

Good News from Grace

APRIL 2021

Our Purpose

The purpose of our church is to make a difference by serving others through God's love and our faith

Third Sunday of Easter, April 18, 2021

"You are witnesses of these things." – Luke 24:48

Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them a mind-opening experience. As witnesses they are charged with telling the truth of their experience. We, too, are witnesses charged with telling the truth. How might you share the truth about creation care and climate change in our polarized culture?



In-Person Worship Saturdays at 6:00pm

(25 person capacity)

[CLICK HERE](#) to sign-up

In-Person Worship Sundays at 9:30am

(75 person capacity)

[CLICK HERE](#) to sign-up

Or contact the church office at 717-737-0439 to register

Please continue to call Pastor Cover (717-525-4617) or Pastor Evan (717-497-3742) directly if you need pastoral assistance during this time!

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CAMP SUNDAY

Interested in Summer Camp, but not sure what it will be like or where to start? Join Camp Person, Kristin Hyatt, for Camping Sunday to learn all about our local church camps!

Camp Sunday will take place at Kentland **Sunday, from 1:00 - 2:30pm.**

Expect camp games, trivia, a campfire with songs and snacks! Kristin will also be able to answer all your registration and camping

questions.

Can't make it in person?

Join us via zoom on

Wednesday, April 21 at

7:00pm for a virtual camping evening. For login information for this event contact Kristen Hyatt at kir.youse@gmail.com or 717-350-6882.



ONLINE MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR REV. TIMOTHY ROSER

For those of you who are interested the memorial service for Pastor Tim Roser will be on Saturday, April 24 at 11am via Zoom.

To join the Zoom Meeting [CLICK HERE](#) or go to zoom.us and select "Join a meeting," and enter: Meeting ID: 846 8123 2274 Passcode: 891104

To participate by voice only, you can call in: 1-646-876-9923 and then use the meeting id and passcode above. (NOTE:

Long distance charges may apply)

The Zoom memorial is at the invitation of The Roser Family, the Synod of New England and Faith Lutheran Church.



EARTH DAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us in person or online via Live Stream on Sunday, April 25 for a special Earth Day worship service. Our own Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Easton will be preaching via video!



We hold in prayer especially those in the medical fields

Katie Perella-Carvalhoes, Lauren S., Megan S., Dixie S., Ben S., Katelynn S., Tess J., Kay L., Art L., Addison McInnes, Corky Graf, Ken Graf, Kristin Quesenberry, Maureen Minard, Brad Moore, MD, William Schell, MD, Kirsten Hyatt, MS, Star Peiffer, Patty Rohde, Melanie Augustine, Jenny Castillo, Jill Green, Mary Brown, Kara, Sheri Hartzell, Tracy Hartzell, Josh Barr, Chrystal, Sante, Cindy Frost, Eileen Smith, Sharon Eppley, Kayleigh Titzel, Brendan Bergey, Judith Zeiders, Amy Evans, Laurie Colman, Connie Malmberg, Ashley Morris, Amy Schwab, Beth Gargiulo, Tami Heath, Julie Draper, Deb Fickes, Amanda McNally, Justin Young, Jessica Chestnut, Stephanie Sampson, Samantha & Peter Kang, David Bergquist, MD, Karen Redclift Albidrez, Elizabeth Brickell, and Maura White.

Please contact us at
717-737-0439 or
gelc@comcast.net each month
and let us know if you wish to
have someone remain on the
prayer list.

We hold in prayer especially this week...

Marc Myers, Barry Hoover, Jim Lehman, Sudy Stoll, Mary Jane Syle, Micah Mains, Keith Downs, Louella Young, Frank Blizzard, Margaret Knupp, Kathryn Tuckey, Hope Stempo, Barry Fenicle, Ben & Marilyn Clark, Sally Snyder, Gerald & Darlene M, Amber Shearer, Jennifer Heverling, Garry Murray, James Silcox, Vernon Frazier, Dean Jury, Tricia Snavelly and friends & family of Jane Peters.

