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TRANSFORMING LIVES, TRANSFORMING THE COMMUNITY, TRANSFORMING THE WORLD

from the pastor's desk:

Easter Mediation and reflection:

To approach Easter we must journey through the final week of Jesus' life, commonly called "Holy Week" that leads to the crucifixion.

The day of the crucifixion was a dark day for all of humanity. We had taken the life of one who was the Savior of the world, who was without sin. Yet, he was tried as a common criminal and sentenced to die upon the cross.

As the nails are driven, the shouting ceases, but begins again after the nails are in.

The crowd begins to shout at Jesus, taunting him with his own miracles:

"He saved others, himself he cannot save."

"Miracle man, come down from the cross and we will believe."

"You would build the temple in three days? You have nails, but no hammer!"

Shouting drowns out the words: "Forgive them, for they know not what they do."

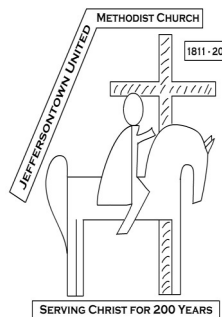
One crucified thief mocks Christ, while the other puts his faith in Jesus.

Jesus dies with a shout of victory: "It is finished!"

It was a sad day for the entire world and if the story ended here it would have been a travesty. However, God would not be defeated. He took this travesty and turned it into a miracle.

"While we yet sinners Christ died for us", that proves God's love for us. His body was broken, his blood was shed that we might have life and have it more abundantly. And Easter is the exclamation mark of this love.

Yes, Easter is truly a day of celebration for all who bow at the name of Jesus. The Master has defeated the powers of death, decay and destruction. He is alive for evermore.



Many years ago, Rev. Robert Barnes was serving at a church in Philadelphia. The church had just bought a nearby lot on which to expand their parking lot. A small patch of Easter lilies had been growing in the lot for the last few years. The paving company came in and bulldozed the lilies. Next, they poured the asphalt, then bulldozed over that. Soon, the congregation was using the new parking lot.

However, the following spring, they began to notice something strange going on. The pavement in the new parking lot was starting to buckle and crack. Sure enough, the Easter lilies were poking up through the asphalt.

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You can bury life in the ground, but eventually it will spring up once again. Life is stronger than death. And love is stronger than hate. Moreover, because God loves us, God brought Jesus back from the dead to show us that nothing can separate us from the love of Christ, not even death.

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three until Christ comes again in final victory,

Steven

Rev. Robert Barnes The Pastor's Story File, Mar. 2002, p. 5.



200th Anniversary of Methodism in Jeffersontown

History question #9

Do you know where the stain glass windows and some of the bricks from the old building were used?

Answer: the chapel

History question #10

What was the old sanctuary used for before it was torn down?

Answer: gymnasium

Historical Events for April

151 years ago – April 9, 1860 Ground purchased for \$200 to build old sanctuary.

59 years ago -- April 13, 1952 Ground broken for Simpson Annex (now the education building)

52 years ago – April 5, 1959 Ground broken for new sanctuary

43 years ago – April, 1968 Education Building and Chapel completed

17 years ago – April 1, 1994 Concert of sacred music presented by Rev. Todd Love

15 years ago – April, 1996 Kroger and Winn Dixie gift cards program began

Some of the Queen Family memories of JUMC

- * Volleyball in the church parking lot
- * Flat tire on way to Kings Island and another on way to Camp Loucon
- * Village People in the church talent show
- * 24 hour Famine with the youth
- * Youth lock-ins at the church

Share Your Memories: We are using the display cases in the gathering area to highlight various themes over the year ahead. May will feature items recalling the ministry of Sam Clark who will be preaching on May 1. If you have any pictures or other items pertaining to Sam's ministry please bring them to the church office. June will highlight weddings. If you or other family members were married in the church and would like to display some pictures of the event please bring them to the church office. Mark your memorabilia on the back and it will be returned to you. Thank you.

Sunday | May 1 | 8:30 and 10:50 am | Rev. Sam Clark

As part of our 200th anniversary celebration, former pastor Rev. Sam Clark ('81-'85) will preach at both services. A potluck will follow at noon.

