Easter Celebration ideas......
Below are just a few suggestions to help you worship, celebrate, and remember Christ’s resurrection together as a family.

Read the account of The Triumphal Entry in Luke 19:28-40. If you have young children, have them act it out and make a video. Make palm leaves out of construction paper or whatever you have on hand. Be creative!

Get your family up and dressed in your Easter clothes just as you would if you were actually going to church and take pictures. Read together Luke’s account of the resurrection in Luke 24. Sing and share together why we celebrate Easter. Go to the link below for activities to do each day between Palm Sunday and Easter-
https://likeabubblingbrook.com/christian-easter-ideas/
There are also lots of suggestions on Pinterest. Be creative and make it a special time together!

While this COVID-19 crisis continues, Pastor David will be hosting an online prayer gathering through Zoom each Wednesday evening through May 13th at 7pm.
https://zoom.us/j/991120499
You can also join the meeting by downloading the Zoom App on your smart phone.

Monday, April 6th 6:30pm
We will have a virtual ladies’ night on April 6th. I will be sending you all an email/text invite to join us.
Look forward to “seeing” you on the 6th!
The words of Mark 16:6 “He has risen!” have never been any more powerful than they are still today in the midst of the Coronavirus COVID-19 crisis. These are the words of hope that we have put our faith in-- that Jesus Christ Died for our sins on the cross providing the ultimate cure from sin and forever made eternal life a reality by rising from the dead! Yes, Christ the Lord has risen indeed and we have the certainty of our hope made forever secure in our resurrected Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

During the midst of this health emergency we have not been able to meet together in person at our church building. But, PRAISE THE LORD, the real Meadowbrook Baptist Church has continued because the church is not the building at 111 N. Iris Dr in Auburn. The church is the body of believers that continues to not only meet virtually together online, but has been calling and checking on one another, continuing to minister and pray for people, and to give in worship of our Lord.

We are able to view the Sunday morning sermons online, and also several of our members have met online Wednesday nights at 7pm and Sundays at 9:30am through Zoom and online video conferencing. Contact me if you have tried but not been able to get online for these meetings.

Please pray for those infected with COVID-19. Pray for our healthcare and other frontline workers, and pray for our church that we might be powerfully used by the Lord to witness and minister during these difficult times. I also want to invite you to register for free at www.BlessEveryHome.com which is an online ministry that enables you to pray, minister and witness to your neighbors. When you register, select Meadowbrook Baptist Church as your church. As always, I love you and I love being your Pastor!

HE IS RISEN!!!

ALL hands on deck for VBS!

I’m praying this will be our best VBS year ever!!!!!
Join me in this exciting ministry opportunity this summer. Families are going through some tough times during this COVID-19 “shelter in place” and are looking for hope. God is that hope and He promises to complete the work He has started in each of us (Phil 1:6 theme verse).

Let’s share this with the families in our community. VBS isn’t just about bringing children in for one week of the year, but more importantly, about reaching their families for Christ for a lifetime.

We will postpone meeting together until this crisis is over. However, I do have the teaching packets for those of you who would like to get a jump-start on planning. If you would like to help, let me know what age group/rotation and I will get you connected.

Items to collect for VBS:
Rocks to paint
White spray paint
White construction paper
Thin painters tape

Al’s ½ Note

James Montgomery Flagg was born in 1877 in Pelham, NY. From early childhood, he was a gifted artist contributing illustrations to national magazines at the age of 12. He attended the Art Students League of New York from 1894–1898 and studied fine art in London and Paris from 1898-1900, later returning to New York. He created his most famous work in 1917, a poster to encourage recruitment in the U.S. Army during WWI showing Uncle Sam pointing at the observer with the caption: “I want YOU for the U.S. Army”. Over four million copies were printed during WW I; and it was used again for WW II. Flagg used his own face, adding age enhancements and the white goatee. In the same way, when Jesus left this earth, He gave His followers similar orders: to recruit new members for His army. Matt 28 says- “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” This order is still relevant today, nothing has changed. We need to be so active, doing what our Lord God has told us, even in these trying times. There are so many people in this world that don’t know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. We need to be looking for others wherever we go- doing recruitment for Jesus. COVID-19 is all over the world, killing people and making many others extremely sick, causing hardship, pain and even death. It has caused panic and fear. There are people that the Lord will put before us that might need a helping hand. Let us look to all peoples, sharing what the Lord has done for us. “So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with My righteous right hand” Is 41:10. Let’s be a recruitment poster for Jesus by our walk, actions, witness, talk and works.
Sunday Bible Study 9:30am

Youth Group at HOME on-line Bible study Wednesday @ 7:00pm
If you haven’t received the link, let me know. After the Bible study we will meet briefly on ZOOM for a short discussion time.
#teensforChrist

Sunday School for all ages every Sunday- 9:30am

Pre-k thru 6th gr
Wednesday Nights 6:00-7:00pm
Will resume when school resumes.

We are still collecting for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions. Please mark your check or envelope “Annie Armstrong Offering”.

We need YOU.....

Invest in the life of a child...
Sunday School teacher
Nursery/Preschool volunteers
TeamKID teacher & helpers
Contact Pastor for more info.

Building/AC Fund...
Money will be used for some much needed repairs and updates to the building. Mark your check & envelope “Building Fund”. Thank you for giving above and beyond.

We want to include all of our church family. Please let us know if we have overlooked your birthday.

Financial News Year-to-Date
As of Mar 31st
Needed to date- $ 25,870.00
Undesignated to date- $ 22,996.60
Checking Account $ 2,131.82
Debit Account $ 15.19
Building Fund $ 4,996.79
Nursery: Babies - Two's: Cinda Cain
Three's - Five's: Kylie Tournear
Safety: Terry Silveus

5th: Cinda Cain
12th: __________________
19th: Cinda Cain
26th: __________________

†Faithful Servants in April†

Ushers
5th: Nick Rector, Albert Eller, Todd Brummett
12th: Albert Eller, Todd Brummett, Jesse Brummett
19th: Todd Brummett, Jesse Brummett, Pat Stuhmer
26th: Jesse Brummett, Pat Stuhmer, Mike Crocker

Tellers
Brian Rector & Lonnie Cain
Kim Brown & Kristi Lancaster
Louise Dudley & Sarah Brummett
Jodi Rector & Hettie Crocker

MARK YOUR CALENDARS -- IF YOU CANNOT SERVE ON THE DATE INDICATED, PLEASE TRADE WITH SOMEONE ELSE. If you would like to serve as an Extended Session helper, please let Pastor know.

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Sunday Schedule
9:30a.m. - Bible Study for all
10:40a.m. - Morning Worship
5:00p.m. - Youth IGNITE

Wednesday Schedule
6:00p.m. - TeamKID
7:00p.m. - Praise Team