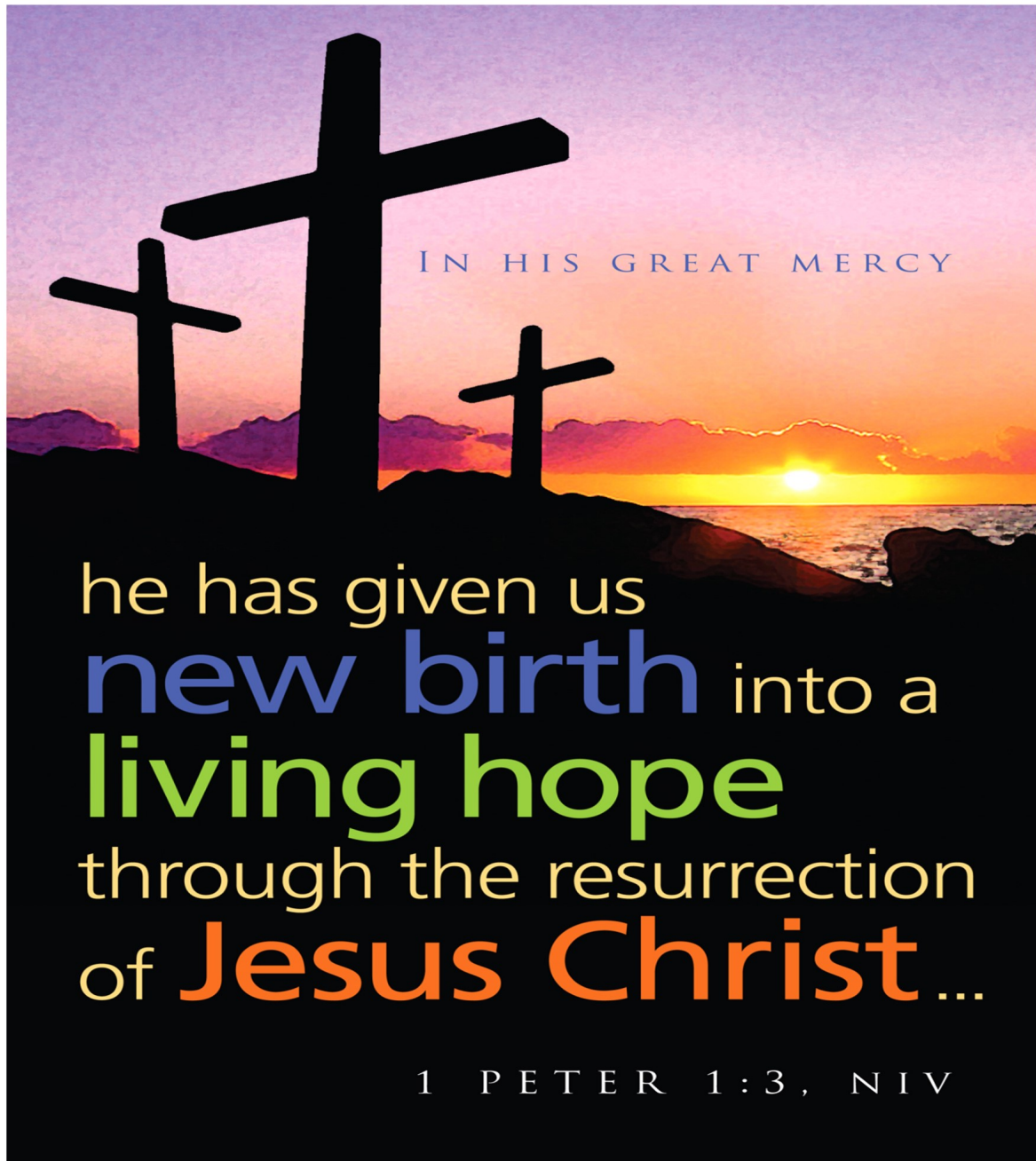


Orengo Church News

APRIL
Newsletter

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IN HIS GREAT MERCY

he has given us
new birth into a
living hope
through the resurrection
of **Jesus Christ...**

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Message from Pastor Mark

What does Easter mean to you? For me, it's many things. It's a time when our family comes together, gathering for worship on Easter Sunday morning, coming together to eat at the Easter Sunday meal, watching first our kids and now our grandkids as they excitedly hunt for Easter Eggs, the remembrance a family photo from decades ago where my brother John is in our family backyard looking for Easter Eggs – a time of many memories and joys.

