

The Overisel Overview

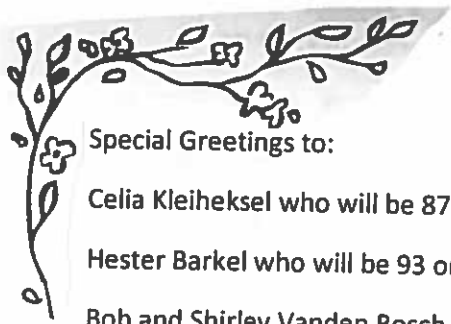
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Date	Morning Service	Evening Services
<p>April 1</p>	<p>On-line service only 9:30 Rev. Randy Raak Palm Sunday</p> <p>Offering: General Fund/ General Benevolent</p>	<p>On-line service only Maundy Thursday Service April 9 at 7:00</p>
<p>April 12</p>	<p>9:30 Rev. Randy Raak Easter Sunday</p> <p>Offering: General Fund/ Open</p>	<p>Watch bulletin for resumption of regular morning services, Sunday School, Revolution, and evening services.</p>
<p>April 19</p>	<p>9:30 Rev. Randy Raak</p> <p>Offering: General Fund/ Al and Lisa Gemmen</p>	
<p>April 26</p>	<p>9:30 Rev. Randy Raak</p> <p>Offering: General Fund/ Forgotten Man Ministries</p>	

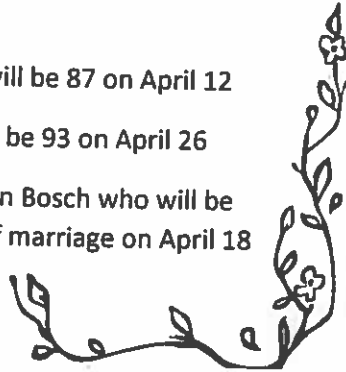


Special Greetings to:

Celia Kleiheksel who will be 87 on April 12

Hester Barkel who will be 93 on April 26

Bob and Shirley Vanden Bosch who will be celebrating 50 years of marriage on April 18



Celebrating Adoptions made Final!!!

Tim and Sherri Halstead are celebrating the final adoption of their granddaughter, Rilee, who is now officially the daughter of Mike and Trista Kimber.

Congratulations to Brian and Renee Nyhof who became the parents of Kaden Jay Nyhof and Ellianna Ruth Nyhof. They have been foster parents to them since last spring and summer. Kaden and Elli join James (7th grader), who is now an official big brother. Kaden is 7 and his birthday is December 12. Ellianna is 4 and her birthday is March 15. Congratulations to all of you!

Proud Great Grandparents

Larry and Lucy Whitcomb announce the arrival of their first great grandchild, a great-granddaughter, Killiary Rose Whitcomb, born on March 26. She is the granddaughter of their son Jeff and Jill Whitcomb. Killiary is the daughter of Mike and Bronwyn Whitcomb of Ionia.

Lucy is so disappointed that she cannot hold her or see her in person because of social distancing. She says she's really cute!

Golden Anniversary

Congratulations to Bob and Shirley Vanden Bosch who will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on April 18. They were married in Graafschaap Christian Reformed Church. They then moved to Overisel to the farm where they presently live on 46th Street. They were blessed with 3 children: Amy, who is married to Aaron Klanderman and has 3 children, Caden, Maya, and Lily and still live in the area. Rev. Amy is a pastor at Intersection Ministries on the north side of Holland. Their second daughter, Mendy, is married to Steve Pate, and has 2 children, Thatcher and Ayla, and lives in the state of Washington. And Chad, who is married to Dara, and their children Nede and Luzia (Zinah), are missionaries living in Mozambique.

They have no special plans to celebrate their anniversary since no one will be able to join them. They were in Florida when I talked to them and had no plans to leave early. Congratulations on 50 years of marriage.

