

Norwood Christian Grapevine

I am the vine; You are the branches... John 15:5

Pastor's Promptings...



CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION

The resurrection of Jesus is the foundation of the Christian faith. The fact that Jesus died for our sins, was buried, and on the third day rose from the dead proves to us that Jesus is the Son of God. If there was no resurrection Jesus would have been just another prophet or teacher. Because of the resurrection, Jesus is our Savior and Lord.

The perfect, sinless, Son of God came to this earth to live as a man. He dwelt among us, was tempted just like us but, resisting the temptation, He remained pure. He then did the unthinkable. He willingly gave His life for you and me, paying the penalty of our sin, cleansing us of our sin and opening the way to Heaven for us.

This is why we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord. He conquered death showing us that He has the power to give us eternal life. We celebrate His

life and the eternal life He gives us.

This year Christians in the community are joining together as part of His united family to celebrate all that our Lord has done for us, from His death to His resurrection. We invite you to join in the celebration with us. Here is the schedule of events:

Community Good Friday Service – Friday, April 10th at 7:00 p.m. at Norwood Christian Church. We will gather together as brothers and sisters in Christ to remember the great sacrifice Jesus made on our behalf as He allowed Himself to be crucified for us. Join us for this moving time of remembrance.

Community Sunrise Service – Sunday, April 12th at 7:00 a.m. at Norwood Southern Baptist Church. Just as the women rose early Sunday morning to tend to the body of Jesus, only to find that He has been resurrected, we will rise early and celebrate our risen Lord with the rising of the sun. Join us for singing and an uplifting message. Coffee and light snacks will be served.

Community Resurrection Day Breakfasts – Sunday, April 12th there are two opportunities for Sunday morning breakfast. One at San Miguel Basin Christian Fellowship in Redvale from

8:00-9:30 a.m. and one at Norwood Christian Church from 9:00-10:00 a.m. We will share a meal together and enjoy a time of fellowship. At Norwood Christian Church we will have a special video from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Resurrection Day Worship Services. After enjoying a meal and a time of fellowship we will go to our respective churches to worship the Lord with our individual church families. The community is encouraged to attend one of the following worship services:

Abundant Life on Grand Ave. in Norwood; 10:00 a.m.

Norwood Southern Baptist Church on Spruce in Norwood; 10:30 a.m.

San Miguel Basin Christian Fellowship in Redvale; 10:30 a.m.

Norwood Christian Church on the corner of Lincoln & Summit in Norwood; 11:00 a.m.

There are many things in this life that divide us but only One who truly unites us. Jesus came to unite sinful mankind with a loving, forgiving God. Come be united with Jesus Christ and celebrate His resurrection at one of our area churches this Easter, April 12th. You and your family will be blessed.

Serving Christ and His family,

Pastor Ken

THANK YOU

By Davis Watson

Several weeks ago Mary was stopped on the street and someone said, "Thank you" for our church for sending out these newsletters. No one will ever know how encouraging those two words are. For someone out of the "blue" to stop Mary, Ken, or me and say, "Thank you." I hope and pray these newsletters are as much a blessing to you as those simple words "Thank you" are to us.

To be honest with you, we are not only hoping that these letters are helpful to you but that they also serve as an open invitation to our friends to be our guests on Sunday Morning Worship Service or one of our Bible Studies. We encourage everyone to attend our Worship Service to see what our services are like.

But, we also realize this may be the most difficult thing you have ever done and especially in a small community and in a small church where everyone will know that you came to church. "What will my friends and neighbors say?" "Will they ridicule me?" "Will they think that I have fallen off the deep end?"

My answer is, "Yes," Christians are strange because we are set apart to be the loving hands of God.

So let's take a smaller step. Let's sneak a peek at the church website NorwoodChristian.com to see what is happening. Maybe we will even listen to

one of Ken's sermons by clicking the Sermon tab. No one will ever know!

