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MISSIONARY PRAYER NEEDS

April 21 – April 27, 2024

Pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Luke 10:2

Sunday – Aldo & Abby Mondin (RUF – USF) ask prayer that God would provide more student leaders. Pray for the Tuesday night large group; that the fellowship, food, songs, prayer and the proclamation of Christ will make a lasting impact on these student's lives. Pray for the outreach to freshmen, First Year Fellowship, introducing them to RUF and seeking to deepen their relationship with the Lord and other Christians.

Monday – Evan & Bonnie Jones (MTW – West Africa) ask prayer as Evan becomes the regional coordinator of West Africa with Equipping Farmers International. Pray as he provides this program to churches to support their members and as an outreach tool for the community. Pray for the Jones family, as they move from Africa to Mississippi. Pray for their continuing goal of furthering the Lord's Kingdom in West Africa.

Tuesday – Verne and Alina Marshall (USA-MTW/RTS Chile/Peru) ask prayer for Verne and Pastor Scarpelli as they work with three congregations to bring them into the IPA Presbytery. Give thanks for Francisco (Pancho) Contesse and his wife Vicky, who have graduated from RTS Charlotte. Pray for him as he works with Cristo Mi Pastor Church to form a team this year, to plant a church in La Dehesa.

Wednesday – Remember Christians in India: Pray for the current election. Pray for Christian outreach as many states are implementing anti-conversion laws. In many places Hindu extremists seem able to attack Christians with impunity. Pray for the protection of Christians, especially church leaders and their families. Pray for encouragement for believers as living for Christ becomes more difficult. Pray for Pastor Maruti, who ministers to temple prostitutes and their children.

Thursday – Nathan & Kasia Tunnell (GPTS - Seminary Student) ask prayer for Nathan as he labors in his seminary education, juggles family life, and works in tech support for the seminary. Pray for Kasia as she homeschools the older children while caring for Amelia. Pray for Amelia's developmental journey with the many doctor and therapist visits. Pray that soon she will no longer need a feeding tube.

Friday – Rosemary Bolton (MTW, Wycliffe – Southeast Asia) is thankful the translation of John is finished and going through the consultant check. Pray for the translation team as they start on 1 Corinthians. Pray for her audio projects, including recording Nuaulu scripture and songs based on biblical passages set to music in the indigenous Nuaulu music style.

Saturday – Miriam Grady (MTW – Czech Republic) asks prayer for the kids who come to Sunday school to love Jesus. Pray for the only-Czech-speaking children to understand the Gospel. Pray for students at the Christian school, that believers would speak up about their relationship with Jesus and those who are not Christians will come to know Christ. Pray for Evan in his busy life that he would continue to follow Jesus whole-heartedly. Pray for those she witnesses to in the community.

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OUR PURPOSE IS TO WORSHIP THE TRIUNE GOD IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH, WHICH COMPELS US TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER AND TO WITNESS TO ALL MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN, DISCIPLING THEM IN BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY IN THE HISTORIC TRADITION OF THE WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH.

OUR STAFF

Senior Minister David B. McWilliams	Associate Pastor Jeff McDonald	Associate Pastor of Youth and Families Adam McNeal Accountant Ronnie Boutwell
Congregational Care Coordinator CB Campano	Pastors' Assistant Linda Morrison	
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RULING ELDERS

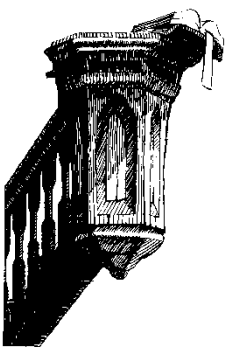
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DEACONS

Jim Allen	Phil Cagle	John Foster	Len Fusaro
Greg Hannah	Jacob Maguire	Chris Robinson	David Sligh
Anthony Sligh	Nathan Sligh	Jonathan Streets	Waller Tabb
Kevin Wasilewski			