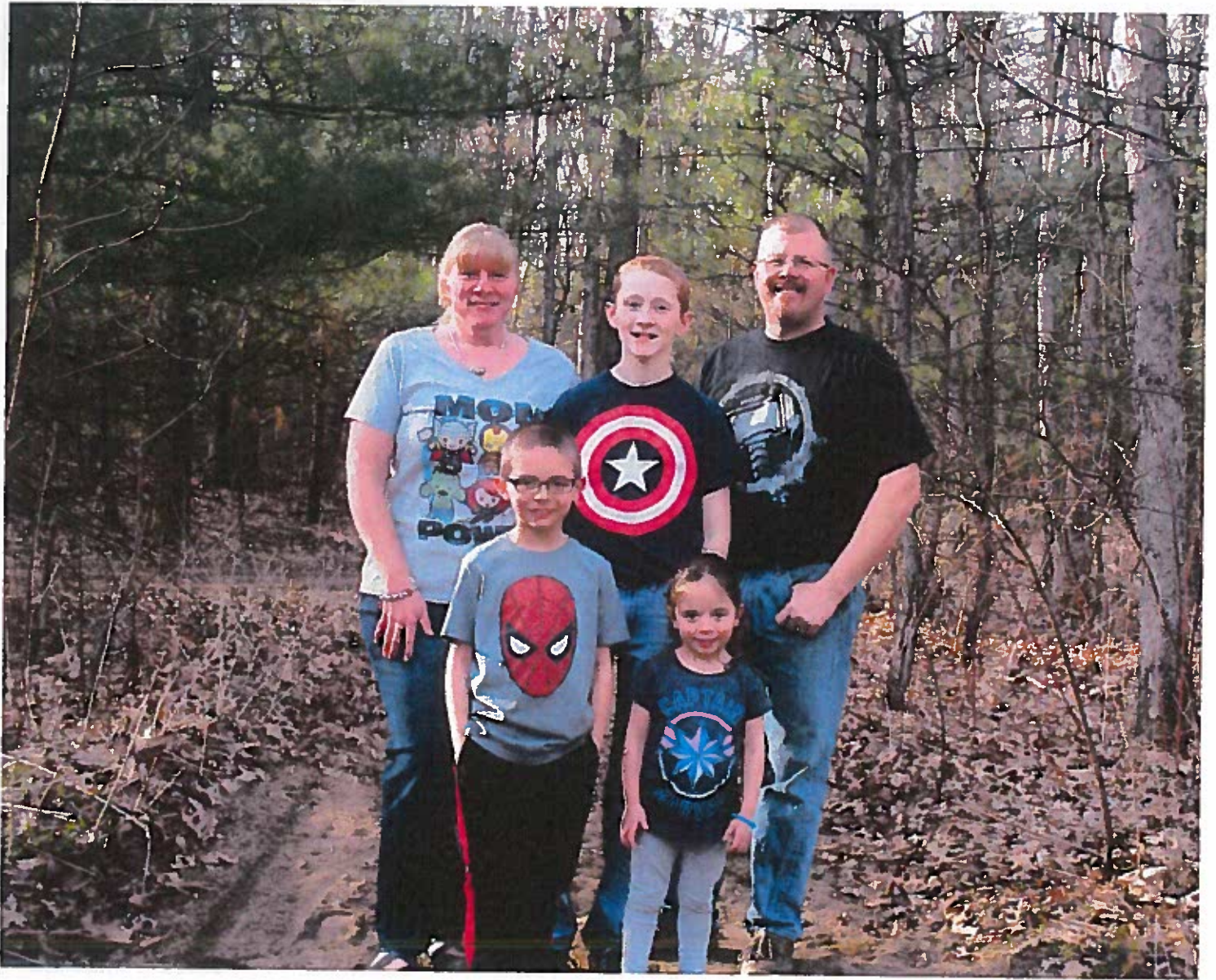
Answers to the puzzle:

Hands, nailed, right hand, left, Father, hands, carried, Thomas, hands, hands, prayer.

Answers to the children's page: Bread, thanks, broke, body, remembrance, cup, covenant, poured.

Answers to Thomas' Unbelief:

"Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." John 20:29



Many of you are aware that we foster. Last year April 2019, Kaden came to stay with us and his sister joined us in June 2019. There was the possibility of adoption when they joined us. In August 2019 we started the process to adopt them. We finally got a court date of April 8, 2020. Well with COVID -19 the court date has been canceled. So the court had the judge just sign the papers which happened on Friday, March 20, 2020. Announcing the adoption of Kaden Jay Nyhof (7 yrs old) and Ellianna Ruth Nyhof (4 yrs old)!! We were going to do some fun pictures at the court hearing but instead, we have to do them at home. But we are still rocking our super-hero shirts!!

Renee James Brian
Kaden Ellianna

Church Schedule

With the restrictions necessitated due to the Corona Virus, no activities are scheduled at church this month.

The nursery schedule is included so that it is available should we need it. We hope everyone is following the guidelines to keep themselves and everyone else safe and healthy.

There are some printed copies of the Overview on the information table for those who don't have internet available or prefer a printed copy.

