

WALDPORT FBC

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a **living hope**
through the **resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...** 1 Peter 1:3

STAYING STRONG:

Pray

With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints... Ephesians 6:18

Read God's Holy Word

For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. Hebrews 4:12

Sing & Praise

Sing praise to the LORD, you His godly ones, And give thanks to His holy name. Psalm 30:4

Encourage

Therefore encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing. 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Hallelujah! He has Risen!

Hopefully we were all able to worship "together" and take communion on Good Friday as we tuned into Pastor Mike's first video message via a YouTube channel. If not, please take time to do it now. We have it available during this sequestered time for your own benefit. "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you..." James 4:8.

Today resurrection celebration, really **lift up** your voice in song to the risen Savior! And **follow along** in the sermon prepared by Pastor Mike, and lovingly made available by Bill Lawson. **Worship** Him in your homes, separate, but unified by His Holy Spirit. **Pray** for one another.



Thank you, Bill, for meeting with pastor to record messages and then send them in such a timely fashion to the congregation. Photo by Bill 4/9/20



Thank you, Pat Picotte, for keeping the sanctuary looking lovely, even in our absence. We are missing our gatherings to Worship our Risen Savior!

Remember to pray for our FBC missionaries this Easter week by name (last names removed for protection):

- Jason & Courtney + 2 Kids.....IMB, Malaysia
- Allen & Bethany + 2 kidsIMB, Malaysia
- Mark & Rachel + 4 boys.....Wycliffe, Malaysia
- Jeremy & Amy + 3 boys..... Frontiers Missions, Russia
- Jeff & Barbara..... IMB,DRC
- Kevin & Victoria + 3 kids.....IMB, Uganda
- Joel & Kellie + 3 kids..... IMB, Philippines

And pray for yourself, on duty for God to Central Oregon Coast: pray for your local friends and neighbors. Some have lost income, some are fearful of getting covid19, some are very lonely, some may be struggling, cooped up– seeking for peace and contentment.

STAYING CONNECTED:

MAKE A PHONE CALL, A TEXT, AN EMAIL:

This week make it a goal to contact a few friends you're missing from our congregation. It may be very refreshing to hear their voice, and may alert you of how to pray for them.

CRAFTING SHOW & TELL

Share what you're making for the OCC craft sale; we will share with others through this newsletter. Send a photo! Text to Nancy H.

DO YOU NEED HELP?

Come to find out, our deacons are so watchful, that people's needs are being seen to, without anyone even knowing! Let one of them know if you have a need. Don't let the isolation harm you, reach out, please. Pastor Mike, Nancy, Wini and others will be happy to pray with you over the phone.

THINK OF OTHERS:

"By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:35

*Christ
is
Risen!*

Another Event Canceled

Another event has had to be postponed until 2021—*Vacation Bible Adventure*. Even though VBA isn't until July, we all appreciate the preparation that goes on beforehand, and with social distancing orders, getting ready will not be possible. This would have been our 17th year of partnering with Trinity in outreach to our community.

Susan Partch, the director from Trinity Baptist Church in Renton, Washington met with their Pastors and Elders and tells us, *"I can see God's hand in this decision. There are too many variables and unknowns to be able to wisely move forward. Even when our stay-at-home restrictions are lifted, we have no idea when "meeting as larger groups" will be allowed."* She also asked what those who would normally serve at VBA will be doing, and answered herself, *"I have a feeling that we will be playing important roles on God's frontlines in some other ways."*

Also canceled is Fishing Derby and the annual Women's Tea, both normally in May. Let's think of constructive things to do with our energy that normally would have been spent reaching out to our community through these events. God will give us the ideas and the strength as we wait.

Gratefully Giving

Last week's offering was: \$2425 Which is April's total so far. Thank you for giving; during this time of social distancing, Norm, our financial director reminds us that we can send a check in the mail (Paid to: FBC Waldport, PO Box 787, Waldport, OR 97394), and if it is to be designated for anything except the General Fund, that designation should be noted in the MEMO area at the bottom left corner of the check. Also, if you use Bill Pay through your bank, you can do it all online and save the cost of an envelope, a stamp, and the time involved with putting it in the mail. If neither of the above suggested ways for you to be able to get your offering to the church is convenient, and you would like for someone to pick it up at your house, please contact our Deacons by calling or messaging Doug at (541) 990-1303

"On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income." 1Corinthians 16:2

**Contact us: Have questions? A story from your isolation?
Need help during these unpredictable times?
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