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“More Peaks & Valleys”

What a BIG Sunday this will be!

FROM THE



PASTOR

We’ve got all sorts of things going on – things you won’t want to miss – things that you’ll want to invite others to experience with you.

First of all, this Sunday is Earth Day. Earth Day is always April 22 and this year it happens to fall on a Sunday.

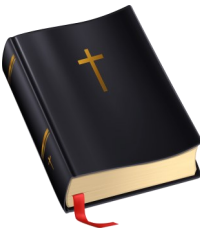
We’ll be focusing on Earth Day with every component of worship, from our hymns to our Children’s Sermon, our scripture and our sermon. An added component will be the presence of animals – yes, ANIMALS! We can only pull this off because Shannon Irmscher of our church family is a zookeeper at the Mesker Park Zoo. She’ll have the animals with her at the 10:30 service and then in The Gallery following worship.

This is also the day that our Memory Contest Awards will be presented to our children and youth. Every year, during Lent, they work diligently for the entire period of time to prepare themselves to recite memory work they have learned – passages of scripture that will remain with them their entire lives. Joining Shannon and the animals in The Gallery following worship will be the children and youth and the Christian Education Committee will be hosting a reception in their honor to provide you the opportunity to congratulate the young people on their outstanding work.

Following the reception in The Gallery, everyone is invited to join us in Fellowship Hall for our Annual Spring Homemade Spaghetti Dinner, hosted by the young people who will be attending Camp PYOCA this summer. We have a very strong contingent of campers and this is the only fundraiser they hold to raise money to enable them to experience a wonderful week of Christian growth and fellowship.

Join us for every aspect of this very exciting Sunday at Eastminster! Our scripture reading will be Psalm 104:1-25(or read the entire Psalm in all of its beauty) as we follow up last Sunday with “More Peaks & Valleys.”

Earth Day Blessings,
Dennis



The Seekers

Last Monday evening a group came together to form a new study group. The study will focus on those questions with which we struggle and have the potential to block our faith. The list we are using was compiled by the congregation in response to an inquiry during worship on the 8th of April.

The group meets in the parlor from 6 pm to 7:30 pm on Monday evenings. It is facilitated by Emma Sue Davenport and Barb Ferguson. We welcome new folks. We are excited about the opportunity to come together as members of the body of Christ and share our faith and our struggles. Please feel free to join with us.



We will be kicking off our “Send a Kid” to camp campaign this Sunday, April 22, immediately following worship.

Camp is June 10-16

Donations for the luncheon will help off-set the expense of sending campers to camp. Any portion of that is helpful and appreciated. You may send a donation in to the office at any time with "camp fund" notated.

Prayers & Concerns

Please pray for the following:
Austin Smith, Tracey Manis & Conor Chapman. If you have a prayer request, please contact Leslie Webb at epcprayers@gmail.com or contact the Church Office.



Sunday, April 22, 2018

8:00 A.M. SERVICE

LITURGIST
Tony McClees

USHER
Pam Stevens

10:30 A.M. SERVICE

LITURGIST
Shannon Irmscher

HEAD USHER
Mel Ellsperman

USHERS & GREETERS
John & Carol Oglesby & Team
Steve Fritz, Pat, Jayne & Tracey Manis

ACOLYTE
Jacob Irmscher

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M - Th: 8:30 –4:00 P.M.
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Talent Show Rehearsal

This Wednesday, April 18, there will be another practice for the talent show. This practice is optional and open to anyone participating in the talent show. 6:00-8:00pm.



SNACK Remember that office hours are every Thursday from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. Snacks and drinks will be available during this time for a small charge. All proceeds will benefit the youth attending the Mission Trip.

At Youth Group this week we will be taking a look at the story of Moses in Exodus. Specifically the story in which God uses 10 plagues. During this time we are going to explore the power of God and try to figure out why he wanted to "harden Pharaoh's heart" so badly. This will be followed by time of fun and fellowship. I hope to see you there at 6:00 p.m.