News from Love, INC

As you are all aware, Gov. Whitmer has issued a "stay at home" order effective for 3 weeks from Monday March 23 until April 13. It is my understanding after reading the order that Love, INC and its associated pantries are essential services and thus will remain open to the extent possible.

At the same time, we want to be citizens and observe the Governor's orders. Therefore, we will continue with phone intakes, "curbside" voucher issuance at the offices and similar fulfillment of vouchers at our pantries. The Hamilton office will be open on Wednesdays and Fridays from 9-12.

The Allegan office will be open Tuesday and Thursday afternoons (T. from 1:30-4:30 and TH. From 12-3. Should changes become necessary, we will do our best to inform you. Thank you for your service and support.

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Dear Church Neighbors,

Our community project, the Hamilton Area Veterans Memorial is nearly complete!

Organizers will be placing one final memorial paver order to honor veterans in Mid-April. We are planning a large scale dedication and community lunch for Memorial Day. We want to make sure the whole community knows it's invited. (See poster included.)

Organizers of the Hamilton Area Veterans Memorial (Constructed on M-40 adjacent to the Heath Township Hall) will submit a final memorial paver order in April. If you would like to honor a Veteran with a memorial paver, please submit the order by April 15. Order forms, with instructions, are available at the Heath Township Hall and at Teddy's Transport, 931 Interchange Dr., Holland. The community is invited to a Memorial Day Dedication ceremony on May 25. A free community lunch will begin at 11 am at the Heath Township soccer field and the Hamilton Elementary School Gymnasium. The dedication will begin at 1:00 pm. If you have questions or for more information please call Helen Zeerip at 616-836-7949.

Thanks for your help in completing this memorial for our community and our Veterans

Netty

Annette Manwell

Articles and items for the May issue of the Overisel Overview are due on Sunday, April 26. Please put items in the wooden box marked Overview Articles located on the wall outside the church office, or email them to marciaimmink@yahoo.com Please put your name on anything you submit. Thank you.



Puzzle!

Hands play a key role in the biblical accounts of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. Use this sign-language alphabet to retell what happened.



Jesus' _____ were _____

to the tree. Two criminals were also crucified,

one on the _____

and the other on the _____ of Jesus. Jesus

cried out with a loud voice, "

into your _____ I commit my spirit."

(Luke 23:46) Jesus' friends _____

him from the cross to the tomb. Jesus showed

_____ his _____ to prove

he was Christ. Bring your _____ together

in _____, and thank God for his

Son, Jesus!



You're invited
to the

Memorial

Day

(May 25, 2020)

**Dedication
Ceremony**

of the

Hamilton Area

Veterans Memorial

Free community lunch - 1st 1,000 people

11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m.

Heath Township Hall Soccer Field

Hamilton Elementary School gymnasium.

Orders for memorial pavers are due by April 15

Order forms available at Heath Township Hall

and Teddy's Transport - 930 Interchange Dr. Holland - 616-836-7949

April 2020

“Praying and Singing”

Acts 16:25a – “About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God . . .”

Paul and Silas were in prison. Not the first place you would think of to find someone praying and singing hymns. And about midnight to boot. Now I suppose you could imagine someone praying in prison and maybe even doing so at midnight, but singing hymns? Seems unlikely to me, especially after being beaten with rods.

How about you? Do you feel like you are in a bit of a prison with all the restrictions that are in place these days? Do you feel like you have been dealt a bad hand? Do you feel the anxiety and depression coming on? I know I do sometimes.

But yet we see reports on the news and on our media screens of people in many places in this country and around the world who are singing songs together on balconies and on screen through technology. And that lifts our spirits. And that’s just what Paul and Silas were doing. They were lifting their spirits and those of their fellow prisoners. Also praying, for themselves and, I believe, for those other prisoners. Singing and praying gets your mind off your problems and gets you thinking about others and the blessings that you still have even in the middle of a difficult trial.

So, how about you? How about me? When the anxiety and depression start to well up inside, let’s pray and sing. Let the songs and the prayers bring the word of Christ back to us. As Colossians 3:16 says—Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

By doing that the thankfulness will return to us and we’ll get our minds off of ourselves and back on the Lord, which is where it should be in the first place. Have a wonderful month of April praying and singing, and may Christ dwell in you richly. I’ll see you (and hear you) on the journey. God bless you all.

