



THE CALVARY CALLING

Dear Calvary folks,

It feels to me right now like an alternate name for the Easter Season could be the "Now What?" Season.

The initial gospel lessons on and after Easter Sunday seem primarily to consist of shocked reactions and wondering and what comes next. The exclamation in our Easter declaration, "Christ is risen!" could easily be changed into a question: "Christ is risen?" The answer is "Yes! Hallelujah!"

Perhaps that affirmation to the wonder of Easter is why I love to have that exchange in worship. "Christ is Risen!" "He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!" I've said it more than once, it never gets old!

So yes, once we get used to the idea of Christ being resurrected, once the truth seeps once again into our bones, once we proclaim Jesus' resurrection without absolute surprise in our voices, then we come to the "Now What?"

One option is to live more fully into peace in our lives, to release that common anxiety that most of us deal with as a buzzing background. We can become more sure of God's love for us, more ready to confront difficult problems, more likely to seek out other company.

Another option is to have more conversations with our friends about the things that matter. Our college friends Ruth and John just came for an overnight in the Stein-Webber hotel. We ate and we talked. We cooked and did puzzles and talked. We sang songs and talked. And we walked, braved the wind by Morro Rock, and, you guessed it, we talked.

There's something about Easter that gets people talking.

And a third option in the face of Easter is to go beyond our friendship circle and talk with people who we meet or are drawn to our days running about. We can spread good cheer, provide an unexpected listening ear, give reason for the hope that is within us.

Young people I listen to call these encounters "random". Such as "I was talking with this random person..." It sounds as if we run into said "random" person as a matter of chance.

But I, and probably you, think that, as Easter people, our third option above involves more than randomness. It involves the movement of the Holy Spirit, bringing us into contact with certain people at certain times and in certain places.

We can sing that favorite hymn, "Lead me, guide me, along the way." And then we might realize that even before we sing it, God is busy leading all kinds of people along their ways, and hoping that the children of God (that's us!) would stop and talk with those people God is sending across our paths.

You know what I mean? I know you do. And you're doing it in Jesus' name, for the sake of the good news!

Blessings,
Pastor Brian

Scriptures for May

May 5	May 12	May 19	May 26
Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 Psalm 1 1 John 5:9-13 John 17:6-19	Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b Romans 8:22-27 John 15:26-27; 6:4b-15	Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29 Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17

Treasurer's Report

Receipts - \$18,033.60. Expenses - \$8,530.50. Receipts were at 124.94% of the 2024 Budget for the three (3) months ended 03/31/2024. Expenses were 90.30% of the 2024 Budget for the same period.



Titan Chrismen	5/3
David Ogren	5/14
Stacey Lange	5/14
Becky Mendoza	5/16
Ella Ogren	5/18
Andrew Jacoby	5/23
Patti Harsch	5/24
Maggie Muff	5/24
Charles Rice	5/27
Katie Edson	5/28
Emilee Lange	5/30

Tom and Joyce Bauer will be celebrating their 50th Wedding on June 15, 2024.

You are invited to an Open House from 2:00 to 6:00 on the 15th to help them celebrate.

RSVP is requested by May 31 and please, no gifts.

805-748-4748 please leave a message if no answer.

Remember in Prayer

- Karin Wilcox-Pastor Brian's Aunt
Chemo and radiation treatments for breast cancer
- Tim Gough - Aaron Brochtrup's father-in-law, recovering from a head-on vehicle crash
- Don Baccus – Mass on lung (Janet Lorenzo's brother-in-law)
- Gary Brochtrup – recovering from eye surgery for torn retina
- Sean Cannoles, health issues (Nikki Rocha's cousin)
- Charleigh- breast cancer (relative of Nikki Rocha)
- Eileen Bless- terminal cancer (Andy Jacoby's aunt)
- Sally (in her 80's)- recovering from broken hip and arm
- Danielle Shields – 43-year-old mom of 4 kids with breast cancer that has spread to her bones
- Carolyn Wyatt – friend of Nancy Padilla Cancer, chemo/radiation for a year
- Kathie Sperow – dealing with a new condition
- Elaine Grawe – adjusting to living situation
- Becky Padilla – dealing with recurrence of cancer
- Christian, Heidi Carney's son – for peace and comfort
- Katie Edson and family – death of their mother, Mercedes
- Barbara Stein, Tom Anello's sister – dealing with resurfacing cancer
- Byron Nelson, friend of Jacoby's – dealing with cancer
- Mike Johnson – dealing with lymphatic cancer
- Chris Senter – frontotemporal lobe dementia, and starting a medication trial
- Heidi Carney – ongoing health issues
- Kate Anderson
- Denise Kenealy, daughter-in-law of Robin Karas – dealing with health issues
- James Hecker- for a permanent solution to his numerous health problems
- Iglesia San Juan Bautista, Pastor Esteban and Angie – support of their ministry
- An end to the war in Ukraine
- Peace and safety for the peoples of Israel and Palestine
- Victims of gun violence

Welcome New Members!



Ed Ogren has recently retired from an oil & gas company and relocated with his family from Bakersfield to Morro Bay. He loves the outdoors and Morro Bay!

David Ogren is 14 years old. He enjoys cross country, basketball, track and volleyball and plays the cello and the piano. He is also interested in engineering and video games and is a great help with our service most Sundays!



Ella Ogren is 11 years old and stays busy with violin, piano, volleyball, track and is currently attending Confirmation here at Calvary.

Glenna Baker is a retired Special Education Teacher and moved from Lompoc to Morro Bay two years ago. She loves her new grandbaby and the beach!



Suzanne Gorter has a MFT private practice in SLO. She lives near the Bay in Los Osos and enjoys walking with her husband in the many beautiful areas of the Central Coast. As many can attest – she is a great baker as well!

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
May 2024 *Please remember in your prayers			1 *Prayer List Bible Study 10:00	2	3 *Sandy McMillan	4
5 Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:00 Worship Assist: Ed O. The Chosen Zoom Discussion Group 5:30 – 7:30	6 *David & Janelle Muff Coffee Club 9:00 Inn at Morro Bay Confirmation 6:00	7 *Ed Ogren Sermon Feedback 10:00 Bible Study Zoom 9:15 Finance Committee Zoom 7:00	8 *Prayer List Bible Study 10:00	9	10 *Nancy Padilla Outreach Committee 1:45	11
12 Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:00 Worship Assist: Jean S. The Chosen Zoom Discussion Group 5:30 – 7:30 	13 *Joe & Angelina Rice	14 *Kevin & Nikki Rocha Sermon Feedback 10:00 Bible Study Zoom 9:15	15 *Prayer List Bible Study 10:00	16	17 *Darel Sorensen Coffee Club 9:00 Buttercup	18
19 Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:00 Worship Assist: Brenda O. The Chosen Zoom Discussion Group 5:30 – 7:30	20 *Dan & Kathie Sperow Confirmation 6:00	21 *George Tway Sermon Feedback 10:00 Bible Study Zoom 9:15	22 *Prayer List Bible Study 10:00	23	24 *Dick Williams	25
26 Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:00 Worship Assist: Joyce B. Brunch! 11:00 The Chosen Zoom Discussion Group 5:30 – 7:30	27 *Diane Williams 	28 *Jennifer Kurrle Sermon Feedback 10:00 Bible Study Zoom 9:15	29 *Prayer List Bible Study 10:00	30	31	