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## **Authentic Italian Spaghetti Dinner**

Saturday April 30, 2022 4:30–7:00 pm Hunters Ridge Community Church 850 School Road SW, Hutchinson, Minnesota

Authentic Italian Spaghetti Sauce
Homemade Meatballs
Fresh Baked Bread
Caesar Salad
Homemade Cupcakes
Join us in raising money to help send kids to
Village Creek Bible Camp!
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Tickets- Adults \$10 Kids (8 & under) \$5
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Our Mission:
To relate to
God more
intimately,
to evidence the
fruit of the
Spirit, and to
bring Jesus
into all our
relationships.

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# **News**

### From the Pastor's Pen....

Well, we are in the month of April and this month we celebrate and affirm the resurrection of Jesus. The Apostle Paul celebrated it. In 1Corinthians 15: 3-5 he said, For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that He appeared



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to Cephas, then to the twelve." The Apostle Peter declared it in Acts 3:14-15, But you disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, 15 but put to death the Prince of life, the one whom God raised from the dead, a fact to which we are witnesses." And the powerful testimony of the Apostles was about the resurrection of Jesus. Acts 4:8-10 says, Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers and elders of the people, 9 if we are on trial today for a benefit done to a sick man, as to how this man has been made well, 10 let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by this name this man stands here before you in good health."

Author and scholar Scot Mcknight in his blog quotes from a book by C. Kavin Rowe, titled, *Christianity's Surprise, A Sure and Certain Hope.* Rowe writes, "The early Christians developed the story of everything through reflection on the significance of the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus from the dead. While no one disputes the crucifixion, some (so-called) theologians have recently denied the importance of the resurrection. They have thought that you can jettison the resurrection and keep the Christianity. This is utterly strange – and false – historically no less than theologically. Let it be clearly said: without the resurrection, there would never have been anything called Christianity. **No resurrection, no Christianity.** For the early Christians, the resurrection is the central truth around which all other matters turn. Indeed, for them, it is nothing less than the way God himself is identified: God is the one who raised Jesus from the dead." <a href="https://www.christianitytoday.com/scot-mcknight/2020/november/story-of-everything.html">https://www.christianitytoday.com/scot-mcknight/2020/november/story-of-everything.html</a>

#### **EASTER MATTERS!**

Easter matters because if Jesus wasn't raised from the dead, if Jesus is still dead then He can't help us and we need His help. We desperately need His help...

Some people are dying in little ways. A marriage is fraying and despite all the efforts, some couples are not able to save their marriage. They can't find love again. Something very precious is slipping away. Who can help? Jesus who was raised from the dead.

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Some people are taking drugs and do not admit they are addicts. That addict knows his habit is killing him but he continue to do it anyway. That person cannot find the strength to get free. Can Jesus still defeat death? Jesus can defeat death even when that death is the next injection of the drug or a bottle of pills that you can't stop taking.

A person needs a job and yet all they continue to get are rejection letters. Their dreams and plans are put on hold or up in smoke. Now what? What's left? Just settle for any old job and do it until you die? Jesus defeated death even when it kills a person one dream at a time.

When the disciples were surprised at the resurrection of Jesus their despair gave way to hope. And for us that means that if we repent of sin and trust that Jesus died and rose again then despair can give way to hope in our lives as well. Broken marriages dreams can be healed when Jesus is Lord. Addicts can be set free when Jesus is Lord. The job we thought we needed and wanted can be better when we allow Jesus to be Lord. Despair can turn to hope when Jesus is the Lord raised from the dead.

**EASTER MATTERS!** I pray you will have a blessed Easter. Jesus is alive! And that makes all the difference.

Pastor Howard



## Ladies' Bible Study



Ladies, please join us for our study of Philippians which will begin March 31. Join

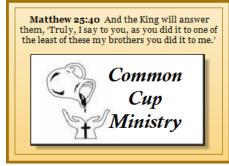
us on Thursdays at noon or 7:00PM. Let Becky know if you would like a study book for Philippians. There are journaling sheets available on the table by the bulletins, and you are welcome to use other resources that you may have for your study also.



You are invited to join us this month for Scrap and Craft on Friday, April 8, 4PM to 10PM and Saturday, April 9, 9AM to 4PM. Bring whatever you are working



on, even if it is not craft related, and join us for fellowship while you work. Friday evening is bring your own meal, and Saturday we have a potluck at noon. You are welcome to bring snacks to share as well. And you can always bring a friend (or two) also! Please let Dawn VandenBurg or Becky Anderson know if you plan to attend so that we know how many tables to set up.



Just a reminder that we are collecting pudding cups for the Backpack Food Program. The "Backpack" Food Program

is a program to send food home in the backpacks of area elementary school students who receive free and reduced-price lunches. The



food will be placed discreetly in the students' backpacks on Fridays, to help tide them over the weekend. During the summer it helps support our Summer Lunch Program. Monetary donations for the program are always welcome as well. Thank you for supporting the Common Cup ministry.



Good Friday Service April 15th at 7:00 PM

Easter Breakfast April 17th, 8:45 to 9:45 AM

Easter Worship Service April 17th at 10:00 AM



Take a trip to Maine this month with

The Tearoom Mystery series from Guideposts. Join the owners of a cozy tea room as they solve mysteries that require perseverance and faith to work out.





Ladies, please join us for a baby shower for Sarah Farrell on Sunday, April 3 at 2:00. Sarah is having a boy and is registered at Target.

#### 2 Thessalonians



ALL POWER	EVERLASTING	NOUGHT	SPIRIT
ASHAMED	FAITH	PAUL	SUFFER
BESEECH	FLAMING FIRE	PEACE	TEMPLE
BUSYBODIES	GOD	PERDITION	TIMOTHEUS
CHARITY	GOSPEL	PRAY	TOKEN
CHRIST	GRACE	PUNISHED	TROUBLE
CONSUME	HEAVEN	RIGHTEOUS	TRUTH
DAMNED	HOPE	SALVATION	WICKED
DECEIVE	JUDGMENT	SATAN	WORD
DESTROY	LABOUR	SIGNS	WORK
EAT	LIE	SILVANUS	WORTHY

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## Read Through the Bible

Join us as we read through the Bible together again in 2022. This year we will be doing a Chronological Reading Plan. This Bible reading plan will take you through the entire Bible in an historical linear timeline order with the first events first to the last. You may pick up a copy of the plan on the table in the foyer at the church. The readings for each week will be in the bulletin and for the month in the newsletter.

1: Judges 6-7	9: 1 Samuel 4-8	17: 1 Samuel 25-27	25: 1 Chron 3-5
2: Judges 8-9	10: 1 Samuel 9-12	18: Ps 17; 35; 54; 63	26: Ps 73; 77-78
3: Judges 10-12	11: ! Samuel 13-14	19: 1 Samuel 28-31; Ps 18	27: 1 Chron 6
4: Judges 13-15	12: 1 Samuel 15-17	20: Ps 121; 123-125; 128-130	28: Ps 81; 88; 92-93
5: Judges 16-18	13: 1 Sam 18-20; Ps 11;59	21: 2 Samuel 1-4	29: 1 Chron 7-10
6: Judges 19-21	14: 1 Samuel 21-24	22: Ps 6; 8-10; 14; 16; 19; 21	30: Psalm 102-104
7: Ruth	15: Ps 7; 27; 31; 34; 52	23: 1 Chron 1-2	
8: 1 Samuel 1-3	16: Ps 56; 120; 140-142	24: Ps 43-45; 49; 84-85; 87	