

**Worship Services:  
8:15, 9:45 & 11:00 AM**

**Sunday School for  
All Ages: 9:45 AM  
Adults: 11:00 AM**



# Tabernacle Spotlighter

**April 2018**

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## **Greetings in the Name of our Risen Lord!**

Each Easter Sunday we proclaim the good news with this charge and response: "He is Risen!" "He is Risen indeed!" In that proclamation, we announce the old life is gone, and the new life has come.

The resurrection of Christ Jesus, our Lord, reminds us that God continues re-creating always. The God of all creation interrupts our patterns of day-to-day living and turns our understanding of life upside down! Jesus conquering death is the ultimate God act to intervene in our lives and animate God's new history for humankind. It isn't just the fact that we, too, will be resurrected with Christ, after our mortal death. Equally important in the meaning of resurrection is we are freed from fear of death right now, and our understanding of life is opened up to new meaning.

A school teacher was assigned to visit children in a large city hospital. One day she received a routine call requesting that she visit a particular child. The teacher took the boy's name and room number and was told by the teacher on the other end of the line, "We're studying nouns and adverbs in this class now. I'd be grateful if you could help him with his homework, so he doesn't fall behind the others." It wasn't until the visiting teacher got outside the boy's room that she realized that it was located in the hospital's burn unit. No one had prepared her to find a young boy horribly burned and in great pain.

The teacher felt that she couldn't just turn around and walk out. She stammered awkwardly, "I'm the hospital teacher, and your teacher sent me to help you with nouns and adverbs." This boy was in so much pain that he barely responded. The young teacher stumbled through his English lesson, ashamed at putting him through such a senseless exercise.

The next morning a nurse on the burn unit asked her, "What did you do to that boy?" Before the teacher could finish her outburst of apologies, the nurse interrupted her: "You don't understand. We've been very worried about him. But ever since you were here yesterday, his whole attitude has changed. He's fighting back; he's responding to treatment. It's as if he has decided to live."

Each Easter we decide to live, not just exist. Christianity does not go through the motions, and it does not struggle through each day. The resurrection of Jesus from death is more than something we believe we will experience some day. Because of the Risen Lord, you and I can live a happier and healthier life right here and now!

Non-believers watch us to see if resurrection makes any difference to us right now; they want us to show them our resurrection today. We serve the same purpose in God's new creation that the school teacher served to the student whose badly burned body had almost given up the will to live. We share our joy and peace with those in despair, and they have the same opportunity the burned student had – giving up on life or finding the will to live.

So, I issue the challenge to the congregation at Tabernacle – Live resurrection now and from now on. We know we are able to do this because, "He is Risen!" "He is Risen Indeed."

Grace and Peace,

Barry



**BUILDING THE BODY OF CHRIST BY GROWING MATURE DISCIPLES THROUGH:**

**PRAYER, WORSHIP, EVANGELISM, FELLOWSHIP, STUDY, & CHRISTIAN SERVICE**



**4/1**

David Crisafulli  
Janice Harris  
Michael Newton Sr.

**4/2**

Thomas DePew

**4/3**

Cora Boetig  
Tara Cantwell

**4/4**

Sara Crisafulli  
Heather Ortega

**4/5**

Nancy Burket  
Taylor DePew  
Alexander Kneipp  
Brent Morris

**4/6**

Meredith Howdyshell  
Kenya Lawson  
James Hargrove

**4/7**

Kener Lipscomb  
Neil Sullivan Sr.

**4/9**

Allisa Ames  
Melanie Bolas  
Gary Jordan  
Courtney Kulcinski

**4/10**

Louise Kayne

**4/11**

Samantha Anderson  
Charlotte Cantwell  
Bradley Ellis  
Russell Forest Jr.  
Christine Potts

