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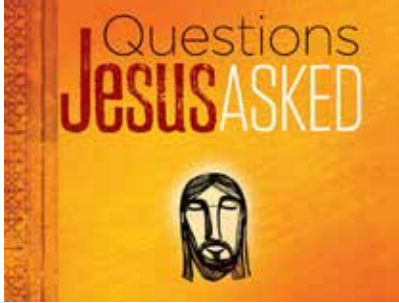
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WORSHIP UPDATE

This Sunday, April 14th, we continue our series for the **“50 Days of Easter, Questions Jesus Asked”** by **Magrey R. DeVega**. As we learned last week through the gospels, Jesus asks over 300 questions and answers only 8. And the gift of his evaluative questions is they allow us to dig deeper in body, mind, and spirit. Up this week, **“Why are you afraid?”** In the lesson of calming the storm, Magrey offers that Jesus calms two storms, the one without and the one within. Join us this week as we explore how God is present with us in the midst of our fears. Invite a friend. And don't forget **intercessory prayer time at 9:15 a.m., small groups at 11:11 a.m. and youth are back at SAUMC at 12:30 p.m.** See you here.



NEW ADULT BIBLE STUDY IS FORMING. We'll meet together in Room #30 after worship for a study on **“Fresh Air”** by **Jack Levinson**. The focus will be on the work of the Holy Spirit. Chapter 1 will be discussed. Books are available through Amazon, Kindle, and/or biblio.com. Everyone is welcome!



EXAM TIME FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS WILL BE HERE SOON.

Let's show our 23 students that their church family cares. The church will be sending each of the students a Chick-Fil-A gift card. If you wish to make a donation to fund this effort, please contact Vicki Robinson at 704-552-2713 or write a check to the church with “College Age Student Gift Cards” in the notation area. Checks may be dropped in the offering plate or the church office Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m..



YOUR INVITED.

In John 21:16 Jesus says, **“Take care of my sheep”**. In Matthew 25:34, Jesus says **“I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink”**; and in Matthew 28:19, Jesus says, **“Go and make disciples.”** I invite you to come tour the Mauldin's garden and meet a dear friend of mine. She will share with you how she lives out these scriptures, especially in her interactions with the homeless. Grab your sun bonnet, walking shoes, a folding chair, and a sandwich; carpool as much as possible, and meet on **Tuesday, April 16th, at 11:30 a.m. at 834 Sedgefield Road, Charlotte 28209.** I will have cups, water, and lemonade.

Please let me know if you are able to come - 704- 523-5510 or ruthandme65@gmail.com.

89+ BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

Please shower **Evelyn Grain** with cards as she celebrates her **100th birthday** on Wednesday, April 17th.

Cards may be sent to:

Evelyn Grain
2400 Hatherly Road
Charlotte, NC 28209-3453

MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

Book Club, Friday, May 3rd, 6:30 p.m.

at Nicole Campbell's house (1617 Lyndale Place, Char. NC 28210). Please spread the word - all are invited. The book is **“One for the Money”** by **Janet Evanovich**.



WE CELEBRATE WITH THE SANFORD FAMILY

a new appointment for Courtney Sanford (family, Nell Smith and Dana and Tim Sanford). Courtney is now serving as the new champion for camping ministry in our conference. Courtney, her husband Bailey and children Ivie and Ezra have a long- time connection to us and our beloved Camp Tekoa. This appointment is but one of the many gifts of connection we celebrate being UMC.

Congratulations to Courtney and family!

APRIL Birthdays

- 14 Jeremy Evans
- 15 C. J. Ash
- 15 Debbie Marshall
- 17 Evelyn Grain
- 17 Tammy Thompson
- 19 Rob Moore
- 20 Jimmy New
- 20 Amanda Newhouse

WORSHIP SERVICE APRIL 14, 2024

9:15 a.m. Intercessory Prayer Service #30

10:00 a.m.

Worship in the Sanctuary

Question Jesus Asked
“Why Are You Afraid?”
Matthew 8:23-27

11:11 a.m.

Small Group Gathering

12:30 p.m.

Youth Ministry
Lunch and Program

REGULAR CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Closed on Friday.

ADM. MEETINGS APRIL 21st. Hybrid: In the Commons Room.

SPRC
3:00 p.m., April 21st

FINANCE
4:30 p.m., April 21st

Trustees will not meet in April.

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GENERAL CONFERENCE IS ALMOST HERE!

United Methodists delegates and support from around the world will begin arriving in Charlotte next week! Want to get involved? You've got options.

- 1) **Support Nourish Up** (formerly known as *Loaves & Fishes*). The Metro District is highlighting the issue of food insecurity and asking everyone to contribute. SAUMC is no stranger to this work and we hope that **between April 15th and April 30th** you will grab some extra when you go to the store. The shopping cart is ready to receive your donations and we'll add some squarrels to the mix.
- 2) **Pray.** On **Sunday, April 21th,** churches across the conference are being asked to celebrate and pray for the work of General Conference. Acts 2:42-47 reminds us the work of the church in response to the Great Commission, and that work is summed up beautifully in our membership vows: Pray, Be Present, Give Generously, Serve Well, and Share the Good News of Jesus with Everyone!
- 3) **Participate.** Here's the link to schedules, news, and eventual livestream. <https://www.umc.org/en/who-we-are/structure/general-conference>, We've even got a few folks from our church who are braving the light rail and convention center to offer hospitality and welcome. Thank you to them!
- 4) **Be here on Sunday, April 28th,** as we welcome Bishop Minverva Carcano as our guest preacher. Across the conference on April 28th churches throughout the region will be welcoming guest preachers and we are blessed to have her with us.