Pastor Ken

A Thirst for More

Kevin Kruiuzenga

At the time of writing this article, we are in week two of our livestreamed services, and I don't know about you, but I am more than ready to be gathered together for worship once again. It is great that we have the technology to still do our services, and for everyone to be able to connect and participate in the services. But doing our services online leaves me longing for something more. I have experienced what corporate worship is like (corporate worship means our gathered worship) and anything less feels like a fraud. But this feeling of longing for more is something that corporate worship is actually intended to make.

As we meet to worship together, our participation is designed to foreshadow the experience that we will have in heaven one day. The book of Revelation describes heavenly worship as "every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, sang, 'To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!'" (Revelation 5:13). This passage gives us a glimpse of two major components to heavenly worship; the first is that in heaven we will sing, and the second is that we will sing *together*.

As we gather on Sundays to worship, we are participating not only in what we were created to do, but also in what we will do for all of eternity. When we sing in church, we are essentially a choir rehearsing for the day when we get to perform our song in the presence of the One who created music and gives breath to our song. And just as a choir looks forward to the day when they finally get to perform their songs, so to we are led to anxiously await the day when we join all of creation in heaven to worship. Our corporate worship is simply a foretaste of that day.

So as you watch the services online, and you are left feeling a little unsatisfied, let that lead you to anticipate not just the day when we can gather again on Sundays, but let it remind you to yearn for the day when we are all gathered up in heaven with people from every tribe nation and tongue lifting together our chorus of praise.

2 Corinthians 5:1-9

For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ² For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³ if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴ For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵ He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

⁶ So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷ for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸ Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹ So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

This Treasure!
By Ty Hogue

2 Corinthians 4:7-12 • ⁷We now have this light shining in our hearts, but we ourselves are like fragile clay jars containing this great treasure. This makes it clear that our great power is from God, not from ourselves. ⁸We are pressed on every side by troubles, but we are not crushed. We are perplexed, but not driven to despair. ⁹We are hunted down, but never abandoned by God. We get knocked down, but we are not destroyed. ¹⁰Through suffering, our bodies continue to share in the death of Jesus so that the life of Jesus may also be seen in our bodies. ¹¹Yes, we live under constant danger of death because we serve Jesus, so that the life of Jesus will be evident in our dying bodies. ¹²So we live in the face of death, but this has resulted in eternal life for you.

I know this will sound very strange because of the circumstances we are living under, but I've felt very confident recently. I'd be lying if there aren't a few moments of stress or worry, but shockingly [or more likely providentially], I've been feeling fulfilled, content and purposeful through all of this. Getting out and doing ministry to students and their families has been a blessing for me. Seeing the smiles online with students and dropping off "pandemic treats" in driveways have been a simple yet significant way to show that even though we are fragile jars of clay, God still is and always be at work amongst us!

And the great thing I believe is this confidence has nothing to do with me but comes from the power of Christ he gives us that is talked about in the verses above. We see that near the end of Verse 7. We can't power through this on our own, but only the power of God working in us will bring us confidence and purpose. There are a number of things that are at play here in our world right now. It would be normal to have a variety of emotions, reactions and struggles, and there is no guilt if you do. But also, please remember to lean into your faith, grab on to Christ and look with new eyes at what His word tells us. The words I see more in the above verses are NOT CRUSHED, NOT DRIVEN TO DESPAIR, NEVER ABANDONED, NOT DESTROYED! We are in the hands of our God who spared nothing for us to be redeemed; bought back!

Through all of this, the life of Jesus may be seen in us! Make that our prayer, make that our daily focus. How, in this day with whatever may come, can the life of Christ seen in how we live? That requires our connection and submission to Christ. So, jump in with wild abandon because God has assured us of eternal life through Jesus.

So, all of us as cracked clay pots, join me in asking for Christ to continue to live through us and love one another through whatever circumstances may come our way. He's got this!

Adapting

Last month I wrote about how spiritual disciplines are like a roof that protects us and keeps us safer and healthier. I've certainly found that to be true since then. 1 month seems like a long time ago now. The world was different then. Our lives were different then. Church was different then – a few churches were livestreaming services then, what churches *aren't* livestreaming them now?

Romans 15 addresses the need to adapt when it begins: "We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up." Paul had been writing about adapting with worship style and the Jewish food rituals which Jesus had done away with by declaring "all foods clean" (Mark 7:19). That word for "bearing with" the failings of the weak, is not the word for "tolerating" others failures, but to "bear them up" and to encourage and support those around us who need it.

There are a couple things that are relevant for us today which came out of that discussion and others like the Jerusalem Council in Acts 15: Keep the main things the main things; and those who are strong (mature in faith) should lead the way by adapting for the sake of those who aren't as strong.

