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**EASTER — Week 3 (May 1st --7th)**

**No meetings this week.**

**Pastor David is away until Saturday**

**Sunday 10:15 a.m. –**

**Worship for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Mother's Day/Festival of the Christian Home**

**Worship in the Social Hall as the Sanctuary painting continues.**



**Devotions for Easter: Week 3**

**O God, our dove, our promised land:**

**In the resurrection of Your Son, you have brought us into your ark.**

**Protect us from storms and ferry us to Your welcoming shore;**

**through Christ our Lord. Amen. Alleluia.**

**Scripture: Mark 1:9-10**

**At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove.**



**As clear and as lovely as a dove, the Spirit of God comes upon Jesus at his baptism. Jesus lives by that Spirit, just a clearly extending, all the life enhancing, and beautify gifts of God to all whom he could reach. As the Risen Christ, he passed that Spirit on to his disciples that God's love might be just as clearly experienced and shared with others by us.**

**In this Easter Season, we can visualize the dove of God's presence coming to us. Real, gentle, welcomed, and lighting up our lives. We thank God for the gift. Our hearts are lifted to realize that God is so close, so good, and so wonderful. With no hesitation, we reach out to receive this Spirit like a dove and maybe even sing a song:**

**O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love.**

**Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.**

**O let him have the things that hold you,  
and his Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life and  
make you whole.**

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**We give thanks for all whose efforts are making our Worship in the Social Hall possible with particular appreciation to the "Elder Production Team" for finding ways to continue to provide for our projection and recording needs there. Our hope is that our Worship, though in a different setting, will still speak to our needs to find the presence of God among our gathering and strengthen our faith and inspire our living.**

**We note with appreciation the work of our Trustees in these days:**

**There is a new roof and now gutters, gutter guards and down spouts on the shed roof.**

**Arrangements are made for the cleaning of the sanctuary carpet and pew cushions in preparation for our return to Worship there.**

**Next will come the ordering for new window treatments to replace those which were taken down for the painting and for the washing of all the windows.**

**We will have a bright and freshly prepared place of Worship in store for us.**

**Please be watching for the announcement of the Sunday of our return.**

### **SIX WEEK SERMON SERIES**

**Pastor David will begin a six-week Sermon Series on St. Peter and the Church. It is said that his conversion of a Roman Centurian as recorded in Acts 10 changed the world. This Sunday, we will examine that history and in the next few weeks of May explore his writings (1 and 2 Peter). We will conclude on June 5th with the Sermon that Peter preached on Pentecost. Through it all, we will seek to be filled with the world changing Gospel of Jesus Christ.**

#### **Saturday, May 14th – CRAFT FAIR**

**9:00—1:00 (No flea market items)**

**Held on the church parking lot.**

**Spaces are \$10 each. To reserve a space, contact Michele Elder or Phyllis Bonnet.**



#### **Sunday, May 15th –**

**Outdoor VBS for Everyone**

**4:30—6:30 p.m.**

**THEME: “THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD”**

**Dogs & Burgers on the grill, Stories, Crafts, Games, Closing Worship**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**

**CHILDREN-ADULTS, ALL AGES**



**Progress in our sanctuary.....**





**Christy Blyth (Shirley's daughter-in-law) is having a kidney transplant today.**  
**Barbara Tyler (Charlotte Deloof's daughter) who is having major surgery today.**  
**Donna Belcher, who is in the hospital in Florida with pneumonia.**  
**Ray Smith, who is recovering from surgery on Friday.**  
**Norman Weiss who is waiting for biopsy results from a growth on his neck.**  
**Dan Kershner who is recovering from Covid and finished quarantine.**  
**Alexis, who is recovering from a fall during Suicide Awareness walk at UMBC on Sat.**  
**The Broadwater family on the passing of Michele.**  
**The Schaeffer family on the passing of Claire.**  
**Virginia Habicht, who suffered a stroke.**  
**Doris Talbot, Phyllis' friend who will be receiving chemotherapy.**  
**Ms. Peggy from Jennings Café who broke her back.**  
**Delores Kolhepp on the anniversary of Tom's death.**  
**Larry Rockenbaugh, who will require hip surgery in the near future.**  
**Bill MacKenzie, for general health and well being.**  
**John Iampieri, who continues in cancer treatments.**  
**Ida Ledbetter's granddaughter, La Mia**  
**Cindy Iames, who is struggling with glaucoma and atrophy of her leg.**  
**Phyllis's mother and Aunt Wilma.**  
**Tom & Jane Wilhelm, who are recuperating from Covid.**  
**Gary's friend, Jim Condry who had a second surgery at Shock Trauma.**  
**Janet (Eloise's friend) who had a seizure and is unable to drive.**  
**Sydney, who is 10 years old and needs surgery on her knee.**  
**Lee & Larry's cousin, Ginny Stallings who is recovering from surgery.**  
**The Boor Family; the husband was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.**  
**Jim Rimbach, for encouragement while participating in therapy management.**  
**Donna's friend, Rob who has been readmitted to the hospital.**  
**Glova's friend, Bootsie who may need hip replacement surgery.**  
**Sharon's friend, Carol Waters, who is still struggling with the loss of her husband.**  
**Greg Goucher and his daughter, Claire, for health issues.**  
**The unrest in Russia and Ukraine; the Ukrainian people.**  
**Katie Ferguson (Sandy's cousin) who was diagnosed with cervical cancer.**  
**Sharon Schaub (Dan's neighbor) who is hospitalized with cardiac issues.**  
**Martin Boyer, Dan's friend, who suffers from headaches.**  
**Bettye Kershner, Dan's sister-in-law, still receiving chemo treatments.**  
**Jim Smith, Laurie's brother-in-law, who continues cancer treatment.**  
**Dan's sister, Mary Lou McKoy, still receiving chemo treatments.**  
**Melanie Hedrich, Susan's sister-in-law, who is undergoing chemo.**



**Shirley Case reminded us that life is good.**

**Phyllis Martin reminded us of celebrating May Day as children.**

**Linda's friend Jean found a house in Florida.**

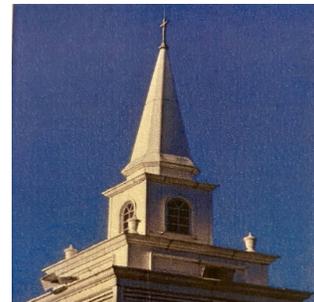
**Laurie was thankful for the money raised for the Suicide Awareness Walk on Sat.**



**Ring the Bells!**

*The Bell Chimes for the month of May are sponsored by Harry Wilhelm in honor of Peggy Greene and Jon & Michele Elder for their work with the donations from the Helweick Memorial Fund.*

*The Steeple Lights for the month of May are sponsored by Linda Lemmerman in memory of Katherine Lemmerman.*



*The Window Candles for the month of May are sponsored by Peggy Papesh in memory of my mother, Carol Ault.*

