

Communiqué

As a fellowship of Christ's followers, our mission is to journey through life with the inclusive Christ and embrace all with God's transforming love.

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Thoughts from
Pastor David

The cross. It is baffling, really, that the cross is the Christian's symbol for hope. For life. For God's re-creation. The cross is where death rules supreme. The cross is where domination has the final say. The cross is where insurrectionists and rabble rousers are silenced. The cross is where Jesus, the Son of God, died.

Yet, the cross is what motivated the apostle Paul. "I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified." That's what Paul wrote to the churches at Corinth. That's what Paul preached. Christ crucified. Of course, for Paul, to preach Christ crucified was to also preach Christ resurrected. But there is no resurrection without crucifixion. And so, Paul preached Christ crucified. Paul found hope in the crucifixion. Paul subscribed to life in the cross.

Which is such a paradox. Such an oxymoron. That the fullness of life is obtained through crucifixion. Through the cross.

Oh, believe me, I want resurrection. But I could do without crucifixion. Give me that glorification, but I'll pass on the justification. I'll take an extra helping of equality, justice, and embrace, but let me still cling to my sense of control, influence, and power. I want the beautiful things that God creates, without having to transform from dust.

Unfortunately, that's not how resurrection works. That's not how Christ crucified works. In order for life in Christ to be lived, there must be a death. There must be deaths. There must be crucifixions.

Christ crucified.
Me crucified.
Christ resurrected.
Me resurrected.
Lent. Maundy Thursday. Good Friday.
Easter.



Save The Dates

- April 13**, All Ages Game Night, 6:00-8:00 pm, Fellowship Hall. Games include KC Jeopardy, Mingo, and Balloon Volleyball
- April 14**, Palm Sunday Service, 9:00 am, Sanctuary
- April 18**, Joint Maundy Thursday Service, 6:30 pm, United Believers Community Church (5600 E 112th Terrace, KCMO, 64134) Contact church office if you need a ride to UBCC.
- April 20**, Service Saturday at Hillcrest Thrift Store, 10:00 am-12:00 pm, (More Information Below)
- April 20**, Easter Egg Hunt, 1:00-2:30 pm, Holmeswood. Ages 0-12. Rain or Shine.
- April 21**, Easter Sunrise Service, 7:00 am, Mt. Moriah Easter Service, 9:00 am, Sanctuary
- May 18**, Service Saturday at Community Assistance Council, 9:30-11:30 am.



April 20th
Hillcrest Thrift Store (936 SE 3rd Street
Lee's Summit, MO 64063)
10:00 am- 12:00 pm
You must be at least 7 years old to volunteer

There is room for 15 people. Sign up at the Information Station in the Galleria or by emailing Anna at anna.holladay@holmeswood.org.

Service Saturday takes place on the third Saturday of every month at various mission partners in Kansas City, including but not limited to Harvesters, Hillcrest Thrift Store, and Community Assistance Council. The organization and number of spots available will be communicated prior to the Service Saturday.

John 15: 12-13




Just Love
CONNECTING WITH GOD, SELF, CHURCH & COMMUNITY

Holmeswood's All Church Retreat
Heartland Retreat Center
September 6-8, 2019

Make plans to attend our weekend All Church Retreat!

