

Rose Hill Newsletter

"Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common"
-Acts 2:44



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Ladies Weekly Bible Class
Thursday Night Bible Study
Pastoral Institute Counseling

Sunday, April 12, 2020

The Day That Changed Everything

About 2,000 years ago today, the world changed forever. It changed when a few disciples went to a tomb to mourn over their dead teacher, a rabbi that they had followed around for three years. It changed when, as they approached it, they saw that the great stone covering the tomb had been removed—something that would require extraordinary strength. It changed when, peering in, they saw only the wrappings but no body. Of all the resurrection accounts, my personal favorite is Jesus' appearance to Mary in John 20:1-18. It was a day that would change her life forever. It is my favorite for many reasons:

First, it is a profound display of love. When Peter and John had come to inspect the tomb, they left in despair. Yet Mary could not even bring herself to leave—she stood outside the tomb weeping and looking into the tomb (20:11).

Second, it is an incredible reversal. Mary's grief was questioned by two angels. Evidently, the angels did not believe Mary had all the facts! To them, it was occasion for rejoicing not weeping. Soon, Mary discovered the same truth. Jesus spoke to her, inquiring about her sorrow in v. 15: "Woman, why are you weeping?" Sometimes what appears to be occasion for mourning ends up being reason for celebration (though not always!).

Third, it is an extremely personal revelation. I am always struck by the one word that grabs Mary's attention and immediately causes her to realize that the "gardener" she thinks she is talking to is actually the risen Savior. What word? *Her name!* Jesus simply says "Mary!" (v. 16). Do we realize the power of hearing Jesus declare our names? What would it mean to hear Jesus talk directly to you, calling you by name? And yet, God is our Father—he knows our names, has numbered the hairs on our head, and is delighted to call us his children (Luke 12:7; 1 John 3:1-3).

Finally, it is a revolutionary commission. In Jesus' day, women were seen as vastly inferior to men. Have you ever considered that Mary is the very first person commissioned to proclaim the good news of the resurrected Lord? "Go to my brothers and say to them, 'I ascend to my father and your father, my God and your God,'" says Jesus in v. 17. Just as Jesus requested, Mary went and announced to the disciples: "I have seen the Lord." She also explained what had happened to her (v. 18). What a moment of redemption—Jesus did not choose Peter, James, or John to be his first witness. Instead, he chose the person least likely to be selected by society.

The resurrection changed everything for Mary. And it can change everything for *you and me*. Jesus defeated the grave and provided forgiveness for our failures. May we continue to allow the resurrection to define our lives every single day!

Nathan Diller

Church office will be closed until further notice. If you need to speak to Nathan, Scott or Cindy, please call, text or email them.

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Cathy Rathert - April 12
Dewayne Long - April 13
Emma Durham - April 15

CALENDAR EVENTS

Calendar Events are cancelled until further notice. If you have a question about an event that was on the calendar, please contact Cindy.

Join us on-line at
rosehillchurch.com or Facebook on
Sunday morning at 10:30am.



Brewer, Aaron & Lauren (7th) - April 13



PRAYER LIST - MEMBERS.

Keep members that have lost their jobs due to the COVID-19 in your prayers.

***Larry Stewart** has been diagnosed with bladder cancer.

***Billy McQuilton** will be having tests done on April 30th.

***Debbie Robison** is undergoing radiation treatment.

Ongoing Health Issues:

Rick & Norma Cox, Lin Shaw, Donna Greene, Jan Davidson, Ann Jones (health issues), **Mary Jo Hargett, Pat Johnson** (health issues), **Lonnie & Pat Taylor, Linda Brooks** (health issues), **Rick Cox** (cancer treatment), **Jerry Craft** (health issues), & **Jason Valero** (seizures).

PRAYER LIST - FRIENDS & FAMILY

***Paula Mallonee** (family friend of Dillon Dixon) passed away suddenly on Thursday.

***Kathy Flynn** (Becky Rodgers' niece) had the covid-19 but is doing much better.

***Donna Ectstien** (sister of Dewayne Long) fell and broke some bones.

***David & Heather Corder** (Misty Johnston's daughter and husband) have asked for prayers.

CANCER:

***Tim Ross** (Judy Deising's brother-in-law) has bladder cancer.

***Doug Shay** (brother of Marguerite McKinney) prostate.

***Teri Whitehurst** (co-worker of Marguerite McKinney) breast cancer.

***Steve Young** (friend of the McKinney's) prostate cancer.

***Sandy** (daughter of Sandra Ousley) breast cancer.

***Marc Phillips** (Lisa Phillips' husband) has CLL Leukemia.

***Mike Venable** (son of Ann Venable) cancer.

***Genevieve Silvia** (Andrew Ellis' sister) has cancer.

***Ferryn Rice Moss** (Lacey Barnes' sister), cancer.

***Carolyn** (friend of Rachel Riggs), Follicular B Cell Lymphoma.

***Kathy Bednar** (Larry & Margaret Stewart's niece) has thyroid cancer and her son **AJ** has osteomyelitis (a rare bone infection).

***Karen** (Linda Willmschen's cousin) lung cancer.

***Roberta Fedoush** (Donna Hasting's niece) cancer.

DEALING WITH HEALTH ISSUES:

***Madelyn Schuler** (Bud Paepcke's sister) leg issues after a spider bite.

***Ben Paepcke** (Bud Paepcke's nephew) broke his neck in a surfing accident on July 4th. He is home in his mom's care.

***Danette** (aunt of Jessica Ives) has stage 4 kidney failure.

***Frank Long** (Dewayne Long's brother).

SHUT-INS

Chuck & Jean Burns, Patricia Campbell, Naomi Fonville, Ruby Hall, & Carol Riggs

BABIES DUE

*Congratulations to **Dillon & Heather Dixon!!** They are expecting a baby in November.

*Congratulations to **Joseph & Buffy Glenn!!** They are expecting a baby in November.

PRAYER LIST - ARMED FORCES

Army, Ft. Benning:

David Bryan

Allen Ives

Sean Fearing

Gabe Johnson-Deployed

Ryan Franks

Christian Manjarrez

National Guard:

Justin Carnes

Other Duty Stations:

David Corder-KY

Cory Grizzard - TX

LADS TO LEADERS AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS

Bible Bowl Top Score:

Pearls Top Score:

Carter Barnes & Ethan Hill

Ethan Hill & Lily Pena

Mass Media - PowerPoint 1st Place

Lily Pena

What Does it Mean to You?

Have you ever had something good happen and you've thought "this is too good to be true!" What we normally hear is, "if it's too good to be true, then it probably is." This is usually mentioned when there's something that's being offered. If the offer is too good to be true, then just wait for the catch.

The human race faced this scenario. Sin had entered the world and we had no way to cleanse our lives. Then there was the offer. God had a plan to cleanse everyone from sin. That seems too good to be true. Wait for the catch. Sin can be erased, but Jesus, the Son of God, will have to die. He will have to be executed as an innocent man. Except with this catch, there's another catch. Jesus would have to come back to life, and He did. Against nature and against human logic, Jesus rose from the grave. The stone was rolled away, and Jesus walked out.

While we do hear the good news of Jesus around this time of year, the good news doesn't stop at Easter. The sacrifice and resurrection of Jesus is a life defining moment and it continues to define our lives. This is more than your average story; this is the good news that changes the world around us. What does Jesus' resurrection mean to you?

Romans 6:9-10

For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.

Luke 24:6

He is not here; he has risen!

Scott



BROWN BAG

The Brown Bag item for this month is 500 15 oz cans of **CORN**. The deadline will be May 13th. Please drop off your items at the door by the awning.