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Going Beyond Our Walls to Build God's Kingdom

"Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord" – Psalm 118

Jesus answered, "I tell you, if these (people) were silent, the stones would shout out" –

Luke 19:40

Have you ever noticed that delight spontaneously overflows into praise? Unless something like self-consciousness or concern for others brings that praise into check, we talk about the things we enjoy. In fact, the world rings with admiration: music fans praising their favorite group, sports fans raving about their team, food enthusiasts commending their favorite restaurants, and patriots paying tribute to their country. There is praise of weather, wines, art, actors, ideas, flowers, beaches, mountains, motors, homes, cars, leaders, technology, sometimes even politicians.

It is because praise completes the enjoyment. It is not out of vanity that those in love continue to compliment one another; the delight is incomplete until it is expressed. It is frustrating to have discovered a new author and not be able to tell anyone how good he or she is; to come suddenly at the turn of the road, upon some amazing view and then to have to keep silent because the people with you in the car don't care for it. Praise completes the enjoyment.

We praise. We worship. We glorify. Anthropologists have noted that worship is a universal urge, seemingly hard-wired into the very fiber of our being. Praise is not created to be part of our life; it is our life.

So on the upcoming Resurrection Sunday –Easter, we are asked to praise God. And not just praise God, but also telling others consistently to praise God as well.

"What is man's chief end?" asks the first question of the Westminster Shorter Catechism. "Man's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy him forever," the secret being that these are the same thing. To fully enjoy God is to fully glorify and praise, and in creating us to glorify God in all things, God is simply inviting us to enjoy Him forever. This is the gift that Jesus came to bring, and it is the reason that even the stones would shout praises.

AFTERSHOCK-YOUTH

Turning the hearts of youth and families to God and each other.

CRAZY LOVE: What if today was the day? What if today you found yourself standing before the throne of the Almighty? The one seated on the throne was brilliant shining like the most beautiful of gemstones, with lightning and thunder and fire surrounding the throne, and angels everywhere worshipping the Most Holy. What would you do in that moment? What might you say? And what might you regret from your life on Earth? Would your service to God through your life be enough? Have you done all you could to show God just how much you really love Him? Have you loved others leading them to know God's crazy love for each of them?

These are some of the questions we are asking of ourselves in youth group on Sunday night, led by Maggie and Danny. Imagine learning these hard things and being able to lead the others in the discussion. Why should we love God? Have you come to the place where you get it? Can you remember when it was that you did first come to realize God's crazy love? How is it possible to pray without ceasing, and maintain a constant conversation with God the Father throughout your day? How can we reflect and remember the cross in the midst of our business and keep one another accountable?

Please pray for our youth during this study series and even beyond. Thanks

Walk to Tome will happen on Good Friday, leaving the church at 6:30 am from the parking lot. We will walk to the hill for a time of reflection and meditation, then enjoy a delicious brunch at the home of Tinka Platt before riding the bus back. If you would like to participate and show support for the youth come on over and join us.

VBS is fast approaching, July 8-12 and Cimarron July 14-19. We are looking for your help and we'll share ways you can help, participate and support in the coming weeks.

To all who picked up a baby bottle at church in March, "THANK YOU". We'll collect your donations throughout April, with the final day to bring in a filled baby bottle on *Sunday*, *April 2ft*.

All donations will go to support of CareNet Valencia County which helps pregnant and new mothers in our community by providing counseling, support, workshops, baby items, etc.

April 1 - Bill Lansdell

April 4 – Renee Garcia

April 4 – Bernice Hughes

April 4 – Emmitt Bland, Jr

April 6 – Jan Mitchell

April 8 – Linda Smith

April 10 – Marsha Taylor

April 14 - Austin Kelly-Karney

April 16 – Valerie Hernandez

April 17 – Rylan Green

April 18 – Barbara Springer

April 20 – Mike Hinders

April 21 – Karen Bonanno

April 21 – Autumn Valigura

April 22 - Marietta Wright

April 26 – Pastor Manish

April 29 – Margrace Grotefend

April 30 – Patti Elliott

April 30 – Bruce Walters



APRIL

April 14 — Bill & Margrace Grotefend April 22 — Steve & Angie Davis April 27 — Gilbert and Carole Row



GriefShare will meet on April 11th and 25th at 1:00 pm in the Conference Room, located in the Community Building.

This group is open to anyone from the church or the community. If you'd like additional information, please call the church office.





Please be in prayer for each of these in our continuing prayer list. If you know of anyone else who needs to be added, please call Ruth or the church office, 865-9334. If you would like to be a part of Prayer Warriors, please let us know.

