



APRIL 2016

NAZARETH NEWS

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Dear Friends,

Did you know that, for Christians all over the world, Easter is not one day but a season? The season of Easter begins with the celebration of Christ's resurrection and then lasts a full seven weeks—the “Great Fifty Days”—ending with Pentecost. According to the Rev. Dr. David Gambrell, associate for worship in the Presbyterian Mission Agency’s office of Theology and Worship, the Christian season of Easter is patterned after Jewish practices, modeled on the fifty days between Passover and Shavuot, the “feast of weeks. “Our Easter season is a 'week of weeks'—seven times seven, or 49 days,” said Gambrell. “Pentecost, meaning ‘fiftieth day,’ is a day of jubilee: the conclusion of the Easter season and the culmination of this most joyful time in the Christian year.”

Just as the season of Lent is a time of repentance and an opportunity to explore spiritual disciplines that draw us into deeper relationship with Christ, the season of Easter can be similarly transformational. “The fifty-day period of celebration from Easter to the Day of Pentecost can be a time to practice a new way of life in the risen Christ,” said Gambrell, “sharing the good news of Jesus’ resurrection in word and deed and following the spirit who is at work in the world.”

As a congregation, we might look at it this way. Easter season represents the greatest pardon of sins that ever occurred – Jesus' resurrection that conquered sin and death for all time. Each time we worship, through the sacraments of communion and baptism, we receive assurance of that pardon. With our songs of praise we give thanksgiving for that forgiveness and by the preaching of the word we share the proclamation of the Good News!

I look forward to spending the Great Fifty Days with the Nazareth Church family and hope you will take every opportunity you can to celebrate with us!
Blessings,

Julie

Worship Opportunities

Celebrate the Great 50 Days!

The Lord's Supper, April 3rd.

On Sunday, April 17th Beth Templeton will meet with the Bridges Class during Sunday School to discuss her book ***Loving Our Neighbor***. Other interested folks are always welcome.

Sunday Morning Coffee and Conversation Time: 9:00 - 9:30

April - Wagner Class

May 1, 8, 15 and 22 - Saturdays Sisters

May 29—Segrest Class

Thanks to everyone who shows up early on Sunday mornings to man the kitchen so that coffee and snacks are ready for everyone's enjoyment! Also, please help us take good care of the good earth that God created.

Please rinse and place recyclable items numbers ▲ 1 - 7 ▲ in the tote bag that is in the



YOUTH NEWS

Nine Youth— Montreat Conference

July 9-16

Jeremy Houghton
John Hayes
Julia Gail Mitchem
Kathryn Kotecha
Makayla Medina

Steven Lee
Kristina Thacker
Amanda Cortina
Lily Cairns

These youth will also be participating in Asheville Youth Mission (AYM) on Sunday July 3rd.

Please remember all of us in prayer for this important trip.

A High School parent/youth meeting will be held on Sunday, May 22 at 5:00. All those who will be attending the Montreat Conference need to attend this meeting along with at least one parent.

Chaperones: Simon Cairns, Joan Greene

News From Presbyterian Women

11 More Reasons to attend the

Women's Retreat

April 29 & 30

"Compassion: Your Move"



PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN

- 1) 24 hours of zero responsibility at a lodge in the woods on Lake Greenwood only an hour from Nazareth. Dorm style 3 bed rooms with private bathrooms. Age range 20-something to 70-ish. Only \$80 including 3 complete meals. Carpools can be arranged.
- 2) Purple sheets
- 3) Internationally known author & Presbyterian Pastor Beth Templeton, who was our interim Pastor from November to January. Her specialty is organized and compassionate response to poverty by Christians. Beth will guide us into channeling our compassion in practical do-able ways.
- 4) Generous women have donated funds to underwrite all or some of the \$80 tuition for anyone who needs it. Contact Marian Stephen at 327-8590 to totally confidentially arrange this assistance.
- 5) Lingerie You know you've always wanted to buy a DD cup bra. Once you've registered we'll give you more information about this opportunity.
- 6) Stretching with Kay.
- 7) Reunions with some women who are no longer in our midst but are returning for the Retreat. Small groups.
- 8) Free time to color, work special jigsaw puzzles, nap, play cards, chat, pray.
- 9) Snacks wall to wall, from good-for-you to don't-even-ask.
- 10) Prayer walk 30 minutes alone with God and nature.
- 11) Music of all kinds to sing, listen to, play an instrument if you'd like.

Enrollment open through Sunday, April 17.

Oh, and also #12) You deserve this time away!

SATURDAY SISTERS will meet April 16th at 10 am at the home of Kim Cansler, 302 Bloomfield Ct., Moore, SC

CIRCLE 3 - will meet on Monday, April 11 at the home of Pat Sykes, 205 Woodgrove Trace, Spartanburg, at 7:00 pm.