**4/12**

Kathy Richardson

**4/13**

Garrett Brooks  
Mary Spehar  
Jennifer Stephens

**4/14**

Linda Aytes  
Sue Eley  
Thomas Tedesco

**4/16**

Helen Maisonpierre  
Morgan Newhouse  
Piper Wallace

**4/17**

Joshua Hanson  
John Jones  
Justin Thorburn

**4/18**

Katrina Briggs

**4/20**

Christa Whaling

**4/21**

Dorothy Dolinger  
Andrea Dowell  
Frederick Finch  
Lucas Savage

**4/22**

Michael Byrnes  
Betty Peade

**4/23**

Robert David  
Christopher Donalson  
Brian Robey  
Pamela Wilson

**4/24**

Laurence Fox  
Benjamin Wharton

**4/26**

Natalie Moore  
Michaela Sizemore

**4/27**

Olivia Ivey  
Sonja Lambert

**4/28**

Scott Miller Sr.  
Ellen Urbanske

**4/29**

William Brooks Jr.  
Dennis Iceman  
Sarah Maslock

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**Sunday, April 01, 2018**

6:30 AM Sunrise Service/Breakfast  
 8:15 AM Traditional Service  
 9:30 AM Children's Choir  
 9:45 AM Contemporary Service  
 9:45 AM Sunday School  
 9:45 AM Upper Room Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Traditional Service  
 11:00 AM Women of Faith Bible Study  
 5:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 472

**Monday, April 02, 2018**
**Church Office Closed**

7:00 PM Church Council Meeting

**Tuesday, April 03, 2018**

12:00 PM AA Meeting  
 7:00 PM District DOM  
 7:00 PM Missions Committee Meeting

**Wednesday, April 04, 2018**

9:00 AM Prayer & Squares  
 10:30 AM Rosa Miller Circle  
 7:00 PM AA Meeting  
 7:00 PM Financial Peace Class

**Thursday, April 05, 2018**

9:00 AM Prayer Group  
 9:30 AM Thursday AM Bible Study  
 12:00 PM AA Meeting  
 5:30 PM Bell Choir  
 6:30 PM Chancel Choir  
 7:00 PM Praise Team

**Friday, April 06, 2018**

6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 3721

**Saturday, April 07, 2018**

7:30 AM AA Meeting  
 9:00 AM AA Meeting

**Sunday, April 08, 2018**

8:15 AM Traditional Service  
 9:30 AM Children's Choir  
 9:45 AM Contemporary Service  
 9:45 AM Sunday School  
 9:45 AM Upper Room Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Traditional Service  
 11:00 AM Women of Faith Bible Study  
 12:00 PM Jr/Sr High Youth Groups  
 1:00 PM MPKids  
 5:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 472  
 7:00 PM UMM Meeting

**Monday, April 09, 2018**

9:15 AM MOPS

**Tuesday, April 10, 2018**

12:00 PM AA Meeting  
 1:00 PM Dorcas Circle  
 7:00 PM Cub Scout Parent Meeting


**Wednesday, April 11, 2018**

9:00 AM Prayers & Squares  
 7:00 PM AA Meeting  
 7:00 PM Financial. Peace Class  
 7:00 PM Worship Committee Meeting

**Thursday, April 12, 2018**

9:00 AM Prayer Group  
 9:30 AM Thursday AM Bible Study  
 12:00 PM AA Meeting  
 5:30 PM Bell Choir  
 6:30 PM Chancel Choir  
 7:00 PM Praise Team

**Saturday, April 14, 2018**

7:30 AM AA Meeting  
 9:00 AM AA Meeting  
 2:00 PM Memorial Service

**Sunday, April 15, 2018**

8:15 AM Traditional Service  
 9:30 AM Children's Choir  
 9:45 AM Contemporary Service  
 9:45 AM Sunday School  
 9:45 AM Upper Room Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Traditional Service  
 11:00 AM Women of Faith Bible Study  
 12:00 PM Jr/Sr High Youth Groups  
 4:00 PM Prayer Service  
 5:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 472

**Monday, April 16, 2018**

7:00 PM BS Adult Meeting  
 7:00 PM Education Meeting

**Tuesday, April 17, 2018**

12:00 PM AA Meeting

**Wednesday, April 18, 2018**

9:00 AM Prayers & Squares  
 7:00 PM AA Meeting  
 7:00 PM Financial Peace Class

**Thursday, April 19, 2018**

9:00 AM Prayer Group  
 9:30 AM Thursday AM Bible Study  
 12:00 PM AA Meeting  
 5:30 PM Bell Choir  
 6:30 PM Chancel Choir  
 7:00 PM Praise Team  
 7:00 PM SPRC Meeting

