## **Spring Bible Study**

Broken bodies, broken people, broken relationships all stem from our sharing in sin. The Passion of the Christ shares with us the reality of sin's consequences. This Lenten season, we will examine the wages of sin by looking into the life, trial, and crucifixion of Jesus Christ. We will mainly be studying the Scriptures, but will also venture into the modern depictions of Christ's final days. We share in this experience to take seriously the wages of our sin, the power of God's forgiveness, and the freedom afforded to us by Jesus Christ. We'll gather for a meal at 5pm and begin our study at 6pm. LAMBS will be available for the children.

#### **Treasurer Position Available**

We are looking for someone who is good with numbers, understands budgets, can reconcile accounts, write checks, and can work with Excel. If you're interested, please contact Pastor Lance.

#### **Food Pantry**

Jan Families 75

Jan Items Shared 4149

Yearly Family Totals **75** 

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#### **Up-Coming Events**

Mon. Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>: Food Pantry Open 10am to 1pm

<u>Wed. Jan 27<sup>th</sup>:</u> Membership Bible Study 6:30pm

> Thurs. Jan 28<sup>th</sup>: Food Pantry Open 3pm to 6pm

> February 1<sup>st</sup>: Food Pantry Open 10am to 1pm

> Thurs. Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>: Food Pantry Open 3pm to 6pm

Sunday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>: Deacons Mtg, After Church

Monday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>: Food Pantry Open 10am to 1pm

<u>Wed. Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>:</u> Ash Wednesday Service 7pm

> Sun. Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> to Sun. Mar 20<sup>th</sup>: Spring Bible Study 5pm to 7pm



# Celebrating the Risen Christ!

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Sunday School for all ages: 9:15 AM Worship: 10:30 AM

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## WELCOME TO CHRIST ALIVE!

January 24, 2016

Call to Worship

Worship Opening Song

Prayer

Meeting & Greeting

Worship

Scripture Lamentations 3:1-21

Thoughts for Living: "The Lost Virtue of Lament"

Communion & Prayer at the Altar

❖ Worship Closing Song

## Scripture:

"<sup>13</sup>[God] pierced my heart with arrows from his quiver. I became the laughingstock of all my people; they mock me in song all day long. He has filled me with bitter herbs and given me gall to dink. He bas broken my teeth with gravel; he has trampled me me in the dust. I have forgotten what prosperity is. So I say, 'My splendor is gone and all that I had hoped from the Lord.' I remember my affliction and my wandering, the bitterness and the gall. I well remember them, and my soul is downcast within me. Yet this I call to mind and therefor I have hope: Because of the Lord's love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, 'The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him.'"

#### Welcome!

We want to express Christ's love to you with genuine, heartfelt warmth. We're eager for the opportunity to get to know you, and we're excited to share with you the wonderful ways God is working in our church. It won't take you long to discover that this is truly a family, rich in the relationships that matter most. Growing together, we worship, we serve, we laugh, we cry, we learn, and we reach out to our world with life-transforming truth. We reach out to you, as well. Our doors are open. Our hearts are open, too. If you've been thinking, praying, searching, and hoping for a place to belong, we say again—welcome!

## **Worship Thought:**

"The inability to mourn becomes the inability to love."

~Jürgen Moltmann

## Prayer Requests:

- Mary Beth (Katelyn's Friend)—Colon Cancer
- Shelby (Katelyn's Friend)—Child Died in the Womb
- Sterling (Katelyn's Friend)—1 year old diagnosed w/Cancer
- Brittany S. (Katelyn's Friend)—Diagnosed w/Cancer
- Rita Zaerr (Lance's Grandmother)—Diagnosed w/Cancer
- Rosel Leverton—Prayers of Support & Love
- Crystan Reed—Recovery from Surgery
- Patti Z.—Medical Issues
- Karen Yemm
- Troy B. (Todd & Tara's Brother)—Health Problems
- Jeff P.—Eyes
- Anonymous

To have a prayer request published, please contact Pastor Lance before noon on Fridays.

The invitation to communion comes from Christ Himself and not from any church. Therefore, we invite anyone who believes in Jesus Christ, has trusted Him for the forgiveness of sin, and who accepts Him as Lord and Savior to share in this sacrament with us. However, the call to communion is a call to repentance and humility; it is an invitation to partake in the body and blood of Christ, and it should not be taken lightly. Therefore, young people and adults who do not have a personal, saving faith in Jesus Christ, or who harbor willful, unconfessed sin, as well as ALL young children SHOULD NOT TAKE COMMUNION at this time. If you have questions about the meaning of communion, or your relationship to Christ, you are invited to talk with the pastor.