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Easter Morning

Tomb, thou shalt not hold Him longer;
Death is strong, but life is stronger;
Stronger than the dark, the light;
Stronger than the wrong, the right;
Faith and hope triumphant say,
"Christ will rise on Easter Day!"

While the patient earth lies waking
Till the morning shall be breaking,
Shuddering 'neath the burden dread
Of her Master, cold and dead.
Hark! she hears the angels say,
"Christ will rise on Easter Day!"

And when sunrise smites the mountains,
Pouring light from Heavenly fountains,
Then the earth blooms out to greet
Once again the blessed feet;
And her countless voices say:
"Christ has risen on Easter Day!"

—Phillips Brooks

HALLELUJAH HE IS RISEN

Pastor's Paragraphs

A NEW DEFINITION OF LIFE

In Denmark, the Danish surgeons are faced with a real problem. They say they need a new definition of death in order to allow quick kidney transplants from dead living patients.



The doctors have pointed out that the kidney must be transplanted immediately after the donor has died, but Danish law says "a person who dies in the hospital must be left untouched

for 6 hours to insure that he is really dead." Therefore, in order to transplant kidneys and save lives, they feel there must be a new definition of death that will permit immediate action.

At this Easter season what most people need is a new definition of life. There are a lot of people walking around today who are alive and yet they are really NOT ALIVE.

What they need is a definition of life that makes it possible for us to live meaningful lives in spite of the harsh circumstances that we encounter in this world. This we find in the resurrected Christ. John said, "In Him is life and the life was the light of men." (John 1:4) When we receive HIS life through faith, we have a quickening power that brings moral and spiritual illumination. No longer are we afraid of life or death or things present or things to come. Without Christ, we may exist but we do not know what life is really all about. He is the one who can make life worth living and whose company death is only the prelude to still fuller life.

Sunday we will celebrate the resurrection. I'll look forward to seeing you in God's House then.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"TOO BROKEN TO MEND?"
(Matthew 28:1-10)

7:15 P.M.

"THE TIME OF TERROR"
(Rev. 6:9-17)

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

| Bus No. | Captain | Riders | Workers | Total |
|---------|------------|--------|---------|-------|
| 1 | Pope | 35 | 3 | 38 |
| 2 | Nelson | 41 | 1 | 42 |
| 3 | Kilpatrick | 28 | 2 | 30 |
| 4 | Steiner | 18 | 4 | 22 |
| 5 | Lutrick | 22 | 5 | 27 |
| 6 | Holley | 31 | 4 | 35 |
| 7 | Coker | 17 | 3 | 20 |
| 8 | Taylor | 18 | 3 | 21 |
| | | 210 | 25 | 235 |

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. Darriel White, Mrs. Woodrow T. (Lavada) Creel, Miss Linda Bloom, Mr. Boyd Reeder, Mrs. Eula Ree Burge

Sacred Heart

Mrs. Robert H. (Lou) Wilson, Jr.

West Florida

Miss Annie Averett

Medicenter, Mobile, Al.

Mrs. Sybil Riddell

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Bennie (Myrtle) Johns, Mrs. G. T. (Janet) Sutton, Mrs. Edmund (Cindy) Holt, Mr. Bernard Bond, Mrs. W. L. (Wilhemina) Patterson

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, April 18—2 Thessalonians 3:1-9.

Joshua 20-21; 2 Thessalonians 3

Monday, April 19—Joshua 24:14-22

Joshua 22-24

Tuesday, April 20—Galatians 1:3-12

Judges 1-2; Galatians 1

Wednesday, April 21—Galatians 2:11-21

Judges 3-4; Galatians 2

Thursday, April 22—Galatians 3:1-9

Judges 5-6; Galatians 3:1-18

Friday, April 23—Galatians 3:21-29

Judges 7-8; Galatians 3:19-29

Saturday, April 24—Galatians 4:1-9

Judges 9-10; Galatians 4

CHRISTIAN ACTIVITIES CENTER SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21 (Max Dickson—DIC)

7:00- 9:30 P.M.—Open to all age groups.
Gym closed.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

9:00- 2:00 P.M.—Senior Adult Fellowship

NOTES:

1. Any church group who would like to plan a social during April or May in the Activities Center should make their arrangements through the office.
2. The Gym floor is scheduled to be resurfaced during the next two weeks. The skates are in need of cleaning and adjusting. They will have to be cleaned before they can be used on the floor.

PARENTAL DEDICATION SERVICE

Our annual service of Parental Dedication will be held Sunday, May 9, on Mother's Day, during the regular worship service time. During the early part of that service, parents will bring their little ones who have not participated in such a service before into the Sanctuary as a group. Parents who desire to participate in the service are asked to call the church office.

NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

THE ELVES AND THE SHOEMAKER
CE Gro
AN EAR IS TO HEAR
CE Sle
MICKEY MOUSE'S JOKE BOOK
CE Ran
IT'S A MYSTERY, CHARLIE BROWN
CE Sch
THE TALE OF BENJAMIN BUNNY
CE Pot
CATHY AND CARL AND THE SEA HORSE
JF Joh
CATHY AND CARL CAPTURED
JF Joh
CATHY AND CARL JOIN THE G O L D RUSH
JF Joh
WHAT TO DO UNTIL JESUS COMES BACK
248.4 Cri
SOUL LIBERTY
261.72 Hin
NEW PEOPLE FOR A NEW WORLD THROUGH CHRIST
289.09 Bry
FOXFIRE 3
398.097 Wig
HOME BAKED BREAD AND CAKE
641.5 Nor
FAMILY CIRCLE GREAT CHICKEN RECIPES
641.5 Hec
GREEN FUN
745.5 Gje
QUIET MESSAGES FOR RESTLESS HEARTS
808.8 Woo
FIGHTERS FOR FREEDOM
J 286.09 Wil
HIGH ELK'S TREASURE
JF Sne
BAMBI
JF Sal
SEND WENDELL
CE Gra
PADDINGTON BEAR
CE Bon
AMANDA, THE PANDA, AND THE REDHEAD
CE Ter
BY THE RIVER OF NO RETURN
248.3 Smi
I'VE GOT TO PLAY ON THEIR COURT
248.5 Pri
MY COUNTRY
268.432 Eva

READER'S DIGEST 1975 ALMANAC AND YEARBOOK

310 Rea
LADS BEFORE THE WIND
599 Pry
ENJOY YOUR TERRARIUM
635.9 Haa
ALL COLOR BOOK OF KITTENS
636.8 Lox
GREAT ART TREASURES IN AMERICAN MUSEUMS
708 Pol
SMALL JOYS AND MINOR ECSTASIES
808.8 Woo

A BEAUTIFUL CELEBRATION

Capacity crowds filled the sanctuary on Sunday and Monday nights to experience the Church Choir's presentation of the Easter Celebration—"In Remembrance".

The primary goal of those who developed the Celebration was to lift up Christ. I sincerely believe that this desire was realized.

Appreciation should be expressed to many people and groups. First, to the beautiful membership of this great church for your support in attending, in prayer and inviting your friends to participate.

Many people served on committees and put in long hours of work and for this we are grateful.

A special word of thanks to the following people who accepted responsibility for certain areas and helped make our goal become a reality:

To Virginia West who coordinated the drama and did a superb job with this difficult assignment — Thank you, Virginia, for your tireless work.

To Barbara Reynolds for her creative work in costume design and manufacturing.
To Hiram Smith for setting up and running the lighting.

To Tom Hutcherson for the staging.

To Phil Bobe for stage dressing.

To Deanne Harmon for the orchestrations and for contracting the orchestra.

To Bill Reynolds for coordinating the entire production.

To Dean Rector and Judy Pippin for copying the script.

To Leon Starr for assisting with the choir rehearsals.

To Elaine Kerley, our new organist and music assistant, who stepped in at the busiest possible time and did a superb job.

Thank you all for helping to make our Easter Celebration — "In Remembrance" truly an experience to remember.

Paul Royal

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

The Pensacola Jaycees are sponsoring an Easter Sunrise Service Sunday, April 18, 6:20 A.M. at Bayview Park.

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All material to be included in the Builder
 should be in the office, preferably in
 writing, not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study1517
 Main Sunday School.....1491
 Crippled Children's Home26
 The Church in Training535
 Christian Training Hour167
 Other Training Activities368
 Coming for Membership1
 Tithes and Offerings:
 Budget\$12,749.15
 Specials 1,096.80
TOTAL OFFERING\$13,845.95

MENU

April 21, 1976
 Meat Loaf with
 Tomato Gravy
 Steamed Rice
 Green Lima Beans
 Roll & Butter
 Dessert
 Tea Coffee



OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 18

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- * 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
- * 4:45 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- * 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship, Ordinance of Baptism
- 8:30 P.M.—Youth Fellowship at the home of Dr. & Mrs. William Hettrick, 4300 Burtonwood Dr.

Monday, April 19

- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- 7:00 P.M.—Deacon's Meeting
- 7:00 P.M.—Senior Girls Softball—FBC vs. Titans, Kiwanis Park
- 7:30 P.M.—Adult 3 Friendly Class Meeting with Mrs. Janis Lowman, 1103 15th Avenue, Apartment 106

Tuesday, April 20

- 11:00 A.M.—Laura Stoesen Roundtable with Mrs. Jack Baldwin, 2990 Blackshear
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts "Cellar"

Wednesday, April 21

- * 4:45 P.M.—Choirs
- * 5:45 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:10 P.M.—Prayer Service
- * 6:25 P.M.—Sunday School Officers and Teachers Meeting, Mission Friends, Acteens, GA's, RA's, Joy Group
 —Bible Study and Prayer
 —Visitation
- * 7:15 P.M.—Visitation
 —Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 22

- * 9:30 A.M.—Internationals
- 9:30 A.M.—Associational WMU Meeting, Oakcrest
- 7:00 P.M.—Association Night Group
 Baptist Women—East Hill

Friday, April 23

- * 7:00 P.M.—Adult 1 Bible Study "Cellar"
- 6:30 P.M.—Naomi Class Covered Dish Fellowship "Fellowship Hall"

Saturday, April 24

- Associational G. A. Rally, Myrtle Grove
- * Nursery Provided
- See Christian Activities Center Schedule Also.

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

APRIL 11, 1976

- BY LETTER:
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