NEW MEMBER LUNCHEON, April 17th after service. Everyone is invited to come and welcome the new members Please bring a dessert or side item. Call Cherie O'burg with any questions.

THE FRIENDSHIP CLUB will meet April 20th at 11:45 AM in the Social Hall. Mary Snoddy will be our guest and will share with us her outstanding program on the History of the Statues within Spartanburg, and the surrounding area. This will be most enjoyable and informative.

BINGO - April 19th at 6:30 pm. In the Fellowship Hall.

You are invited to a drop-in **Birthday Party for Katharina Morgenstern** on April 10 from 2-3:30 pm in the Social Hall. No gifts please. She is celebrating her 80th birthday!

MISSIONS

Don't forget the **Spartanburg Soup Kitchen**. It is a great time of fellowship while serving the needs of the hungry. We are there April 23rd from 9:00-1:00. Hope to see you there!

The Carpenter's Table—April 9 from 9:00 -12:00. Both work days are an excellent opportunity to enjoy a great time of fellowship. Lend a helping hand and make a difference in the lives of those in our community!

Mark your calendars! The **Blood Connection** will be at Nazareth April 17th from 8:00-12:00. Keep us at 18 donors.. If you are willing and able, please help us to meet our goal. Each pint of blood can help save three lives. We ask that you prayerfully consider giving this precious gift and help us meet or exceed their goal for us.

Mission Focus for April is the Backpack Ministry. We will be collecting items to help fill backpacks for children of School District 5. Each weekend pack has 2 entrée items, 2 breakfast items, 2 fruit items and 3 snacks and are packed in a gallon size Ziploc bag. They have requested the following items:

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| Canned soup, pasta or chili | Macaroni & Cheese |
| 4 oz. fruit and/or applesauce cups | Snack-sized raisin boxes |
| Individual oatmeal and/or grits packets | Pop-tarts |
| Granola bars or cereal bars | Pudding cups |
| Carnation instant breakfast packets | |
| Snack-sized bags of cookies, crackers, pretzels, or other individually packed snacks | |



FLOWER CALENDAR

Come see some of **Chuck Holmes beautiful kites** at the Spartanburg Soaring Kite Festival at Barnett Park in downtown Spartanburg on Saturday, April 23rd. Master kite makers from other kite clubs will also be there with their awesome kites.



April 3	Communion
April 10	Ashley Royle— Celebration of Spring
April 17	Katharina by the family in honor of her 80th birthday
April 24	Chris and Paula Cash
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May 1	Communion
May 8	O'burgs for Katelyns birthday on the 13th
May 15	Tommy and Frances Lynch
May 22	Tommy and Ann Campbell
May 29	John and Debbie Ritzo— Luke's birthday

Nazareth's Limited Mobility

Betty Anderson (Birthday: 9-17)
105 Nazareth Church Road
Moore SC 29369

Margaret Culclasure (Birthday 5-21)
345 Valley View Drive
Woodruff, SC 29388

Mary Brady (Birthday 4-8)
208 Club Meadows Court
Spartanburg, SC 29302

Ruby Stone (Birthday 4-28)
Windsor House
850 John B. White Sr. Boulevard
Spartanburg, SC 29306

Fran Deer (Birthday 3-7)
PO Box 96
Moore, SC 29369

**Cards and visits are
always appreciated.**

OFFICE NEW HOURS - Kay will be working in the office Monday to Thursday from 9 am to 2 pm. If you have any questions, please call her.

MAY NEWSLETTER - The deadline for the May newsletter for articles and information will be April 21st. Please have all information to Kay by that time. Ample time is needed to complete the newsletter by the end of the month. Please adhere to this timeframe..

NOTICE - Kay Johnson's e-mail address kay@nazarethpresbyterian.org
If you need to have anything notarized, Kay is a notary. Just come by the office during regular office hours.

PRAYER FOR THESE PEOPLE IS APPRECIATED:

Betty Anderson

Gerald Broome

Annette & Jonathan Burnett- Dale Wright's niece & nephew

Gerald Burnett – Dale Wright's brother -in -law

Rick Cowen – Barbara Melton's brother

Margaret Culclasure

Eddie Taylor – Jessica Sullens' brother-in-law

Gary Douglass – Gayle Mason's brother

Rusty Kirkpatrick

Glenn and Jennie Lindman

Marc Oburg - Mom

Neil Houghton

Lois - Elaine McLeod's sister

Nancy Segrest

Teri Taylor – River Falls Florist

Ron Tesh

Emma Weneck—Dave & Lois's grandchild

Colin Urquart

Shane Urquart

Jerry Whiteford

Please notify Kay in the church office of any additions or changes

UPDATED WEBSITE

Check out our updated website with weekly sermons available.