**Friday, April 20, 2018**

3:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 5208  
 3:30 PM Micah Ministries  
 6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 3721

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**Saturday, April 21, 2018**

6:00 AM CF Walk -Youth Group  
 7:30 AM AA Meeting  
 9:00 AM AA Meeting  
 9:30 AM Stephen Ministry Meeting  
 12:00 PM MOPS Tea

**Sunday, April 22, 2018**

8:15 AM Traditional Service  
 9:30 AM Children's Choir  
 9:45 AM Contemporary Service  
 9:45 AM Sunday School  
 9:45 AM Upper Room Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Traditional Service  
 11:00 AM Women of Faith Bible Study  
 12:00 PM Jr/Sr High Youth Groups  
 1:00 PM MPKids  
 5:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 472

**Monday, April 23, 2018**

6:30 PM MOPS

**Tuesday, April 24, 2018**

10:00 AM Crossbearers at Woodmont  
 12:00 PM AA Meeting

**Wednesday, April 25, 2018**

9:00 AM Prayers & Squares  
 12:00 PM Lunch Bunch  
 7:00 PM AA Meeting  
 7:00 PM Financial Peace Class

**Thursday, April 26, 2018**

9:00 AM Prayer Group  
 12:00 PM AA Meeting  
 5:30 PM Bell Choir  
 6:30 PM Chancel Choir  
 7:00 PM Praise Team  
 7:00 PM Trustee Meeting

**Friday, April 27, 2018**

12:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 5208

**Saturday, April 28, 2018**

7:30 AM AA Meeting  
 8:30 AM Rebuilding Together  
 9:00 AM AA Meeting  
 12:00 PM Girl Scout Slideshow

**Sunday, April 29, 2018**

8:15 AM Traditional Service  
 9:30 AM Children's Choir  
 9:45 AM Contemporary Service  
 9:45 AM Sunday School  
 9:45 AM Upper Room Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Traditional Service  
 11:00 AM Women of Faith Bible Study  
 12:00 PM Jr/Sr High Youth Group  
 2:00 PM New Members Class  
 5:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 472



## **COMMUNION OFFERING FOR APRIL**

Tabernacle's April Communion Offering is for GYTTE (Give Ye Them to Eat). The purpose of GYTTE is to help the rural poor meet their basic needs for food, water, clothing, and shelter. Then through development programs and courses taught at the Tree of Life Training Center, their long term standards of living have been improved. Tabernacle has supported this ministry for many years. There we witnessed first-hand the growth and development that has taken place through GYTTE. It empowers individuals, families, and communities to improve the living and economic conditions within their own culture, community, and family.

## **APRIL COMMUNION CHANGED TO APRIL 8TH**

Pastor Barry invites you all to **Communion on April 8th** instead of April 1st. Communion is being moved because Easter falls on the first Sunday of the month this year. Thank you.

## **MICAH MEAL— APRIL 20TH**

There will be one more awesome spaghetti meal. Then we will transition to our summer menu. All of your efforts are greatly appreciated, and if you get a chance to talk to those who have participated in the past, they will excitedly tell you what a worthwhile effort this is. Sign-up sheets are located outside the Fellowship Hall, in the MPR and by the main door of the Sanctuary after the 11:00 a.m. Service. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either Andy and Debra Keyes at 916-705-2837 or Linda and Bob Dooley at 540-455-2850.



