

Steeple Echoes

April 2009

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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A Few Short Words...

by Pastor Phillip Short

THE LOVE of the FOLLOWERS of JESUS CHRIST
and the HOPE of RESURRECTION.

I am looking forward to celebrating The Resurrection with the believers and disciples of the Stuart First United Methodist Church. I know several people refer to Sunday, April 12th as "Easter," but in light of the sense of loss that I have experienced in my family a few days ago, I want to call it what it is: RESURRECTION.

I was able to fly to Germany to help get my mother back to Lakeland where the family wanted her to spend her last few days. Once arrived, the doctors spoke of how her situation had deteriorated and so we decided to let her live out her days there in the clinic in Bad Mergenheim. My father was there with her. My older sister Sally had come up from Coral Gables. My brother Hunter had flown over from his home in Lady Lake. My little sister and her husband made it in from New York City. Once arrived, we each took our turns in telling her that we loved her. Then we each had a word of prayer over her. Then we prayed The Lord's Prayer in unison and we quoted the 23 Psalm. We sang a few songs, including "Soon and Very Soon We're Going to See the King," and "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling." We then said a benediction. My mother spoke of seeing a beautiful river, and we could hear her speaking to my grandmother who ran on 8 years ago. Her last words were: "I'm grateful." A beautiful life came to an end of sorts, but the people of the resurrection faith know that a beautiful life has actually just started. I find myself mourning for my father more than anything else. They were close friends and they still loved each other.

I want to thank the church of Jesus Christ here at Stuart. You are wonderful with your prayers of support, words of encouragement, visits, comments, cards and calls. Thank you for keeping Jesus, indeed the resurrected Jesus, the main thing. Thanks for your expressions of love and support.

I am thankful to Jesus, our sin-conquering, death-defeating, stone-rolling, garden-visiting, tear-drying, hope-giving King of kings and Lord of lords Who sees to it that where He is in the life to come, we shall be also. You said it best Mom, I too am grateful!!!!

Holy Week at Stuart First UMC

Here's what you'll want to catch at Stuart First United Methodist April 5th to April 12th.

Palm Sunday (April 5th) - This worship service commemorates the day that Jesus rode a donkey from Bethany, over the Mount of Olives, through the Kidron Valley, and through the gates of Jerusalem. This day was, and still is, very rich in Messianic symbolism. The Liturgy of the Palms will be offered at 8 and 11. There will be palms and pageantry at 9:30 as well. The Youth Confirmation Class will be confirmed at the 9:30 service. Also, please join us for the Cantata—God So Loved the World at 4:00pm.

Lenten Lunch (April 8th, 12:10 p.m.) - Dr. Susan Schmidt will bring the message. She will be speaking from her capacity as the Director of Missions.

Maundy Thursday (April 9th, 7:00p.m.) This worship service will commemorate The Last Supper, the institution of The New Covenant, and Jesus' introduction of the sacrament of Holy Communion. This will be especially poignant in light of the Christian Seder.

Good Friday (April 10th) - Good Friday at 3:00p.m. in the sanctuary we will show the movie The Passion of the Christ. Facilitator Alex "Torch" Kumpf. A Service of Tenebrae will take place at 7:00p.m. Come and experience this especially moving liturgy through which we will honor Christ for His most profound sacrifice.

Resurrection Sunday (Easter) (April 12th) - We will offer a sunrise service on the front patio of the sanctuary at 6:30 a.m. The other worship services will be at their set hours, 8, 9:30. and 11. Again this year the flower cross will be outside the Sanctuary. Bring flowers from your yard and garden to decorate the cross. It will be waiting for you on the front patio. Bring a bell to ring. At a set time in the worship service, we will proclaim Christ risen and death defeated. We will ring the bells in a celebration of praise. Bring your friends and neighbors to all of the above.



Cantata -
God So Loved the World
Palm Sunday,
April 5th at 4:00pm

With the Celebration Choir, members of the 99 for One praise team, season singers and an orchestra with instrumentalists from our congregation and the community. (See page 7 for more music information.)



Any Youth, age 11 - 18, is invited to check out our exciting Youth Group!

30 Hour Famine Report

World Vision

During the weekend of March 20-21, the youth participated in World Vision's "30 Hour Famine." (World Vision is a Christian, humanitarian aid organization.)