But Easter is more than all of these memories – memories that will be made this coming Easter Day, and the ones from the past Easters. As we are studying John's gospel, I am reminded of our Lord's declaration that we recently looked at from John 11 – *"I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in Me will live, even though they die"* (John 11:25). It is our Lord's declaration that He is the way, the truth and the life – and that He is my only access to God the Father.

I'm also reminded of David's declaration in Psalm 18: *"The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I called to the Lord, who is worthy of praise, and I have been saved from my enemies."* (Psalm 18:2-3). Jesus is my hope – He is our hope, our only hope and our future.

On Good Friday, Jesus died for my sin – for all of mankind's sin! Three days later, on the first Easter Sunday, Jesus rose from the dead. He conquered death – His death paid for my sin, for all of mankind's sin. I am forgiven! We are forgiven! Our relationship with God is restored!

A praise song, *The Power of the Cross*, captures it all for me, and for us!

*The past that held regret, over my head is gone. These chains are ashes now,
once were rusted on. I was a runaway, now I am finally home.*

*My mind was a ghost town. Haunted by yesterday, until Your hand reached down.
Pulled me out of my grave, into the freedom found, only in Jesus' name.*

I am forgiven, no longer lost. Now I am living in the power of the cross.

*The Father gave His Son, to I could be set free. And now the scales are gone,
my eyes can finally see. I'll tell the world of all Jesus has done for me.*

*I am forgiven. No longer lost. Now I am living, in the power of the cross.
Goodbye to sorrow. Welcome my joy. Now I am living, in the power of the cross.*

*And on that cross His love held true. Through sacrifice, the old made new.
This life I live, I live in faith. Now in Jesus' name.*

*I am forgiven. No longer lost. Now I am living, in the power of the cross.
Goodbye to sorrow. Welcome my joy. Now I am living, in the power of the cross.*

*Thank You . . . O God, I thank You. Jesus, I thank You. Thank You for the cross.
Praise You . . . O God, I praise You. Jesus, I praise You, praise You for the cross.*

Lord, simply this. Thank You. Thank you for the cross. Amen and Amen!



April Sermon Schedule

April 2nd at 7pm – Maundy Thursday Communion Service
"This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."
- 1 Corinthians 11:24

April 5th at 10am – Easter Sunday Service
"The First Day of the New World" - John 20:1-18

April 12th at 10am – Communion Sunday
"The First Evening of the New World" - John 20:19-25

April 19th at 10am – *"My Lord and My God"* - John 20:26-29

April 26th at 10am – *"Life in His Name"* - John 20:30-31

New Wednesday Night Bible Study! Begins April 15th!

Paul's Letter to the Church at Rome

The book of Romans is one of the longest and most significant things written by the Apostle Paul, formerly known as Saul of Tarsus. Paul was a Jewish rabbi belonging to a group called the Pharisees, and he passionately devoted his life to observing the Torah of Moses and the traditions of Israel. He viewed Jesus and his followers as a threat to these traditions, so he persecuted them. His life was changed, however, when he had a radical encounter with the risen Jesus himself. Paul was commissioned to become an apostle for Jesus, an official representative to the world of non-Jewish people (or Gentiles).

Join us as we focus on Paul's ministry and mission to the church at Rome, using his letter to the church of Rome for our information. We'll start with a potluck dinner at 6:30pm and begin our study together at 7:00pm. The study will also be streamed on our [YouTube channel](#).



Prayer is powerful! Send us your prayer requests and praises for our prayer chain group to lift up to our Lord! Send to pray@orenochurch.org. Let us know if you're interested in joining our email prayer chain.



BIBLE STUDY OPTIONS

**Tuesday Mornings at 10:00am
In Person or Zoom**

**Wednesday Evenings
Potluck Dinner 6:30; Study 7-8:00pm
In Person or Livestream**

**Sunday Women's Class
8:45am
In Person or Zoom**

Meet our new Children's Director!