CHURCH SCHEDULE – WEEK OF APRIL 21, 2024

Sunday	
Christian Education Hour	9:15 AM
Morning Worship Service	10:30 AM
Shepherding Comm.	4:15 PM
Evening Worship Service	5:00 PM
All Officers Prayer Meeting	6:00 PM
Missions Team Meeting	6:00 PM
Tuesday	
Women's Bible Study	10:00 AM / 7:00 PM
Shepherding Comm.	7:00 PM
Wednesday	
Women's Ministry Dinner	5:15 PM
Middle School Youth Group	6:15 PM
Prayer Service	6:30 PM
Easter Choir Rehearsal	7:25 PM
Senior High Youth Group	7:30 PM
Friday	
Men's Bible Study	6:30 AM
Saturday	
Troxel Breakfast	7:00 AM
Missions Team Workday	8:00 AM
Ladies Ensemble	11:00 AM



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ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD
April 21, 2024
10:30 AM

For I have not hesitated to declare unto you the whole counsel of God. Acts 20:27

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome

Prelude *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* Arr. by J. S. Bach
The Easter Choir – Hymn 247

Call to Worship Psalm 90:1, 2 (AV)
Minister: Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.
All: Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting thou art God.
Minister: Let us worship God!

* **Hymn 28** *O God, the Rock of Ages* Wedlock
Diane Herrington, piano
Verses 2, 3, and 4 a Capella

* Prayer of Adoration

Confession of Sin *Reformed Liturgy of the Palatinate*
All: We, poor sinners, acknowledge before you, our God and Creator, that we have terribly and in many ways sinned against you, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, despondency, impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, malice, and other sinful affections, as you, our Lord and God, know well, and we cannot deeply enough deplore. But we repent of these things, and are sorry for them, and heartily ask you for mercy, for the sake of your beloved Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

2 Corinthians 5:21 (ESV)

Minister: For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

All: Amen

*** Scripture Lesson**

Psalm 22 (ESV)

*** Confession of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

All: **I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. *catholic means universal

*** Hymn Insert**

My Song is Love Unknown

Love Unknown

For children 6+, a "kid's bulletin" is available from the ushers. Room 113 has a video of the service for parents of children who need attention during the service.

Sermon

Dr. David B. McWilliams

**ARMED WITH THE GOSPEL:
AN EXPOSITION ON THE GOSPEL OF MARK
COUNTDOWN TO CALVARY: MARK 15:21-47
WAS CRUCIFIED, DEAD, AND BURIED**

Prayer of Petition and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory Hymn 163

At the Name of Jesus

King's Weston

*** Hymn 295**

Crown Him with Many Crowns
Verses 2, 3 a Capella

Diademata

*** Benediction**

2 Corinthians 13:14 (ESV)

Minister: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **Come quickly, Lord Jesus!**

Response

Three-fold Amen

Danish

Postlude

O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide

Walter Haffner

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

5:00 pm

Call to Worship

*** Hymn 168**

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

Toulon

*** Prayer of Adoration**

Catechism Review

WSC Questions 37-39

(Trinity Hymnal pg. 872)

Congregational Hymn Selections

*** Hymn 486**

God, Be Merciful to Me

Redhead

Sermon

Rev. Jeff McDonald

EXODUS 32:7-14

**THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MOSES:
MEDIATING ON BEHALF OF REBELLIOUS PEOPLE**

*** Hymn 235**

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

St. Theodulph

*** Benediction**

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NOTES

My Song is Love Unknown

Samuel Crossman 1624-83

LOVE UNKNOWN

John Ireland 1879-1962

6. In life no house, no home,
my Lord on earth might have,
In death no friendly tomb,
but what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was His home;
But mine the tomb wherein He lay.

7. Here might I stay and sing,
no story so divine,
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief, like Thine!
This is my Friend,
in Whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend.

MINISTRY OF INTERCESSION AT HOME – PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Marge Ryal, Carol Fullgraf, Donna and Jerry Lister, Blair Kerstetter, Alvin Jones III, Wanda Ebersole, Anna Canady, Wayne Viner, Janie Kirby, Lori Dann, Cindy Winslow, Mark Kirby, Maggie Valenti, Linda Nederveld, Dane Streets, Ronnie Boutwell, Karen Reed, Becky Bixler, and Marti Beswick.

Men should always pray and not give up. Luke 18:1