Along with 12 other area churches, we fasted for 30 hours to see what hunger feels like. More importantly, our youth group, alone, raised over \$3,500 to help feed starving children worldwide!

This is the 6th year that our church has participated in this worthy event, and in those six years our youth group has raised over \$21,000! Our students have a growing understanding about how difficult life is for so many people!

It's a sobering fact that 26,000 children die each day from hunger and hunger related diseases. It's hard to grasp that number. However, not so long ago, 29,000 children died each day, so efforts such as the Famine are making a difference!

It's important to teach our students about how much of the world has to live and to empower them to do something about it! After all, we are the "hands and feet" of Jesus!



For more info on the Youth Group contact:
 Chris Buehler, Youth Director
 Alex "Torch" Kumpf, Youth Ministry Assistant/Spiritual Growth Director
 Church Office: 287-6262
 cbuehler@stuartfumc.org akumpf@stuartfumc.org

Sunday Night Youth

6:00 to 8:00pm Dinner at 6:00 — cooked each week by Cathie McCarthy.

The cost for dinner is \$2.00 per person!

From 6 to 7pm — games, 9-square, volleyball, hanging out with friends. We now have a "Quiet/Game Room" in Room 1. This is a place for "calm" hanging out. There are bean bag chairs, board games, video games, etc.

At 7pm we go into the Sanctuary for announcements, some great praise and worship and a lesson.

Bring a friend and come join us!

No Youth Group on Easter Sunday (April 12). Enjoy the day with your family!

"Young Youth" Sunday School

6th to 8th grade

9:30 on Sunday mornings in the Choir Room (Except the first Sunday of the month, Communion Sunday, when all youth attend the 9:30 church service.)

Taught by Julie Arrighi and Dian Bush

The class is currently doing a study on the life of Jesus!



Youth Sunday April 19

The youth will be in charge of all three worship services. You will hear beautiful music and you will be blessed by the inspired preaching of Alex "Torch" Kumpf!

The youth of the church look forward to worshipping with YOU!

.Thank you church family!

Your generous giving in March, for the "Mission of the Month," is greatly appreciated!



It is especially gratifying, during these tough economic times, to see how much our congregation cares about the youth of our church!

The money received will go to help pay for youth summer camp and for our summer mission trips. These are very important spiritual experiences for our students and we thank you for helping to make them happen!

Children and Family Ministry

with Donna Lewis



Vacation Bible School June 15-19, 2009

Registration forms are available online at www.stuartfumc.org or can be picked up in the office. If you would like to volunteer for VBS this year, volunteer registration forms are also available online and in the church office.

Safe Sanctuaries

Because the tragedy of abuse of children, youth, and vulnerable adults is a reality in our world, and because we recognize our responsibility to ensure a safe and protected environment for our children, First United Methodist Church of Stuart, Florida has developed this policy and associated guidelines to reduce the risk of abuse of children and youth in our church.

Jesus made the importance of children clear when he said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." Emulating his example, FUMC has grown to be an important place for nurturing children and youth in faith. This policy attempts to prayerfully and faithfully identify areas of risk and take steps to reduce that risk. This local church policy is in compliance with the 1996 mandate of the United Methodist Church. This policy and the guidelines herein are to be followed by all persons, ministries and programs dealing with children, youth (under age 18) and vulnerable adults.

The Safe Sanctuaries Policy of First United Methodist Church is on our church website (www.stuartfumc.org). If you do not have access to a computer, a copy of the policy can be picked up in the church office.

Family Day at Life for Youth Camp Vero Beach

Saturday, May 2, 2009 is Family Day at Life for Youth Camp at Vero Beach. If your family is interested in attending, or traveling as a group, please notify Donna Lewis at 287-6262 extension 2218, by April 15, 2009.

Special Mission 412 on April 8, 2009

Wednesday evening, April 8, 2009 our children will experience an age-appropriate **Passion Week of Christ**. Parents are invited to join us as we will re-live the excitement of Palm Sunday, the breaking of bread with Jesus and disciples, the Garden of Gethsemane, the cross and empty tomb. We will need to begin promptly at 6:15 p.m. in order to move through these stations by 7:15 p.m. Again, parents are encouraged to attend with their children.

