

April 22, 2019

## FROM THE PASTOR

A family was watching *The Greatest Story Ever Told*, a film on the life of Christ. One of the children in the family was deeply moved. As Jesus journeyed to Calvary, tears rolled down her cheeks. She sat absolutely silent until Jesus had been taken down from the cross and put into the tomb. Then she suddenly grinned and shouted excitedly, "Now comes the good part!"

Now comes the good part! Indeed it does! The resurrection of our Lord is the basis of our faith. Without it, we would be lost! Without the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

**The gospel would be meaningless.**

*If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved (Romans 10:9).*

**Forgiveness of sins would be hopeless.**

*And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins (1 Corinthians 15:17).*

**Present life would be joyless.**

*Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied (1 Corinthians 15:18-19).*

**Godly living would be fruitless.**

*Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go to the Father (John 14:12).*

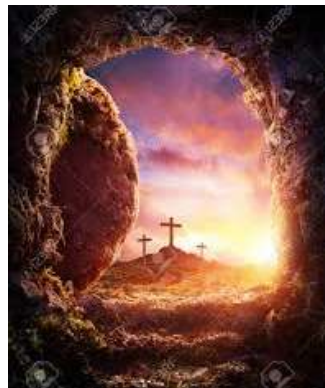
**Future life would be worthless.**

*Let not your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you (John 14:1-2).*

Do you understand what is at stake? If there is no resurrection, there is no Gospel; if there is no Gospel, there is no forgiveness of sin; if there is no forgiveness of sin, there is no present joy; if there is no present joy, there is no future hope. Just remember that Christ is preparing a place for us in His Father's house and then comes the *good part!*

In Christ,

Bro. Barry



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## Prayer Requests

Bro. Barry, Teresa and family  
Aldersgate UMC and staff  
Babs and Fred Bean  
Hazel Beverly and family  
Eva Crow (Jean Ralston's mother)  
Teresa Frommel  
Jacob Hamilton  
Phyllis Harris (Alice Redding's sister)  
Sonny and Kitty Hawkins  
Marilyn Haynes  
Ann Kirby  
Suzanne Latham  
Beth May  
John Meriwether and family  
Billy Moore  
Kathryn Morford  
Alice Phillips  
Dave and Jean Ralston and family  
Bob Reeves  
Glynda Smith and family  
Diane Snead  
Danny Tassin  
Wayne Timby  
Bobby Tipton  
Katherine Wardlow and family  
Doug Yoder and family  
Farrah Wyatt and family

## We Remember...

### Memorial

A memorial has been presented to the church in loving memory of Bob Smith by Marilyn Kemp.

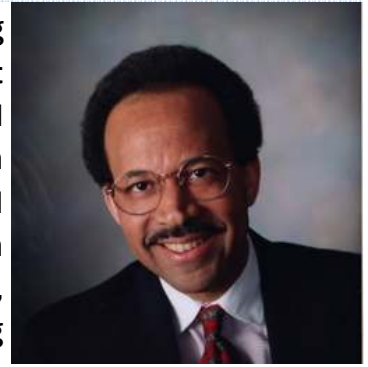
A memorial has been presented to the church in loving memory of Tank and Dorothy Harrison by Mary Couey.

### Honorarium

An honorarium was presented to the Choir Fund by Roger and Judy Bates.

## Dr. Calvin Taylor in Concert at Aldersgate

Calvin Taylor, pianist and recording artist, will appear in a live concert of sacred music on Sunday, April 28th at 10:45 a.m. and also again at 6:00 p.m. Dr. Taylor has toured throughout the world, performing in North and South America, Europe, Ukraine, and the Far East. Holding degrees in music from Oberlin Conservatory, the University of Michigan, and the University of Kentucky, Calvin has authored several music books, including *Spirituals for Piano*, *The Patriotic Piano*, *Spiritual Suite for Organ*, *Spirituals for Worship*, *Sacred Classics*, and *Five Spirituals for Organ*. With over ten solo recordings to his credit, Calvin Taylor records for Master Disc Records. Movements from his *Sunrise Symphony* have been performed by several orchestras including Nashville, Shreveport, South Arkansas, Salt Lake City, and Detroit Symphony Orchestras.



Awarded a full scholarship to Oberlin College Conservatory of Music, Calvin Taylor's ability to improvise led him to become the first student in the school's over one hundred seventy-five year history to improvise a graduate concert encore. With an unusually-large hand span of over 1 1/2 octaves, Dr. Taylor presents sounds and colors at the keyboard which would normally require four hands. Playing piano by ear at five years of age, he began formal lessons on his seventh birthday. He also studied other instruments, and was serving as a church organist at the age of fourteen. While in high school, Calvin was a member of both the Los Angeles Junior Philharmonic and the Southwest Youth Symphony. Calvin's programs consists of many Bible readings, followed by hymns, gospel songs, and congregational singing.

On Sunday evening at 5:00 p.m. before the evening concert, there will be a potluck supper at the pavilion. The church will provide the meat and everyone who attends is asked to bring a side dish or dessert. This should be a wonderful day at Aldersgate. Invite your family and friends to join you for the morning worship service and also the evening concert.

A free-will offering will be taken during the morning worship service.

