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A Sign of Spring



In *The Story of the Easter Robin* (Zonderkidz), Dandi Daley Mackall retells an old Pennsylvania Dutch tale of the robin's compassion as he witnessed Jesus' death.

On Good Friday, a plain brown robin flying over Jerusalem was curious about the "nest" atop Jesus' head. When the bird realized it was a crown of thorns, he tried to dislodge it. As the robin pulled out a long thorn from Jesus' forehead, a drop of blood landed on the bird's breast, staining it red. Now the robin's red breast is a symbol of Jesus' loving sacrifice, and the robin's early-spring song is a reminder of Jesus' joyful resurrection.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 3

- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service
- 6:00 p.m. Bro. Lauren's Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Youth

MONDAY, APRIL 4

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market
- 6:30 p.m. Prison Bible Study

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

- 6:00 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study/Millie's

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

- 5:00 p.m. Children's Choir
- 5:45 p.m. Planet 456 & Children's Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Bro. Lauren's Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Youth
- 6:15 p.m. Snack Supper

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market



- 3. Nicholas Swafford
Hayley Martin
- 4. Gloria Kirk
Jase Patterson
- 6. Martha Lyles
Charles Davis
Carter Ketchum
Matt King
- 7. Hayes Kyle
Christy Vandevere
Tate Potter
- 8. Luke Richards



J. T. Ketchum, Jr.

Mr. & Mrs. Mike Phillips

Bobby Thompson

Mr. & Mrs. Mike Phillips



Easter Baskets for Foster/Needy Children

If you would like to fill an Easter basket for a child, the baskets will be available for pick up in the Fellowship Hall this Sunday.

Directions:

1. There will be a sign out sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Print your name next to the number on the basket you are taking. The number will be on the bottom of the basket as well as on the prayer card that goes with the basket.
2. Fill the basket. (Suggestions: a book, coloring book or devotional book that includes the Easter story, school supplies; Walmart gift cards, toiletry items, books, small toys, candy, personal note/card)
3. Return the baskets to the church by Tuesday, April 12th.
4. Commit to praying for your child throughout the year. You may send a card or letter to your child if the address is available.

If you would like to personally deliver your basket, please let me know and I will make those arrangements.

Thank you,
Allison Hughes
571-4964



Sunday School

In the series that we begin this month, **Living a Godly Life**, this week's lesson, *On the Move*, reminds us of how life takes us through ups and downs. We will be reading from the book of Philippians. This lesson is about some of the hardships that Paul went through, and how he chose to face and handle these difficulties.

Sunday & Wednesday Night Group

As we begin the Season of Lent, the Youth have been challenged to take up a specific Daily Scripture Reading throughout the 46 days of Lent, in hopes of strengthening their personal spiritual walk.

We will resume this Sunday night and Wednesday at our regular time.

Children's Page

Special Palm Sunday Announcement



We invite all of our children to bring in the palm branches on Palm Sunday, April 10, at the 11 o'clock service. The Hiskidz Choir will sing with the Chancel Choir "Hosanna to the King." Please come to rehearsal on Wednesdays at 5 p.m.

HOSANNA!

Hiskidz and Bible in Life

This month starts a new series in Sunday school, **Living a Godly Life**. In our lesson this Sunday, *Jesus Promises a Helper*, Jesus talks to his disciples while they were gathered for Passover. He explained to them that he would send an advocate to be with them. He was talking about the Holy Spirit. This Sunday we will talk a little more about the Holy Spirit.

W.O.W WEDNESDAY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

W.O.W Wednesdays children's Bible Study has resumed, and we hope to see the kids on Wednesday's at 5:00 p.m. We will be focusing on the events of Holy Week for the next few sessions. Supper will follow at 6:00 p.m.

BRANSON TRIP

Planet 456 children's group will be going to Branson the weekend of April 1-3. We will attend the Sight and Sound Production show "Jesus." This will be a great time for the children to see a live performance of many stories in the Bible.



There will be a Preschool Easter Egg Hunt and a Hiskidz, grades 1-6, on Wednesday, April 13, at the church at 5:30. More information will be given next week.

Volunteers Serving Sunday, April 3, 2022

Greeters	Donna Heidel/Patsy Clark
Acolytes	Maddie Canard & Myla Wallace
Scripture	John 13:1-20
Sermon	“Wash One Another’s Feet”
Flowers	Archie & Angie Edgar

Daily Bible Readings

APRIL

3. 5th Sunday in Lent	John 9:1-41
4. The blindness of injustice	Isaiah 59:9-19
5. God will heal the blind	Isaiah 42:14-21
6. Jesus heals the blind	Matthew 9:27-34
7. The dry bones of Israel	Ezekiel 37:1-14
8. Mercy and redemption	Psalm 130
9. Life in the Spirit	Romans 8:6-11