A Man Named Cornelius

Drama based on Acts 10 & 11

in the Sanctuary

Saturday, April 25th at 7:00pm
Sunday, April 26th at 3:00pm

God's call, vision, obedience, action, Holy Spirit and unity.

Photo: Simon the Tanner's House, Joppa, Israel

Acts 10:36-38

The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (he is Lord of all:) That word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judaea, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached; How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

Dave Ramsey's
Financial Peace
UNIVERSITY

FUMC's Students of Financial Peace University are having a multi-family yard sale at the "pumpkin patch" at Manor Drive/Kanner Hwy
8am- 12 noon
Saturday, April 18th.
Lots of great deals!

Seek My Face

by Pastor Susan Schmidt

"When Thou didst say, 'Seek My face', my heart said to Thee, "Thy face, O Lord, I shall seek" (Ps 27:8).

There are certain times when the Lord calls us out of the routine of our daily lives. These are special seasons where His only command is, "Seek My face." He has something precious and vitally important to give us that the familiar pattern of our daily devotions cannot accommodate. During such times people are often delivered of sins that have plagued them for years; others discover a depth in their walk with God that leads to greater effectiveness in ministry and prayer; still others experience breakthroughs in their families and are used by God to see loved ones brought into the Kingdom.

Yet, here we are not seeking God for things or even for other people. We are seeking God for Himself. Maturity starts as we break the cycle of seeking God only during hardship; holiness begins the moment we seek God for Himself. A touch from God is wonderful, but we are in pursuit of more than just experience—more than "goose bumps and tears".

We are seeking to abide with Christ, where we are continually aware of His fullness within us, where His Presence dwells in us in glory. How do we enter this sacred place? If we study the life of Moses. We will see how he sought God and lived in fellowship with Him. "Now Moses used to take the tent and pitch it outside the camp, a good distance from the camp, and he called it the tent of meeting. And it came about, that everyone who sought the Lord would go out to the tent of meeting which was outside the camp" (Ex 33:7)

Notice that, "everyone who sought the Lord would go out." If we are going to truly seek the Lord, we must "go out" as did Moses and those who sought the Lord. We must pitch our tent "a good distance from the camp." What camp is this? For Moses, as well as for us, it is the "camp of familiarity."

Is there anything inherently wrong or sinful with the things that are famil-

iar? No, not in themselves, but you will remember that when Jesus told His disciples to follow Him, He called them to leave the familiar pattern of their lives for extended periods and be alone with Him (Matt 19:27, Luke 14:33). Why? Because He knew that men, by nature, are unconsciously governed by the familiar. If He would expand us to receive the eternal, He must rescue us from the limitations of the temporal.

This is not to say we neglect our families or that we become irresponsible as we seek God. No. God has given every-one time to seek Him. It is there. Having done what love would have us do for our families, we simply say no to every other voice but God's. We must redeem the time: cancel hobbies, forsake television, put away the newspaper and magazines. Those who would find God, find time.

Sadly, many Christians have no higher goal, no greater aspiration, than to become "normal." Their desires are limited to measuring up to others. Without a true vision of God we most certainly will perish spiritually! Paul rebuked the church at Corinth because they walked, "like mere men" (1Cor. 3:3). God has more for us than merely becoming better people; He wants us to be Christ-like!

For the Holy Spirit to facilitate God's purposes in our lives, He must redefine both our definition of reality and/or priorities in life. Christ-likeness must become our singular goal.

For most people, however, our sense of reality, and hence, our security, is often times rooted in the familiar. How difficult it is to grow spiritually if our security is based upon the stability of outward things! Our security must come from God, not circumstances, nor even relationships. Our sense of reality needs to be rooted in Christ.

Humans are cocooned, insulated against change by the familiar. When we work all day only to come home, watch television then collapse in bed, our lifestyle becomes a chain of bondage. These things may not necessarily trap us in sin, as much as they keep us from God.

In the same way that Moses and those who sought the Lord went outside the camp and as Jesus went outside the camp of what seems normal and predictable and begin to seek after God.

Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people through His own blood, suffered outside the gate. Hence, let us go to Him outside the camp, bearing His reproach. For here we do not have a lasting city, but we are seeking the city which is to come" (Heb. 13:12-14).