We hold in ongoing prayer...

John Titzel, Gerry & Sara Jane Crawford, Mary Louise Shetter, Charlie Buchanan, Dave Buchanan, Joyce Allan, Sis Hoffman, Mary Lee Ryder, Jack Alfano, Dorothy Edquist, Barbara D, Diane Brokenshire, David Harman III, Howard Lauver, Priscilla Walter, Caroline Witmer, Paulette Lauver, Lesly Richards, Elijah Conroy, Delores Miller, Jim Stoll, Susan Blumberg, Lisa Leen, Eileen McCann, Mary Heverling, Mike Lutz, John Eck, Destiny Glenn, and Reinhard C.

We also hold our shut-ins in prayer:

Louis Lore, John Hench, Shirley Hughes, John Shuey, Phyllis Patterson, Betty Bennett, Phyllis Probst, Harlow Fluevog, and Dick Cromer.

In our military:

Charles Hildebrand, Corey Latsha, Alex Robison, Larry G. Lackey and Gabriel Bailey.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

5/1 Keeley Gribb
Gary Weller
Jeffrey Young

5/2 Robert Sakson

5/3 Scott Sultzaberger

5/4 Chad Martier

5/5 Audrey Egley

5/6 Megan Friedman

5/7 Megan Goetz
Pastor Evan H ouck

5/8 Joyce Allan
Stephen Black
Benjamin Galle

5/9 Christy Fry

5/10 Chloe Gainor
Livia Schurtz

5/11 Thomas Blackburn
Demetria Johansen
Bonnie Miller

5/12 Elizabeth Redclift

5/14 Ian Budzinski
Nathan Shenck
Virginia Straub

5/15 Robert Fletcher
Brian Small
Kathryn Smith
Chelsea Sultzaberger

5/16 Gabrielle O'Haren
Katie Ottenberg

5/17 Alexander Behney
Shirley Davis
Rick Kaufmann
Eric Lundvall
Alice Richards
Shaun Sultzaberger
Miriam Uber



5/18 Christine Hakes

5/19 Colin McQuade
Bill McQuade

5/20 Luran Bozart
Trevor Fry
Melissa Meador
Hailey Seeger
Jared Weber
Susan Weller

5/21 Kevin Budzinski
Olivia Hartman
Megan Kauffman
Glenn Ressler
Kate Wasson
Kelly Weigle

5/22 Jacquelyn Behney
Dominic Deitzel

5/23 Dave Atwood
John Foster

5/24 Ann Hoffman

5/25 Bret Peters

5/26 Abigail Kirsch
Patricia Reed

5/27 Landon Progin
Donald Schell

5/28 Xavier Briel
Christina Hyde
Benjamin Zimmerman

5/29 Barry Fenicle

5/30 John Smith, III

5/31 Matthew Clista

APRIL - JUNE GYG SCHEDULE

April

18 1:00 - 2:30pm
Camp Sunday
Kentland

7:00 - 8:15pm
GYG Zoom

21 Camp Sunday via
Zoom
Email kir.youse@gmail.com
for log in information

24 9:00am - 5:00pm
Workday @ Camp
Kirchenwald

May

16 11:00am - 1:30pm
Kentland Game
Day Cookout

23 7:00 - 8:15pm
GYG Zoom

30 9:30am
Graduation Sunday
Ice Cream sundaes to go

5:00 - 7:30pm
GYG Senior Night
@ The Little's

June

6 Confirmation

20-26 Harrisburg Area
Confirmation Camp



"Lord of the Dance"
arr. Mark Hayes
Karen Jury

EXCERPT FROM 10 WAYS TO CELEBRATE EARTH DAY FROM HOME BY THE EDITORS OF THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC | MARCH 24, 2021

Every April 22, we celebrate Earth Day! Here at the Almanac, we believe that caring for nature, plants, and the land is integral to our own health and that individual responsibility lies with each of us! Whether it's a healing walk through the woods, picking up litter (while walking!), or buying more Earth-friendly products, here are **10 ways that you can help to care for your planet.**