Being mature in faith is often a product of those spiritual disciplines we've looked at over the last few weeks: Bible reading, prayer, generosity, service, hospitality & solitude, and worship. Over the last 2000 years those practices have been found to help Christians draw near to God and stay close to him. The more we are in touch with God, the more we tend understand what is most important to Him, and that helps us understand how we can adapt in healthy ways rather than in reactionary ways.

For me, over the last month those practices have kept me grounded, and helped me not to become fearful. The closer I draw to God, the less a pandemic rattles me. Yes, I keep up on what's happening, but my life isn't overwhelmed by it. As Psalm 62 says, "My soul finds rest in God alone... he is my fortress I will not be shaken."

This has also helped us, as a church, be able to work through adapting in many ways: livestreaming worship services; using ZOOM and GoogleMeet more for committees and youth ministry; supporting the church family in other ways such as phone calls and more social media; and even in looking at how to cut down expenses. Much has changed, but the essential things continue, just in different ways, for now.

I was reading an article from a believer in China, where they have been under lock-down for quite a while now. She wrote that after the first 2 weeks it started getting easier. Her family adjusted to spending more time together, and spending less money. It was bringing a healthier balance, and they were now enjoying getting to know each other better.

How have you adapted? Has it been intentional, or just whatever is easiest? Have you adapted by prioritizing what is most important, not just for you - but in ways that can help those around you too? When we're "shaken" by world events around us, it's harder to focus on what's most important and we tend to give in to whatever is easier as we try to cope with our unsettled souls.

These are times when we need God's leading and assurance and providence more than ever. So draw near to him, especially as you evaluate what is most important in your life and how you will go forward from here. Sometimes his answers are surprising, and will mean taking unexpected steps of faith, even in uncertain times. More often though, he just gives us the peace and wisdom that we need to cope with a topsy-turvy world, with a little extra to help those around us.

Pastor Randy

A Modern Day Parable

In Luke 15, Jesus tells three parables about the precious being lost and, at length, found again. The kingdom of heaven, he says, is like that. But most of us don't shepherd sheep, and wouldn't fret over one lost coin. A child, on the other hand . . .

In the fall of 2019, as night fell in northern Minnesota, 6 year old Ethan and his dog wandered off. Family and police grew frantic because the area consisted of fields, woods, and swamps. Authorities requested assistance.

The kingdom of heaven, Jesus might say is like 600 volunteers searching diligently in the dark for a child they didn't know. It's like Steve Fines who, though also a stranger to the boy grabbed his company's pricey heat-seeking drone and worked the camera for hours, until it detected Ethan huddling with his dog, safe, but cold. Yes, the kingdom of heaven—indeed, God—is like people giving of their all and refusing to quit until the lost one is found.

Easter Around the World

Easter traditions are important but they vary widely. While Americans dye hardboiled eggs, Kenyans carve soapstone eggs and present them as gifts in banana fiber boxes. In Bermuda, locals fly homemade kites on Good Friday—a tradition that began when a teacher illustrated Christ's ascension to heaven using a cross shaped kite.

Ethiopian Christians observe a 56 day fast from eating meat and all meat products. On Easter they dress in white to worship in churches decorated with handmade fabric. Then they feast with non-Christians on roast chicken and goat and rice.

In France, church bells are silent between Holy Thursday and Easter to observe Jesus' Passion. According to legend, the bells grow wings and fly to Rome to be blessed returning on Easter to be blessed with chocolate and presents. In one town's main square, chefs make a giant omelet with 4500 eggs to feed 1000 people.

A Reason to Laugh

The week after Easter, some churches observe Holy Humor Sunday—a tradition dating back to the fourth century. Early Christian theologians coined the term "sisus paschalus" or "the Easter laugh" saying God played the supreme joke on death. Some believers celebrated Bright Monday, gathering after Easter to mock Satan's defeat.

On the first day of April, remember that "we are fools for Christ" (I Corinthians 4:10) Then later in the month, take time to smile and laugh, knowing that victory is ours, thanks to Jesus.

See(k) First

On Facebook, I can “follow” as many people as I want, viewing their messages, photos and activities. But I can choose only 30 to “see first”—that is, to prioritize in my news feed. As of this writing (Facebook changes often), if my “see first” list is full and I want to add someone new, I must “unprioritize” someone else.

That leads me to ponder bigger matters. I often claim to know Jesus, but what might I need to “Unprioritize” to make him not just a priority but the priority in my life? To what do I devote time and attention but ought to let go of to follow Christ more closely? What activities, behaviors and values do I need to not just bump from my “see first” list but “unfollow” or “block” entirely. Perhaps they are antithetical to discipleship or simply take too much time from your prayer, Scripture, and service.