This is one reason why Jesus said. "When you pray, go into your inner room, and when you have shut your door, pray" (Matt 6:6)

Every minute you seek God is a minute enriched with new life, new power from God. Give yourself a minimum amount of time—an hour or two each day, but do not set a limit, as the Lord may draw you to seek Him on into the night. Continue day by day, and week by week, until you have drawn near enough to God that you can hear His voice, becoming confident that He is close enough to you to hear your whisper (James 4:8).

If we are going to become Holy, we must sever the chains and restraints, the bondage of desiring just an average life. We will choose to leave the camp of familiarity and place our tent in the presence of God.

We are about to come to the season of Easter, please take this time to grow in Christ with all your heart. Open your heart and you will hear His voice.

Have a blessed Easter.

Love,

Susan



United Methodist Women's Circles

Faith: Wednesday, April 1st we will tour the new Martin County Fire facility on Kanner Hwy. Meet in the church parking lot to carpool at 9:40a.m. Leader: Ada Caby, Ph: 286-5794.

Hope: 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 5:30p.m. in the Lounge. Nursery available (please call the church office the day prior). Leader: Michelle Deen.

Ruth: Ruth Circle meeting will be held in the lounge on Tuesday, April 7th at 12:00 noon. Diane Scott, Community Liaison for Treasure Coast Hospice will be our speaker. Lunch will be a soup and salad buffet. RSVP to Brenda Daly-Horvath, 286-4604 or Kitty Saal, 287-4714 by April 5th.

Susanna: First Monday of the month at 6:00p.m. in the Lounge. For information please contact Pat Langhorne at 221-7550

Priscilla: First Thursday of the month at 9:30a.m. in Room 1.



UMW Unit Meeting Membership Event Saturday, April 25th 9:30am-11:30am

This event is open to all UMW unit members. Please bring a friend! Meeting will be at Perkins Restaurant, 2583 SE Federal Highway, Stuart.

We will have a guest speaker and door prizes! Please RSVP to your circle leader by April 20th!

April Mission of the Month

United Methodist Volunteers in Mission -UMVIM



The purpose of every work team effort of United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM) is to build relationships with all God's children. He has given each of us unique skills and gifts to demonstrate the power of faith when it is accompanied by Christian love in action.

Another UMVIM trip is planned for later in the year to Henderson Settlement at Red Bird Missionary Conference in Kentucky. A typical work team has about 12 members. We do repair and maintenance projects such as painting, dry wall, replacing floors and windows. For more information about being a part of an UMVIM work team, contact Jack Sizemore at 286-2457.

Donations may be made payable to FUMC, marked "UMVIM." These funds purchase materials needed for repairs and help with mission trip expenses. Thank you for your continued support and prayers as we share the love of Christ in multiple ways through service at home and beyond.

Easter Plants 2009

Easter is fast approaching and we have ordered plants for the altar on April 12th. We plan to have the following plants: lilies and begonias. Plants can be taken after the 11:00am service. The cost per plant will be \$7.00. Please put your check or cash in an envelope marked "Easter Plants."

Deadline to order plants is Monday, April 6th.

Please fill out the form below and print clearly. You may drop the form in the offering plate or send it to Sue Farrow in the church office.

Name _____

Phone Number _____

If you wish, you may give the plant in honor or in memory:

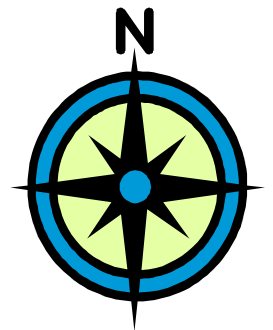
In honor of _____

In memory of _____



Heading North?

When you head north this spring, it would be very helpful to Sue Farrow as membership secretary if you would take the time to fill out the form below and return it to her in the church office or call Sue at 287-6262.



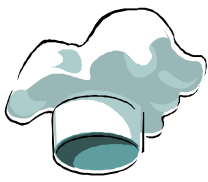
We are happy to send you the Steeple Echoes during the summer months. This is a good way to keep up with the many things going on at the church.

Name _____

Address up north _____

Date leaving Florida _____

Date returning to Florida _____



Cooking For Kindness

Our Cooking For Kindness ministry has gotten off to a great start! Praise God! Twenty baked ziti entrees have been prepared, frozen and ready to be

shared. A huge thank you to all who participated in cooking, donating, and utilizing this ministry. This unique ministry is designed to share the love of Jesus by preparing and sharing entrees with others.

