Notes:

GATHERING TIMES Sunday Bible Classes 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY GREENBANK FOOD PANTRY

Thursday Evenings—Doors are open 6:00-7:00 PM Volunteer Schedule:

Wednesdays 10:00 AM
Thursdays 9:30 AM & 5:30PM
Fridays 9:00 AM
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The Significance of the Resurrection

"Now if Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up—if in fact the dead do not rise. For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins! Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable." 1 Cor. 15:12-19

From the earliest days of the church there have been false ideas about the resurrection. Some insisted it never happened (1 Cor. 15:12). Some claimed the final resurrection had already passed (2 Tim. 2:18). The apostle Paul shows us authoritatively that Christianity either stands or falls with Christ's resurrection.

Paul places the resurrection of Jesus at the very core of the Christian faith (1 Cor. 15:1-11). In this passage, he shows us that it is, in fact, part of Old Testament prophecy, just as Jesus Himself tried to show (Luke 24:44-46). The resurrection is supported by abundant evidence, including (in Paul's day) literally hundreds of eyewitnesses (1 Cor. 15:5-8). This crucial doctrine was preached everywhere the gospel went, including Pentecost (Acts 2:30-32), the house of Cornelius (Acts 10:40), Thessalonica (Acts 17:3), Corinth (1 Cor. 15:1), and even Athens (Acts 17:31-32), where the crowd scoffed at the teaching. When Paul stood trial before the Jewish authorities in Jerusalem, he stated that it was for "the hope and resurrection of the dead" that he was being examined (Acts 23:6-8). He tells the Roman saints that our very obedience to the gospel involves a reenactment of the resurrection (Romans 6:3-4, 17).

Several vital components of Christianity fall without the resurrection (1Cor. 15:12-34). Without it, our faith is vain (v14). Without it, every evangelist is a liar (v15). Without it, we are just as much lost in sin as we ever were (v17). There is no victory over death without the resurrection (v18). Furthermore, even baptism is meaningless if the resurrection is not a reality (v29).

The resurrection embodies both mystery and victory (1 Cor. 15:35-58). There are some questions regarding the final resurrection that remain to be answered: When will it be (1Thess. 5:2)? How will we appear on that day (1 John 3:2)? Although we haven't been given answers to these intriguing questions, we can see that the resurrection will mark the decisive victory over death, the final enemy. This glorious victory is ours through Christ Jesus our Lord (1 Cor. 15:57), and it gives us confidence in the belief that our labor is never in vain when it is wrought in the name of Jesus (v58).

Roby Ellis

Order of Worship

Welcome

Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?—R369 He Lives—TPH

Scripture Reading & Prayer

There Is a Redeemer—TPH How Beautiful—G182

Communion

Offering

He Bore It All—TPH

Responsive Reading

Hallelujah! Christ Arose!—R245

"Good News From the Grave" All to Jesus I Surrender—R604

Closing Remarks & Prayer

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die.

Do you believe this?

John 11:25-26

GREENBANK NEWS

*LADIES BRUNCH—MAY 11, 10:00 A.M.

All ladies are invited for a time of fellowship as our current year Bible study comes to a close. This will be a catered event, so **please RSVP Crystal Reyes today.**

*COMMUNION PREPARATION NEEDED

We have slots open in June and July for preparing communion for our worship services. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the lobby. If you have any questions, see Susan Johnson.

*FOOD PANTRY—APRIL 18

Last week we provided 3,033 meals to 337 people in 134 families; 16 families were new. We would like to thank all who came to help on Friday when our group from Autism POW&R had the day off. We are so blessed to have a tremendous network of volunteers within Greenbank as well as from the community. God is providing in great ways for this ministry.

*SAVE THE DATE—WORK DAY—SATURDAY, JUNE 1

We will be working in and outside the building. Bring cleaning supplies and/ or yard tools with you. If you would like to work in a specific area, please speak with George Kirkland. Additional details will be relayed soon.

*EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS

If you purchase items for use in the building and need reimbursement from our budget, please see Tim Tucker or Lisa Reed before submitting your receipts. There is form you need to fill out so we can ensure reimbursement ends up in the right hands. Thank you.



Help keep our prayer list current by providing regular updates on family and friends.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Dickenson family: Alice passed away last week; Lloyd, Burwell, Cross & Toothman families: all have lost loved ones recently; Sharon King: carpal tunnel surgery; Hank Crick: awaiting heart surgery; Jerry Faraday: in hospice care; John Arnold: ongoing health concerns; Sedric Willis: healing in his back & arm; Marva Matthews: had heart surgery; Jermaine Evans: looking for work & asks for physical healing; Dwight Blue: infection in his arm; Paul Walker: back surgery; Angela Darko: safe mission trip to Ghana; Rebeca Reyes: looking for new housing; Taylor Lackford: carpal tunnel surgery; Ella—breast cancer treatments; Rice family: strength & wisdom for our family; John & Joyce Gossman: strength during difficult time

SHUT-INS: Connie Dowds—hospice care; Agnes Ignudo; Joan Gaynor **LONG-TERM ILLNESS/RECOVERY:** Robin Huff-Jordan; Marlin Johnson; Marie Difilippo, Gladys Gerhart, Dustin Lackford, Michael Mugrage, Felicity Ray, Gwendolyn Brady, Harry Schaeffer, Melissa Griffiths, Janette McGowan, Mike Saylor, Peggy Wetzel, Nadine Henderson, Riley Dennis, Robert Steineback

COLLEGE STUDENTS: Rachel Johnson, Kyle Cox, Heather Abosch, Brent Tucker, Tatiana Vargas, Justin Walls, Kristal Moreta, Mackenzie Naseery, Ethan Reed, Prisilla Sanichar, Jesse Schuhart, Antonio Sanichar

MISSIONS: Ghana Bible College, Samuel Agbeta (Nkwanta, Ghana), Delaware Christian Campus Ministry Foundation; Camp Manatawny; Chad & Amy Westerholm (Mozambique)

OUR COUNTRY: Leaders, Military, Law Enforcement, Firefighters

OUR ELDERS, DEACONS, & MINISTRY LEADERS

	04/21/2019	In His Service	04/28/2019
<u>Last Week</u>	J. Clark	Worship Leader	W. Johnson
	M. Brasefield	Scripture & Prayer	B. Reed
Sunday AM: 159	M. Ray	Usher	C. Blue
Cantaibutian, CCOF2	E. Martin	Communion	A. Davis
Contribution: \$6953	R. Irwin	Offering	M. Welsh
Year to Date: \$4989	D. Cox	Pass	M. Martin
Budget: \$4500/week	B. Pennington	u	D. Bower
Wednesday PM: 20	R. Lewis	u	G. Kirkland
Baptisms: 3	D. Asbell	u	M. Anderson
υαρτίστης. σ	M/J Barker	Greeters	Friederichsen
	D/J Anderson	u	Regester
	D. Mattis	Shepherd's Prayer	P. King