Please Like us on Facebook—
www.facebook.com/Nazareth.1765

Please pray for the members of Nazareth's family who are on active duty.

Steven Alverson
William J. Berry, IV
Andrew Caldwell
Dorothy Ellis
Eric Gallman
Mike Roberts
Shelly Roberts
Joey Menendez



Morgan Derner
Doneven Derner

Celebrate Birthdays and Anniversaries



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 02 Ella Yarborough
- 03 Matthew Gray
- 03 Jerry Whiteford
- 06 Larry Whitfield
- 06 Ashley Royle
- 08 Ashley Melton
- 08 Ryan Smith
- 08 Mary Brady
- 08 Darcy Yarborough
- 10 Holly Elizabeth Collins
- 13 Carroll Caldwell
- 13 Rusty Kirkpatrick
- 14 Katharina Morgenstern
- 15 Joseph Rohrer
- 15 Jesse Tesh
- 17 Katie Powers
- 18 Susan Collins
- 21 Candy Franklin
- 23 Stephen Gray
- 24 Robin Whitfield
- 24 Sheila Smith
- 25 Cody Mason
- 25 Brenda Roberts
- 28 Ann Campbell
- 28 Joyce Dillard
- 28 Ruby Stone
- 30 Cindy Cook

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- 9 John & Martha Bainbridge
61 years in 2016
- 13 Chris & Paula Cash
- 16 Jason & Stephanie G. Wells
- 26 George & Pat Sykes
- 27 Robert & Kay Morgenstern



MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Maggie Balltrip
- 01 Blake Collins
- 01 Karen Holmes
- 01 Kate Morgenstern
- 02 Marcus Henry
- 03 Elizabeth Henry
- 03 Rob McCormick
- 04 Mary Lou Rohloff
- 05 Bryce Collins
- 05 Amy Hatley
- 07 Walter Beach
- 07 Donna Cook
- 07 John Hayes
- 08 Jessica Henry
- 09 Peden Cook
- 09 Elver Cress
- 10 Molly Duerksen
- 11 Chris Cash
- 13 Katelyn Oburg
- 15 Cindy Buttino
- 15 Madison Katherine Collins
- 16 Ron Tesh
- 17 Homer Ellis
- 18 Allison Collins
- 18 Travis Lister
- 18 Ed Warren
- 19 Heather Gwinn
- 19 JoAnn Robertson
- 21 Margaret Culclasure
- 22 Mark Roberts
- 23 Martha Bainbridge
- 25 Seth Hoffman
- 26 Glenn Lindman
- 27 Richard Dillard
- 27 Faith Rodgers
- 27 Zach Rodgers
- 30 Finley Sutton
- 31 Lee Orr

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- 11 Seth & Allison Hoffman
- 19 Steve & Susan Collins
- 21 Ken & Sheila Smith
- 21 David & Finley Sutton

APRIL—2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<p>3 2nd Sunday of Easter</p> <p>Worship 8:30 B & G—8:15 Evangelism —8:30</p>	<p>4 Boy scouts</p> <p>Hand Bells—6:00</p> <p>Finance—7:00</p>	<p>5 Cub Scouts</p>	<p>6 Choir—7:00</p>	7	8	<p>9 The Carpenter's Table—9—12</p>
<p>10 3rd Sunday of Easter</p> <p>Cong Care—8:30 Mission—8:30</p> <p>Birthday for Katharina</p> <p>Youth</p>	<p>11 Boy Scouts</p> <p>Circle # 3—7:00</p> <p>Hand Bells—6:00</p> <p>CE Committee 6:00</p>	<p>12 Cub Scouts</p>	<p>13 Choir—7:00</p>	14	15	<p>16 Saturday Sisters 10:00-12:00 Kim Cansler</p>
<p>17 4th Sunday of Easter</p> <p>New Member Luncheon</p> <p>Blood Connection 9-12</p> <p>Beth Templeton Sunday School</p> <p>Youth—6:00</p>	<p>18 Boy Scouts</p> <p>Hand Bells—6:00</p> <p>Session 7:15</p>	<p>19 Cub Scouts</p> <p>Bingo—6:00 pm</p>	<p>20 Choir—7:00</p> <p>Friendship Club 11:45</p>	21	<p>22 Newsletter information due</p>	<p>23 Soup Kitchen 9-1</p> <p>Spartanburg Soaring Kites</p>
<p>24 5th Sunday of Easter</p> <p>Youth—6:00</p>	<p>25 Boy Scouts</p> <p>Hand Bells—6:00</p>	<p>26 Cub Scouts</p>	<p>27 Choir-7:00</p>	28	<p>29 Women's Retreat</p>	<p>29 Women's Retreat</p>