More information and registration forms available at the Information Station in the Galleria.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>7</p> <p>9a-10a Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10a-10:15a Blood Pressure Check (Nartriv) 10a-10:15a Meet & Greet 10:15a-11:15a Bible Fellowship Groups (Classrooms) 11:30a-1p Slovaki Team Meeting 12p-3:30p ICC Bible Study & Worship</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Deacon on Call: Mike Goff 12:30p-3:30p Prayers & Squares (S204)</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10a-11a Staff Meeting (Conf Rm2) 11a-12p Pastoral Staff Meeting (David's Office) 6p-7p Mission Council Meeting (Conf Rm 1) 6:30p-9p Pray & Play Basketball (Gym)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>2:45p-3:45p "Connections" for Adults (Parlor) 4p-5p HBC Community Chorus (Choir Rm) 5:45p-7p "Connections" for Adults (Blue Moose Restaurant) 6:10p-7:20p Handbell Rehearsal (Handbell Room) 7:30p-8:30p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) 8:30p-10p Pray & Play Basketball (Gym)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>7a-8a Men's Prayer Breakfast (Conf Rm2) 7a-8a Women's Prayer Breakfast (Conf Rm1) 6p-7p Faith Community Health Team (S201) 6:30p-8:30p Pickleball (Gym)</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Minister on Call: Anna Holaday 6p-8p HBC Game Night-All Ages (Fellowship Hall) 6p-10p ICC Meal Prep (Gym - Kitchen)</p>
<p>14 Palm Sunday</p> <p>9a-10a Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10a-10:15a Blood Pressure Check (Galleria) 10a-10:15a Meet & Greet 10:15a-11:15a Bible Fellowship Groups (Classrooms) 11:30a-12:30p Children's Ministry Team Meeting (Conf Rm1) 11:30a-12:30p Deacon's Meeting (Parlor) 12p-3:30p ICC Bible Study & Worship 12p-9p ICC Meal (Gym)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Deacon on Call: Mark Garnett Newsletter Deadline</p>	<p>16</p> <p>10a-11a Staff Meeting (Conf Rm2) 11a-12p Pastoral Staff Meeting (David's Office) 6p-8p Denver Mission Team Meeting (Youth Room) 6:30p-9p Pray & Play Basketball (Gym)</p>	<p>17</p> <p>4p-5p HBC Community Chorus (Choir Rm) 6:10p-7:20p Handbell Rehearsal (Handbell Room) 7:30p-8:30p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) 8:30p-10p Pray & Play Basketball (Gym)</p>	<p>18 Maundy Thursday</p> <p>7a-8a Men's Prayer Breakfast (Conf Rm2) 7a-8a Women's Prayer Breakfast (Conf Rm1) 10:45a-1:15p Anchors Luncheon (Fellowship Hall) 6:30p-7:30p Maundy Thursday Service (United Believers Community Church)</p>	<p>19 Good Friday – Office Open</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Minister on Call: David McDaniel 10a-12p HBC Service Saturday (Hillcrest Thrift Store) 1p-2:30p HBC Easter Egg Hunt (Sanctuary, Prayer Garden, Galleria)</p>
<p>21 Easter</p> <p>7a-7:30a Sunrise Service (Mount Moriah) 9a-10a Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10a-10:15a Meet & Greet 10:15a-11:15a Bible Fellowship Groups (Classrooms) 12p-3:30p ICC Bible Study & Worship</p>	<p>22 Easter Monday – Office Closed</p> <p>Deacon on Call: John Brown 5:30p-6:30p Finance Committee Meeting</p>	<p>23</p> <p>10a-11a Staff Meeting (Conf Rm2) 11a-12p Pastoral Staff Meeting (David's Office) 6:30p-9p Pray & Play Basketball (Gym)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>4p-5p HBC Community Chorus (Choir Rm) 6:10p-7:20p Handbell Rehearsal (Handbell Room) 7:30p-8:30p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) 8:30p-10p Pray & Play Basketball (Gym)</p>	<p>25</p> <p>7a-8a Men's Prayer Breakfast (Conf Rm2) 7a-8a Women's Prayer Breakfast (Conf Rm1) 6p-6:30p Centering Prayer Group (Prayer Garden) 6:30p-8:30p Pickleball (Gym)</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Newsletter Distributed</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Minister on Call: Laura Culbre</p>
<p>28</p> <p>9a-10a Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10a-10:15a Meet & Greet 10:15a-11:15a Bible Fellowship Groups (Classrooms) 11:30a Leadership Team Meeting (Fellowship Hall) 12p-3:30p ICC Bible Study & Worship</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Deacon on Call: John Usery</p>	<p>30</p> <p>10a-11a Staff Meeting (Conf Rm2) 11a-12p Pastoral Staff Meeting (David's Office) 6:30p-9p Pray & Play Basketball (Gym)</p>	<p>Notes:</p>			

Faith Community Health Team

Come to the table...

Tell someone you love them, and dinner's at six. Throw open your front door and welcome the people you love into the inevitable mess and laughter.

Gather those you love around your table and feed them with love, honestly and creativity.

Invest yourself wholly and deeply in friendship, God's greatest evidence of himself here on earth.

Come to the table...



Excerpt from *Savor: Living Abundantly Where You Are, As You Are* by Shauna Niequist
-Kathy Lockyer, FCHT



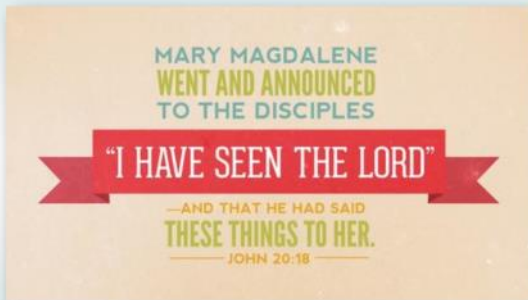
April Birthdays

- 4/02 Scott Younger, Sarah Zey
- 4/03 Bobbi Goff
- 4/04 Leigh Ann Friggeri
- 4/05 Teresa Miller
- 4/06 Shelmedria Johnson
- 4/12 Harry Duvall, Nancy Duvall
- 4/14 Clara Youngblood
- 4/15 Tyler Hicks
- 4/16 Rolan Duffield, Lauren Franco
- 4/17 Sharon Blancett
- 4/18 Carol Swezy
- 4/20 Freda Durbin
- 4/21 Alex Brown, Gabrielle Butler, Allison Hager
- 4/22 Kevin Wilcoxon
- 4/25 Anna Holladay
- 4/26 Charline Whitsitt
- 4/28 Eric Lau



