barbara Mangrum	4/29
Jeff Breaks	4/30
Rebecca Joyce	4/30



Anniversaries:

Gus & Sarah Saunders	4/3
Donnie & Jo Green	4/22
Gordon & Alice Smith	4/25
Gary & Bonnie Ogden	4/29
Tom & Sandy McElfresh	4/30

