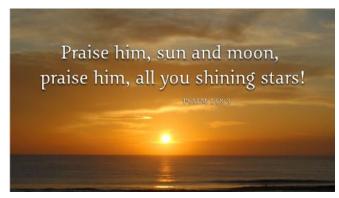
Lamb of God Newsletter

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April 5, 2024

Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

Sunday Worship: Worship this Second Sunday in Easter, will take place at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. There will be no Sunday Bible Study, as we will have to vacate the building immediately following worship. The Presbyterian church will be having a funeral event, which will require that the other church not hold their usual service in the main building. Therefore, they will hold their worship in the fellowship hall.

Easter 2 Thoughts

Imagine the wonder of the moment when the disciples were gathered in fear, and Jesus appeared among them and gave them the thing they needed most in that hour – his peace – himself. Then He sent them out to deliver his peace to others. He gave them his authority to forgive sins, an act which brings great peace.

Now imagine that he has just appeared to you. You, too, have been offered Christ and sent with His peace and forgiveness for others.



Men's Bible Study will be held on April 13th at the home of Jim Rayot.



Approximately 65% of Americans have no real connection to a family of faith. However, inviting people to "go to church" is not working. It hasn't worked in a long time and, frankly, it is not the ultimate goal.

The goal is building RELATIONSHIPS that lead to faith. Faith is the first step toward a rich, lifesaving, blessed life in Christ. We all have interactions each day with numerous people, each of whom God loves and wants to have a deeper relationship with.

That's what the Fifty Day Challenge is all about.

Ask God to reveal to you at least one person that you are meant to be praying for, to be open to, and eventually to invite into a deeper life with the Risen Christ.

For the 50 days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday, pray daily, pray intentionally, and pray specifically for that person.

We will also include a prayer intercession in our Sunday prayers for them. An insert will be included in our Easter bulletin that explains this more fully.

Praying Together

As we pray the 50 Day Challenge, consider the following: The Bible provides three clear reasons that praying together matters.

- 1) Praying together unifies us with other believers. When we pray with others, we surrender our "me"-centered thoughts and instead focus on the requests we're bringing to the throne together. We leave behind our individual agendas in the light of God's will. As a result, we're drawn to each other. We can be vulnerable, open ourselves to accountability, and grow in grace and mercy toward each other.
- **2) Praying together connects us with the purposes of Christ.** The Apostle John writes: "And this is the confidence we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him." (1 John 5:14-15)
- 3) Praying together demonstrates our unity as believers and proclaims Christ to the world. This unity is how the world can come to know Christ and His love. And this unity

is what Jesus prayed for in the final hours of His life: "'The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one so that the world may know that you sent me and

loved them even as you loved me." (John 17:22-23)



Pantry

"Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely..." Psalm 112:5

The pantry is open on the first and third Thursday evenings of the month. The pantry accepts food donations, personal items, and cash. <u>Your envelope now contains a place to donate to the Pantry</u>.



... to those who participated in our Lenten worship on our Wednesday Zoom sessions and, especially during Holy Week.

- Thanks to Sandra, Jean, and Ginny for purchasing the flowers and decorating the church.
- Thank you, Tonya, Jean, Margaret, and Tara, for supplying the nummy soup and sandwich meal.
- And thank you, Pastor Mary, for the fun Fa la la la la entertainment during the meal.
- Thank you to all the readers and altar strippers. Wonderful and and very special job!

...to those who agreed to serve on the following days in the following ways to enrich our worship service.

	April 7	April 14	April 21
Altar Care	Sandra		
Usher	Ken		
Lector	Ginny	Margaret	
Communion Servers			
Music & Canter	2		

Flowers	Easter Flowers	
Pantry	Apr 4 Jim and Nancy	
	Sandra	

Please contribute items for the newsletter by the end of Thursday each week.