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Dear Friends,

Easter is here! The Easter bunny is busy as always, and the kids like it.

Easter stands out as a monumental moment in human history. It was the three days when Jesus died and came back to life again. Some people made a major mistake on that Friday many years ago, when they crucified an innocent man and put him in a tomb and said to each other, "Good riddance to that fellow." They really blew it big time.

I read an article by Charles Swindoll which mentioned some of the major mistakes made by people in the past. The article was called, "The fine art of blowing it."

Let me give you a few examples.

One of Albert Einstein's teachers once said to him, "You will never amount to very much." Of course Einstein became the person leading humanity into the nuclear age, and having the brightest mind of his time. One of the greatest physicists of history.

And how about the Decca Recording Company, which happened to be one of the three largest record companies in the world at the time, but when they were asked if they wanted to be the label for the Beatles, they sent the Beatles' agent a letter in which they said, "We don't like their sound. Groups of guitars are on their way out. Not interested."

Simon Newcomb, a well known and influential personality of his time said this about the airplane.

"Flight by machines heavier than air is unpractical and insignificant . . . utterly impossible."

It is OK to make mistakes, but sometimes it is smart to own up to them.

Jesus was a man that could not be killed. He refused to stay dead! He was the Son of God and he came to tell us a very special story. It was a story about life and death and about salvation.

So when the people came to the tomb on Sunday morning to visit Jesus' grave, he was not, where he was supposed to be. He had risen, and he was out there on the loose.

The powerful men who had decided to have him killed, and who tried to cover up the story that Jesus' body was missing, never were given the privilege to meet Jesus again. On the other hand the men, known to be disciples of Jesus, were given the privilege of meeting the risen Jesus again just three days after he died on the cross. Jesus spent several days with his disciples and before he left to go back to heaven, he sent these men to begin the awesome task to save the world.

So what is the message for us as we enter Holy Week 2015? The message is this.

First of all, because we belong to Jesus, death will only be a passage into eternal life with God. Don't blow it and refuse to belong to Jesus. That would be a bad mistake.

Secondly, because you have been chosen as one of his disciples, you also are on the team sent to save the world.

Finally, if you are smart you go with the flow of the new things introduced by Jesus, you listen to his ideas that love is the most important, and remember, what looked ridiculous to some of the important people back then, may just be a new way for humanity tomorrow.

May God bless you all,
Love, Pastor Oluf

HEAD DEACONS for April are:

John Bodenbender and
Trina Stone

THE USHERING TEAM for April is:

John and Kim Bodenbender
Harley and Nick Bodenbender

ELDER GREETER for April is:

Jim Kaufman

LITURGIST for April is:

Michael George

TRUSTEES MEETING

11:15 Sunday, April 12th

SESSION MEETING

7:30 Tuesday, April 13th

DEACONS MEETING

11:15 Sunday, April 19th



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S NEWS...

Circle Meetings for March:

21st Lena Robinson Circle at Pat Myer's

21st Semi Circle: The April 21st meeting will be held in the parlor at PCPC at 6:30 p.m. We will be completing another organization/cleaning project. :) See you there!

All women of the Congregation are invited to join one of our circles!

Covered Dish Supper



ATTENTION KUMJOINUS MEMBERS!

Kumjoinus will not have a meeting in April. We will, instead, join the congregation at the gathering on April 11th from 6:30-8:30 in Stenner Hall for a pizza party to welcome Rev. Alice Phillips home to PCPC.

SAVE THE DATE!! !!

On Sunday, April 12th, we will be honored to have in our pulpit The Reverend Alice Phillips who is our own PNC's (Pastor Nominating Committee's) chosen candidate for the Plain City Presbyterian Church. With God's help we have determined that Reverend Phillips is the shepherd that God has been leading us to find. The PNC will share briefly how through prayer and faith, Alice is God's choice. We will have a short meeting after the service to prayerfully consider and vote on this decision.

SAVE THE DATE!! !!

On Saturday, April 11th, from 6:30 – 8:30 we will have an informal gathering to welcome Rev. Alice to our church family once again! Come and enjoy a pizza party as we welcome Alice home!

CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Board of Session hereby issues a call to a congregational meeting on April 12th immediately following the worship service for the purpose of considering the candidate that the PNC has called to this church.



Worship Schedule for Holy Week

Maundy Thursday – April 2nd

7:00 pm Worship service in sanctuary
Followed by an Agape Feast in Stenner Hall

Good Friday Service – April 3rd

7:00 pm Agape Christian Church
241 Maple St. Plain City

Easter Sunday – April 5th

9:00 am Adult Sunday School
10:00 am Worship Service

LIGHT YOUTH PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Here is the LIGHT schedule that will run through May 2015:

Lent/Easter: Mar. 8, 15, 22 and 29

*Off week of April 5 and 12**

Joseph: April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17 and 24

The LIGHT program has changed a few dates due to the Congregational meeting on April 12th. The revised schedule is as printed above- we will be off April 5 and 12 and will resume our program on April 19 continuing through April 24.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact any of the following: Rosemary Anderson, Carolyn Gibeaut, Rita McCray, or Jerry Smith. Thank you for your consideration in this ministry for our youth.



FEED MY SHEEP FOODBANK UPDATE...

The PCPC Food Bank “Feed My Sheep” continues to grow and thrive as an important mission of our Church. We have truly been blessed with an **amazing “crew” of volunteers** who come faithfully each week to help unload, sort, display and joyfully distribute food to a growing group of people in need. Your **generous donations** of food, supplies and money have filled our pantry and given us enough operating capital to continue this work.

Thank You Very Much!

If you would like to volunteer, or just see “what’s going on” or “how it works” please stop by Church any Saturday afternoon. The food arrives around 4:30 and we are cleaning up and heading home a little after 6:00 PM. **“It is a blessing to all of us to be able to do this work and only the support of our congregation has made this mission possible.”**

Mike George



A BIG THANK YOU TO CINDY WATSON BOWEN for diagnosing our email distribution problem and for solving it so that now everyone who has email is receiving correspondence from the church! Hurrah!



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 3 - Lauren Erdman
- 5 - Julia Heimlich
John Snively
- 8 - Jim Kaufman
- 10 - Matt Brown
- 11 - Mary Alice Davis
- 14 - Elaine Wilcox
Meredith Foust
- 17 - Brian Erdman
Natalie Walker
- 18 - Brandon Bradley
- 19 - Brian Beach
- 20 - Logan Beach
Katelyn Rihl
- 21 - Brian Neidenthal
- 22 - Briar-Rose Wilcox
- 24 - Beth Beach
- 26 - Liz Schlitz
- 27 - Mary Lou Rihl
- 28 - OluBunmi Longe
- 29 - Sarah Ferguson
Shane Manring
- 30 - Pastor Oluf Kongshaug
Larry Myers



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 - Steve & Laura Lamphear
- 8 - Jay & Paula Ferguson
- 19 - Roy Woods & Lisa Nelsen-Woods
- 20 - Dave & Rita McCray
- 27 - Rev. Oluf & Betty Kongshaug



April 2015



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7:00 Choir	2 MAUNDY THURSDAY MAX & ERMA'S	3 GOOD FRIDAY	4 4:30 Feed My Sheep
5 9:30 Adult S.S. 10:00 Worship EASTER	6	7 7:00 Boy Scouts	8 7:00 Choir	9 7:00 PC Lions Club 7:00 Scout Leaders Meeting	10	11 4:30 Feed My Sheep 6:30 Pizza Party to Welcome Rev. Alice
12 9:30 Adult S.S. 10:00 Worship 11:00 Cong. Mtg. 11:30 Trustees Mtg.	13 7:00 Cub Scouts	14 7:00 Session Meeting 7:00 Boy Scouts	15 7:00 Choir	16	17	18 4:30 Feed My Sheep
19 9:30 Adult S.S. 10:00 Worship 11:15 Deacons Mtg.	20 7:00 Cub Scouts	21 6:30 LR Circle at Pat Myers' 6:30 Semi Circle Meet at church 7:00 Boy Scouts	22 7:00 Choir	23	24	25 4:30 Feed My Sheep
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