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THE EMPTY TOMB

Very early in the morning on the first day of the week, the women went to the tomb, bringing the fragrant spices they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they didn't find the body of the Lord Jesus. They didn't know what to make of this. Suddenly, two men were standing beside them in gleaming bright clothing. The women were frightened and bowed their faces toward the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He isn't here, but has been raised.

Luke 24:1-6

Easter Parking Lot Service April 4, 10:00 a.m.



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Dear Church Family,

I canot wait to meet with you, this Sunday, and together proclaim in one voice, Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Risen, indeed! Alleluia!

This Easter is going to be a joyous celebration as we will be able to meet together, in the Church parking lot, to sing our Alleluias to the risen Christ.

I thank God that in the midst of an incredibly challenging year, Easter will be here at ORUMC. Easter will come to tell us that our world is not defined by pain, loss or death.

Can you imagine life without Easter. No rebirth, no renewal, no new life. Imagine what it would be like for a flower to die in winter, and never bloom again in the spring.

Imagine what it would be like for grass to turn brown, and never again return to a lush green. It: s hard to imagine a world where death wins, because we're used to the renewal of color found in nature.

We expect it every year, we know it so coming, and we look forward to it. We see it each spring and we smile knowing that our world is not defined by death.

This same promise is the one that tells us we are people surrounded by Easter and not by death.

What a joy it will be to give witness to the fact that there is another way of being in the world ô a way of being that is shaped by resurrection, that embodies anything and everything that is life-giving, so demonstrative of

mercy, so exemplary of the truth of Easter that all our neighborhood will listen to us, watch us, wonder about us and say, õWait a minute. Did I just see the Lord in that parking lot?

I hope that you, together with your whole family, will be able to join us, to proclaim that we dongt live in a world where death wins. We live in a world full of promise.

My dear fiends, let us together show the world that at the end Easter wins and colors our lives with the grace of God.

Finally, as I close these words, I would like to call to your attention the lines below from the ReTurn Team protocole for parking lot services.

In Christøs love and service,

Pastor Shirley

From ReTurn Team

Begining with our Easter service April 4, all services during the warm weather season will be in the parking lot unless interrupted by inclement weather.

If weather does move the service inside, we are limited to 50 people total in the sanctuary including the worship team and support staff.

AND reservations must be made to guarantee that we do not exceed the 50 person limit.

The team is working on the reservation scheme to be used via computer, smart

phone, or telephone that would allow you to make a reservation and get a confirmation.

Until that procedure is completed, call the church office 847-882-6116.

For last minute requests, DURING APRIL you can call Pastor Nancyøs cell phone 773-350-8508.

If you are not able to make a reservation, or the weather is a last minute interruption, you may still come to the parking lot and listen to the indoor service on the FM radio broadcast used for the parking lot service or dial up the ORUMC YouTube channel to watch the service on your smart phone.

We will continue all of our Covid-19 safety precautions.

Our number 1 priority is the love and care we have for one another. Each of us may have different health concerns and sensitivities that others may not be aware of.

To be considerate to every person so that as many people can attend our services and participate in our activities as possible we are called by our love and concern for each other to wear a mask and maintain 6-foot social distance during the entire time we are together.

Please respect other privacy and done ask others if it is OK to hug them.

Wearing a mask and respecting a 6-foot social distance for the entire time you are on church grounds and in the building enables us to worship God in a community of Christ and to invite other to join us.



Confirmation Class of 2021 Update

The Confirmation Class of 2021 is happily engaged in learning about our Church History and the faith stories of members of the congregation.

It is a joy to hear how God is equipping each of us to use our gifts through the church and in mission for others.

As part of this discernment process, the confirmation class must complete 30 service hours in the church and 30 service hours in mission beyond our church walls.

If you have a project or need, please contact Pastor Nancy to help connect to the Youth

At present, the youth are helping to transform Asbury Hall into an Education wing for Sunday School and Youth Group functions.

Thanks to our Youth and our Young-atheart Trustees, Facilities Committee and Christian Education Committee for your support of our children and youth!

Youth Group Mission News

The ASP Mission Trip appears to be on track to happen in mid-June! We have formally confirmed 15 members for our work group, pending vaccinations and/or a negative

COVID-19 test before we arrive.

Thanks for continuing to support our Youth through our Mission Fundraising events. Please remember that the Butterbraids will be available for pickup on Monday, March 29, 2021 between 1 and 3 p.m.

Sunday School

The Sunday School Class has been learning about the events of the last days of Jesus and his disciples leading up to Holy Week and Easter.