BIRTHDAYS

Henry Wolfe 4/1
Katie Wright 4/1
Ben Johnson 4/7
Laurel Gaddie 4/7
Al Waller 4/8
Collin White 4/9
Virginia Kirksey 4/10
Laura Pritle 4/12
Billie Chapman 4/13
Kelsey McDonald 4/13
Roger Brumback 4/13
Frank Chapman 4/14
Alva Thompson 4/17
Brent Halstead 4/18

Barry Bennett 4/20
Chris Chapman 4/20
Jamie Johnson 4/21
Judy Simpson 4/23
Linda Denissen 4/23
Jonda Shaver 4/27
Stella Gholson 4/27
Suzanne Rabuzzi 4/27
Bill Bowling 4/28
Nancy Clements 4/29
Kristie Brown 4/30

Perry & Sandra Heaton 4/16
Debbie & Neill Bennett 4/18
Les & Karen Speer 4/19
James & Jeanette Johnson 4/23
Mary & Larry Pitzel 4/29

Please forgive us if we have omitted your name from this list. To be added please contact the church office. 267-1437

ANNIVERSARIES

Joe & Jonda Shaver 4/7
Steve & Sherry Mattingly 4/8

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Wednesday--

4:00 pm Tutoring

Sunday--

8:30 am Worship
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Confirmation Class
(Confirmation ends - April 24)
10:50 am Worship
4:30 pm UMYF
6:00 pm Children's Night Church

Thursday--

11:00 am Lenten Bible Study
(last study April 21)
6:30 pm Chancel Ringers
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

April Serve Schedule

Date	Lay Reader		Nursery Helper
	8:30	10:50	
4-3	Chuck Micklewright	Rosanne Broome	Sandra Heaton
4-10	Roger Brumback	Mary Lou Falvey	Joyce Wright
4-17	Nancy Brumback	Eric Edwards	Gerry Wright
4-24	Jean Micklewright	Jean Ramsey	Jean Ramsey

Date	Greeters		Ushers - Neil Bennett Head Usher	
	8:30	10:50	8:30	10:50
4-3	Horace Thompson, Gary White	Geneva Hamlin Dolly Helm	George & Margaret Johnson	Steve & Shery Mattingly Frank & Billie Chapman
4-10	Roger & Nancy Brumback	Susan Kirk Eric Edwards	Gary & Linda Yeagle	Bob & Charles Breeden Perry & Sandra Heaton
4-17	Gary & Linda Yeagle	Charles Breeden Orval Thrush	Dallas Bennett, Chuck Micklewright	Joe, Jonda & Hayden Shaver, Judy Walton
4-24	Dallas Bennett Chuck Micklewright	Susie Smith Helen Akridge	Horace Thompson Gary White	Jim & Barbara Johnson Dan & Babs Johnson

Sunday | April 10 | BAKE SALE! | Gathering Area

Yummy items to delight the taste buds! All of your donations will directly support JUMC's summertime Urban Adventures ministry for children. *Sponsored by UMW Willard Circle.*

2011 UMW Membership Directories

The new UMW directories for the local unit are now available. They are in the UMW cubby hole to the right of the ladies restroom off the gathering area. Be sure to pick yours up. If there are any additions or corrections please advise Nancy Brumback.



Tuesday | April 12 | 11:00 am | Roadrunners to host Missionaries to Afghanistan

Heather and Eric Gentry will be our guest Tuesday, April 12. The Gentry's are home on furlough, due to the illness and death of her father whose funeral was last Friday. Lunch will be served at 11:00 a.m. with the Gentry's to share with us afterwards. Heather is the daughter of the late Charles Music and his wife Jane. **Because we are serving lunch, RESERVATIONS ARE NECESSARY.** Cost of lunch will be \$3.00. Call the church office to make reservations. Deadline for reservations is April 8.

Thursday | May 5 | 6:00 am | Dawn at the Downs

This is an opportunity to watch the Kentucky Derby and Oaks contenders go through their morning workouts while enjoying a Kentucky-style breakfast buffet. We have 12 tickets near the window on Millionaires Row. Cost is \$20 per person. This is \$10 less than you would pay if you call and make your own reservation. We have 4 remaining tickets available. Call the church office if interested. Payment due at time of reservation. We will leave the church at 6:00 a.m.

News, Events, and Announcements

Lighthouse Center Benefit Concert: The Lindsey Wilson College Singers will be in concert, Sunday, April 10, 2:00PM at Christ Church United Methodist, 4614 Brownsboro Road. A love offering will be collected for The Lighthouse Community Center. Please come enjoy some beautiful music and contribute to the growing needs of the center and it's many programs.

Blood Drive: Did you know that the Red Cross must collect 500 units of blood each day in Louisville to be able to supply the hospitals? That every 2 seconds someone needs a blood product? Consider if you are willing to donate blood and then commit by signing up in the Gathering Area. Once we have 25-30 commitments we will schedule a blood drive in May to be held at JUMC.

Congratulations! Recent Graduate Merritt Caroline Gardner! Winter graduate of Jefferson County High School. Attending University of Louisville. Merritt is the daughter of Dana Bennett Gardner and Robert Gardner. *(We will be recognizing the Spring graduates in May.)*

The Circuit Rider is available on our website (www.jtownumc.org) each month or you can receive it by email if you would like to receive it earlier. There are a limited number of hard copies in the Gathering Area as well. Because we mail it Bulk Mail we are at the mercy of the postal service for delivery.