The dilemma isn’t unique to the digital age. Facebook parlance is about what we “see first”, but in Matthew 6:33, Jesus says “Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness.”

Heidi Mann

Remembering Dietrich Bonhoeffer

The Christian church commemorates Dietrich Bonhoeffer—pastor, theologian, anti-Nazi spy—on April 9, the anniversary of his 1945 martyrdom. Among his much loved writings are nuggets of wisdom such as these:

“Judging others makes us blind, whereas love is illuminating. By judging others, we blind ourselves to our own evil and to the grace which others are just as entitled to as we are.” (The Case of Discipleship)

“In normal life we hardly realize how much more we receive than we give, and life cannot be rich without such gratitude. It is so easy to underestimate the importance of our own achievements compared with what we owe to the help of others.” (Letters and Papers from Prison)

“The table fellowship of Christians implies obligation. It is our daily bread that we eat, not our own. We share our bread. Thus, we are firmly bound to one another not only in the Spirit but in our whole physical being. The one bread that is given to our fellowship links us together in a firm covenant.” (Life Together)

All Things in Common

Just as the bread is made out of many grains ground and mixed together, and out of the bodies of many grains there comes the body of one bread, in which each grain loses its form and body and takes upon itself the common body of the bread, and just as the drops of wine, in losing their own form, become the body of one common wine or drink—so it is and should be with us.

Through the interchange of Christ’s blessings and our misfortunes, we become one loaf on bread, one body, one drink, and have all things in common.

Martin Luther, *Treatise on the Blessed Sacrament*

Our True Power Source

The story is told of someone who plugged a power strip into itself and then couldn't understand why the system wouldn't come on! We get a kick out of such tales, yet how often do we try to "power" our own lives? We frequently think we need to be the source of our own strength, joy, peace, energy, and wisdom.

Jesus doesn't teach us to find life within ourselves – or in any human being or earthly circumstance, object or philosophy. Rather, calling himself the good shepherd, Jesus says, "I have come that [my sheep] may have life, and have it abundantly" (1 John 10:10).

We don't access that abundant life by "plugging into" ourselves. Instead, Jesus invites us to plug into his power – and joy, peace, hope, truth – through prayer and Scripture, worship and service, fellowship with other Christians and the beauty of God's world.

Quotes on Easter

"Easter is a time when God turned the inevitability of death into the invincibility of life."

Craig D. Lounsbrough

"Never yet was a springtime when the buds forgot to bloom."

Margaret Elizabeth Sangster

"The fact of Easter is the fulcrum upon which our worship pivots."

Preston Philport

"I feel as if God had, by giving the Sabbath, given 52 springs in each year."

Samuel Taylor Coleridge

"Spring shows what God can do with a drab and dirty world."

Virgil A. Kraft

Why We Need Easter

No one is exempt from tragedy and disappointment – even God was not exempt. Jesus offered no immunity; no way out of the unfairness, but rather a way through it to the other side. Just as Good Friday demolished the instinctive belief that this life is supposed to be fair, Easter Sunday followed with its startling clue to the riddle of the universe. Out of darkness, a bright light shone.

The cross of Christ may have overcome evil, but it did not overcome unfairness. For that, Easter is required a bright clue that someday God will restore all physical reality to its proper place.

Philip Yancey, *Disappointment With God*

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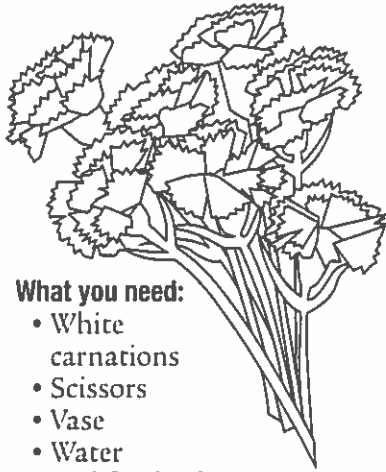


