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Palm Sunday Edition

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North Street News

EASTER SUNDAY MESSAGE

JESUS CHRIST: IN A BONE BOX OR ON THE THRONE OF HEAVEN? "CRUCIFIED, RESURRECTED AND ASCENDED OR JUST PLAIN DEAD?"

EASTER WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP GATHERINGS

Good Friday, April 6

7:00 p.m.

THE VICTORY OF THE CROSS WORSHIP

Heartfelt Worship and the
Powerful Preaching of the
Cross of Jesus Christ

Easter Sunday, April 8

6:45 a.m.

SUNRISE WORSHIP

Acoustic worship led by
Dave Klutiny. Message by
Pastor Jeff.

8:00 a.m.

BREAKFAST IN THE DINING ROOM—sign up today!

9:00 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:15 a.m.

RESURRECTION WORSHIP

Dynamic Worship

Message— Jesus Christ: In A
Bone Box or On the Throne
of Heaven? Message by Pas-
tor Bob

The Lord's Supper will be
offered at all worship ser-
vices.

Have you noticed that when a Christian Holiday is celebrated that there is a counter effort from the media to bring into question and sometimes discredit the orthodox meaning and celebration of that holiday? (Holy Day)

It is not by consequence that last year, The Da Vinci Code was released about a month following Easter. (And it was scheduled to be released sooner, but legal matters delayed it, if you remember.) The Code claims that the Church has covered up the truth about Jesus actually being married to Mary of Magdala, that they have living descendants today and that He was a mere man. To reveal this would cause the Church (Catholic) to lose its power and authority!

This year a television program entitled The Lost Tomb of Jesus was aired. It revealed that a tomb containing 10 ossuaries (a small limestone casket used to hold the bones of the dead) was discovered. One ossuary

had the inscription of the names of a man named Jesus, a woman name Mariame and their son named Jude! Of course, the postulation was in support of the idea that this was Jesus of Nazareth and that He really did marry Mary of Magdala and that they did have a son together. *Closely DaVinci as you can see!*

Just this week a segment was given on a national network news program to The Gospel of Judas which communicates that Judas was not a traitor but the closest of the disciples. Supposedly at Jesus' request he betrayed Him to allow Him to be released from His flesh, allowing the true spiritual being to be released - only truly understood by the *enlightened* from a gnostic (secret/hidden knowledge) sense. (*Davinci-ish*)

Skepticism is not new! Even from the time of Jesus' life we discover that some of those closest to Him had a hard time believing. Judas betrayed Him. Peter denied Him. Thomas

doubted Him. James, His own half-brother was an unbeliever turned Church Father. The Apostle Paul, one time enemy of the Church, fought against His Lordship too! UNBELIEF is ancient and nothing that should rattle our faith.

On Easter Sunday, a challenge will be issued to "always be prepared to give a defense to everyone who asks concerning the reason for the hope that is within us." Jesus cannot be dead and alive at the same time. His bones cannot have been housed in an ossuary and He be bodily crucified, bodily resurrected and bodily ascended, now sitting on the Throne of Heaven at the same time. He cannot be turned to dust and coming again at the same time!

Easter is about the HOPE we have in JESUS CHRIST! The truth about His Resurrection is that which validates or annihilates your faith! Bring your believing and unbelieving friends. Faith comes by hearing!

Community Meals Mission Outreach

Our second Community Meal has been served and we fed 84 guests! A hot meal, a little food from the Word, and conversation with a new friend were on March's menu.

April 21 is the next meal. The menu: ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, banana bread and cobbler. Needs: lasagna noodles, cheddar

cheese, velveeta, green beans, onions, butter, applesauce, salad dressings and funds to buy meat and produce. Please call Dale @724-282-0647 or Cissy @ 724-283-6689 before purchasing supplies so that duplicates are not provided.

Volunteers: Please complete a Volunteer Worksheet so that you can be scheduled to help.

Do all the good you can. By all the means you can. In all the ways you can. In all the places you can. To all the people you can. As long as you can. -J. Wesley

Thank you for your donations, your hard work and the willingness to serve others in the name of Our Lord.

