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THE VISION

April 2022

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

Amen. Matthew 28:19-20

NEW BEGINNINGS AND RENEWAL

As a child, I used to love this month and this time of the year. Spring has just started. Trees are leafing out; flowers are blooming and the grass starts to turn green. Weather begins to warm so that we can do more things outside. But what I looked forward to the most this time of the year, EASTER. Easter at our house, and the houses of most of my friends that went to church, was exciting.

My mom would always buy us new clothes which we couldn't wear until Easter Sunday. My brother and I received maybe a suit, shirt, tie and shoes and my sisters got dresses, gloves, sometimes a hat, and shoes. Easter Sunday at church was very colorful. We always bought egg coloring kits to color or decorate real eggs for the big Easter egg hunt, which we spent Saturday night doing.

Each new Easter season is a new beginning with a renewal of our beliefs in a Risen Savior, Jesus Christ. I have lots of fond memories of past Easter celebrations and hope to have many more before He calls me home. Every time Easter gets here, we remember that Christ overcame the final obstacle, death. Now we all have a chance to have a new beginning with a renewal in the Holy Spirit; we just need to ask Christ to come into our hearts and call Him Lord.

As we prepare for this Easter let's not forget the reason we celebrate. Even nature points toward Christ and, as Christians, we need to let everyone know what we and nature already know. Christ is the only path toward eternal life!

In Christ I pray, Stewart Wood



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Maundy Thursday Seder Service

Thursday, April 14, 2022 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

So that we can properly prepare, please signup in the Narthex.

Please Note: Children are welcome to attend, but please note that sampling of symbolic foods will be included in the service.

This service will allow us to experience and learn about the ceremony that started with Israel's liberation from slavery and ultimately became a blessing for the world through salvation from sin.







He Is Risen!!

Easter Sunrise Service

VIMS (Gloucester Point Beach)

April 17, 2022 6:15 am

(Breakfast 7:00 am-GPBC)

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What's Happening In The WMU

The WMU is excited to be hosting our

Mother-Daughter Tea on Saturday, May 7, at 2:00pm.

Mothers bring your daughters (age 6 & above)!

If you are a mother without a daughter or mom,
adopt one of the ladies from the church.

If you are a daughter without a daughter or mom,
adopt one from the church.

(Your mom or daughter does not need to be a member to attend).

We will have a Silent Auction

with proceeds going to support missions.

WMU has not been able to host this event due to Covid and we are
excited to be able to do so in 2022.

Save the date, **May 7, 2022,** and join us for a delightful afternoon. We hope to see you there.

A sign-up sheet will be available in April.





Missions Moment

- GenSend teaches college students how to be the hands and feet of Christ and share the gospel in everyday life. Pray for the students who will serve across North America during their breaks this school year.
- Pray for missionaries and church planters in Washington D.C. and Baltimore as they seek new places to gather for worship. Pray that the churches would be known as places of peace amid the strife and violence that exists.



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Deacon of the Week

4/3—Sandy McElfresh 4/10—Barry Milligan 4/17—Brian Stewart 4/24—Al West

Nursery Workers

4/3—H. Warren/T. Owens 4/10—L. Walton/A. Zepeda 4/17—Jamie/Bailey Moore 4/24—H. Warren/T. Owens

April Ushers

Jimmy Diggs Gus Saunders Amy Jacobson



April Tellers

Amy Jacobson Lynn Walton

Sun. Sch. Nursery Sharon/Howard Warren

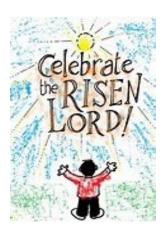
Older Children's Church

4/3—Alice/Gordon Smith 4/10—TBD 4/17—M. McNeil/D. Gandee

4/24—Connie/Sami West

Younger Children's Church

4/3—Nancy Dyson 4/10—Sonya Anthony 4/17—Joyce Marshall/TBD 4/24—R. Wells/M. Wagner



Sunday Morning Flowers

If you would like to provide flowers for a Sunday Morning Service, please sign-up for a specific Sunday on the flower signup sheet in the Narthex. If you are placing the flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, contact Sue in the office, to provide the information so it can be included in the bulletin. What a great way to recognize a birthday, anniversary, etc. and help to decorate the sanctuary!



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Easter Crosses

Would you like to place a cross on the cross in Memory or in Honor of a Loved One? The donations for the crosses will go to support Benevolence. A cross can be placed for a minimum of a \$5.00 donation, but more will gladly be accepted. The Deadline will be Thursday, 4/14/22 and the crosses will be placed on the cross as the donations are received. The Cross Contributors List will be included in the Easter bulletin. Place your form & payment in the labeled box in the Narthex. Contact Paulette Ashe at 642-3251 for questions. Thanks for your generosity!



Sunday Schedule

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



Wednesday Schedule

5:30pm: CYM Supper 6:00pm: Youth Bible Study 6:00pm: Children's Choir & Bible

Study

6:30pm: Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

7:30pm: Choir Practice

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
**NO CARE EASTER SUNDAY 4/17/22					1	2
3 Lord's Supper 11am Youth Council Meeting 12:00pm Deacon Mtg 3:00pm	4 AHG/TL Meetings 6:30pm	5 Community Mornings Out-9:30am Bldg & Grounds Mtg 6:30pm	6	7	8	9 AHG Father/ Daughter Pizza & Games (NFH) 11:00am
10 Palm Sunday SS Breakfast (Minnie Rowe) 9:15am Children's Council Meeting 12:00pm	WMU Council 10:00am AHG Ministry Team Meeting 6:15pm	12 Community Mornings Out-9:30am	CYM Easter Celebration	Maundy Thursday Seder Service (NFH) 7:00pm	Vision Due NFH Reserved	Emma Crawford Quilting 9:00am-4:00pm
17 ** Easter Sunday Easter Sunrise Service (VIMS)-6:15am Sunrise Breakfast (GPBC)-7:00am Morning Worship 11:00am	AHG/TL Meetings 6:30pm	Community Mornings Out-9:30am Armstrong Circle 6:30 pm	20	Acree Circle 10:00am	22	23
24	25 AHG Board of Review 6:30 pm	26 Community Mornings Out-9:30am CMO Luncheon (NFH) 11:00am	27 Quarterly Business Meeting 6:30pm NO FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER	28	29	30 AHG Mother/ Daughter Faith Award Event (NFH) 11:00am

April Birthdays:

Shannen Jenkins	4/5
John Miller	4/6
Bill Swindeck	4/7
William Hogge	4/8
Queenie Holt	4/10
Dean Short	4/10
Declan McNeil	4/11
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
L.T. Wells	4/20
Shyann Sanford	4/21
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