Good Shepherd's News April 28, 2019

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Worship 10:00

As the risen Jesus greeted his beloved disciples, please welcome your brothers and sisters with peace.

The final word

When wildfires ravaged Paradise, California, in 2018, dozens were killed and thousands lost homes, irreplaceable mementos and personal connections. School, work and church routines were upended.

If life has both "cross-like times" and "resurrection-like times," as a pastor once said, this certainly was a cross-like time. But God never lets death, sorrow or suffering have the final say. To bring light to dark times, God works through countless good-hearted helpers.

One was 90-year-old Bob Wilson, a Los Angeles man who quickly decided to give people he'd never met "something ... [to] lift their spirits." That "something" was a \$1,000 handwritten check for each of the 1,085 students and staff members at Paradise High School. The checks, which came with no restrictions, were presented at a gathering that felt healing to many.

Cross and resurrection times are interwoven in this life, but the cross doesn't win.

One day, God promises, resurrection will have the final word.

Let laughter 'spring' forth!

"Spring is when you feel like whistling, even with a shoe full of slush." (Doug Larson)

"Easter is the only time when it's perfectly safe to put all of your eggs in one basket." (Evan Esar)

"Spring is the time of year when it is summer in the sun and winter in the shade." (Charles Dickens)

"The world is mud-luscious and puddle wonderful." (e.e. cummings)

"In the spring, at the end of the day, you should smell like dirt." (Margaret Atwood)

Help me, "my Lord and my God" (John 20:28), to be as honest about my doubts as Thomas was, that those doubts might be the seeds of true belief.

Bible Studies: We invite you to join us....

- Today (Sunday's) 10:00 am in the library off the front porch. The Book of Luke
- ♦ 1st Monday evenings 7:00 pm Revelations at the home of Jeanette Bateman 1023 N Blair Royal Oak
- Wednesday Monrings 10:00 am in the Lounge (Good Shepherd) Beginning the Book of Romans

Questions? See Morey Anderson, Jeanette Bateman, Mary Coburn, Sandy Mazurek; or... Check the box on one of those lilac sheets you receive with your bulletin today and we will contact you. We look forward to you joining us!

Flower Order forms are available in the Narthex. If you would like to order your flats of flowers from Stage please take an order form and return to Cana Berkley with your check or cash. The ordering deadline is May 5th and pick up is May 18th from noon-1:30 at Greenfield Presbyterian Church.

Council Meetings have moved ..They are the 3rd Wednesday AFTERNOON. Beginning at 1:00.pm . Open to members;(however permission to speak must be approved ahead of time through our acting President Jeanette Bateman.)

Quilters: NEEDED. Quilters meet the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month. Bring a sack lunch and join in the fellowship and ministry. Don't sew? No worries in desperate need of "cutters and pinners" contact Carol Gilbert 248-549-5634 with any other questions Hope to see you Thursday!!

We have been offered a very unique opportunity beginning in April a certified Yoga instructor would like to hold *Chair* Yoga classes geared just for you. No experience necessary Saturdays 9:00 am-10:00 am (No Charge)

Car for Sale: 2004 Buick Park Avenue Super low miles 30,000 LOADED Excellent Condition asking \$3,500.00 Call Rick Bade 734-904-7073

Lunch Bunch (women in Fun, Food and Fellowship) are at it again!! At 1:00 pm. Let Joan Shemansky know ahead of time so she can make sure she gets a table for all the attendees. 586-755-6834 Mark you Calendars for upcoming May 9th Jo-Vans 15 Mile Rd & Dodge Park June 13th Beef Carver Woodward Ave Royal Oak

Please be so kind as to check in the office if entering the building during office hours!

Much appreciated

The flowerbeds are cleaned and ready for your flowers. If you would like to have your flowers planted and enjoy watching them grow please bring in at anytime and Jim Reed has offered to plant them for you at Good Shepherd.!