

# THE CALL

Matthew 4: 19 "Jesus called out, 'Come with me and I will show you how to fish for the souls of men.'"



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## Pastor's Corner

What is the most Holy day of the year? Many would say that it is Christmas day because we celebrate the birth of Jesus. Some may say that it is Pentecost because it is the beginning of the Christian church.

But I believe the most Holy day is Easter Sunday, the day that celebrates the supernatural resurrection of Jesus Christ. If this never happened, there would be no Christianity. Jesus was our sacrificial lamb whose blood washed away our sins. This is the core tenant of our faith. If not for the crucifixion, death, and resurrection of Jesus, we would have no hope for redemption. We would still be bound to the laws which, as humans, we can never keep. Our sin would doom us to death.

But **HALLELUJAH! HE IS RISEN.** Our salvation is secured and Christ reigns on high. This Easter Sunday remember the sacrifice that was given for you – Jesus, our Saviour.

- Pastor Kyle

## Table of Hope

In **Matthew 25: 35** Jesus says, "for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Here at Weirton UMC, we strive to fulfill this command from Jesus. In addition to our in-house food pantry at First UMC and Christ UMC, we regularly contribute to the Community Bread Basket. On top of all of that, Table of Hope is housed at First UMC. Table of Hope is a community-wide "soup kitchen" run by Goodwill Industries. Every Monday and Wednesday from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., anyone can come to First UMC and have a meal provided by Table of Hope. If you would like to volunteer for Table of Hope, contact Pastor Kyle.



## Memorization verse

But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen.

-Matthew 28: 5-6a



## Earth Day

The first Earth Day was celebrated on April 22, 1970. It is a day when people all over the world work to find ways to sustain the resources and care for the creatures of the air, land, and sea. But long before 1970, God called us to be stewards of the creation He gifted to mankind. **Genesis 2:15** says, "The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it." This gift comes with responsibility. When we pollute the air, we cannot breathe. When we pollute the water, we thirst. When we pollute the land, we release toxins and plants cannot grow. Or as stated in **Jeremiah 2:7**, "I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land and made my heritage an abomination." So how do we honor God's gift – a paradise filled with animals, plants, and other resources needed to sustain life? **1 Peter 4:10** tells us, "Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received." You can volunteer for a street clean up; or join a letter writing campaign to change a law; or go plant a tree. Whatever you choose to do, know that God has given us an awe-inspiring home that has all the resources that we need to live and to live abundantly. It is our responsibility to care for this amazing gift.



## Easter Trivia

- Which country brought us the tradition of Easter Eggs?
  - Germany
  - Sweden
  - Spain
  - France
- When was the first Easter Egg Roll at the White House?
  - 1917
  - 1878
  - 1846
  - 1909
- What is the name of the best-known Easter Bunny in North America?
  - Bugs Bunny
  - Judy Hopps
  - Thumper
  - Peter Cottontail
- Who sings the original version of Peter Cottontail?
  - Perry Como
  - Tony Bennett
  - Gene Autry
  - Bad Bunny
- Which flower is most associated with Easter?
  - Rose
  - Sunflower
  - Daisy
  - Lily
- What are the Easter colors?
  - Blue & Green
  - Purple & Yellow
  - Orange & Purple
  - Green & Gold
- Where is the world's largest decorated Easter Egg?
  - Canada
  - Switzerland
  - Brazil
  - Denmark
- How many peeps get eaten every year in the USA?
  - 6 million
  - 20 million
  - 700 million
  - 98 million
- What kind of bread is associated with Easter?
  - Sour Dough
  - Hot Cross Buns
  - Pumpernickel
  - Focaccia
- Where is the world's largest collection of Easter Eggs?
  - Poland
  - Belgium
  - Italy
  - Austria