Our Freedom Abundant Grace Free Store Rev. Manish Shirlay Nadia M **Ruth Romero** Lvnn Schultz Erma Ward Mike Heppler Cheryl Huber Dan McCarty Bill Lynch Don Gleichman Lois Meadors Dorothy Marta Daniel Gurule Conrad Joseph Hughes Cure for Cancer **Donna Duke** J'Amy Creel Jim Kubisak Joleen Baughman Diego Nate Meyer USA Leaders Larry & Melodie Huff Michael Garrison Karen Fastnacht Richard & Linda Darnell Lori Buvinghausen Anne Cassidy-Vigil Beth Barnett All Caregivers All military & their families Jay & Marilyn Smith **Ted George** Don Taylor **Bruce & Cindy Walters** John Dutil Veronica Garcia



Peralta Methodist Women, Mary Circle

Mary Circle will meet Tuesday, April 9, 2024
At 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.
We will be having devotion and prayer time,
Jackie Hardy will present our program:
"He Called Us Friend"
Please join us!



All women at are cordially invited!



April rehearsal days for the Children's Choir and the Peralta Choir will be April 10, and 24.

There will **not** be rehearsals on April 3rd or 17th.

Children's choir is held at 5 pm and PMC adult choir at 6 pm.



Crafty Ladies next meeting days are April 2nd and 3rd beginning at 9:00 am in Fellowship Hall.

Please join us as we have many projects to begin working on. More hands and hearts make for fun, fellowship and enjoyment as we work together.

Donations are requested:

horse shoes, DVD/CD cases and also old CDs.

If any members of the church would like to make jam or jelly for the Holiday Bazaar, we will provide the ingredients including the jars!

Please contact Kaye Groves or Kelley Green if you're willing. Thank you!!!!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
RESURRECTION DAY - EASTER 6:30 - Sunrise Service 8 am - Breakfast 9:30 am - Egg Hunt 10:00 am - WORSHIP	9:30 am –Soulkeepers, Conf Rm 10 am- Food Pantry No Cubs Scouts 7 pm Scouts, Educ. Bldg & #204	9 am – Crafty Ladies, Fellowship Hall & Kitchen 4:30 – Fitness #203 6-8 – Auditorium reserved	3 9 am – Crafty Ladies, Fellowship Hall & Kitchen 4:30 – Fitness, #203 No Kids' Choir 5:30- Bible Study #101 6 pm -Girl Scouts – Educ. Bldg. No Choir rehearsal	4:30 – Fitness #203 6-8 – Auditorium reserved	5 EMMAUS, 6 pm, Fell Hall & K	6
8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship 3:45 – Bell Choir 6 pm – AfterShock Youth	8 10 am- Food Pantry 5:30 - Cub Scouts, Auditorium & Kitchen 7:00 - Scouts, Educ Bldg & #204	9 9:30 am – Mary Circle, Fellowship Hall & Kitchen 4:30 – Fitness #203 6-8 – Auditorium reserved 6:30 – Girl Scout Svc Unit – Fell Hall Trustees' mtg, 6:30 pm, #201	4:30 Fitness, #203 5:00 - Kids Choir 5:30 –Bible Study #101 6 pm -PMC Choir 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Educ. Bldg.	11 1 pm – GriefShare, Conference Room 4:30 Fitness #203 6-8 – Auditorium reserved	12	Auditorium reserved, Girl Scouts, 9 am -12 pm Threads of Love, Fell Hall, 10-30 am GS Service Unit, Fell Hall 12:30 – 5:30 pm
7 am - Methodist Men Study & Breakfast, Fellowship Hall 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship 3:45– Bell Choir 6 pm – AfterShock Youth	9:30 am Soulkeepers, Conf Rm 10 am – Food Pantry 5:30 - Cub Scouts, Educ. Bldg. 7 pm – Scouts, Educ Bldg & #204	4:30 – Fitness #203 6-8 – Auditorium reserved SPRC meeting, 6:30 pm	4:30 – Fitness, #203 No Kids' Choir 5:30 – Bible Study #101 No PMC Choir 6 pm – Girl Scouts, Educ Bldg.	18 4:30 Fitness,#204 6-8 – Auditorium reserved 6:30 pm - Administrative Council mtg.	19	GS Service Unit, Auditorium 8:30 am - 2:30 pm (Badge Workshops)
21 please return baby bottles for CareNet 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 am – Worship 3:45 - Bells 6 pm – Youth Group	22 10 am – Food Pantry 5:30 – Cub Scouts, Education Bldg. 7 pm – Scouts, Educ Bldg & #204	4:30– Fitness, #203 6-8 – Auditorium reserved 7 pm - Order of Arrow, Fell Hall	4:30 – Fitness, #203 5 pm – Kids' Choir 5:30 -Bible Study #101 6 pm – PMC Choir 6 pm – Girl Scouts, Educ. Bldg.	25 1 pm – GriefShare, Conference Room 4:30 – Fitness #203 6-8 – Auditorium reserved	26	27
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