Each story has brought us closer to understanding Jesus in a similar pattern of discovery as the original disciples. The theme has been based on this bible verse:

õBut all this has happened so that what the prophets said in the scriptures might be fulfilled.ö - Matthew 26:56a

Easter Egg Hunt

The Christian Education Committee is planning to host an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday as part of Sunday School.

Sunday School starts at 9:00 a.m.

We plan to do a short lesson related to the Resurrection Story, have some special art projects and will then transition to the egg hunt.

Please let **Pastor Nancy** know if you wish to bring children who are not currently enrolled in Sunday School so that we have enough materials and eggs!

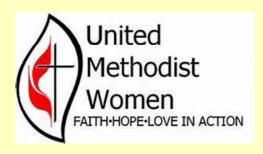


Sunday School



Coffee with the Pastors

The Holy Spirit is moving across the generations from the young children (Sunday School) to the young-at-heart (Coffee with the Pastors). Each group independently explored "How Well is Our Soul" on March 21, 2021 just as Spring has Sprung!When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; ... It is well, it is well with my soul. Regardless of our season in life (Ecclesiastes 3:1-8), God teaches us to find internal peace in Jesus (John 14:27, John 16:29-33, Romans 5:1, Ephesians 2:14-15, and Colossians 3:15).



We are all filled with hope and joy as we enter April and celebrate Easter. We extend a thank you to everyone involved in our inspirational March 2nd UMW program, entitled õEaster-Women at the Tomb.ö Mary Zalay organized the program and included Debbie Weigel, Racquel Enriquez, Mary Knoppel, Ronda Wilkes in the readings. Also, we were graced with the beautiful voice of Elizabeth Jepson for two songs.

The Rummage Sale will soon have a tentative date set. Organizers for the event are Betty Miller, Pam Miller and Melinda Taylor. We will inform everyone when the Parsonage is available for rummage drop-off. Stay tuned for the details.

We are hopeful that the pandemic will recede so that we can get back to having inperson events such as a Retreat, Rummage Sale and Heavenly Treats. In the meantime, we will enjoy getting together on Zoom, or social distancing outside when weather permits.

Please save this **2021 List of UMW Events**, so that you can be part of the Fun, Fellowship and Friendship.

Every Week: **Pickle Ball games & Walks** on the trails @ <u>Fabbrini Park</u> in Hoffman Estates. Contact Julie Kuhn if you want to be added to the email notices.

Tuesday, June 1 @ 6:00 p.m.- UMW Outdoor Picnic Meeting. Program: Games played outside on the church lawn (Croquet, Bags, etc.). NOTE: Rain date- Wednesday, June 2.

Tuesday, September 7 – details TBD. Hold the date.

Fall UMW Retreat- Dates: TBD. We will study the book by Adam Hamilton entitled *Christianity and World Religions.*

Tuesday, December 7 @ 6:30 p.m.-UMW Holiday Meeting. Program: Holiday Happenings

Finance News

The following is the financial status as of February 28, 2021.

Year to Date Actual

 Income
 36,759

 Expenses
 51,524

 Surplus(Deficit)
 (14,765)

Holy Humor Sunday (Bright Sunday)

Everyone needs a good laugh once in a while. Sunday, April 11 at 10:00 a. m. will be the perfect time for us to laugh together as we celebrate Holy Humor Sunday in the Parking Lot.

"Bright Sunday" or "Holy Humor Sundayö was observed for centuries in all Christian faith traditions by the faithful as "days of joy and laughter" with parties and picnics to celebrate Jesus' resurrection.

Here at our church we will continue the Easter celebration in creative and hilarious ways. We will have upbeat and lighthearted music and humor interludes. We invite you to bring a funny hat, wear a costume and bring noise makers to praise the Lord.

I serve a Risen Savior

I serve a risen Savior; He's in the world today. I know that He is living, whatever men may say. I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer, And just the time I need Him He's always near. He lives! He lives! Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives! He lives! Salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.



Youth Games

Schaumburg Community
Blood Drive
Tuesday, April 6th
2:30pm - 7:30pm
The Barn
231 Civic Drive
Schaumburg

Appointments are highly recommended

All presenting donors will be entered in a drawing for Walmart gift cards.

For more information or to schedule a donation call 877-258-4825 or visit us at vitalant.org and use group code SH98

GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE!

