

## EVENTS OF THE WEEK

### **Easter Sunday, April / Abril 16**

- 5:00 a.m. Prayer Time in the Sanctuary
- 6:00 a.m. Servicio Alabanza y Adoración. Worship Services in the FH
- 8:30 a.m. Desayuno / Breakfast in the FH
- 9:30 a.m. English Worship Service

### **Monday, April / Abril 17**

- 7:00 p.m. Practica Alabanza Para Los Miercoles

### **Tuesday, April / Abril 18**

- 9:30 a.m. Needles & Notions in Room 2
- 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

### **Wednesday, April / Abril 19**

- 7:00 p.m. Oración y Estudio Bíblico para Adultos
- 7:00 p.m. Kids Club
- 7:00 p.m. MYF
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

### **Thursday, April / Abril 20**

- 7:00 p.m. Education Committee Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Práctica Worship Team para los Domingos
- 8:00 p.m. Vigilia en Salón 5

### **Friday, April / Abril 21**

- 6:30 p.m. Peace Center
- 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting in the Library

### **Sunday, April / Abril 23**

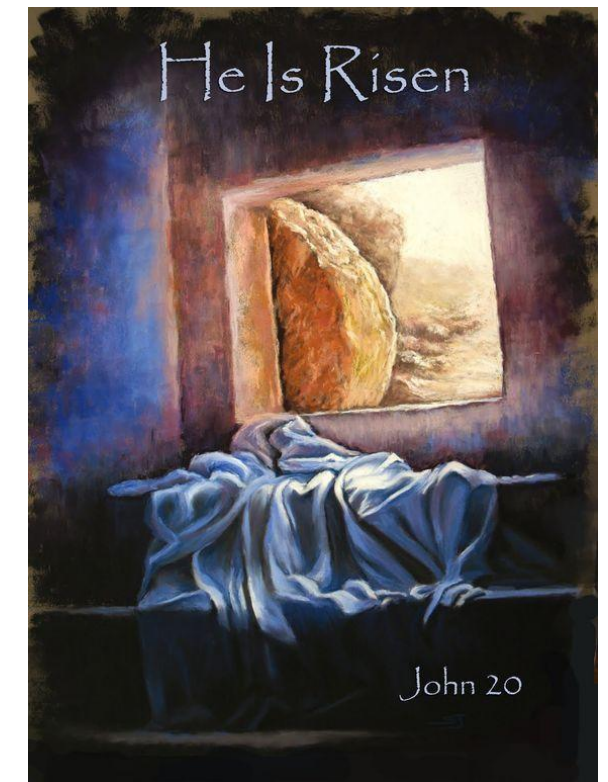
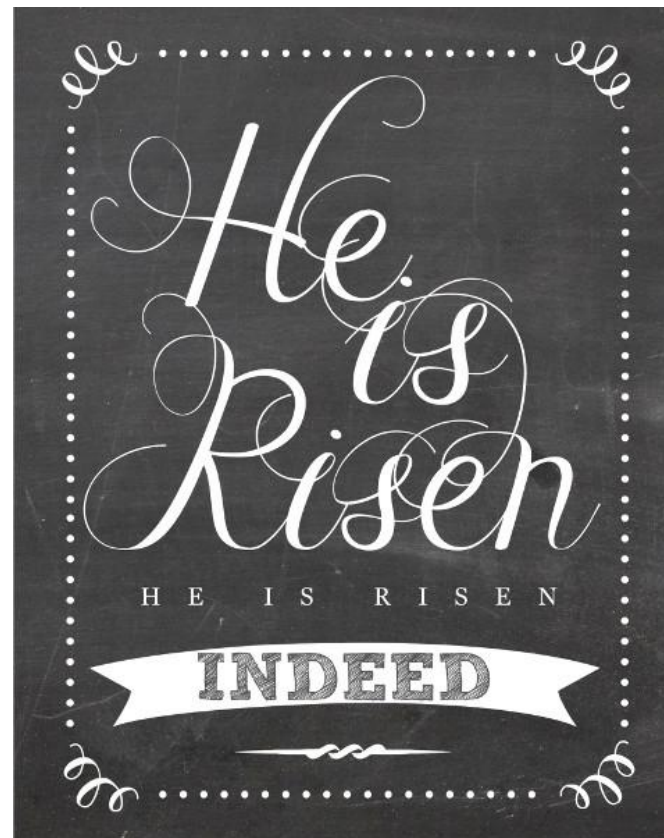
- 5:00 a.m. Prayer Time in the Sanctuary
- 8:45 a.m. Prayer Time in the Infant Nursery
- 9:30 a.m. English Worship Service
- 10:00 a.m. Curso Cuidado Pastoral
- 10:45 a.m. Tiempo de Compañerismo Cristiano
- 11:00 a.m. Christian Education Hour
- 11:00 a.m. Reenfoque Espiritual - Sucesos De La Vida (AFC)
- 11:50 a.m. Servicio Alabanza y Adoración. Worship Services

**Church Picnic** Our annual church picnic is scheduled for Sunday, April 30. We meet for an outdoor worship service at 10:30 a.m. at Riverview School. The theme of the service is "Love is a Verb." Following the service we enjoy a potluck meal. Each family unit is asked to bring a main dish as well as either a salad or dessert. After the meal there is a free time in the great outdoors, opportunity for recreation and conversation!