**Answer Key:** 1. a, 2. b, 3. d, 4. c, 5. d, 6. b, 7. a, 8. c, 9. b, 10. a

# CELEBRATE!

## Birthdays

4/1 Abby Manini; 4/3 Shelby Tenaglio, Joe Durst; 4/4 Julie Durst; 4/5 Deanna Sentipal, Ross Manini; 4/16 Tammy Cain; 4/17 Mishel Robinson; 4/20 Doug Lehman; 4/24 Nancy Bradford; 4/26 Diane Robinson; 4/27 Helen Markle; 4/28 Allen Kennedy; 4/30 Ruth Ann Mendenhall



## Easter Week

We are in the midst of the holiest week of the year – Easter Week. It is a time of great happenings, beginning with **Palm Sunday**, followed by **Maundy Thursday** and **Good Friday**, and culminating on **Resurrection Sunday**. What are these holy days and why are they celebrated?

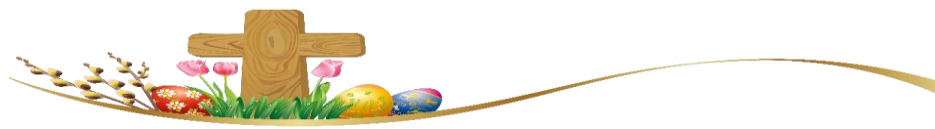
**Palm Sunday** is the Sunday before Easter. It is the joyous day when Christ entered the city with crowds saying, “Hosanna in the highest!” It is traditionally celebrated by a procession and blessing of palm branches, which are often taken home by worshippers as symbols of their faith.

**Maundy Thursday** is the Thursday before Easter. It commemorates Jesus Christ’s Last Supper with his disciples. It is where Holy Communion was first instituted and where Jesus washed the feet of the disciples. Services are may feature a Seder Meal which is symbolic of the Passover observance, or feet washing to symbolize Jesus washing the feet of the disciples. Holy Communion rites are performed on Maundy Thursday to symbolize the Last Supper.

**Good Friday** is the Friday before Easter and is the solemn observance of the crucifixion and death of Jesus as atonement for our sins. Often Good Friday services are a time of reflection, fasting, and penance.

**Resurrection Sunday**, or Easter Sunday, is the celebration of the resurrection of Christ on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day as was foretold by the Old Testament Prophets. It is the validation of our faith in Jesus’ victory over death and our salvation through Him.

This year the Weirton UM Charge will conduct services each of these days. **Maundy Thursday** 4/2 will be at CUMC beginning with a Seder Meal ceremony in the fellowship hall at 6 p.m. followed by a 7 p.m. worship service **Good Friday** 4/3 will be a service of Shadow, Prayer, and Reflection at FUMC at 7 p.m. And, **Resurrection Sunday** 4/5 services will be held at CUMC at 9 a.m., at PVUMC at 10:15 a.m., and at FUMC at 11:30 a.m. All services also on the YouTube Channel.



## April Events

Thursday, 4/2 Maundy Thursday Service @ CUMC 7 p.m.

Friday, 4/2 Good Friday Service @ FUMC 7 p.m.

Saturday, 4/4 NO SATURDAY SERVICE

Sunday, 4/5 **HE’S ALIVE! CHRIST HAS RISEN!** (regular services)



Monday, 4/6 Holy Monday – Charge Office Closed

Sunday, 4/12 CUMC & PVUMC unified service @ CUMC 10 a.m.

Thursday, 4/16 Prayer Group @ CUMC 6:15 p.m.

Sunday, 4/19 PVUMC & CUMC unified service @ PVUMC 10 a.m.

Sunday, 4/19 Kids & Youth Movie @ FUMC 10 a.m.

Thursday, 4/30 Prayer Group @ CUMC 6:15 p.m.