See you in the Place,
Trey



The Tuesday Book Club

Join the Tuesday Book Club at Western Ribeye on Tuesday, April 24, where we will discuss Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate. Everyone



Mission Trip News

We will be having a meeting on April 29 for everyone interested in participating in our mission to Pittsburgh. This will be the final day to sign up, as we will need to begin finalizing details and plans. There is also a sign up sheet in the Narthex. If you would like to go, but are unable to either be at the meeting or sign up in the Narthex, please also

feel free to call the church and let Mary or Dennis know. There are activities for every capability, from selling/arranging/washing vegetables at the farm market, to demolition and construction. This is going to be a great trip and we hope to have you with us.



MOTHER DAUGHTER BRUNCH

Ladies, you are invited to attend the Mother-Daughter Brunch, Sunday, May 6, 2018, at noon, in Fellowship Hall. Invite your daughters, grand-daughters, mothers, grandmothers, in-laws, nieces, aunts and BFFs. Tracy Post will inspire us with her love story of adopting 14 children. Menu: Brunch casseroles by Denise Rapp, plus assorted pastries, sweet breads and fruit; coffee, juices and milk. *Advance reservations are required by Sunday, April 29, 2018; payment must accompany your reservation. Return this form or call the church office at 812-476-3355 and follow up with payment prior to the deadline.*



Name: _____ will attend
(please include numbers of all age categories for whom you are reserving)

Ages 13 and up: _____ @ \$11/each Total: \$ _____

Ages 4 – 12 years: _____ \$6/each Total: \$ _____

Ages 3 and under _____ FREE

High Chair Requested _____

TOTAL RESERVATIONS _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

And men & youth, Make the ladies in your life feel special! We need drink servers and clean-up helpers. Your brunch is on us. If you can help, please let the church office know. Thank you!

Christian Education

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Summer in Psalms Reading Schedule

Psalm 1:2 Instead, his delight is in the LORD's instruction, and he meditates on it day and night.

April 16-Psalm 103

April 17-Psalm 104

April 18-Psalm 105

April 19-Psalm 106

April 20-Psalm 107

April 21-Psalm 108

April 22-Psalm 109

No pressure! Just catch up as you are able to. Keep on keeping on!

You're Invited

Please plan to join us on April 22nd after the 10:30 a.m. worship service in the Gallery for a short reception in honor of the children and youth completing their Memory Work. We are so proud of them and hope they will continue to carry the Word of God in their hearts always. All church family is invited to come and share in this special occasion.

Please prayerfully consider leading a portion of an Adult Sunday School class this summer for our Summer in Psalms. If you are interested, sign up sheets will be available in the Narthex at the Welcome Center. Emma Sue Davenport will lead us June 3rd as we begin our study of our Summer in Psalms.



Children's Worship Schedule

April 22—Cheryl Ison

April 29—Beth Bailey

May 6—Gordon Wiley

May 13—Sabrina Holden

May 20—Beth Bailey

May 27—Erin Tipton



Upcoming Events

1/8/18 - 5/20/18 H2O Project

4/22/18 Memory Contest Awards and Reception after 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

5/20/18 Harrison High School Baccalaureate

6/3/18 Summer Sunday School begins

6/17/18 - 6/21/18 Shipwrecked VBS

Keep substituting water for other beverage choices as you are able to. Consider donating the money that you save to the H2O Project here at Eastminster in order to build wells for those world-wide that may not have access to clean water for cooking and drinking. We will update you on our collection totals next week. Thanks so much for your support!!!

Our VBS is coming soon!!! This year we will be SHIPWRECKED from June 17-21, but don't worry because Jesus is sure to rescue us! If you would be interested in helping, please let Erin or the office know by filling out this form and dropping it in the offering plate. We have lots of opportunities for adults and youth! Ready to register your child? Forms are in the Narthex.

Name _____

Phone _____

Circle what you would be interested in helping with!

Games Snacks Crafts Teaching Set up/Decorating
Skits Donating items Music/Songs