**Border Learning Tour** We are exploring the possibility of a Border Learning Tour to Douglas and Agua Prieta, on the United States/Mexico border, sometime during the week of June 11-17. The Tour is done in conjunction with MCC. If you are interested in exploring this further, please talk to Steve Penner.

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4/16/17-95/16

Emphasizing Christ-centered community and the Jesus way of service and peacemaking.

9:30 a.m.  
Easter  
Restore us, O God! We live.

**Preparing**

Gathering Music Eleanor Friesen

O Sons and Daughters of the King (Held)

Easter Hymn of Joy

Christ the Lord is Risen Today WH 280

Call to Worship

Leader: When all hope seems lost, Christ is risen!

All: He is risen, indeed!

Leader: When fear hovers close at hand, Christ is risen!

All: He is risen, indeed!

Leader: When disillusionment and despair threaten us, Christ is risen!

All: He is risen, indeed!

Leader: Come! Celebrate the risen Lord! Alleluia!

Easter Hymn of Joy

Lift Your Glad Voices WH 275

Gathering Words and Prayer

Ruth Buxman

Easter Hymn of Joy

Christ has Arisen WH 267

**Scripture and Confession**

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:1-6

Confession and Faith

Leader: O living God, who raised Jesus from the dead we shout your great victory; we sing hymns of praise!

People: Even when our hearts are heavy and our eyes are dimmed by sorrow, you are faithful. You wipe away all tears and bring joy in the morning.

Leader: Teach us, O God, to trust your gracious love, to rest in your unfailing goodness, to hope in your true promise, that we may rejoice all our days and share the good news:

All: Alleluia! Amen! Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!

Choral Anthems

Church Choir

The Lord is Risen Indeed (Billings)

Galilean Easter Carol (Shure)

**Sharing**

Children's Time

Barbara Ewy

Sharing Time

Morning Prayer

Stephen Penner

Prayer Response

Christ is Alive

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Beautiful Savior (Christiansen)

**Pondering**

New Testament Easter Reading

Matthew 28:1-10 and Colossians 3:1-4

Meditation

Stephen Penner

I Hoped to Write an Easter Sermon...

Choral Anthems

O Death Where is Thy Sting (Handel)

But Thanks Be to God (Handel)

Church Choir

**Lenten Ritual**

Partaking

We celebrate with a sweet feast

Sending words

Postlude

Christ ist Erstanden (Martin)

**Christ is alive**

CHRIST IS ALIVE '98. 98 with refrain

Refrain

Christ is a-live, and goes be-fore us to show and share what  
show and

love can do. This is a day of new be-gin-nings;  
share what love can do. This day new be-gin - nings;

our God is mak - ing all things new,

our God is mak - ing all things new.  
Fine

1 This is a day of new be-gin-nings, time to re-mem-ber,  
2 For by the life and death of Je-sus, love's might-y Spir-it,  
3 Then let us, with the Spir-it's dar-ing, step from the past, and

and move on, time to be-lieve what love is bring-ing,  
now as then, can make for us a world of dif-f'rence,  
leave be-hind our dis-a-point-ment, guilt, and griev-ing,

lay-ing to rest the pain that's gone.  
as faith and hope are born a-gain.  
seek-ing new paths, and sure to find.

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**Welcome to Our Service of Worship** We are so glad you have joined us today to participate in this service of worship. Please know that regardless of where you have come from, or what you have experienced in the past, we welcome you. If you have a particular prayer concern, or would appreciate a visit, please contact one of the deacons or pastors. If you are visiting today, we are glad you are here.

**Nursery** A staffed, early childhood nursery is in Room 3 of the Education wing. An unstaffed infant nursery is in the back of the sanctuary.

**Next Sunday at FMC** Next Sunday, during our early service, we begin a series on "Kings and Prophets" where we focus on various Old Testament texts from Israel's kingship period. Stephen Penner will bring the morning proclamation next week and Paul and Ruth Buxman will share their musical gifts. Also, Zach Clemmer will play one of his original piano compositions.

**Georgia Linscheid is Turning 90!** Everyone is cordially invited to an open house 90th birthday party for Georgia on Sunday, April 23, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. The party will be held at Sierra View Homes in Room 10.

**Prayer Vine** We are all called to spread the good news of Easter to our neighbors. Join Mennonite Mission Network's personnel and partners throughout the United States and in more than 55 countries around the world to proclaim this message of Jesus' resurrection power over evil and death.