

Hebron Happenings

A Note from Jason,

I have been thinking recently about Holy Week and all that goes on in such a short period of time. We begin with the triumphal entry of Palm Sunday then move through the Lord's Supper and the betrayal on Maundy Thursday, journey to Christ's cross on Good Friday and finally we reach the triumph of the resurrection on Easter Sunday.

As I thought about the week I also realized how much you miss if all you do is go to church on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. Don't get me wrong those are both wonderful celebrations. But if

that is all you experience during Holy Week

you simply jump from triumphal entry to triumph over the grave without going through 'the valley of the shadow of death' to use the words of Psalm 23. I think it is important that we walk with Jesus through the fullness of what he went through and remember that he gave "his life as a ransom for many." I don't think we have to be overly morbid about this reflection, but I think we should remember the reason Jesus can identify with us in our pain is because he, God incarnate, also suffered pain and death so that we might have life in him.

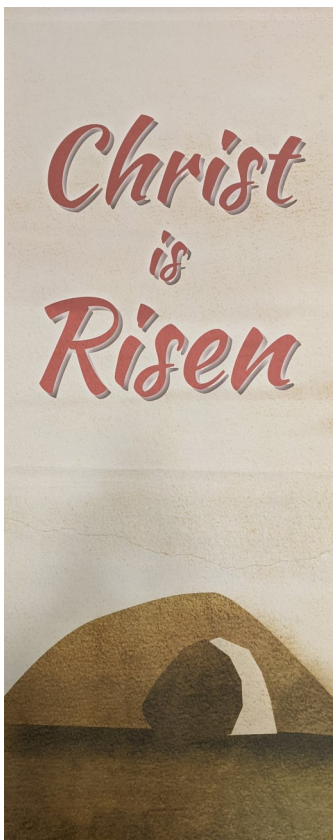
One Hymn that I have always found to be powerful in its simplicity is the great Spiritual "Were You There?" The simple yet powerful words: Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Where you there when they nailed Him to the tree? Where you there when they laid Him in the tomb? Such straightforward questions and yet so profound. Because, theologically speaking, we were there, or at least our sin was there being dealt with by Jesus. As Paul writes it in 2 Corinthians 5:21: "For our sake God made the one who knew no sin to be sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."

So I hope this upcoming Holy Week you will in some way walk the full journey of Jesus from Triumphal entry, through the valley of the shadow, and then finally to the triumphant resurrection. Whether that is through

attending our Maundy Thursday service or simply taking time to read the Gospel accounts of all Jesus went through that we might have life, I think it is important to remember and reflect on all that God has done in Jesus for us... O --- sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble!

God Bless,

Jason



Hospitality

You can sign up to bring snacks for hospitality. Please also take any leftovers home with you—we don't want to encourage the mice!!

Food Items Needed for the Little Free Pantry



The following items are needed:

- Individually wrapped toilet paper and paper towels
 - Canned meats (tuna, chicken, salmon)
 - Dinner kits (tacos, Mac 'n' Cheese)
 - Pasta sauce
 - Soups (any kind) (No glass jars)
- Please put your donations in the plastic tub located in Hebron's coat room

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering.

Last Sunday to donate is April 16th.

During Lent we have been collecting monetary donations for One Great Hour of Sharing. Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing helps to improve the lives of people in need throughout the world.



Special offering envelopes are available in the church pews. Please make your check payable to Hebron Presbyterian Church with OGHS in the memo line.

Hebron's Book Club is off to a great beginning

The March 10th get together was exceptional. Hope you will consider coming to the next get together on May 9th at 7:00pm in the downstairs comfortable youth room. The book being discussed is Carnegie's Maid by Marie Benedict. "With captivating insight and heart, Carnegie's Maid is a book of fascinating 19th century historical fiction. Discover the story of one brilliant woman who may have spurred Andrew Carnegie's transformation from ruthless industrialist to the world's first true philanthropist." If you need help with obtaining a copy of this book or have any questions, please contact Robbie Shoup at rjshoup@gmail.com or call 412-498-9009 or call Edi Davidson at 412-445-3123.



April Game Night:

Our next game night will be on Saturday, April 15 at 6:30 pm in Hebron's social hall. Bring a game and a snack to share!!



The Stories in Hebron's Stained Glass Windows

Hebron has 11 stained glass windows surrounding our sanctuary that we see each Sunday but may not pay much attention to. In each of these windows is an image formed in stained glass that tells a story. Some images may have more than one story and that story may differ from person to person.

This month's window is INRI John 19:19,21 states: "And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was Jesus Of Nazareth The King Of The Jews... Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews." INRI refers to the Latin translation of Pilates charge: Iesus Nazarenus, Rex Iudaeorum (Jesus the Nazarene, King of the Jews). In Latin the 'I' and 'J' are usually interchangeable and ancient Latin did not use the letter 'J'. That is why it is INRI and not JNRJ.



Findlay Township Fair Help.

Looking for volunteers to help plan, organize and man Hebron's booth at the Findlay Township Fair in the Woodlands held this year August 18 & 19.

Please talk to Jason Rea to get involved in this opportunity to let the community know about our church.

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