

The Link



From Pastor Dave: Easter Is Not in the Bible?

There are a couple of words in our Christian vernacular that descended from Pagan religions and not from Scripture. The word church is not in the Bible, neither is the word Easter. Surprised? I was when I first found out, but then again, I was surprised when I found out that “God helps those who help themselves” isn’t in the Bible either. You will still hear me say the words church and Easter because it’s so ingrained in our Christian and world cultures, but I try to make an effort to substitute those words with biblical ones when I can. For instance, I’m going to worship not church; I’m going to Bible Study not church; I’m going to Neshanic Reformed’s property not church. We’re going to celebrate Resurrection Sunday not Easter. If you’ve grasped some of the bigger issues of our faith – forgiveness, grace, compassion, kindness, love – and are looking to further your discipleship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, maybe consider joining me in aligning your Christianese (I made up that word) with more biblical terms. 😊

Worship Committee

The Lenten Season is a busy time for worship. There are lots of special worship opportunities that we hope you will participate in.

Sunday 4/14 Palm Sunday- Come to our regular 10 am service and get your own palms to start Holy Week.

Thursday 4/18 Maundy Thursday- We have two worship opportunities Thursday night. You can come to one or both. At 6pm we have our Seder Supper dinner. [Click here to reserve your spot for the Seder Supper!](#) It is a family friendly, all ages event to learn about Passover and have a meal together. We are looking for people to cook chicken for this evening. The worship committee will supply an easy recipe to follow. Then at 8pm is the Service of Tenebrae in the Sanctuary.

Friday 4/19 Good Friday Service at 7:30 p.m. with Three Bridges and Clover Hill at [Three Bridges Reformed Church](#)

Sunday 4/21 Join us for our Easter Service at 10 am. There is an opportunity to purchase flowers to beautify the church for this service. [Click here for order form!](#)

Elder and Deacon Nominations

Know someone who is a faithful and diligent church leader? Nominate yourself or someone you know to serve as an Elder or Deacon for the upcoming term years by sharing names with any Consistory member now through May 12th.

Answering the Call to Meet the Budget

Please see a Stewardship Committee member for a copy of the 2019 budget. Know of a way you can increase revenue or decrease expenses in 2019? Pass on your ideas to the Stewardship Committee (John Cassimatis & Randy Gerstl) or via a pledge card located in the narthex.

Upcoming Events

- Apr. 1 Search Committee
- Apr. 4 Last day for clothing/toy collection for sale
- Apr. 6 Gently Used Children’s Clothing, Toy, Book and Baby Items Sale
- Apr. 7 Children’s Choir
- Apr. 8 Consistory Meeting
- Apr. 12 Family Craft Night
- Apr. 14 Palm Sunday
- Apr. 14 Seder Supper RSVP’s due today
- Apr. 14 Sunday School Easter Crafts
- Apr. 14 NRC Women
- Apr. 18 Seder Supper
- Apr. 18 Service of Tenebrae
- Apr. 19 Good Friday Service at Three Bridges Reformed Church
- Apr. 21 Easter Service (no Sunday School today)
- Apr. 28 Mission Offering
- Apr. 28 Progressive Dinner Reservations due today
- Apr. 28 Children’s Choir Rehearsal
- Apr. 30 Summer Mission Trip forms & deposit due today

More Important Church News

Gently Used Children's Clothing, Toy, Book & Baby Items and Sale— Sat. April 6, 8-1PM

Save the date and share with friends and neighbors! Most items \$1 (cash only). All proceeds to benefit the CNC Scholarship Fund.

VBS Registration Now Open

[Click here for details and registration form.](#) 50 spots available!

Family Easter Craft Night

This event, sponsored by NRC Women, will be on Friday April 12th, 7 - 9 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Crafts are designed for children of all ages and include Easter Bonnets, Easter Masks, Boo-Boo Bunnies, "Blessing Baskets" and more. All materials will be provided. Please join us for fun and fellowship! Advance sign-up via a sign-up sheet in church narthex or via email to frando@comcast.net is appreciated to ensure we have adequate supplies. Questions? Contact Fran Domitrowski at frando@comcast.net or call/text 908-500-2288

Summer Mission Trip Registration Now Open

[Click here](#) for details and registration form. Forms & deposit are due by Apr. 30.

Progressive Dinner Reservations Now Being Accepted

On Saturday, May 11th, join us for this popular annual event. It's a great way to meet new people and sample new foods. Feel free to join as a party of one or two! Sign up no later than April 28th. [Click here for more information and registration form.](#)

Meals for Christine Held

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/34w2zy> - Sign up for a meal via the Meal Train website. We would like to provide meals 3-4 times per week. Contact Anne Mazer with any questions phone at 908-938-2900 or email andrew_mazer_210@comcast.net.

April Mission— Cancer Support Community of Central New Jersey

In a home-like setting, offerings include professionally-led support groups, educational programs, nutritional and healthy cooking workshops and healthy life-style programs. There are many resources and opportunities to socialize with other individuals who understand the impact of cancer. Programs and services offered empower the individual diagnosed with cancer as well as the caregiver to take an active role in their journey through and beyond the cancer diagnosis.

This offering will be collected during worship on April 28th. Donations are also accepted all month via our E-Giving (online donation) website, the blue Monthly Mission offering envelope or write "April Mission" in the memo section of your check. Thank you for your support!

Sunday Worship Altar Flowers

Please contact Neva in the church office if you would like to order flowers to be displayed during one or more of our Sunday worship services.

Opportunities Available on Sundays

Would you like to be a Greeter/ Usher, or help with refreshments after service? Contact the church office for more information or to be added to the rotation calendar.

Hillsborough Food Pantry Most Needed Items

- Laundry detergent
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Cookies & crackers
- Cleaning products
- Boxed pasta
- Coffee

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