

April 2018

GOOD NEWS

Verse of the Month: “For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God.” ~ Ephesians 2:8



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FROM THE
CHURCH
OFFICE

2018 Newsletter Postage Fees Due

Postal fees for the 2018 Good News home delivery are now due. Payment of \$10.00 must be submitted to the church office as soon as possible.

This service is provided for those who do not have internet service or cannot pick up a copy in person.



Women's Circles



We have already seen that the author of the Letter to the Hebrews has established that because Jesus is the Son of God, he is far superior to other beings sent to us (such as prophets, angels and the high priest). In this month's study, the author makes the incredible claim that before Jesus received his human body, he had already existed. He was with God, his Father, at creation, and as the Word spoke everything on heaven and earth into existence.

The **Ruth Circle** will meet at the home of Betsy Cunius Friday, April 13th at 1:00 p.m. **Note the change of schedule.** The **Martha Circle** will meet at the home of Gerry Reedell at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 12th. All women of the church are encouraged to attend the circle of your choice for fellowship and Bible study. We will be happy to see you and you will be warmly welcomed.



Worship Committee

We are so grateful to have Rev. Ivo Meilands and his lovely wife Pat serving as our Interim Pastor. We have been so blessed by their service and ministry at APC and their willingness to continue serving with us through June 2018. Our steadfast prayers continue for our PNC and for the Pastor that the Lord already has chosen for us, all things in His time.

For our Sunday Morning Worship Service we encourage that each one to enter the sanctuary quietly and prayerfully during the prelude in order to prepare our hearts and minds for worship. During Pass the Peace we encourage you stay at your seat and greet those around you. Thank you for turning off cell phones and saving fellowship for before and after worship in Madden Hall.

What a blessing it is to see new members joining our church as well as infants and children being baptized! We welcome the sounds of children as it is a sign our church is growing! Jesus said, "Permit the children to come to me, for such is the kingdom of God." Mark 10:14.

We continue to give thanks for our music director, Richard DeKarski and his faithfulness to our choir and worship service. We look forward to Bell Choir rehearsals in the fall, watch for details.

Serving Him,
Anna Mae Werner
Worship Chair



News from the Deacons

April 2018

Spring is finally here ... although the weather doesn't know it! Deacons wish you Easter Blessings and thank you from our hearts for your monetary donations as we are solely funded by you.

Communion may be received by anyone who has been baptized and believes in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. This month we invite you to share the feast of Communion on Easter, April 1. We celebrate the body of Christ with bread and the blood of Christ with grape juice. If you are an ordained Deacon or Elder (past or present) and wish to help serve Communion please let Naida Burgess know as she is looking for servers. Some Deacons are now taking Communion to homebound members.

Thank you for your continued donations to the Food Bank! We have donated over 150 pounds of nonperishable food items. Please remember no glass jars or expired items (the Food Bank also takes laundry detergent and disposable baby diapers).

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 1 at 6 pm in Fellowship Hall, directly following our meeting we will meet with session and present our Annual report.

Thank you for your continued support during this time as our church seeks a new called Pastor. We continue our prayers for the Pastoral Nominating Committee and are **all called to Pastor and pray for each other** not only during this time but always. Through Jesus all things are possible. Amen

In Christian service and love,
Naida Burgess, Moderator
Karen Muldoon, Vice Moderator



Spring Work Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 14th from 9 am - 12 pm. Many hands are needed for various jobs such as window washing, cleaning the kitchen, putting air conditioner units in the windows, cleaning flower beds and mulching, fertilizing, etc. There is a signup sheet on the foyer bulletin board so that you can put down your name for the various job you may want to do. Refreshments will be provided, so hope to see many of you there!!

Thank You,
Property Committee



Evergreens April 25 at Noon

Evergreen's will meet Wednesday, April 25th at noon, in Madden Hall. The program has been rescheduled from March, due to the snow storm. Diane Birkbeck will be our speaker. Dessert and coffee will be provided. All are welcome, hope you can come!



Reservations for our Spring Luncheon in May will be taken!

Lunch Bunch April 4



Lunch bunch will meet,at noon April 4h at Allen's Clam Bar in New Gretna, van will leave church at 11:30 for those that need a ride, NOTE CHANGE IN WEEK

Want to Travel?



America's Keswick is sponsoring a bus trip Sept 19th to Sept 27th to Mackinac Island, MI and Wisconsin Dells. Please call Fran Weir at 646-8461 for details if interested.



March 8, 2018

Dear Church Committee,

Thank you so much for your donation to my Eagle Scout Project.

I have already shipped 35 boxes on Nov. 24, 2017 and another 30 boxes shipped on Feb. 10, 2018.

Your donation provided the funds to cover the expensive cost to mail.

Again, many thanks

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Risley III".

John Risley III
BSA Troop 77



Happy 95th Birthday,
Daddy!

Love,
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Serving in April

Lay Assistants

01 Kirk Conover
08 David Burgess
15 Vic Werner
22 David Burgess
29 David Burgess

Head Ushers

01 Vic & Rita Abelson
08 Elaine Risley, Ginny Davenport
15 Mary Bew, Betty Lloyd
22 Kirk & Nancy Conover
29 Bob & Barbara Hudak

Offering

01 Joan Nale, Franklin Nale
08 Jack & Dee Heil
15 Edith Budd, Ann Wallace
22 Jo-ann Weller, Betty Price
29 Tina Brown, Greg Hamaty

Acolyte

01 Franklin Nale
08 Jackson Harvey
15 Jacob Sabo
22 Jack Little
29 Loly Ramirez

Deacon of the Month

Nursery

01 Gloria Achamizo
08 Jennifer Platt
15 Gloria Achamizo
22 Jennifer Platt
29 Gloria Achamizo

Van Drivers

01 John Channell
08 Vic Abelson
15 Tina Brown
22 Vic Abelson
29 Dirk Williamson

Refreshment Hosts

01 No Refreshments - Happy Easter!
08 Georgina Umoren
15 Don & Debora Wong, Vic & Anna Mae Werner
22 Betsy Eberhard
29 Kris Jenoriki

Breakfast Club Kitchen Crew

01 Set-up: Priscilla Schultheis
Cook: Melvin Washington
Clean-up: Deb Wong, Betsy Eberhard
08 Set-up: Kris Jenoriki
Cook: John Channell
Clean-up: Vic & Rita Abelson
15 Set-up: Donna Hughes
Cook: Dirk Williamson
Clean-up: Jim McManus, Rob Perry
22 Set-up: Edith Budd
Cook: Leo Ransone
Clean-up: Olga Davies, Jean Delesantro
29 Set-up: Lynn Adkisson
Cook: Russ Adkisson
Clean-up: Gayle Ackerman

Counters

01 Barbara & Bob Hudak
08 Barb & Dan Hughes



15 Debbie & Don Wong
22 Leo Ransone, Nancy Conover

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