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Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday, March 24th Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. Maundy Thursday , March 28th Service at 7:00 p.m. with Communion

Good Friday, March 29th

Service at 7:00 p.m.

Celebration of Holy Easter

Service at 10:00 a.m. at Orems Church Communion and Worship Celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord!

Can you believe it? Easter is only a few short weeks away!

I'm looking forward to the Resurrection Celebration we have planned for you and the friends you'll bring with you this year. The message, "A Surprise in a Graveyard" reminds us that Jesus, who was dead is now alive and appeared to more than 500 believers. Nothing in the modern world refutes that. Deep in our own souls, the spirit of God testifies with our spirit that Jesus is indeed alive. It offers hope that we were made for more than just a good life. God created us for the BETTER life!

Here are some specific things that you can do as we prepare to celebrate Easter in the next few weeks:

1. Invite your friends! It's always amazed me that although I know many of my friends are LOOKING for a church to attend on Easter, I still feel nervous when inviting them. Maybe it's the fact that we all feel a bit nervous when talking about things that are important to us. The truth is, when you invite a friend to join you for church on Easter they very often will come, and even if they cannot, they'll appreciate the fact that you thought of them.

2. Help out in any way that you can. If you see ANYTHING that needs to be done - a piece of paper that needs to be picked up, a person who needs a question answered, lights that need to be turned off, a restroom that needs to be cleaned - I encourage you to "just do it." Another of the great things about Easter at Orems UMC is the way that

we all pull together to meet whatever is needed

3. Personally celebrate the good news of Easter starting today. Just think of it: because of Easter our past is forgiven, our life is worth living and we have a future in heaven! Romans 3:22 says, "We are made right in God's sight when we trust in Jesus Christ to take away our sins. And we all can be saved in this same way, no matter who we are or what we have done."



... for he has risen, just as he said!

Orems UMC now has a new Vision Statement! Our Leadership Team met on Saturday, February 9th at 9am to discuss where we were as a church and to celebrate the accomplishments we have made over the past year. We also decided we needed a new vision statement to outlive where we wanted to be as a church. Below are some interesting facts about a Vision Statement and a Mission Statement.

	MISSION STATEMENT	VISION STATEMENT
About:	A Mission statement talks about HOW you will get to where you want to be. Defines the purpose and primary objectives.	A Vision statement outlines where you want to be. Communicates both the purpose and values of your business
Answer:	It answers the question, "What do we do?"	It answers the question, "Why are we here?"
<u>Time:</u>	A mission statement talks about the present leading to its future.	A vision statement talks about your future.
<u>Function</u>	It lists the broad goals for which the church is formed. Its prime function is internal, to define the key measure or measures of the organization's suc- cess and its prime audience is the leadership team	It lists where you see yourself some years from now. It inspires you to give your best. It shapes your understanding of why are you
<u>Change:</u>	Your mission statement may change, but it should still tie back to your core values and vision.	Your vision should remain intact, even if the market changes dra- matically, because it speaks to what you represent, not just what you do.

Our new Vision Statement is

Impacting the world by living God's word through actions and example

Please read it and repeat it and commit it to memory because everything we say and do should point to that Vision Statement.

We also sat down and talked about each work area in the church and we decided on several goals for each work area to accomplish in the next year. We are excited about our future and where we are head-ing!! We have a great future here ar Orems UMC as we **impact the world by living God's word through actions and example**!!!





Orems United Methodist Women

The Orems United Methodist Women would like to thank everyone for their support of our Log Cabin Easter Candy Fundraiser. Thanks to you we were able to provide the Streets of Hope with 95 boxes of Chocolate Easter Eggs. The men will be very surprised at the overwhelming response.

"UMW Sunday was held on Sunday February 10, 2013. A rededication of the UMW members was held during the service. Life time membership pins were presented to Jerry and Elaine Fisher. United Methodist Women members were asked

to wear red to the service and those who wished to remember UMW member Francis Parsick were asked to wear a hat to church in her memory. After the service the UMW hosted a brunch fellowship which was well attended by over 70 people.

We started collecting eye glasses for the New Eyes for the Needy Program during 2011. We continued in 2012 and collected about 25 pairs eye glasses. We are now collecting for 2013.

In April we will hold our second "Tea". The Rachel Circle will again chair the event. The date has been set for April 20th. Menu includes 3 teas, Scones, Strawberry soup, Tomato Basil soup,



Salad, sandwiches, Quiche and a fabulous array of desserts. Ticket price is \$20. Last year we sold 50 tickets and everyone involved had a marvelous time. This year promises to be even better! Hurry, Tickets are on sale now.

Last summer, We began a mission to make Pillowcase Dresses to Stop Human Trafficking. We made our first delivery of 131 dresses at the end of October. Keep sewing we will be sending out another batch of dresses in the spring. Deadline for this shipment is May 19th and the destination this time is Camaroon West Africa. IF you wish to sew some dresses and need the pattern, contact the Church office or Margaret Eney.



The Orems United Methodist Women will meet on Wednesday March 6, 2013 at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a can of soup to the meeting to be donated to the Food Pantry.

> See you there! Margaret Eney President, Orems U.M.W.



MEMORIAL FUND

The following memorials have been given in memory and in honor of loved ones:

In memory of:

Sharon Ashby given by the Esther Circle, Butch and Fran Frank

Clara Devore given by Butch and Fran Frank

Children and Teachers of Sandy Hook Elementary School given by Ruth Dawson

Nora Hall given by Butch and Fran Frank, Judi Maynor, Norman and Linda Miller, John and Donna Winner, Don and Leona Egner, Merle Vickers, Evelyn Blades, Betty Kluttz, Donna Schenning, Beverly Payne, Patricia Smith, Sister Patricia Rogucki, James and Myrtle Hall, Dale and Mary Lowe, Mary Sommerfeldt, Arlene Lehman, Leonard Streckfus Jr., The Baltimore Mental Health Systems, and Ida Mae Behler

Frederick Jackson given by Maxine Young

Evelyn Marschke given by Dennis and Jeannette Mitchell, Peter and Brenda Allen, Don and Leona Egner, Robert and Linda Conners, and Maxine Young.