Thank You, 200th Celebration Committee

Wow! What great acting we witnessed in our Bicentennial Theatre play, "O What a Work", written by the late Mary Ellen Smith and Rhoda Peters. Our actors were Loretta White, Lynn Harmon, Melanie Brown, Rogers Queen, John Schoene, Bill Bowling, Jean Ramsey, Judy Walton, Rose Ann Broome, Perry Heaton, Eric Edwards, Jim Unruh, and Bart Magill. Jonathan Windhorst provided the sound system. Stephanie Greathouse put together the power point presentation. Mary Lou Falvey decorated the tables. The entire production of the play was directed by Rose Ann Broome. Thank you to all those folks and to the Outreach Committee for providing our delicious dinner.

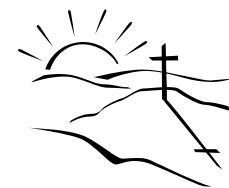


Sunday | April 17 | Noon | Palm Sunday Luncheon

Lunch will include ham, green beans, potatoes, deviled eggs, rolls, salad, dessert, coffee and tea. There is no charge for the lunch but you can make a free will offering which will go towards the expense of the Red Bird Mission trip. Everyone is invited!

Thursday | April 21 | 7:00 pm | Maunday Thursday Service

"The Living Last Supper" Come and watch Jesus and his disciples as they break bread for the last time together during this reenactment of the Last Supper. The Choir and guest musicians will also be a part of this special service.



Friday | April 22 | 7:00 pm | Good Friday Service

On this night we will be given the opportunity to reflect on the pain and suffering endured by Jesus on the day of his crucifixion. This will be a somber service and you are asked to enter and depart in silence.

Saturday | April 23 | 9:00 and 10:00 am | Bunny Breakfast/ Easter Egg Hunt BREAKFAST BEGINNING AT 9:00 A.M. WITH EGG HUNT AT 10:00 A.M. Everyone is invited. Tell your friends and neighbors. People of the community are invited. We need volunteers to provide plastic eggs and wrapped candy to fill the eggs. Age Level will meet on April 17 to fill eggs if you would like to help. Volunteers needed for the breakfast and egg hunt. Plastic eggs and candy can be brought to the church anytime between now and April 17. Volunteers for the breakfast and hunt can call the church office.

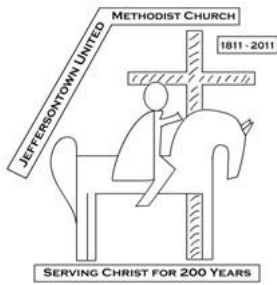
Sunday | April 24 | 8:30 and 10:50 am | Easter Sunday Service

Join us as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord! This is a great time to invite friends and neighbors.

Easter Lilies—Orders are being taken for Easter Lilies. They may be purchased in honor of or in memory of a loved one. The lilies will be on display in and around the sanctuary Easter Sunday and may be taken home after the second service. The cost is \$10 each. Orders will be taken the first three weeks of April. Order deadline is April 19. Order forms available in the bulletin.



Tuesday | April 5 | Wesleyan Circle | at JUMC
Karen Unruh will be our hostess and lead the lesson



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 7:00 pm Bridge	2
3 9:30 am Confirmation	4	5 10:00 am Wesleyan Circle	6	7 9:00 am Deadline for bulletin 11:00 am Lenten Bible Study	8	9 8:00 am Men's Breakfast 8:30 am Grounds Committee
Willard Circle Bake Sale! Gathering Area 9:30 am Confirmation 12:00 Confirmation Class luncheon 12:30 pm Angelfood order deadline 4:00 pm Lent planning meeting	10 6:30 pm Lay Leadership Com.	11 6:30 pm Trustees	12 6:30 pm Ad Council	13 9:00 am Deadline for Bulletin 11:00 am Lenten Bible Study 6:00 pm Age Level Comm. Mtg.	14 7:00 pm Bridge	15 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Revitalization Team
16 9:30 am Confirmation Class 12:00 Palm Sunday Luncheon	17 12:00 Newsletter article deadline	18 6:30 pm Finance Team Easter Lily order deadline	19 9:00 am Deadline for bulletin	20 11:00 am Lenten Bible Study 7:00 pm Maunday Thursday Service	21 7:00 pm Good Friday Service	22 9:00 am Bunny Breakfast 9:30 am Angelfood pick-up
23 EASTER	24 7:00 pm Willard Circle - Jean Ramsey hostess	25	26 7:00 pm Worship Committee	27 9:00 am Deadline for bulletin	28	29
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