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Joni Boeve Palm Sunday	2 Todd & Carrie Klaasen	3 Cal & Jill Kroeze Roger & Marcia Slotman	4 Elnora Burton REBECCA LAARMAN Azlan Lohman	5 Travis Dangremond	6 Amanda Flokstra Dean & Jill Jipping	7 Tim & Sherri Halstead Bob & Shirley Vanden Bosch
8 REBEKKAH HARRINGTON Celia Kleinheksel Mary Mulder Easter	9 Adrianna Dekker Amy Genzink	10 Joni De Neef Shirley Van Order	11 Ella Hogue	12 Robb & Krista Kleinheksel	13 Carl & Shirley Van Order	14 Tim & Sherri Halstead Bob & Shirley Vanden Bosch
15 Liz Dangremond Sadler Lubbers	16 Bryan & Connie Immink Dennis & Holly Kroeze	17 Matthew Dozeman	18 Tim Boeve Ron Nienhuis	19 Dean & Liz Dangremond	20 Ashley Berghorst Glenda Peters	21 Shanley Kruisenga Zach Postma Keith & Laurie Lubbers
22 Hester Barkel Ryan De Weerd Kevin Kruisenga	23 Laurie Lubbers	24 Sierra Prince Jeff & Jennifer Wassink	25 Audrey Bronson Tim Halstead Trenton Holyfield Ashlyn Postma Kevin Schierbeek Tim & Carla Borr Terry & Amy Genzink	26 31		



Scripture AND NATURE

Conduct a simple experiment to illustrate Easter's meaning.



What you need:

- White carnations
- Scissors
- Vase
- Water
- Red food coloring
- Bible

What you do:

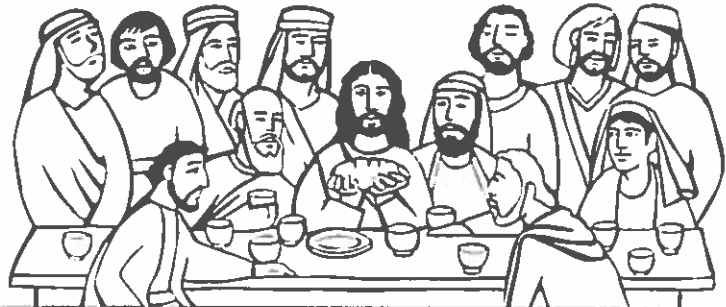
1. Cut the carnation stems (at an angle) to about 8 inches long.
2. Fill the vase halfway with water. Add 10 drops of food coloring. (More may be needed to darken the water.)
3. Add the cut flowers and observe what happens to the petals over time.
4. Discuss how this is like Jesus' work on the cross. Read 1 Peter 2:22-24 (NIV) and reflect on what his death means for us.
5. To learn more about this experiment, research capillary action.



PUZZLE

Picturing the Lord's Supper

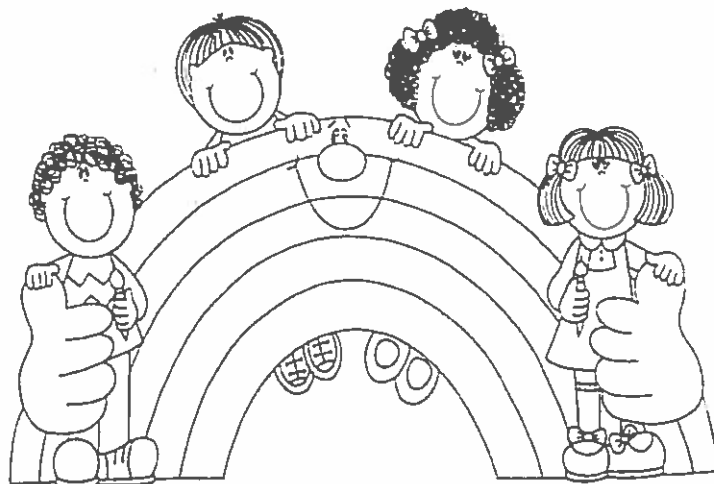
Jesus ate the Passover meal with his disciples as a symbol of the new covenant.



Directions: Use the picture clues to fill in key words from Luke 22:19-20, NIV.

And he took _____, gave _____ and _____ it, and gave
 it to them, saying, "This is my _____ given for you; do this in
 _____ of me." In the same way, after the supper he
 took the cup, saying, "This _____ is the new _____ in my
 blood, which is _____ out for you."