## **HANDY WITH A HAMMER --- REBUILDING TOGETHER --- THANKS FOR YOUR HELP**

- What: Rebuilding Together 2018 – National Rebuilding Day – Home Repair
- When: Saturday, April 28th, starting at 8:30 a.m. at the home site
- Where: Just west of Thornburg – 5801 Morris Road
- Work Items: Replace siding on a portion of the house; Reroute a vent pipe; Install a storm window; Replace a broken window; Replace the laundry room floor; Change out a ceiling light; Repair some shingles; Repair flashing around a vent hood; Repair the ceiling in the laundry room; Clean out the rain gutters; and, Do some yard cleanup.
- Contacts: Contact either Joe or Gary to join the Tabernacle Rebuilding Team  
 Joe Crisafulli, 540-661-7801 or email [joe@crisafullicustomhomes.com](mailto:joe@crisafullicustomhomes.com)  
 Gary Gross, 540-786-8060 or email [garlind68@verizon.net](mailto:garlind68@verizon.net)
- Pre Work: Thursday, April 26th, to be arranged
- Lunch: Will be prepared by David and Janet Craig

The Rebuilding Together Organization in partnership with the community repairs homes for low income residents. This is done particularly for those who are elderly and disabled, striving to make their homes warm, safe, and dry. Tabernacle has a long history of helping yearly with Rebuilding Together.



## **SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AVAILABLE AT TABERNACLE**

Did you know that Tabernacle offers several adult Sunday School classes? These classes offer a variety of topics and are an excellent way to expand your faith and your knowledge of the Bible, as well as to experience great fellowship with others in the class.

The Mary Thomas Class (Room 412) uses Adult Bible Studies, a quarterly publication which focuses on a different theme each quarter. Each lesson in the quarter is based on a scripture passage. The spring quarter's theme is "Acknowledging God," and uses scriptures from both the Old and New Testaments.

The Leon Anderson Discovery Class (Room 411) is currently studying the book *The Thirteen Apostles* by J. Ellsworth Kalas. Each chapter features a key passage of scripture, as well as gives a portrait of each of Jesus' apostles as a servant in ministry, a human being, and an individual. This portrait is drawn from scripture as well as historical writings and tradition.

Other adult classes include The Seekers (Room 413), The Upper Room (Room 304), and Women of Faith (Room 413). All Sunday School classes meet from 9:45 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. on Sundays, except for Women of Faith which meets from 11:00 a.m. until Noon. Descriptions of the various classes will be highlighted throughout the year.

You are welcome to drop in to see what these classes are about. We encourage you to come "Just as you are" in your faith journey. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, Eileen David at [eileendavid15@yahoo.com](mailto:eileendavid15@yahoo.com).

## **NEW!!- CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CHANGES**

Children's Sunday School will begin with a gathering time from 9:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. The actual programming time starts at 9:45 a.m. Parents are to drop their children off at the Assembly Room (Room 404) and pick them up from their regular Sunday School classroom.

Activities during Assembly time will include prayer, music, recognition of birthdays, introduction of the scripture lesson, and the offering. We will continue to have someone come in to talk about missions monthly, and this will also provide time to rehearse for special programs in which the children are involved. At 10:00 a.m., children will be dismissed to their regular Sunday School rooms.

If you have any questions or comments about this or any aspect of the Sunday School program, please feel free to contact Eileen David at [eileendavid15@yahoo.com](mailto:eileendavid15@yahoo.com)

## **CHILDREN'S TIME AND CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE CHANGE**

Children's Church is no longer a part of worship at the Traditional Services. Starting **APRIL 8TH** Children's Time will no longer be part of worship at the Traditional Services. The changes in these two ministries will be revisited within the next few months. For children remaining in the service, worship bags are located in the entrance to the Sanctuary.

## **THANK YOU FROM THE YOUTH GROUP**



The Youth Group would like to thank all those who took part in the Painting Fund Raiser and to those who donated items to the Youth Room. We met our goal! THANK YOU! The transformation will take place over the next two weeks. Once the room is complete there will be an Open House. We will keep you posted.



## **PRAYER SERVICE – APRIL 15TH**

Do you experience or long to experience the power of a group of people praying together? Please join us to experience that deep feeling of belonging by praying together. Our next Prayer Service is on April 15th in the Sanctuary at 4:00 p.m. Along with prayer for individuals, we pray for the church, the community, the country, and beyond.



## **ELECTRONIC PRAYER REQUESTS**

This type of prayer request can be made at any hour of the day. Go to the church website which is [www.tabumc.org](http://www.tabumc.org), click on the **More** tab then click **Prayer Request**. There will be a screen where you can enter your prayer. After typing in your request, click on **Send Request**.