When you donate blood you give: Another anniversary Another day at the beach Another night under the stars Another laugh Another hug or kIss Another chance at LIFE



Schaumburg Township Food Pantry Items Needed April 2021

Canned Hams

Boxed Pasta Noodles

Jarred Pasta Sauce (Ragu, Prego, etc.)

Tomato Paste

Diced/Stewed Tomatoes

Canned Spinach, Beets, Asparagus,

Sauerkraut, Zucchini, Carrots, Lima Beans

Canned Pineapple, Apricots, Peaches

Black Dry Beans

White Dry Beans

Canned Black Beans

Canned Red Beans

Tuna Fish

Canned Meat (Chicken, Turkey, Spam, etc.)

Cream Soups (Chicken, Mushroom, Celery)

Peanut Butter, Jelly

Pasta Roni

Rice A Roni

Juice, Coffee, Tea

Pancake Mix, Syrup

White or Brown Rice

Baking items such as Brownie Mix, Jiffy Mix,

Cake Mix, Frosting, Oil, Powdered Milk

Condiments such as Ketchup, Mustard,

Mayo, Dressing, Pickles, Salad Dressing,

Seasonings, Mushrooms, Gravy, Olives

Dish Soap, Laundry Detergent, Hand Soap,

Cleaning Products

Shampoo, Soap, Deodorant, Toothpaste,

Shave Cream, Razors

Baby Diapers (larger sizes),

Wipes

Cash donations are also welcome.

UMM Monthly Zoom Meeting April 10, 9:00 a.m. Midwest Mission Center

At previous meetings we have discussed a possible work trip to the Midwest Mission Center at Chattam, IL. **Chantel Corrie** from Midwest Mission attended our March 13 meeting and gave an introduction to Midwest Mission.

The mission supplies disaster relief materials to events such as the Texas weather issues. A variety of work at the mission can be done by volunteers ranging from packaging relief materials to carpentry and repair jobs.

Tools are available for the various jobs. The facility is large enough that there is no problem keeping social distancing even with 20 or so people working together.

Chattam is about 3 hours from Schaumburg, so an overnight trip would be in order. The mission works Monday through Friday. Overnight facilities are available at the mission and at local motels.

With the Covid 19 situation to date we have not scheduled a trip, but **all are invited** to participate. Depending on the interest, we might try to go for a few days in late April or early May.

If you would be interested or would like more information please contacat **Rich Hill** at 312-480-7430.

In addition to a trip to the Mission Center, we are also collecting supplies needed by the center. All are invited to contribute.

Please leave the following at containers in the narthex.

Toothpaste (2.5 oz. or larger) Liquid laundry detergent (32-64 oz. Cleaning Supplies Needed ó Disaster

Response - Texas

One five-gallon round bucket with resealable lid (14.35ö h x 12.19ö w x 12.19ö d) -No screw lid ó may

be used, but must be free from all residual product ó Advertisements on the outside acceptable.

One 32-64 oz. bottle liquid laundry detergent One 16-40 oz. bottle liquid concentrate household cleaner -No spray cleaners One 16-34 oz. bottle dish soap One 4-8 oz. pump spray air freshener

One 6-14 oz. pump spray an inesticited one 6-14 oz. pump spray insect repellent (pack of 10-20 wipes also acceptable) -

Pump spray bottles

must have protective covers

One scrub brush - With or without handle 18 re-useable cleaning wipes - No terrycloth, microfiber or paper towels - Remove from packaging

Five scouring pads - No stainless-steel pads with soap in them - Remove from packaging 36-50 clothespins

One 50-100 ft. clothesline (cotton or plasti) 24 roll of heavy-duty trash bags (33-45-gallon sizes) - Remove from packaging Five N95 particulate respirator dust masks (1-3 mm thickness) - No surgical masks Two pairs kitchen gloves - Durable for

nultiple uses - Remove from packaging
One pair work gloves ó Cotton with leather
palm or all leather

The Last Supper

The Church Choir is inviting everyone to join them in observing the õLast Supperö with dishes commonly eaten on a daily bases at the times of Jesus This will be held via Zoom during Holy Week, on Wednesday, March 31st at 8:00 P.M. This 30 min observance will be done in remembrance of Jesus gathering with his disciples around a meal, before His journey to the Cross.

This is an observance that involves the whole family so you are welcome to invite your children and grandchildren and together prepare our hearts to walk with Jesus from Calvary to Easter.

The following are the items you can bring to the meal:

Menu For Last Supper Meal

Unleavened bread: You can pick up Matzo at most stores.

