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St. Paul's Community Church

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St. Paul's Newsletter

THE PASTOR'S PAGE

"Why do bad things happen to good people?"

The Bible speaks of Satan messing with Job; Daniel thrown into a den of lions; Joseph sold into slavery; Paul thrown into prison and mistreated; Stephen stoned to death at the hands of Jewish leaders who refused to believe that Jesus was the Messiah.

God didn't cause these things to happen, rather He allowed them to happen as a result of the choices people made. Romans 8:28 tells us: "We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." The plaque we find in gift shops reads, "The will of God will never

take you anywhere the grace of God cannot keep you."

So instead of stressing over the fact that bad things happen to good people, take comfort, and gain wisdom by thinking on this: "Bad things that happen to good people" may be God's way of saying He wants them to move closer to

Him. The question is: **Will they, will you, will I, make that move?**

Pastor Kim

Christ is Risen!



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April Red Hats



Brick Planet!

At the Denver Museum of Nature and Science!

"Brick Planet: A magical journey made with LEGO® bricks" takes you on an imaginative journey around the world through the lens of artist Sean Kenney's sculptures built with LEGO® bricks. From towering polar bears and coral reefs to bustling cities and African savannas, you will feel a renewed sense of wonder for the rich balance of life. Colorful sculptures, including a peacock, Galapagos tortoise, monarch butterfly and dodo the caterpillar, set the stage for the exhibition. You will see polar bears, penguins, zebras and fish - all made of LEGO - 1.5 million bricks of LEGO in all!

Date: Wednesday, April 22

Time and Place: 10:00am at the DMNS (or 9:15am at the church)

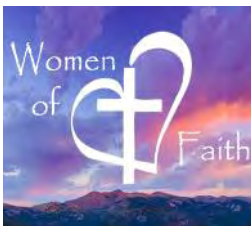
Cost: Depends upon how many ladies can join us! With Sharon's membership costs should run \$8 per person or less. (Regular Senior price \$22.95)

Lunch: 11:45am at Syrup City Park (1875 York Street)

RSVP by April 15. There will be a sign-up sheet at the church!



Christian Women of Faith



Our Women of Faith meetings are going back to the regular time: the third Monday evening of the month at 6:30pm and out and about to different places!

April's meeting will be Monday, April 20, 6:30pm at Solana Lakewood, which is Katie, Bette and Betty's place!

Since Pennyrae will be on vacation with her husband, Helen will do the lesson for April. Thank you Helen!

Movie Night Tonight!

Tonight, March 29 will be a movie night - which includes popcorn of course!

The Movie is "Apostle Peter and the Last Supper"

"Set in Rome in 67 A.D. the Apostle Peter has been imprisoned for his faith. He is sentenced to die by crucifixion. Emperor Nero has decreed that followers of Christ should be hunted and persecuted for their beliefs and he especially wants the leaders of the young Christian church. While in jail Peter witnesses to a young guard named Martinian (Laurence Fuller) who is more interested in learning about Jesus than he lets on. The elderly Peter is played superbly by Robert Loggia, who adds the right dashes of kindness and resolve to the character's determined confidence."

Join us tonight at 6:00pm for this uplifting and thought-provoking movie!

Maundy Thursday

What does Maundy mean?

The Thursday before Easter is known as either Maundy Thursday or Holy Thursday.

Maundy is derived from the Latin word Mandatum, meaning "command," and refers to Jesus' commandment to the disciples to "Love one another as I have loved you."

Join us at 6 pm April 6 in preparation for Resurrection Sunday, reminding us through the Lord's Supper, the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus.



Special Bible Studies THIS WEEK!

Our Bible Studies this week, March 31 and April 2, will focus on the week between Palm Sunday and Easter, the last week of Jesus life. This should prove to be helpful in our preparation for the Resurrection of Jesus. Tonight's movie begins this preparation with "The Apostle Peter and The Last Supper". Please plan to attend this week at any or all of our special services.

Bob's Pretty Easy Trivia

Easter Trivia for Newsletter



1. What event does Easter primarily celebrate in Christianity?
 - a. The resurrection of Jesus
 - b. The crucifixion of Jesus
 - c. The ascension of Jesus

2. The date of Easter is determined by:
 - a. The first Sunday in April
 - b. The full moon after the spring equinox
 - c. A fixed date in the calendar

3. What is the traditional season leading up to Easter called?
 - a. Advent
 - b. Epiphany
 - c. Lent

4. Palm Sunday commemorates what event?
 - a. Jesus entering Jerusalem
 - b. The resurrection
 - c. The Last Supper

5. What does the Easter egg traditionally symbolize?
 - a. Wealth
 - b. New life and rebirth
 - c. Spring weather

Answers on Page 9

SERMONS AND SCRIPTURE



April 5

"Empty"