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April 18, 2019 10:45 am



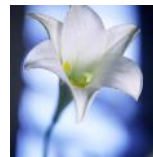
Cost: \$8.00 **Theme:** Easter **Program:** Center School Musicians
Crew: Cheryl Powell, Evelyn Batiz **Service Project:** HBC Food Pantry
Menu: Glazed Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Cheesy Corn, Garden Salad, Rolls, Carrot Cake

Statistics

Easter Lilies

It's time to order your Easter Lily that will adorn the Sanctuary on Easter Morning, and your home afterward. Lilies may be ordered in honor or memory of a loved one.

- ◆ \$10 each
- ◆ Place your order by Sunday, April 7 by signing up in the front office, calling the church office (816-942-1729), or emailing Terry at terry.brown@holmeswood.org



News From Our Community

The Frey family would like to thank the congregation for their expressions of caring. We appreciate the prayers, cards and visits to Charlotte while she was recovering from her fall.

-The Frey Family

Thank you for all your prayers, e-mails and words of encouragement during the illness and death of my sister, Dixie. Also thank you to Pastor David for the wonderful service he gave at her memorial.

-Hanky Johnston

Thank you to those of you who brought food for Meet & Greet after Worship for the month of March. Your generosity is appreciated!

February 17

9:00 a.m. Worship Service	120
Bible Friends/Bible Fellowship	96
Pledge Received	\$5,987

February 24

9:00 a.m. Worship Service	162
Bible Friends/Bible Fellowship	132
Pledge Received	\$20,555

March 3

9:00 a.m. Worship Service	55
Bible Friends/Bible Fellowship	34
Pledge Received	\$3,535

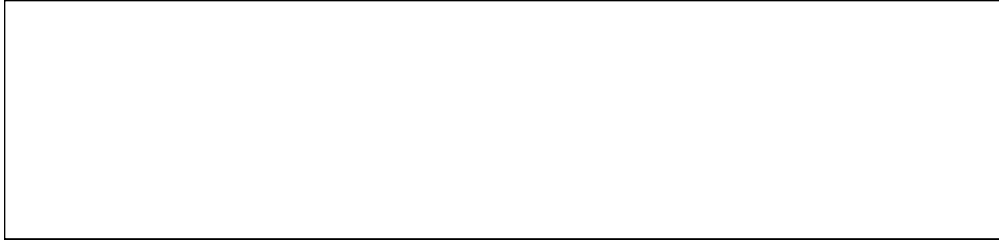
March 10

9:00 a.m. Worship Service	171
Bible Friends/Bible Fellowship	125
Pledge Received	\$31,211

March 17

9:00 a.m. Worship Service	161
Bible Friends/Bible Fellowship	114
Pledge Received	\$23,550

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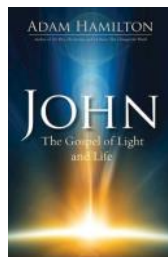


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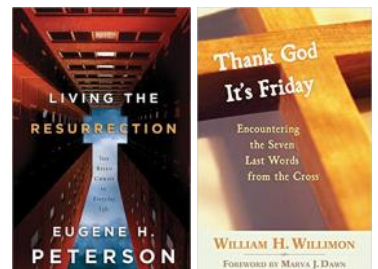
CELEBRATE SPRING: READ A BOOK FROM YOUR CHURCH LIBRARY



John: The Gospel of Light and Life by Adam Hamilton. This is a good book to read during Lent. The author is Senior Pastor of the Church of the Resurrection. Learn about the life, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus through the Gospel of John.

MORE GOOD READS DURING LENT:

- ⇒ *Living The Resurrection* by Eugene Peterson
- ⇒ *Thank God It's Friday: Encountering The Seven Last Words From The Cross* by William Willimon
- ⇒ *The Final Week of Jesus* by Max Lucado
- ⇒ *Meditations of the Cross* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer
- ⇒ *Hallelujah Anyway* by Anne Lamott. Lamott says "it is up to each of us to recognize the presence and importance of mercy. She suggests that we use this insight to create a deeper understanding of ourselves and more honest connections with each other.
- ⇒ *A Bigger Table* by John Pavlovitz. What would happen if we and the Church started living a life of radical inclusivity as Jesus taught? The focus of the book is on building a messy, authentic and hopeful spiritual community---a community that transforms all differences.



CHECK YOUR BOOK SHELVES. IF YOU HAVE AN OVERDUE HBC LIBRARY BOOK, PLEASE RETURN IT.