# Aldersgate Celebrates!

## May Birthdays

8 Barry Matthews	19 Ondra Farmer	27 Andrew Buckley
9 Beth Gobbell	20 Kitty Hawkins	28 Sue Alexander
13 Sandy Rogers	21 Faye Bryant	31 Anita Roark
17 Lou Stegall	24 Bethany Latham	31 Jo Ann Wagner
18 Debbie Leigh	26 Bob Reeves	

## May Anniversaries

4 Larry and Ann Bell 7 Barry and Jan Matthews  
14 Hope and Aaron Newton

# Thank You!

- ♦ We would like to thank everyone for all the prayers, visits, cards, food and phone calls we received while in the hospital and all the other kindness we received. Bob is still improving, and we are hopeful he will be back to is old self very soon.

*Bob and Carol Reeves*

- ♦ I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to my church family for all your prayers, visits, cards, and phone calls while I was in the hospital. I especially want to thank June Wamble and Patty Simmons for all they did for me and for the help taking care of my little dog. God bless you all!

*Diane Snead*

# Bridal Tea

You are cordially invited to a  
Bridal tea in honor of  
Miss Carmen Wagster, bride-elect of  
Mr. Nathan New

On May 12, 2019 from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Aldersgate United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

Registry: Bed Bath and Beyond & Williams Sonoma  
Gift cards are also welcomed

# Ways We Serve

## By Our Presence

**Date: April 14**

Sunday School	73
Worship Service	170

**Date: April 21**

Sunday School	77
Worship Service	210

## By Our Gifts

**Date: April 14**

Budget 2019	\$344,672
Needed each week	\$6,628
Received this week for budget	\$3,881
Total budget income to date	\$108,552

**Date: April 21**

Budget 2019	\$344,672
Needed each week	\$6,628
Received this week for budget	\$11,527
Total budget income to date	\$120,079

## By Our Service

**Date: April 28**

April Ushers	Karen Grace, Robert Smith Jimmy Duke, Marianne Wilkinson
Nursery Worker	Elaine Ervin
Offering Counters	Marilyn Kemp Sandy Rogers
Children's Church	Ondra Farmer Kim Borden, Mitzi Hamilton

**Date: May 5**

May Ushers	Tom Carr, Toby Leigh Jim Wiley, Bob Redding
Nursery Worker	Rebecca Beverly
Offering Counters	Anita Roark Michael Duke

No Children's Church

**Sunday, April 28, 2019**

**Sermon**

**Dr. Calvin Taylor Sacred Music Concert**

**Sunday, May 5, 2019**

**Sermon**

**Communion Resurrection Restoration  
John 21:1-19**





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## A Look Ahead

### Wednesday, April 24

6:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast (FH)  
9:00 AM Explorer's Bible Study Groups (FH)  
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (CR)

### Thursday, April 25

7:00 PM Book Study (IC)

### Friday, April 26

### Saturday, April 27

9:00 AM Prayer Meeting (PC)

### Sunday, April 28

12:00 PM Adult Ministries Team (IC)  
10:45 – Worship Service with Calvin Taylor  
4:00 PM – Friendship Group (FH)  
6:00 PM – Calvin Taylor Concert (Sanctuary)

### Monday, April 29

### Tuesday, April 30

11:00 AM "Invitation" Study (FH)

### Wednesday, May 1

6:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast (FH)  
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (CR)

### Thursday, May 2

7:00 PM Book Study (IC)

### Friday, May 3

### Saturday, May 4

9:00 AM Prayer Meeting (PC)

### Sunday, May 5

### Monday, May 6

### Tuesday, May 7 – Election Day (FH)

11:00 AM "Invitation" Study (FH)

### Wednesday, May 8

6:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast (FH)  
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (CR)

### Thursday, May 9

### Friday, May 10

### Saturday, May 11

9:00 AM Prayer Meeting (PC)

### Sunday, May 12

1:30 PM Bridal Tea for Carmen Wagster (FH)

### Monday, May 13

### Tuesday, May 14

11:00 AM "Invitation" Study (FH)

### Wednesday, May 15

6:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast (FH)  
12:00 PM Daytime Fellowship (FH)  
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (CR)

### Thursday, May 16

### Friday, May 17

### Saturday, May 18

9:00 AM Prayer Meeting (PC)

### Sunday, May 19

12:00 PM Church Council Meeting (FH)  
4:00 PM Friendship Group (FH)  
5:30 PM Outdoor Worship Service (Pavilion)

### Monday, May 20

### Tuesday, May 21

11:00 AM "Invitation" Study (FH)  
7:00 PM Martha Circle meets

### Sunday Morning Regular Activities and Worship Service

9:00 AM Prayer Meeting (PC)  
9:45 AM Church School for All Ages  
10:45 AM Morning Worship Service

### Wesley Hall and Epworth Room Regular Weekly Events

#### Flex, Balance and Stretch (ER)

5:00 PM Monday

#### Stretch and Tone (ER)

8:00 AM Tuesday and Thursday

#### AI-Anon (ER)

12:00 PM Monday and Thursday

6:30 PM Thursday

11:30 AM Saturday

#### AA (WH)

8:00 PM Tuesday and Friday

We are always adding new events and activities at Aldersgate! For the most current listing of events, please visit the calendar and events page on our website: [www.aldersgatejackson.com](http://www.aldersgatejackson.com).