Olive oil

Honey

Parsley

A boiled egg

Figs: Fig spread can be found at. most stores.

Olives: scriptural, was promised in

Deuteronomy 8:8

Cooked barley & wheat (feel free to make it into a salad)

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Bitter herbs: Bitter herbs include horseradish

and spring radishes.

Pomegranate juice: You can find

pomegranate juice at most grocery stores.

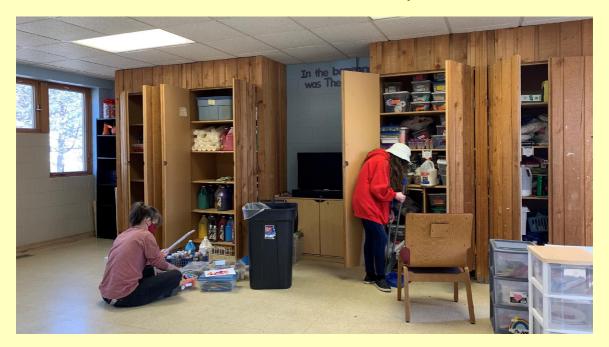
The link at the bottom of the page is the link to the Zoom connection for choir practice and the Last Supper. The choir will be practicing from 7:30 to 8:00 so please connect at 8:00 for the Last Supper.

If you do not have computer access you can dial in by phone: 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 908 348 1523

Passcode: 056640

Youth at Work and Play



Confirmation Class Cleaning Asbury Hall



Youth at Work and Play



Youth Group Games



Bible Quiz

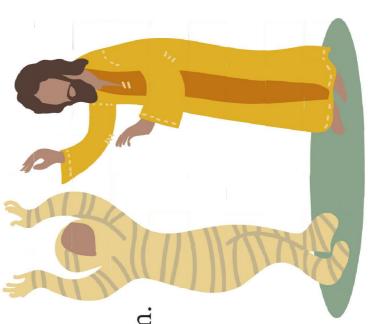
After Jesus raises Lazarus from death, what does his family do to thank Jesus?

A. They host a dinner for him.

B. Martha serves the meal. C. Mary anoints Jesus' feet

with an extravagant amount of expensive perfume.

D. All of the above.



Answer: D (See John 12:1-3.)

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Mar 28	Mar 29	Mar 30	Mar 31	Apr I	Apr 2	Apr 3
9:00 AM Sunday School	Butterbraid Pickup 1 to 3 p.m.	10:00 AM Woman's Book Study	6:15 PM Redeemer Ringers	1	•	•
11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom	7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom		7:30 PM Choir Zoom			
4:00 PM Confirmation			8:00 PM Last Supper Zoom			
Apr 4 9:00 AM Sunday School	Apr 5 7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom	Apr 6 10:00 AM Woman's Book Study	Apr 7 6:15 PM Redeemer Ringers	Apr 8 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry	Apr 9	Apr 10 9:00 AM UMM Meeting via Zoom
10:00 AM Easter Service with Communion in Parking Lot	7.00 FWINEW LIE BIBLE Study 20011	10.00 Aivi Wolfian's Book Study	7:30 PM Choir Zoom	10.00AWI Player Griaw Willistry		9.00 Aivi Olviivi ivieetiing via 20011
5:30 PM Youth Group						
Apr 11	Apr 12	Apr 13	Apr 14	Apr 15	Apr 16	Apr 17
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9:00 AM Sunday School			7:30 PM Choir Zoom			
10:00 AM Worship in Parking Lot						
11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom						
4:00 PM Confirmation				NEWSLETTER DEADLINE		
Apr 18 Native American Ministry Sunday - Doug Meneely	Apr 19 7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom	Apr 20 10:00 AM Woman's Book Study	Apr 21 6:15 PM Redeemer Ringers	Apr 22	Apr 23	Apr 24
9:00 AM Sunday School			7:30 PM Choir Zoom			
10:00 AM Worship in Parking Lot						
11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom						
5:30 PM Youth Group						
Apr 25	Apr 26	Apr 27	Apr 28	Apr 29	Apr 30	May 1
9:00 AM Sunday School	7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom	10:00 AM Woman's Book Study	6:15 PM Redeemer Ringers			
10:00 AM Worship in Parking Lot			7:30 PM Choir Zoom			
11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom						
4:00 PM Confirmation						
May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7	May 8
9:00 AM Sunday School	7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom	10:00 AM Woman's Book Study	6:15 PM Redeemer Ringers			9:00 AM UMM Meeting via Zoom
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5:30 PM Youth Group						