Psalm 118:17-24
Colossians 3:1-4
*Matthew 28:1-10

April 12

"Thomas"

Psalm 16:7-16
1 Peter 1:3-9
*John 20:19-31

April 19

"Emmaus"

Psalm 116:10-17
1 Peter 1:17-23
*Luke 24:13-35

April 26

"The Gate"

Acts 2:42-47
1 Peter 2:19-25
*John 10:1-10

*Message Scripture

APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

1 Nancy P

15 Bob E

11 Mark and Celia B

6 Ruthanne N

16 Anna G

14 Frank and Ruthanne N

7 Joanne G

17 Connie K

26 Kim and Sharon S

8 John B

21 Kathy J

10 Pennyrae J

22 Sharon W

14 Mark B









24 Stan S




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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<p>1</p> <p>8:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast Denny's on Simms</p>	<p>2 10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Maundy Thursday Service</p> 	<p>3</p> 	<p>4</p>
<p>5 Team 3</p> <p>10:00am Worship Service</p> <p>Fellowship after Worship</p> 	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>10:00am Quilters</p> <p>6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study</p>	<p>8</p> <p>5:30pm Church Event Planning</p> <p>6:30pm Church Council</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12 Team 4</p> <p>10:00am Worship Service</p> <p>Fellowship after Worship</p>	<p>13</p> <p>6:30pm Choir and Praise Practice</p>	<p>14</p> <p>10:00am Quilters</p> <p>6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19 Team 5</p> <p>10:00am Worship Service</p> <p>Fellowship after Worship</p>	<p>20</p> <p>6:30pm Women of Faith @ Katie, Bette and Betty's Place!</p>	<p>21</p> <p>10:00am Quilters</p> <p>6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study</p>	<p>22</p> <p>10:00pm Red Hats to DMNS for "Brick Planet" Exhibit!</p> 	<p>23</p> <p>10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 Team 6</p> <p>10:00am Worship Service</p> <p>Fellowship after Worship</p> <p>Newsletter Items Due</p>	<p>27</p> <p>6:30pm Choir and Praise Practice</p>	<p>28</p> <p>10:00am Quilters</p> <p>6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study</p>		

March Attendance

Worship Service		Tuesday Bible Study		Thursday Bible Study	
March 1:	60	March 3:	17	March 5:	20
March 8:	54	March 10:	17	March 12:	20
March 15:	 48	March 17:	17	March 19:	18
March 22:	57	March 24:	0	March 26:	0
Men's Prayer Breakfast March 4:		9			
St. Patrick's Day Potluck March 15:		41			
Women of Faith March 21:		10			
Red Hats March 28:		11			

Church Event Planning (Cookie)

Attendance: 6 Cookie, John, Candy, Marge, Bette, Pastor Kim

Happy Easter! Happy April! The CEPG had their third meeting of 2026 on March 11. It was a light group.

Some of the things we discussed were:

APRIL: Easter Sunday April 5 and Who's Who Baby photo guessing game begins!

MAY: Mother's Day Luncheon

JUNE: Saturday June 27 Pancake Breakfast / Car Show

JULY: Still looking for suggestions for July. Maybe book exchange?

AUGUST: Five Sundays! Ice cream! and hot dogs!

SEPTEMBER: Celebrating St. Paul's Community Church. An anniversary. We are planning on having the church picnic! (No Yogi Bear!) Details are coming soon!

Have a blessed Easter!

Cookie

Church Council (Gary)

April Church Council Report

The council reviewed the Monthly Financial Report as well as April's Mission of Donations to Angle Heart. (They take meals to those with medical needs who are unable to leave their home.) Dining at any restaurant on their website creates a 20% donation to Angle Heart. Please visit those establishments if possible.

Regretfully the committee has been advised that Frank Nekvasil has needed to resign his position as facilities overseer do to Ruth Ann's illness. We are looking for a candidate for replacement and wish Ruth Ann a quick recovery.

The committee is investigating the addition of a stair covering for the basement entrance stairway. This cover is intended to improve safety and appearance.

In anticipation of the intense heat this coming summer, it was decided to postpone the pancake breakfast to a date sometime in September. Further information will be forthcoming.

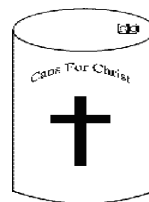
All financial and compliance issues are in good standing.

Wishing everyone a Blessed Easter Season.

In Christ, Gary J.

