Prayers and Praises

VMMissions: Ask for wisdom, discernment, and clear direction for tranSender Chris Beck and his wife, Jen, as Chris has been invited to continue in his role at Love INC (In the Name of Christ) beyond his current one year internship. The Becks are also considering opening their own ministry.

Pray for Kris Hange and his teammates as they will travel to Moldova on April 6 to work in the community and help the church. Also lift up Kris that he will be able to take the SAT test May 5 in Germany and do well.

Pray for the local services for people in need: Love Inc., Shelter for Help in Emergency, Food Bank, Salvation Army, IMPACT – a justice ministry and PACEM- the initiative for the homeless.

Focus statement: Like Mary, we are so used to having something in between me and you that when the stone is rolled away, our expectations keep us from seeing the risen Christ. In his death and resurrection, Jesus has become the between so that there are no more betweens. This nothing between is for all!



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Easter: Nothing between us April 1, 2018

Gathering in God's presence

Pre-service music

Easter Song

Call to Worship

One: The day has finally come when light follows dark.

Resurrection follows death!

Let us rejoice, for the tomb has been found empty.

All: Christ is risen from the grave!

One: The stone rejected by the builders

has now become the cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous to see!

All: This is the day the Lord has made!

We will rejoice and be glad in it!

Christ is not dead. He lives forevermore!

One Christ is risen

All: Christ is risen indeed

One: Christ is risen

All: Christ is risen indeed

One: Christ is risen

All: Christ is risen indeed, Alleluia

Opening prayer

Hymns Christ the Lord is risen

HWB 280

Low in the grave he lay

HWB 273

Noticing God's presence

Children's story

Hymn Lift your glad voices HWB 275

Confession

Scripture John 20:1-18

Sermon

Hymn Sing with all the saints in glory STS 92

Responding to God's presence

Sharing of joys and concerns / visitor introductions

Pastoral Prayer

Offering Praise God HWB 119 Hymn Go now in peace HWB 429

Benediction

Today Sermon: Roy Hange

This Week

Tues Men's breakfast at Bodo's on Preston 7 am

Upcoming Events

Apr 11	Administrative council	7 pm
Apr 15	Discussion potluck after church	
Apr 17	Men's breakfast at Bodo's on Preston 7:00 a	am
Apr 18	Women's Lectio Divina Group	10 am
Apr 18	Women's book study: "Waking up white"	7 pm
Apr 24	IMPACT: Nehemiah Action	
Apr 29	Annual Business meeting and fellowship me	eal
Apr 30	Board of Elders 7:	15 pm
May 18-20, 20	Annual church retreat	

Announcements

Please email all bulletin announcements by Wednesday evening 8:00 pm to Becky. Please include the word "bulletin" in the subject line of the heading.

Thank you Becky! Becky has been doing the bulletin for over 10 years and is ready for a change. Is there anyone willing to take on the task of putting together the weekly bulletin? Please contact Maren.

The Pastors will be on vacation from April 1-8. If you need pastoral care please contact one of the elders: Mel Janzen, Elaine Shinsky or Steve Alderfer.

PACEM Update: On Sunday, March 25, six women from our church provided the evening meal for the ladies overnight shelter, hosted by Sojourner's United Church of Christ. Thanks to Joyce Hutchinson, Becky Scott, Linda Patchel, Alyce Johnson, Maren Hange and Dottie Scott, and thanks to those who offered, but were not needed. PACEM staff report that as of March 9, they have served 218 homeless individuals, surpassing the number of guests served in self-ofclast year's season. This year the winter, overnight shelter ends on April 13.

IMPACT dates to note: THE NEHEMIAH ACTION will be held on Tuesday, April 24 at 6:30 in the Martin Luther King Performing Arts Center at Charlottesville High School. This is when members of the 27 faith communities meet with elected officials, or with persons in position to make change, to present the facts regarding the need for more affordable housing in Charlottesville and Albemarle County. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Questions? Please see Dottie Scott.

The **women's book study** is meeting bi-weekly on Wednesday evenings reading "Waking up white" by Debbie Irving at 7 pm. For April 18 please read the fourth chapter "Rethinking key concepts" pages 93-113.