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"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship (Koinonia) of the Holy Spirit be with you all."

2 Corinthians 13:14

NORWIN ALLIANCE CHURCH

APRIL 2020



His is Risen Indeed! Happy Easter!

Great Truths in the Bible - Book by Book

Here are some favorite verses in God's Word to build your faith in Him.

<u>Luke</u> "Father, forgive them, for they do not

know what they are doing . . . I tell you the truth, today you will be with

me in paradise." (23:34, 43)

John "For God so loved the world that he

gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not

perish but have eternal life." (3:16)

Acts "Salvation is found in no one

else..." (4:12)

Romans "For the wages of sin is death, but

the gift of God is eternal life in Jesus

Christ our Lord." (6:23)

I Corinthians "Love never fails." (13:8)

Il Corinthians "As God has said, 'I will live with

them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my

people.' " (6:16)

Galatians "But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy,

peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness

and self-control." (5:22-23)



Easter Schedule of Events

In light of the Covid-19 outbreak and the mandated shut-downs, our Easter services are up in air for now. The Easter Cantata scheduled for Easter Sunday has been postponed.

Please continue to check our web-site (www.norwinalliance.org) for updates on these services and the Cantata.

Please stay safe and healthy!



In light of the Covid-19 outbreak and the mandated shut-downs, our April Keen-Ager meeting has been cancelled.

We pray you all are well through this difficult time and that you all have a blessed Easter.



Norwin Alliance Preschool News

Each month the preschool children collect specific food items for the Irwin Area Food Pantry.

If you would like to contribute, a box is available in the narthex. April's collection item: **Condiments**

These pantry items are needed even more during these current times.

Thank you so much for any contributions you can make.

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VIGNETTES by VIRGINIA

"I Am the Resurrection", the name of a chorus reminds us of Jesus' love and the marvelous purpose of Calvary. We are so very privileged to look away from that difficult day on the CROSS and know that Jesus left heaven for mankind's REDEMPTION. "Jesus gained victory over death not through strength and might but through submission and obedience." (quote of Christie Purifoy, "In Touch Magazine" 03/2020).

With reference to Ephesians 1:3-14, we are reminded of our many blessings. "When God extends grace to unworthy sinners and makes them holy and blameless, all the glory goes to Him. Our redemption is through Christ's shed blood; He paid the price of our salvation with His death on the cross so we could be forgiven of all our sins. It is the riches of God's grace." (sermon of Charles Stanley, Atlanta, Georgia beginning 2020).

Jim Daly, Focus on the Family President, wrote these encouraging words to us in "Jim's Heart" March 2020: "With spring quickly approaching, Christians around the world are preparing to observe the crucifixion of our Savior and celebrate his glorious resurrection. That historic weekend - - which changed the entire course of human history - - is truly the cornerstone of our faith. We can take comfort in Jesus' all-sufficient sacrifice on the cross, knowing that we no longer bear the burden and curse of our sin. What's more, we can rejoice in knowing that His resurrection paves the way for us to be eternally united with the Lord and with our brothers and sisters around the world who make up the Body of Christ."

Jesus spoke these precious words: "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never dir. Do you believe this?" John 11:25-26. (this can refer to the chorus mentioned in the very beginning)

Fanny Crosby, although blinded as an infant, was able to write more than 9000 hymns and gospel songs. As we celebrate Easter, it is essential to remember WHY Jesus gave His life for us. The best knowledge of that day is RESURRECTION. Jesus, our Redeemer, loves us very much. Follow the words of hymn "Redeemed."

Redeemed - how I love to proclaim it! Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb; Redeemed through His infinite mercy, His child and forever, I am. Redeemed and so happy in Jesus; No language my rapture can tell. I know that the light of His presences With me shall continually dwell.

I think of my blessed Redeemer, I think of Him all the day long; I sing, for I cannot be silent; His love is the theme of my song.

I know I shall see in His beauty
The King in whose law I delight,
Who lovingly guardeth my footsteps
And giveth me songs in the night.

Chorus:

Redeemed, redeemed, Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb; Redeemed, redeemed, His child and forever I am.

Note: The book <u>"Bloodline"</u>, by Skip Heitzig will be donated to the library very soon. Some of the info helped to remind me that Jesus shed His blood for our salvation. Mr. Heitzig's writing was mentioned from each book of the bible; and what God allowed, how history is so accurate, etc. Very good book.

