

# The Kresge Kourier April 2021



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From our pastor's heart,

March 30, 2021

**Resurrection:** The resurrection of Jesus is the central message of the Christian faith and hope. It also marks the beginning of the end. The resurrection of Christ and the resurrection of the dead are two parts of the same event. As Christ has risen, so now the future holds hope for all those who die in Christ. John Wesley comments on Paul's defense of the resurrection in 1 Cor 15 by concluding: "the same power which raised Christ must also be able to quicken our mortal bodies" (see Works vol. 4, "Sermons Abridged from Other Authors: On the Resurrection of the Dead [Benjamin Calamy]," p.528). For Wesley, since we have personal bodies, this meant our physical, yet imperishable, bodies must awaken for it to be a true resurrection of the dead. Not merely a spiritual ghostlike event, our bodies, our selves—who we are in our entirety—will someday live again with God! (Wesleyan Core Term, Wesley Study Bible, pg 1070)

We are Easter people called to respond to Jesus' resurrection and invitation. In essence it is the same invitation God the Father has offered from the beginning. To live in love with God and God's Creation in faithful obedience to God. This invitation is reflected and captured in the invitation to Holy Communion, "Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another."

Those who choose to separate themselves from God and from others, those who stand firm in their own ideas, not receiving the love, grace and mercy extended to them pass up on the free gift God offers. The gift is still offered, the gift is still obtainable, the gift may still be received.

Resurrection life is lived with others not alone! Easter people are the body of Christ, living and loving together in faithful obedience to God and the greater good of the whole. We covenant to faithfully participate in the ministries of the local church through our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness.

As we live into this covenant with God and each other, "May the God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ, establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit, that you may live in grace and peace." (UMH pg 39)

Let us commit to God and each other to be Easter people, people of the Resurrection!

In His grip, Rev Ed





## Happy Birthday

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|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 4/3 Sybil Temple      | 4/22 Ed Dickens    |
| 4/7 Mike Davis        | Carol Upton        |
| 4/10 Larry Cone       | 4/23 Terry Simpson |
| 4/17 Ollie Cooper     | 4/25 Ann Roberts   |
| 4/18 Joyce Peppers    | 4/26 Brian McGee   |
| 4/19 Jim Cook         | Frank Norris       |
| 4/20 Cathy Andrews    | 4/29 Mac Pletcher  |
| 4/21 Debra Willingham | 4/30 Earle Ellis   |
| 4/22 Charlene Morgan  |                    |



## Happy Anniversary

- 4/11 Danny & Susan O'Neal  
4/30 Greg & Krista Cooper



We Greatly Appreciate Gifts Given:  
In Memory of;  
Blanche Kulp  
Shirley & Charlie Van Shiflett




**SAMARITAN**  
*Hope, Healing,  
and Change. House*

Please remember to bring supplies for the Samaritan House the first Sunday of each month. The Samaritan House is open on Tuesday and Thursday. Volunteers this month are:  
April 13 – Pam Himes  
April 15 – Maria Masi

# April



# 2021

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
			March 31  Lenten Prayers 4:00 – 6:00	1 <b>Maundy Thursday</b>  <b>Stations of The Cross 4-</b>  <b>Clothing Bank</b> 1 Samuel 1-3	2 <b>Good Friday</b>  <b>Communion Service</b>  Clean Team: Self, David, Temple 1 Samuel 4-7	3     1 Samuel 8-11
4  <i>Easter</i> <b>Worship @ 10:55</b> 1 Samuel 12-14:23	5  Small Group 4:30  1 Samuel 14:24-16	6  <b>Tues. Morn Prayer Group 10:30 am</b>  Small Group 12:00  1 Samuel 17-18	7    1 Samuel 19-21	8   Small Group 11:30  1 Samuel 22-24	9    1 Samuel 25-27	10    1 Samuel 28-31
11  Worship @ 10:55 Social distancing Masks required   2 Samuel 1-2	12  Small Group 4:30  2 Samuel 3-5	13  <b>S.H. – Pam Himes</b>  <b>Tues. Morn Prayer Group 10:30 am</b>  Small Group 12:00  2 Samuel 6-9	14    2 Samuel 10-12	15  <b>S.H. – Maria Masi</b>   Small Group 11:30  2 Samuel 13-14	16  Clean Team: Moody, Masi   2 Samuel 15-16	17    2 Samuel 17-18
18  Worship @ 10:55 Social distancing Masks required  <b>ONE BOARD 6:00 pm</b>  2 Samuel 19-20	19   Small Group 4:30  2 Samuel 21-22	20  <b>Tues. Morn Prayer Group 10:30 am</b>  Small Group 12:00  2 Samuel 23-24	21    1 Kings 1-2:25	22   Small Group 11:30  1 Kings 2:26-4	23    1 Kings 5-7	24    1 Kings 8
25  Worship @ 10:55 Social distancing Masks required   1 Kings 9-11	26   Small Group 4:30  1 Kings 12-13	27  <b>Tues. Morn Prayer Group 10:30 am</b>  Small Group 12:00  1 Kings 14-15	28    1 Kings 16-18	29   Small Group 11:30  1 Kings 19-20	30  Clean Team: Edge, Cook, Willingham   1 Kings 21-22	