### St John Church of Christ

# Bulletin

March 31, 2024

### For The Church



Resurrection, don't read past this word as though it is some flat unintriguing description of an old tale from the past. Resurrection is a statement about the most important event in all of time, past, present, and future. Paul says, "If Christ hasn't been raised, then our preaching is useless, and your faith is useless." Why is the message of the resurrection so important?

Resurrection answers the age-old question, "Is this all there is?" No! Not at all.

Resurrection wipes the eyes of every weeping mourner who has wailed over the lifeless body of the most precious soul in every nation, state, town, family, and marriage throughout time. Yes, we will meet again. Resurrection hushes the explosive sound of bombs and bullets, as well as the crushing impact of colliding sheet metal on every county road.

Resurrection means the stillborn child did indeed exist. It means the frail toddler who succumbed to the most recent wave of pandemic, or the aged life companion who just could not withstand the damning virus that swept throughout the countryside, still has the chance to share our joy again.

Resurrection opens the graves at each cemetery, raises the bodies of those lost at sea or who vanished without trace on some distant journey. Every lost pioneer, lonely adventurer or vanished child answers the call of resurrection at the sound of the trumpet.

Resurrection offers a renewed opportunity of a new and better life, a life in a new heaven and new earth. It speaks to the lament of countless generations who saw life interrupted and restores a joy which is more precious than ever before. Those who gather round the throne of the Lamb and wonder at the injustice of their martyrdom are answered with one word, RESURRECTION. This is our only answer, Resurrection.

### In Our Prayers

Emersyn Milton Thomas Pruitt Shannon Bauer Elmer Schuette Carol Gingrich Madison Cole Rick Rodness Susan Mayer (Chet's sister)
Truitt Family
Ronnie Harris (Zach's grandpa)
Audie Thornburg
Megan Duntz
Shari Soukup
Zeb Carter

Juanita (Abby's Mother)
Rick Toland
Audie Monroe
Tim Taylor
Girard and Marilyn Holinde

## **Upcoming Events**

#### Potluck [Next Sunday]

Our monly potluck fellowship meal will be next Sunday after services. Plan to stay and join us for a time of good food and fellowship.

#### **Area-Wide Signing [Next Sunday]**

We will be hosting an area-wide signing on Sunday, April 7 starting at 5 PM. We will serve a meal afterwards. The main dish will be provided (baked potatoes and chili dogs with all the toppings). Everyone else is asked to bring salads and desserts to go with our meal.

#### Women Walking with God [April 12-13]

The annual WWWG Conference is scheduled to be held at the Maize Performing Arts & Aquatics Center this year. Registration is \$55 for adult women and \$35 for those 25 years & younger. The church will pay for your registration; contact Richard Brensing. For more information, go to the website: WomenWalkingWithGod.org

#### **Birthdays this week:**

None

#### Save the Date:

April 12-13 - Women Walking with God

June 1 - VBS

June 2-8 - SMC Early Session

July 7-13 - SMC First Session

July 14-20 - SMC Second Session

July 21-27 - SMC Third Session

## Worship Order

Welcome Table & Greeters: Carl & Janet Feril

Song Leader: Richard Brensing

Sound System: Jayce Feril

Gathering: #578 - We Will Glorify

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Scripture Reading: Chris Mansel (John 3:14-17)

Shepherd's Prayer: Carl Feril

Song: #344 - Low in the Grave He Lay

Song: #176 - Lamb of God

Lesson: Zeb Carter

Song: #902 - Nothing But the Blood (vs. 1&3)

Song: #353 - One Day

Communion: Tom Turner

Closing Prayer: Jerry Kinnamon

Sundays: Blble classes for all ages @ 10:00 am

Worship service for everyone @ 11:00 am

Elders: Tom Turner, Richard Brensing, Terry Sallee,

Carl Feril

Deacons: Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril,

Zachary Marks

Minister: Zeboriah Carter