Margaret Smith given by Maxine Young Janice Ledwell Szezerbra given by Maxine Young

David Vigue given by Maxine Young

William Young given by Dale Young

In Honor of:

The 90th birthday of **Betty Kluttz** by Eugene and Joy Katz and Jim and Margaret Greenwood

Thank you for your thoughtfulness, Yours in Christ Donna Winner Memorial Fund Treasurer



Thank You

Dear Orems Church Family,

Thank you so much for all the cards, calls, visits and prayers for me during my knee surgery and recovery. God has blessed me richly with each of you and I'm grateful.

Blessings to you, Merle Vickers

Dear Members of Orems

Thank you for your cards, prayers, donations to the memorial fund, and attending the Memorial service with loving stories about Mom (Nora) and sharing the wonderful lunch. It is great to feel so much support and caring from the Orems Church family.

Bless you, Linda Hall

Hall Closet Thrift Shop Report

We are happy to state that \$6,847.00 was made by the Thrift Shop in 2012.

Thank you to the wonderful volunteers Pat Robertson, Nikki Hart, Dottie Lay, and Linda Hall. New volunteers have joined the Thrift Shop team. Vicki Metzger and her daughters Brittany and Heather, Lisa Hoerger, Sara Beth Dulina, and Merlyn Campbell. This year we were also able to expand the

shop into room 8. This gives us more room for more displays and a better layout for items. The Volunteers feel blessed to be a part of this mission.

We also want to thank everyone who donates items throughout the year to our Thrift shop and for all who come out on shopping days to support this mission.

In Jesus Christ service,

The Hall Closet Thrift Shop

Easter Flower Order Form

This year our Flower choices for Easter are pansies, primroses, tulips, and daffodils. Order due in the office by March 22, at 1:00 p.m., Cost \$7.00, (410-687-9483) **Payment due with the order.** Make checks payable to Orems Church.

Name:_____

Phone: _____

Circle Type of flower and color: Daffodil

Primrose (Red, Pink, Purple)

Pansy (Purple, Yellow, White)

Tulip (Red, Orange, Pink, Purple, White)



Please state the wording you would like (in memory, honor, thanks, to the Glory of God, etc.)

Thank you for allowing Orems to borrow your plant to beautify our altar for the Easter Services. You may take your Flowers home after the service on Easter Sunday. Please drop this form into the offering plate or at the church office by March 22nd.





Rehearsals have begun on Wed evenings at 7 p.m. for Easter Music.

CROSS TRAINING FOR ELEMENTARY AGE CHILDREN will now be combined with JAM during Worship time. Our children will attend worship then leave after the Children's message to attend JAM. Youth will still meet for classes at 9 am. Seekers meet at 8:45 am

Food Pantry

Our pantry is being restocked .

Here is the list of items: stews, pancake mixes, syrup, instant potatoes, pork and beans, Tuna, Canned Hams, canned Chicken, Boxed Juices, canned fruits of all kinds, cereals, biscuit mixes, Jello and pudding, jelly and peanut butter, and saltine crackers.

Newsletter Deadline For April news is March 15th.

DINNER THEATRE TRIP with KEENAGERS

The Keenagers are sponsoring a trip to the Rainbow Dinner Theatre on Monday, April 29th to see the Matinee show of "Fun between the Covers" . It's not about what you think......

The cost for the dinner and the show is \$32.00. You can drive up to Paradise PA on your own or meet at the church and car pool.

and entrance.

Rainbow Dinner Theatre is an all comedy dinner theatre in Lancaster County PA. Bring your friends and family to our dinner theatre and you'll enjoy fine dining, and lots of laughs.

- A Fine dining, restaurant-quality menu
- State-of-the-art dinner theatre seats 300 graciously.
- Spacious tiered seating with perfect sightlines from all seats.

• Handicap accessible seating, bathrooms and entrance. Side splitting laughter delivered by seasoned actors and hilarious scripts.

For tickets contact Linda Miller or call the church office

JONAH — A Bible Study began Feb 19th , Tues. Nights

The study started with a large group of over 20 people. Jonah continues in the month of March. Study nights are March 5th and 12. 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. With closing session on Saturday March 16th 9 a.m. - 1:00p.m. Jonah is a a very short book of only 4 chapters, and there is a wealth of information in those 4 short chapters. Let's fellowship together and learn all about it together. Bring your bible, a pen or pencil, and an open heart.



Christmas Card Mailbox

I would like to thank everyone who participated in "Mailing" your

Christmas Cards in our Orems Christmas Card mailbox. The response was so amazing that it brought tears to my eyes.

A huge thank you to Lisa Hoerger for helping me sort the many cards and to Page Cook and Isabelle Sprinkle for their help in handing them out.

Again many thanks to all of you for making this project a big success. I am looking forward to doing this again in December.

Love in Christ

Gloria Asbury

When: Tuesday March 26th

Where: Five Guys Burgers and Fries, Nottingham Square Shopping Center, Campbell Blvd, White Marsh

Who: Your Orems Church Friends and Family

(and anyone else you wish to invite)

Why: Why not?? Food, Friends, Fellowship and we make some money for Orems Church. Any questions?

You have to eat, why not join friends from Orems Church and eat together. Bring the flyer printed below or pick one up at Church before the event. You must have a flyer to get credit for the Church.

Hope to see you there!!