30 Hour Famine for World Hunger— April 27, 28

Our youth are going to **STARVE HUNGER** and ask you to join them and/or support them! It seems everyday we read about more suffering in the world. Disasters. Tsunamis. Hurricanes. Wars. Tens of thousands dead. Hundreds of thousands homeless. Millions in mourning.

Students in our congregation are choosing to make a difference. They are getting ready to take part in **World Vision's 30 Hour Famine** to be held on Friday/Saturday, April 27,28. Because they are choosing to be a part of the solution, literally tons of food and other necessities will be provided to hungry and suffering children based on what they do as they join students across our nation in this effort. Our students will spend 30 hours without food while they take part in worship, study and Christian service. The overall goal is to raise funds to feed hungry children elsewhere in the world.

In the coming weeks you'll learn more about the **30 Hour Famine** and this is where you come in. First, please pray for the Famine participants. Secondly, consider sponsoring one or more of the students with a pledge. \$1 per hour (\$30.00 total) will feed a hungry child somewhere in the world for a month! 29,000 children die everyday because of hunger and hunger related illness!

So much to do. So little time. But by taking the time—just one weekend—we will be making a difference in children's lives!

TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

ONE ANOTHER BOARD

If you are in need of household items or have some to give away - see the One Another Board in the SS Annex to fill out a form to have a card posted on the board. Looking for employment or have a job to offer—you can do the same. Let's meet one another's needs!

Ministry Help Wanted

Visitor Hospitality - 8 friendly, outgoing people/ Sunday morning hospitality and occasional home visits. Love for people a must. EOE
Crossfire Prison Ministry - Assistants for Friday Night Prison Bible Study. Need teachers, helpers, encouragers and prayer partners. See Pastor Jeff for more information on either of these needs

Meals for Families - coordinate number of meals needed, number of family members, length of need, delivery information for home meals. Does not include solicitation of meals.
Home Visitation -visitation teams of 2 (husband and wife teams work well too) needed to visit especially with the elderly and ill of our Church who need encour-

agement from the Scripture and through prayer. Sharing the Lords Supper is sometimes included. Training provided.

Card Ministry - openings for 2 or 3 people who would faithfully send cards of encouragement to the sick and shut-in of the Church. Cards and postage provided. See Doug Emmett or Lisa Henderson for information

Butler Bible Institute Class—Christology 102

The next Theology course by Butler Bible Institute will begin Thursday, April 12th. You are invited to enroll at this time.

Butler Bible Institute courses will continue as long as a minimum of 4 persons enroll. The cost is \$75 for a one-semester credit course. If you need help financially, sponsors may be willing to pay part of the tuition for you. The course being offered is Christology 102: Son of God II. You can learn more about the course content by visiting the website listed below. Classes are from 6 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. weekly for seven weeks in Room 102 at the church.

For more information or to enroll, call
Bob Ogden at 724-283-3413 or e-mail butlerbibleinstitute@zoominternet

30 Hour Famine for World Hunger



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HELP WANTED

This story can fit 100-150 words.

The subject matter that appears in newsletters is virtually endless. You can include stories that focus on current technologies or innovations in your field.

You may also want to note business or economic trends, or make predictions for your customers or clients.

If the newsletter is distributed internally, you might comment upon new procedures or improvements to the business. Sales figures or earnings will show how your business is growing.

Some newsletters include a column that is updated every issue, for instance, an advice column, a book review, a letter from the president, or an edito-

rial. You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.

“To catch the reader’s attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here.”

Butler Bible Institute

This story can fit 75-125 words.

Selecting pictures or graphics is an important part of adding content to your newsletter.

Think about your article and ask yourself if the picture supports or enhances the message you’re trying to convey. Avoid selecting images that appear to be out of context.

Microsoft Publisher includes thousands of clip art images from which you can choose and import into your newsletter. There are also several tools you can use to draw shapes and symbols.

Once you have chosen an image, place it close to the article. Be sure to place the caption of the image near the image.



Caption describing picture or graphic.

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.



Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your

organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual charity auction.

If space is available, this is

a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



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