THE 51ST ANNIVERSARY OF EARTH DAY

Earth Day 2021 will mark the 51st anniversary of this holiday. Typically, Earth Day is assigned a different theme or area of focus each year; this year's theme is "**Restore Our Earth.**"

Most years, Earth Day events range from river cleanups to removals of invasive plants. With social distancing still in place for many of us this April, Earth Day has gone digital. Virtual events, such as environmental lectures and films, will take place on Earth Day (Thursday, April 22). To see a catalog of official events, visit earthday.org. Of course, social distancing doesn't mean that you can't go outside and enjoy nature, as long as you do so responsibly! Nature is not canceled!

WHAT IS EARTH DAY?

Ever wonder how Earth Day began? The first Earth Day was held on April 22, 1970, when San Francisco activist John McConnell and Wisconsin Senator Gaylord Nelson separately asked Americans to join in a grassroots demonstration. Dealing with dangerously serious issues concerning toxic drinking water, air pollution, and the effects of pesticides, an impressive 20 million Americans—10% of the population—ventured outdoors and protested together. President Richard Nixon led the nation in creating the Environmental Protection Agency, which followed with successful laws including the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act, and the Endangered Species Act. [Read more from EarthSky.org](http://EarthSky.org).

McConnell originally had chosen the [spring equinox](#) (March 20, 1970), but Nelson chose April 22, which ended up becoming the official celebration date. (Given that the date of the spring [equinox changes over time](#), it may have made things more complicated to go with the astronomical event rather than just a calendar date.) Today, not only is Earth Day a

day meant to increase awareness of environmental problems, but also it is also becoming a popular time for many communities to gather together to clean up litter, plant trees, or simply reflect on the beauty of nature. Further down the page, we've provided a list of activities and projects that you can do to improve your local environment!

WHEN IS EARTH DAY?

Earth Day is always celebrated on **April 22**. It's followed closely by [Arbor Day](#), which falls on the last Friday in April.

10 EARTH DAY ACTIVITIES AND IDEAS

Celebrate Earth Day by appreciating and respecting the natural world. Here are some ideas to inspire you this year.

1. Support our pollinators
2. Clean up plastic in your neighborhood or local park
3. Swap out your kitchen and household products
4. Plant a tree
5. Use wildflowers and native plants
6. Reduce, reuse, recycle in the garden
7. Stop pesticides and chemicals in the garden
8. Conserve water

9. Think about your diet
10. Get kids involved.

EARTH DAY QUOTES AND POETRY

*Summer, fall, winter, spring,
The seasons rotate as each brings
Its special beauty to this Earth of ours.
Winter's snow and summer's flowers;
Frozen rivers will flow come spring,
There is a renewal of everything.*

—Edna Frohock (1906–97)

*While the bright radiant sun in centre glows,
The earth in annual motion round it goes;
At the same time on its own axis reels,
And gives us change of seasons as it wheels.*
—The 1793 Old Farmer's Almanac

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the complete article which includes additional information under the 10 Earth Day Activities and Ideas

THRIVENT COLLEGE PLANNING WEBINAR SERIES

April 13 at 7pm
College Planning Strategies

Calling all college-bound students and families! Join us for a comprehensive college planning strategies workshop hosted by Thrivent. You will learn the 3 steps of college planning. Plus, tips and tricks to help lower college costs. This webinar is hosted by Ann Seitz-Brown, CLTC®, CCPS®. [CLICK](#)

[HERE](#) to register.

April 20 at 7pm
Demystifying Student Loan Repayments

Calling all college graduates with student loan debt! Join us for a free workshop on reducing student loans hosted by Thrivent. You will learn about: current student loan benefits an options; refinancing: Is it right for you?; options for repayment

plans; the difference between federal and private loans; and free tools and resources on planning and paying for college. This webinar is hosted by Ann Seitz-Brown, CLTC®, CCPS®. [CLICK HERE](#) to register.