Cans for Christ (Shauna)

Starting Balance 3/1/2026	\$	0.25
Income	\$	31.50
Outgoing (Feed the Children)	\$	<u>-31.00</u>
Ending Balance 3/28/2026	\$	0.75



Answers from Bob's Pretty Easy Trivia (page 4)

Answers: 1. a. 2. b. 3. c. 4. a. 5. b.

Scam Warnings

There are so many scams out there these days and so very many that target seniors. Last month our friend Phyllis almost fell to one of these ruthless scams. Thankfully, she figured it out just in time and lost no money - just her peace of mind. This can shake anyone. She has kindly agreed to share her story as a cautionary tale for the rest of us:

I would like to share a scamming attempt as a warning how cunning scammers are. After receiving an e-mail fake letter from Pay Pal stating they saw a deposit in my account, they were deducting \$1,200.54 and to call with questions. I was very alarmed and did just that. After all, I had an account with Pay Pal and there was a deposit the day before SO this had to be authentic. They claimed they were unable to transfer to my bank. Their website appeared on my screen and my instructions were to insert the \$1,399.00 which included fees. My fake bank statement appeared. He: "OH MY GOD, you inserted an extra 9 which turned into \$13,999.00. Now my boss is mad at me and I'm going to lose my job and I have a family to feed. I know you are a good person and want to get this money back because it isn't yours.... " At this time, they have my personal identification and were able to achieve:

-My going to the bank to draw out \$14,000.

-Had me drive to Garrison and Jewell to a Circle K station for direction.

-He told me to take my \$14,000 into the Circle K and purchase Crypto Currency.

Finally, I said, "This isn't right. I'm going to the bank." He: "NO, NO DO NOT GO TO THE BANK, I don't want you to be in trouble. They will freeze your account and I will lose my job."

Me: I don't mind being in trouble with my bank then disconnected the call.

Phyllis Evans

Here are a few warnings about common scams:

Crypto ATMs are hotbeds for fraud.

In 2024, the FBI logged 11,000 complaints involving the machines, amounting to \$246.7 million - and that is expected to be higher for 2025. Victims seldom get their money back. The kiosks, which resemble ATMs, attract scammers because it

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We Need Baby Pictures!

We are going to look into the past. We need your help! We are going to have a Who's Who baby picture contest!

Find a baby picture of yourself, target age 6 months to 5 years, and target size 2x3 to 3x5. Put your picture in a sealed envelope with your name and your age when the picture was taken written on the envelope. And bring it to church! Bette will be the picture curator and the only one to see the names matched with the pictures.

In April, we will display the pictures for all to see and try to identify! Guesses will be collected and counted with the results being announced at the Mother's Day Luncheon!

The more adorable baby faces we have, the more fun this will be! Bring in your baby pictures ASAP!

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is easy to steal and misdirect funds beyond the eyes of law enforcement.

Self-Defense: Be skeptical of requests to pay anyone by using a crypto machine... and never deposit money into anyone else's cryptocurrency account.

"Typosquatting" Warning.

Scammers change one character in a web link to send users to a phony site where they are exposed to information -stealing software. *Example:* People who post properties up on Booking.com have received emails purporting to be from the company saying that the owner must address a customer complaint immediately. The URL provided is identical to the company except that it replaces the "/" sign with a similar-looking Japanese character. Clicking on the link installs malware onto the victim's device. *Other popular targets:* URLs for Amazon.com, Microsoft and DHL.

Watch out for courier scams.

Victims are told that a loved one is in legal or medical trouble and needs immediate cash... or that they themselves are at risk for criminal charges unless they can prove they are identity-fraud victims by liquidating their accounts into gold or cash and putting those assets into a "government owned" account. A "courier" shows up to carry the money or gold to the distressed loved one or government bank. Americans have lost more than \$186 million to courier scams.

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MISSION MOMENT (PASTOR KIM)

Project Angel Heart

Project Angel Heart believes nutritious food is medicine for people experiencing illness. This year, Project Angel Heart will prepare and home-deliver — at no charge — 815,000 medically tailored meals to 5,200 Coloradans who are living with cancer, kidney disease, HIV/AIDS, and other severe illnesses. In fall 2024, they created a pilot program to deliver meals in Loveland, Greeley, and Fort Collins, helping them achieve their strategic goal of home-delivering medically tailored meals to 75% of the Front Range Urban Corridor. **On Thursday, April 23**, dine at a participating restaurant for breakfast, lunch, happy hour, dinner, or takeout! Twenty-five percent of your check will be donated to Project Angel Heart to help provide delicious, medically tailored meals for Coloradans living with severe illnesses.

Project Angel Heart is our selected Missions for April.