Cooking for Kindness offers frozen entrees to be used by anyone in our church family to share Christ's love. Come by the church kitchen, make your selection, sign it out, and give it to someone who's had an illness or death in the family, a new baby, or just needs lifting up and encouragement. Cooking for Kindness is there for YOU to use!

Bring your aprons and join us every 4th Thursday of each month to fellowship and prepare the entrees. If you need childcare, you must call the church office by Monday prior @ 287-6262 to reserve a spot for your child. Each month we will ask for donations of recipe ingredients to help support this ministry. The donations can be dropped off at the church office. This ministry can only be successful with your support and participation!!!!

We will meet on Thursday, April 23 at 10:00 AM in the church kitchen. Our recipe this month will be Chicken Pot Pie. As our ministry grows, there will be a variety of different entrees. The ingredients needed through donation for our April recipe are:

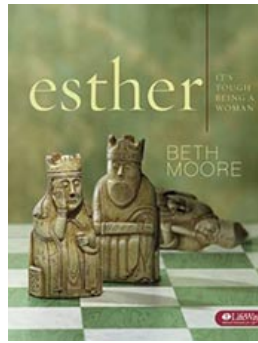
- 60 - chicken breasts
- 30 - (15 oz) packages Pillsbury ready-made pie dough containing 2 crusts
- 30 - 9" or 10" aluminum pie plates
- 30 - (10 oz) packages frozen mixed vegetables
- 30 - (10 1/2 oz) cans cream of potato soup
- 30 - (10 1/2 oz) cans cream of chicken soup
- 3 containers of Lawry Seasoning Salt
- 2 gallons low-fat or fat-free milk
- aluminum foil
- plastic wrap

You may donate as many ingredients as you like, or you may buy larger quantities of any one ingredient (cutting down on amount of small cans needed), or you may donate only a portion of the amount requested. A monetary donation is certainly welcomed. All donations may be dropped off at the church office.

How can you support Cooking For Kindness? Please pray for us, donate an ingredient or make a monetary donation towards the purchase of ingredients, join us as we prepare the meals, or PARTICIPATE by using the entrees to share the love of Jesus with someone you know!!!!

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Leah Davids @ 475-4821.

"Sharing Christ's Love - One Dish at a Time"



Beth Moore's

Esther

It's tough being a Woman

Tuesday mornings 9:30 - 11:30,

March 31 - June 2 in Room 1.
Facilitator: Debbie Spahn.

Join us in an in-depth and very personal examination of this great story of threat and deliverance. She peels back the layers of history and shows how very contemporary and applicable the story of Esther is to our lives. If you've ever felt inadequate, threatened or pushed into situations that seemed overpowering, this is the study for you. Just as it was tough being a woman in Esther's day, it's tough today. This portion of God's Word contains treasures to aid us in our hurried, harried, and pressured lives.

The cost for the workbook and participation in this study will be \$20.00. To sign up for this study or to make your childcare reservation, contact the church office at 287-6262 or stop by to sign up. For further information, call Debbie Spahn at 708-6355.



Lay Speaking Ministries Training

If you are interested in becoming a Lay Speaker, training will be available on May 8th and 9th at Faith United Methodist Church in Boynton Beach. For more information, please contact Sue Farrow in the church office at 287-6262.



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- * Ultrasound screenings can help you avoid a stroke.
- * Stroke is a leading cause of death/ permanent disability.
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First United Methodist Church

Monday, April 6, 2009.

Pre-registration is required.
Please call 1-800-324-1851

For more information see the flyer in your bulletin during the month of March or visit:
www.LifeLineScreening.com

Our Church Finances
General Expense Fund Through
February, 28, 2009 and February 29, 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Revenues:		
General Income	203,538.99	229,586.04
Expenses:		
Conference Expenses	25,993.00	11,951.84
Operating Expenses	142,003.73	203,251.82
Inviting Expenses	1,402.44	5,848.09
Worship Expenses	4,767.14	4,124.30
Discipleship Expenses	10,325.42	17,518.82
Serving Ministry Expenses	<u>0</u>	<u>317.83</u>
Total Expenses	<u>184,491.73</u>	<u>243,012.70</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets	<u>19,047.26</u>	<u>(13,426.66)</u>
Net assets, beginning of year	210,136.20	239,787.77
Net assets, end of month	229,183.46	226,361.11

As the above figures indicate, the ministries and administration have been doing everything possible to keep expenses down while continuing to strive for excellence in serving God. We are blessed to have a very faithful and generous church family and pray that God will bless you in these tough economic times.