April 27 at 7pm
How to Pay for Grad School

Thinking of taking the next step in your higher education journey, but don't know how

to pay for it? Join us for a free workshop, How to Pay for Grad School, where you will learn: How to develop a financial strategy for grad school; Options available to help cover costs. This webinar is hosted by Ann Seitz-Brown, CLTC®, CCPS® and Marcia Upton. [CLICK HERE](#) to register.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday Bible Study: 1:00pm & 7:00pm via Zoom

Please join us for bible study. If you wish to participate please contact Pastor Evan at (717)497-3742 or pastorevan47@gmail.com for the login information.

Workday at Camp Kirchenwald

April 24, 2021 9am - 5pm
EVERYONE of all ages; families encourage to attend.

Camp Kirchenwald
1 Cut Off Road
Lebanon, PA 17042
Lunch will be FREE for those who help. Please **RSVP HERE** if you can make it. (It can be for all day or part of the day)

DID YOU KNOW.....

- On April 15, 1912 the Titanic sank after hitting an iceberg.
- On April 17, 1964 Ford unveiled their first Mustang costing \$2,368.00.
- On April 19, 1775 the Revolutionary War began as British and American soldiers exchanged fire in the Massachusetts towns of Lexington and Concord.

Men of Grace

Join us on **Thursday, April 15 at 6:45pm via zoom.**

We will be discussing "Helping and Caring for Others."

For more information or login instructions please contact Rick Keen 717-657-5563 or Matt Hearn 717-695-6429.

Confirmation Camp 2021

Join us for Confirmation Camp **June 20-26, 2021**. While many details are still unknown for COVID mitigation, the plan at this point is to move forward with the planning! (Note: There will be a very generous refund policy due to COVID so don't hesitate to sign-up)

Confirmation Camp can be foundational for the faith of our young people. Those that are entering 8th grade or older (2021-2022 school year) are eligible.

Grace provides scholarships for half of the cost for one week of summer camp for our youth. If this is someone's first time at confirmation camp, we provide a FULL Scholarship!

[CLICK HERE](#) for registration form.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

Book Club

Please join us on **Tuesday, April 20 at 7pm via Zoom**. We will be discussing our next book "The Vanishing Half" by Brit Bennett.

For login information contact pastorcover.gelc@gmail.com



Youth Food Cards

Contact the church office at 717-737-0439 x 13 or gelc@comcast.net to schedule a time Monday - Thursday from 8am - 12noon to pick up a card, at the service window, from Karns, Weis or Giant in amounts of \$25, \$50 or \$100.

Checks should be made out to GELC with Youth Food Card on memo line.

Grief Group

Meets the **second Thursday of the month at 11:00am** and will try to meet in person as much as possible.

Reading material is provided.

For more information contact Pastor Cover 717-525-4617 or pastorcover.gelc@gmail.com

This Week at Grace...

The Altar Flowers for **Sunday, April 18** are given by Keith & Linda Lippert to the Glory of God and in honor of their anniversary.

The Bulletin & Mailing Sponsorship for **Sunday, April 18** is given to the Glory of God.

The Sanctuary Lamp Sponsorship for **April** is given to the Glory of God.

The Special Benevolence Offering for **April** is **ELCA World Hunger**. If you wish to contribute please list the amount on your offering envelope next to Special Offering Ministry and list *ELCA World Hunger* under comments.

Sponsorships

Please consider helping to offset the costs to Grace by sponsoring one of the following:

- Altar Flowers
- Bulletin/Mailing
- Sanctuary Lamp

To find out what dates are available you can go to <https://www.gracecamphill.org/sponsorships> or call Diane 717-737-0439x15.

Good News from Grace articles are due by 12 noon on Tuesdays. Email to deppengelc@gmail.com

Join us for Worship!

Sundays at 9:30 AM
[via Live Stream](#)

Sunday School

Sundays September to May
[CLICK HERE](#) to view School at Home videos.



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