**Weirton United Methodist Charge  
April 2026**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
			<b>1</b> <b>CUMC</b> <b>Quilting 10-2pm</b>	<b>2 Maundy Thursday</b>  <b>CUMC</b> <b>Sedar meal ceremony 6pm</b> <b>Worship 7pm</b>	<b>3 Good Friday</b> <b>FUMC</b> <b>Worship 7pm</b>  <b>AA 7pm</b>	<b>4</b> <b>FUMC AA 10:30am</b>  <b>No Saturday</b> <b>Worship</b>
<b>5 Happy Easter</b>  <b>CUMC 9am</b>  <b>PVUMC 10:15am</b>  <b>FUMC 11:30am</b>	<b>6</b> <b>FUMC TOH 5-6pm</b>  <b>FUMC 6:30pm</b>  <b>Charge Office Closed</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>CUMC</b> <b>Quilting 10-2pm</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <b>FUMC AA 7pm</b>	<b>11</b> <b>FUMC AA 10:30am</b>
<b>12</b> <b>CUMC &amp; PVUMC at CUMC 10am</b>  <b>FUMC 11:30am</b>	<b>13</b> <b>FUMC TOH 5-6pm</b>  <b>FUMC 6:30pm</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <b>CUMC</b> <b>Quilting 10-2pm</b>	<b>16</b>  <b>Prayer group at CUMC 6:15 pm</b>	<b>17</b> <b>FUMC AA 7pm</b>	<b>18</b> <b>FUMC AA 10:30am</b>
<b>19 Native American Awareness</b>  <b>PVUMC &amp; CUMC at PVUMC 10am</b>  <b>FUMC 11:30am</b> <b>Kids movie 10-1pm</b>	<b>20</b> <b>FUMC TOH 5-6pm</b>  <b>FUMC 6:30pm</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <b>CUMC</b> <b>Quilting 10-2</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>FUMC AA 7pm</b>	<b>25</b> <b>FUMC AA 10:30am</b>

<p><b>26</b></p> <p><i>CUMC 9am</i></p> <p><i>PVUMC 10:15am</i></p> <p><i>FUMC 11:30am</i></p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p><i>FUMC TOH 5-6pm</i></p> <p><i>FUMC 6:30pm</i></p>	<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p><i>Prayer group at CUMC 6:15pm</i></p>		
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## Youth/Children Movie Day

First UMC will host its monthly movie day for youth and children on Sunday, April 19 from 10 a.m. till 1 p.m. The feature film is *Back to the Future III*. Lunch will be served and a grab-n-go bag will be given out so the participants can take home some snacks. Join us for fun and fellowship!



**PRAYER FOCUS**

As Christians, prayer plays a big part in our faith. There is power in prayer and great power when, as a community, we pray for each other. Every month we will include a prayer list of those who have requested prayers. If you have a prayer request, contact the charge office and your request can be added. (Unless specifically requested, last names will not be posted for privacy purposes). Please pray for the following:



Will K.  
Paula D.  
Alyssa  
Deb D.  
F. C.  
Barb S.  
Sheila  
Lori  
Marjie W.  
David W's Mom  
Michelle M.  
Jennifer S.  
Brady  
Tom D.  
Jay  
Harriett S.  
Craig  
Terry  
Mary Ann  
Sharon M.

Tammy C.  
Dee C.  
Mike C.  
Jenny F.  
Susan B.  
Cindy  
Alicia  
Molly J.  
Guz Family  
Dana  
Donna  
Luke  
Sandy  
Harold E.  
Angela  
Pam F.  
Bill M.  
Smith Family  
Scott C.  
Marshall  
Military families  
Violence in our world

Dennis Family  
Peg  
Lou A.  
Resnik Family  
Jim & Sandy  
Alberto & Santi  
Tingler Family  
Robinson Family  
Pulliam Family  
Aunt Mary  
Gloria  
Serena  
Bruce  
Tinky  
Veronica  
Mike R.  
Pulliam Family  
Snodgrass Family  
Mike T.  
Boley Family  
Mid-East Conflict  
Hancock County Schools

Our children, congregation, shut-ins, travelers, this area, troops, country, and leaders.

**We also remember:**

- Medical personnel, First Responders & emergency personnel
- Our Schools
- Those financially struggling
- Those effected by natural disasters
- Those grieving for loved ones
- Our Country's and World's leaders
- Those suffering from mental illness
- All Unspoken requests - God knows

*...and all the people said*  
**Amen**