## **LUNCH BUNCH – APRIL 25TH**

All are welcome! Bring a dish to share, drinks and dessert are provided. Join us in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, April 25th at Noon. We meet the last Wednesday of each month to share a meal and some fellowship.

## **NEW MEMBERS' CLASS – APRIL 29TH**



Please join Jim Ginther and Susan Pleasants for the New Members' class on Sunday, April 29th. If you want to join Tabernacle either by transfer or by profession of faith, come to the class in Room 413 from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Please let us know you will be attending by emailing Susan Pleasants at [spleasants@tabumc.org](mailto:spleasants@tabumc.org) or by calling the Church office at 540-786-6162.

## **WORSHIP COMMITTEE – 2018 COMMUNITY OUTREACH CAMPAIGN**

*just as you are...*

Tabernacle has added an Outreach phrase, just as you are, to couple with its Purpose Statement this year. To publicize this Campaign from within Tabernacle's membership, the Worship Committee is asking members to share how this phrase speaks to them in their faith walk. If you would like to volunteer to share your story during the Mission Moment at any service please contact Donna Jones at 540-207-5348 or at [fdesigns2000@icloud.com](mailto:fdesigns2000@icloud.com).

## **GET PLUGGED IN**



Have you ever wanted to help out in church or the community but was not sure where to start? The church ministries invite you to look at Get Plugged In at [www.tabumc.org](http://www.tabumc.org). Go to the website and click on the **More** tab then click **Get Plugged In**. Check out the opportunities to become involved. See if your gifts and graces fit in with one of the opportunities. Then step out your comfort zone and try something new. Keep checking this information as new opportunities arise.

## **GIVING OPPORTUNITIES**

Our E-Giving service provides the opportunity for regular tithes and offerings, as well as to conveniently acknowledge and contribute to some of our other ministries. Budget items include Ministries, Administration (electric, heating, janitor, office expenses, etc.) wages and Conference/District Apportionments. Designated items include projects and funds like Communion Offering, SECA, Micah, Building Fund, YWAM, etc. that could be called, Second Mile Giving. Please consider making Tabernacle's **Budget** your first giving account. Go to our website at [www.tabumc.org](http://www.tabumc.org), click on **More** tab, click on **E-Giving** and then the **E-Giving** link. Please check out our free mobile application for giving or to get plugged in at Tabernacle.

# CROSS CRAFT

Make this special cross as a reminder of Jesus' death and resurrection.



**What you need:**



- Adult help
- Piece of wood
- 5 nails
- Hammer
- 2 balls of yarn (blue and yellow)

**What you do:**

1. Hammer the nails into the wood to form a cross shape (see example).
2. Tie the blue yarn to the bottom nail. Wrap it up and around the top nail and back down to the bottom nail. Then wrap it around the middle nail and around the side nails. Repeat until the yarn is wrapped about halfway up the exposed nails.
3. Repeat step two with the yellow yarn. Wrap it around the nails until only the heads are visible.



## RESURRECTION HOPE

 Romans 6:5 reveals the hope we have because  Jesus rose from the dead on Easter.

*Directions: First solve the math problems. Then put the corresponding words in the blanks; for example, the word next to the answer "1" goes in the first blank, the word next to the answer "2" goes in the second blank, and so on.*

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|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------|------------|--------------|
| 2+2 = ___ | united    | 2x3 = ___   | death | 7+6 = ___  | resurrection |
| 3x3 = ___ | certainly | 18-16 = ___ | have  | 4-1 = ___  | been         |
| 0+1 = ___ | if        | 2x4 = ___   | we    | 13-1 = ___ | him          |
| 2+3 = ___ | in        | 20-6 = ___  | like  | 2+5 = ___  | his          |
| 2x5 = ___ | be        | 8+3 = ___   | with  |            |              |

"For 1 we 2 3 4  
 with him 5 a 6 like 7 ,  
8 will 9 also 10 united  
11 12 in a 13  
14 his." Romans 6:5, NIV

Answer: For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. Romans 6:5, NIV


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