Hi! My name is Katie, and I am so grateful and excited to step into the role of Children's Ministry Director. I truly feel blessed that the Lord has led me here, and I can't wait to see how He will work in and through this ministry.

A little about me—I was born and raised in California's Central Valley and moved to the Hillsboro area in junior high. I attended J.B. Thomas and Hillsboro High School, and later Portland Community College and Concordia University. I have always had a heart for children and for serving in the church. Growing up, I spent much of my time volunteering in children's ministry, and those early experiences helped shape my love for sharing God's Word with young hearts.

In 2013 and 2014, I was blessed with the opportunity to serve on summer mission trips to Lebanon and Syria. During that time, I taught English, helped in medical clinics, and co-led Vacation Bible School. Those experiences deepened my faith and strengthened my passion for serving others.



For the past 12 years, I have worked in a pediatric emergency room, where I had the privilege of caring for children and their families during difficult moments. Recently, I felt God calling me into a new season—one where I could pour into children spiritually and walk alongside them as they grow in their faith.

Through my work, I met my husband, Kordell, and we were married in June 2025 in La Grande, Oregon. We now live in Beaverton with our 10-year-old dog, Mowgli. In our free time, we enjoy camping and hiking (especially in National Parks!) I'm an avid reader—you'll often find me with a book in my purse just in case I have a spare moment! I also love baking and hosting gatherings, so my weekends are often spent with family and friends.

I am so excited to get to know each of you and your children. It is such a joy and privilege to partner with families as we help our kids grow in their relationship with Jesus. If you ever have questions, ideas, prayer requests, or simply want to connect, my door is always open. I would truly love to get to know each and every one of you.

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it." — Proverbs 22:6

In His Service,
Katie Fink

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!



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March was a fun month for the youth group, we continued our studies through the Sermon on the Mount looking at Jesus' teachings. We will continue this study up to Easter celebrating the death and resurrection of Christ. This month we also were able to move into our youth room—it is great to have our own space!

In April, we will start a new series I am calling "Counter Culture." Here, we will look at things that the world is saying and compare them to what God

and the Bible says. Will they be the same or is God wanting us to be different from the world? Spoiler alert! We are to be different from the world.

Middle and High schoolers, I hope you will join us on Sunday nights from 6pm-8pm for games, snacks and Bible study.

- April schedule:
- April 5th: no youth group (Easter)
 - April 12th: youth group 6pm-8pm
 - April 19th: youth group 6pm-8pm
 - April 26th: youth group 6pm-8pm (hangout night)

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**Bottle Drop Day is April 12th (1 week later than usual).
 Bring in your bottles & cans for this Youth Group fundraiser!



Church Fundraiser!

Have you tried our gift card fundraiser? A great way to help the church is to use our gift cards when you do your shopping. We offer a large variety, such as groceries, department stores, restaurants, coffee shops, travel, hardware, Amazon, and prepaid Visa.

We keep a nice variety of gift cards on hand, stop by our desk on Sundays after worship to see what we have, it varies each week. For an even larger variety and multiple denominations, we recommend you place an order with us. We have two order forms available on the bulletin board in the hallway and at [www.https://tinyurl.com/OrencoDocs](https://tinyurl.com/OrencoDocs).

The **blue** form is for Kroger cards, these can be used at QFC and Fred Meyer (including their gas stations). We order Kroger when we can meet their minimum.

We order once a month for our **yellow** form and the next order date is April 12th. This form offers cards to all types of places, much more than what we have onhand.

We hope you'll give our fundraiser a try, it's easy to use and every little bit helps. The profits are used to help pay bills.

Here's a thought ... order an Amazon card and donate it to the church to help offset supply costs. We order a lot of our office, kitchen, and custodial supplies there.



Our Deacons are the caring body of our church, they help others in need, stay connected with our shut-ins, and serve at various events for the church and preschool. If you or someone you know is in need of a meal let us know (deacons@orenochurch.org). They also maintain a community food pantry inside the church that is open year round. Donations of non-perishable items are appreciated and may be placed in the barrel next to the church library. Items currently needed are canned tuna, canned chicken, and canned fruit. Pull-top lids are always helpful. Please check the expiration date on all items.



BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, May 2nd
9am - 2pm



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Join us at 10AM on April 5th!



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