

## May 2025



"I want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to Him in His

death, and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead." - Paul (Philippians 3:10-11k)

Easter has recently passed: the baskets are put away until next year, hard boiled eggs are mostly consumed, and the chocolate bunnies are surely history. Yet the invitation to live into resurrection power remains as a still, small voice persistently whispering to our deepest selves.

Paul ties the experience of divine power directly to our willingness to experience Jesus' sufferings. Wow. So what are those exactly? From a New Testament perspective, Jesus suffers when the "least of these" is treated with injustice. Jesus looks compassionately upon those who are marginalized or oppressed or those simply tossed aside by society. Jesus suffers over our brokenness and disconnection. Jesus suffers when we make decisions out of fear instead of faith.

Want to experience the power of God in your everyday living? Open your heart to the dispossessed, the misunderstood, society's misfits, the brokenhearted. Open your heart to feel their pain but still maintaining the hope that is in Christ's resurrection power to transform and heal. A difficult dance! But I think you're up for the challenge!

Resurrection blessings,

Scott

Mt. 25: 34-40

## **KEEPING YOU INFORMED:**

- Weenie roast! Friday, May 23, 6
  pm, around the Church Campfire
  Ring. Bring a dish to share with your
  (Church-provided) hot dog or brat.
  And invite a friend to complete the
  fun!
- Lion's Club Mystery Dinner
  Benefit: May 10, 5:30-8, Town Hall.
  \$25/person. Call Shirley with
  questions or with an interest in
  playing a part: 517-425-2836.

Our **1st Quarter Mission's Focus** for <u>Healing Art Missions</u>, supporting children and families in Haiti, and <u>Love Matters</u> <u>Most</u>, an effective medical outreach to the poor in Kenya, totalled **\$2541**. Well done!



Our Second
Quarter
Mission's giving
focuses on Bay
Cliff Health
Camp and
Compass

Pregnancy & Family Resource Center

(formerly Care Net Pregnancy Center of the EUP). Both are about supporting kids and this has been the most popular missions' outreach. Aimee Ogston, Care Net Director, will be with us Sunday morning, May 18, to update us on Care Net news, as well as share a message of hope with us. Clayton Ledy & Clare Lutgen will be with us June 1 to share about Bay Cliff and an encouraging word of God's Good News! Don't miss out on these rich opportunities!

Several churches in the Drummond Community got together and had a ShoeBox Packing Party for Samaritan's Purse Christmas Child 2024. (over)



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37 boxes were filled and taken to The Baptist Church in Saint Ignace for further distribution.

We would like to get an early start on the 2025 November collection. Anyone who would like to buy items for Shoe Boxes can do so and drop them off at Lighthouse Church, Tuesdays mornings and Thursday afternoons or on Sunday. Items such as-Personal items- things for school and small toys. { No Liquids } Starting now so you can buy things when you see a sale! We will store these items and when it comes time for The Shoe Boxes in 2025 we will have a boxing party and fill as many Shoe Boxes as we can. Thank You. Any questions contact Sue Tyler at 906-493-6283 or Kerry Deal at 906-430-7486.



Faith is trusting what the eye cannot see! Eyes see storms; faith sees Noah's rainbow. Your eyes see your faults; your faith sees your Savior. Your eyes

see your guilt; your faith sees his cleansing blood. Your eyes look in the mirror and see a sinner, a failure. But by faith you look in the mirror and see a robed prodigal bearing the ring of grace on your finger and the kiss of your Father on your face.

"God's power is very great for those who believe," Paul wrote in Ephesians 1:19-20. "That power is the same as the great strength God used to raise Christ from the dead!" So the next time you wonder if God can forgive you, read that verse again. The power that raised Christ from the grave is the power that resurrects hope in our hearts.

- Max Lucado

(from: https://maxlucado.com/listen/resurrection-power)

<u>Pearls of Wisdom</u> "Who I Am In Christ" I always triumph in Christ. See: John 10:14

Ruth Wise

## **May Birthdays**

- 7. Lisa Tarr
- 8. Teri Cox Underhill
- 13. Cheryl Wolf & Emily Ogden
- 21. Scott Danforth
- 24. Christina Kolo

(If we don't have your birthday or anniversary, let us know!)

## Save the date:



We will be gathering with students and staff around the D.I. Elementary

School flagpole on the morning of Thursday, **May 1**, **8 am**, before school starts. Spread the word!

ARTICLES FOR THE <u>JUNE</u> NEWSLETTER ARE DUE TO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY: <u>TUESDAY</u>, **MAY 20**<sup>TH</sup> (Email, if possible.)





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