Celebration Choir News

The Celebration Choir along with members of the 99 for One Praise Team and season singers are busy rehearsing for our Cantata presentation God So Loved the World. There will also be an orchestra with instrumentalists from our congregation and the community. Plan to join us in the Sanctuary on April 5 at 4:00p.m. for this exciting cantata.



The choir will also be participating in the Tenebrae Service on Good Friday, April 10. And of course, on Easter Sunday morning the choir will offer wonderful music in celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord!

We are always open for new singers. Consider joining us for the spring season. Rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 in the choir room. For more information call Sherry Rasmussen, Director, at 334-5780

Our Church Family

We wish to extend Christian Sympathy to:

- The family of Martha Anderson
- Al and June Huwe on the death of their daughter, Karen Wheelus
- Mike and Patsy Chilton on the death of Mike's brother
- The family of Lee Terry
- The family of Linda Smith
- The family of Glen Eades
- Phillip, Giova and Carmen Short on the death of Phillip's mother, Claire
- Curt Whiticar and Laura Kay Darvill on the death of wife and mother, Elsa Whiticar.

Anniversary Wishes

We wish to congratulate Joe and Jane Essinger who celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary on March 28th.

We wish to congratulate Don and MeMe Bailey who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on April 11th.

We wish to congratulate Don and Jane Jefferson who are celebrating their 54th wedding anniversary on April 3rd.

Birthday Wishes

Congratulations to Del Crisp who is celebrating his 90th birthday on April 20th

In Loving Memory of:

Bill Wade

Artie Timmerman
Warren and Marjorie Geary
Charles McClure
Larry and Genie Buchanan
Doris Abbott
Bob and Mary Ruth Whitty
Jane Rahn

Martha Anderson

Jim and Shirley Long

Linda Smith

Nita Denton
Rick and Carolle Sands

Thank You

Pastor Short and Church Family,

Thank you for visiting our daughter, Karen Wheelus, while she was at Palm City Nursing Home. She passed away on February 28th. We appreciate your caring and concern at this sad time. We thank all those people who cared and prayed for Karen during her long illness. We will miss her, but know she is in a better place.

- Al and June Huwe

We would like all of Pam's friends to know how grateful she was for their visits, thoughts and prayers during her illness. We are appreciative of the kindness, the sharing of your beautiful sanctuary for the lovely service with the gracious reception that followed. Everyone was wonderful. It was a fond farewell for a valiant spirit and we were touched by all your help and thoughtfulness.

Sincerely, Dick Valentjas
(Pam's brother)

XYZ's Trip

Monday,
April 13th



We are looking at Monday, April 13th for a trip to the Florida Oceanographic Center. We will take the church bus and lunch will be on your own at a place to be determined. All details have not yet been worked out. For more information, please see your Sunday bulletin or call Sue Farrow in the church office at 287-6262.

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Sunday Worship:
Traditional at 8:00 and 11:00am
Contemporary at 9:30am.
Sunday School at 9:30a.m.

Tuesdays:
Manna Kitchen
(Free Community Meal from 5-6:00pm.)

Wednesdays:
Family Dinner from 5-6:00p.m.
Children's Ministry at 6:15pm

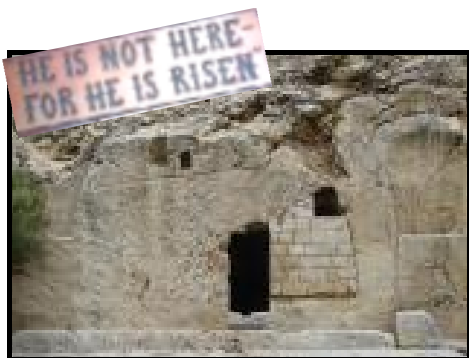
Fridays: Celebrate Recovery:
Worship at 7:00pm; Small Groups at 8:00pm

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But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. Mark 16:6