LUKE 22:19-20, NIV



Nursery Schedule for April 2020

Date	Service	Adult Helper	Youth Helper
April 5	AM	Kelsey Helmus Emily Bronson	Kaitlyn Lubbers Zachary Lubbers
	PM	No nursery – Spring Vacation	
April 12	AM	Amber Velderman Tanya Mudd	Brooke Jipping Tori Folkert
	PM	Holly Raak	
April 19	AM	Emily Heavener Tracy Lubbers	Jenna Berghorst Kelli Genzink
	PM	Mary Slotman	
April 26	AM	Jessica Nagelkirk Pam Mc Donald	Gracie Immink Brady Genzink
	PM	Lynnae Genzink	
	Cleaning Toys-Jessica Nagelkirk		



Nursery Schedule for May 2020

May 3	AM	Mary Lubbers Kim Dalman	Ashley Berghorst Brooke Berghorst
	PM	No Nursery	
May 10	AM	Kelsey Helmus Kelli Nauta	Leah Blood Maddie Jipping
	PM	No nursery	
May 17	AM	Emily Heavener Amanda Flokstra	Hannah Valkema Maddie Schrottenboer
	PM	No Nursery	
May 24	AM	Amber Velderman Tara Blood	Hailey Brinks Jenna Dozeman
	PM	No Nursery	
May 31	AM	Jessica Nagerkirk Christine Andersen	Leah Prince Makenzie Brinks
	PM	No Nursery	



Cleaning toys: Natasha Grew



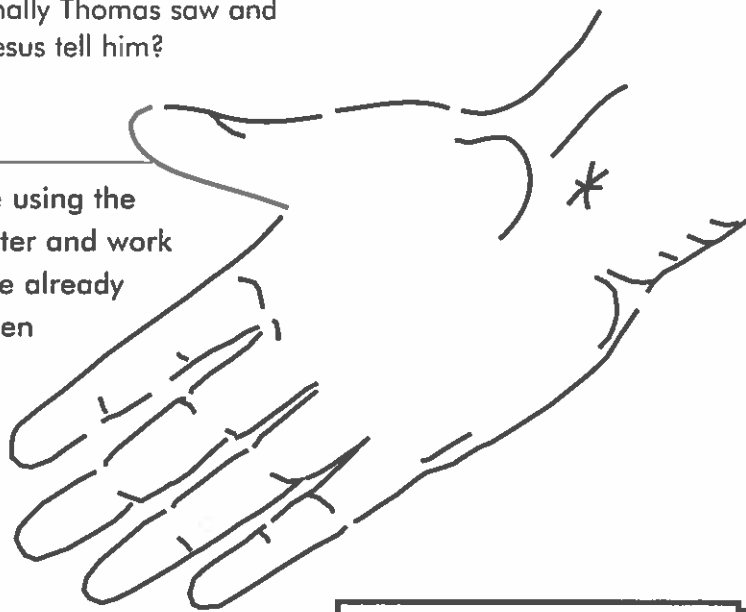
Thomas's Unbelief

Jesus Appears to Mary and Disciples

—John 20

John 20:10-31 gives details of Jesus' appearance to His disciples after His death. Thomas wasn't present the first time Jesus appeared, and Thomas declared that he wouldn't believe unless he had touched Jesus' wounds. Finally Thomas saw and touched Jesus. What did Jesus tell him?

On the lines below rewrite the message using the letters in the box. Begin with the last letter and work backwards. The first and last letters have already been entered. False punctuation has been included in order to make the solution harder to find.

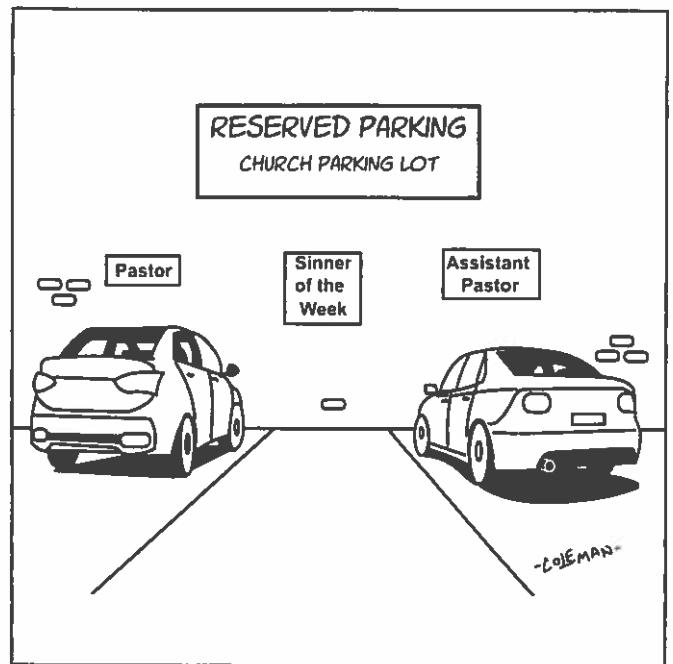


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(John 20:29)



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