

Pastor's Devo... “And he said to them, “What things?” And they said to him, “Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a *vision* of angels, who said that he was alive.” *Luke 24:19-23*

It has been decided, dear brothers and sisters, that in an effort to stem the tide of this virus, we've suspended our regular gatherings on the Lord's day. This will be the case “For the FORESEEABLE future...and so I've borrowed a portion of Scripture that will appear in the future...the 3rd Sunday of Easter. In it, we have the Emmaus road encounter by two men of the Resurrected Christ, to which the report goes into some detail as these two try to fill in a supposed traveler, whom these men fail to recognize as The Lord, only to have their eyes opened at the end of their encounter, as they break bread with Christ, moments before He vanishes before them, filling them with a burning desire to run back to Jerusalem to report to His disciples this very contact...

Which brings us back to this current situation we find ourselves in...we're going to be separated from our “regular” contact with the Lord as we take even more drastic action in these coming days/weeks/??? doing what was felt ought to be done in order to, as I said above, stem the tide of this virus. We'll be separated, one from another, but blessedly, NOT from the Lord!!! As we're reminded by a number of the Lord's servants, such as the Psalmist David, who says:

Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! *Psalm 139:7-8*

Or His servant Paul, who reminded the Roman, and us...

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Romans 8:35-39*

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So I believe we're going to be alright...*really*...because He is with us...just as He's always been, and always will be...and soon, we'll be able to, just like those two from Emmaus, break bread together in His presence here at our church home. In the meantime, remain in Him, speak with Him in prayer, and let Him speak to you through His Word...and join your church family as we gather around His word which I will share via the World Wide Web, either on Facebook or our own website...I will try to have a weekly service posted so that it may be available at our regular gathering times, and it is also my hope to have postings for Holy Thursday, and Good Friday as well, as we celebrate together, but apart, our remembrance of the gift of Salvation provided to God's people. I remain, Yours in His service...**PG**

Also...I owe several people an apology...I have not been good at mailing out the birthday/anniversary cards for several weeks, what with our dear secretary out of the office and then dealing with these crazy times since. I am going to try to do better this month...PG

Readings for April

April 1	Ex. 14:10-31, Heb. 7:23-8:13
April 2	Ex. 15:1-18, Heb. 9:1-28
April 3	Ex. 15:19-16:12, Heb. 10:1-18
April 4	Ex. 16:13-35, Heb. 10:19-39
April 5	Ex. 17:1-16, Heb. 11:1-29
April 6	Ex. 18:5-27, Heb. 12:1-24
April 7	Ex. 19:1-25, Heb. 13:1-21
April 8	Ex. 20:1-24, Luke 4:1-15
April 9	Ex. 22:20-23:13, Luke 4:16-30
April 10	Ex. 23:14-33, Luke 4:31-44
April 11	Ex. 24:1-18, Luke 5:1-16
April 12	Ex. 25:1-22, <i>Ex. 25:23-30:38</i> , Luke 5:17-39
April 13	Ex. 31:1-18, Luke 6:1-19
April 14	Ex. 32:1-14, Luke 6:20-38
April 15	Ex. 32:15-35, Luke 6:39-49
April 16	Ex. 33:1-23, Luke 7:1-17
April 17	Ex. 34:1-28, Luke 7:18-35
April 18	Ex.34:29-35:21, <i>Ex. 35:22-38:20</i> , Luke 7:36-50
April 19	Ex. 38:21-39:8, 22-23, 27-31, Luke 8:1-21
April 20	Ex. 39:32-40:16, Luke 8:22-39
April 21	Ex. 40:17-38, Lev. 1:1-7:38, Luke 8:40-56
April 22	Lev. 8:1-13, 30-36, Luke 9:1-17
April 23	Lev. 9:1-24, Luke 9:18-36
April 24	Lev. 10:1-20, <i>Lev. 11:1-15:33</i> , Luke 9:37-62
April 25	Lev. 16:1-24, Luke 10:1-22
April 26	Lev. 17:1-16, Luke 10:23-42
April 27	Lev. 18:1-7, 20-19:8, Luke 11:1-13
April 28	Lev. 19:9-18, 26-37, Luke 11:14-36
April 29	Lev. 20:1-16, 22-27, Luke 11:37-54
April 30	Lev. 21:1-24, Luke 12:1-12

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 2 Russ Jones

April 3 Rev. John Freitag

April 4 Mary Ann Jones

April 5 Susan Holt

April 26 Kathleen Grondin

Happy
Anniversary

April 3 Russ & Mary Ann Jones

April 6 Craig & Cathy Siemsen

News & Notes

CHURCH CLEAN-UP has been cancelled. Those who volunteered to mow should expect a schedule soon, so that we can maintain the grounds for whenever we're allowed to resume our gathering together.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY, MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY and **Holy Week SERVICES** have been suspended until further notice. Holy Week services on April 9th (Maundy Thursday) and April 10th (Good Friday) are scheduled to be posted online on Facebook at "Our Savior Morristown" or on our church's website at oursaviormorristown.org



Six Sundays of Giving

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