Then your next step would be to begin reading the Bible. But, that is boring. Well, yes, that could be boring if you begin in the Book of Numbers, but let's try reading in the New Testament located about three quarters into the Bible. You don't have a Bible? Well, while sneaking a peek at our website, clicking on the Sermon tab, you can also click on the Bible tab, pick the down arrow and pick a book to begin reading. Try the book of Matthew or John and begin reading.

The next step is to pray. Pray for the courage to attend. Oh, that's a big step, but only you and God will ever know.

This month is an "easy" month to attend. This month we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. There are many activities throughout the community: Good Friday Services, Sunrise Service, Easter Buffet and Worship Services. We are expecting many guests at these services where one can be just another "guest" and not one of those who have "fallen off the deep end."

I thank you for giving me this opportunity to encourage you to attend our church as our guest.

THANK YOU!



SUNDAY SERVANTS

APRIL 5TH

Communion Preparation

Grizz & Vickee Parker

Greeters

Grizz & Vickee Parker

Communion Servers

Carmen Warfield & Mary Watson

Communion Mediation

Davis Watson

Sound Booth

Rhonda Oliver

APRIL 12TH

Communion Preparation

Ernie & Zack Calvillo

Greeters

Kate Davis

Communion Servers

Ernie Calvillo & Grizz Parker

Communion Mediation

Dean Boehler

Sound Booth

Zack Calvillo

APRIL 19TH

Communion Preparation

Betty Greager

Greeters

Howard & Betty Greager

Communion Servers

Howard & Betty Greager

Communion Mediation

Ernie Calvillo

Sound Booth

Heather Lawrence

APRIL 26TH

Communion Preparation

John Oliver

Greeters

Sharon Pike & Carmen Warfield

Communion Servers

Carmen Warfield & Mary Watson

Communion Mediation

John Oliver

Sound Booth

Zack Calvillo

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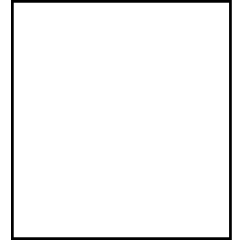
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10 AM ~ Bible Study

11 AM ~ Worship Service



BABY BOTTLE TIME!

Once again this year we are collecting loose change for the Pregnancy Center of Montrose. Don't forget to return your baby bottle filled with loose change, paper money, or a check, to the church by Easter Sunday, April 12th.



MANAGING YOUR MONEY

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2009

It's time to take the FEAR out of managing your money!



Saturday, April 25 at 9:30 a.m. we will gather the people of our community as an ENTIRE NATION TAKES CONTROL of their finances and learns to walk steadily amid the financial chaos of today's economy! Managing Your Money is a nationwide simulcast designed for everyone, regardless of your financial situation, and will give you the tools and strategies vital to establishing and maintaining financial health. Join us for this nationwide video conference viewed via satellite here at Norwood Christian Church on Saturday, April 25th beginning at 9:30 a.m. and ending at 1:30 p.m. Best of all it is FREE! For more information call the church office at 327-0201 or visit our website.



*If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.
2 Corinthians 5: 17*

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 No L&R Class this week	2 Praise Team 7:30PM	3 <i>McKenzie Newport</i>	4
5 Bible Study 10AM Worship 11AM <i>Palm Sunday</i>	6 <i>Garry Joseph</i>	7	8 Love & Respect Class 6PM	9 Praise Team 7:30PM	10 Good Friday Service 7PM	11
12 EASTER Sunrise Service 7AM Breakfast 9AM Worship 11AM <i>(see page 1 for more details)</i> <i>Jim & Sharon Newport-Annv.</i>	13	14	15 Love & Respect Class 6PM	16 Praise Team 7:30PM	17	18 Zack & Natalie Lawrence's Wedding Reception Noon
19 Bible Study 10AM Worship 11AM	20 <i>Jerry & Janine Spor-Annv.</i>	21	22 Love & Respect Class 6PM	23 Praise Team 7:30PM <i>Dean & Stacy Boehler-Annv.</i>	24	25 Managing Your Money Conference 9:30AM
26 Bible Study 10AM Worship 11AM	27	28 <i>Ruth Stephens</i>	29 Love & Respect Class 6PM	30 Praise Team 7:30PM		