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# The church newsletter of Rossville United Methodist Church -Rossville, IN



"The third day, he rose from the dead..." A variation of these words are evident throughout the Scriptures.

### **Examples:**

Matthew 28:6 "He is not here, he has risen."

Mark 16:6 "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen"!

Luke 24:5b-6 "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!"

John 20:18 Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!"

Acts 2:32 "God has raised this Jesus to life."

Romans 4:25:"He was raised to life."

"The third day, he rose from the dead..." These words are spoken in the Apostle's Creed, a testament of the Christian faith. When we recite these in church from time to time, do we recognize them?

Christ rose from death to life. Life. As we have now moved past Easter Sunday, let us not relegate the good news of the resurrected life of Jesus Christ to be put away until the next Easter. The truth of the matter is that every Sunday is a "little Easter". A continued celebration (even if it is not always directly mentioned) of the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Life. Do you ever stop to consider how much each day seems to include reminders about death, whether subtle or obvious? The Christian faith is counter-cultural in this vein. The Christian faith is about life. The goal is eternal life for all. Eternal life for all who believe. (Acts 16:31).

Life. Christ suffered death and the punishment each of us deserved for our sin. Then, "he was raised to life."

In a time of division and strife. In a time when sides are drawn up, it can become easy to be drawn away from the main point of the faith. The gift of life. May we, as we move further into this year hold onto faith—hold onto Christ resurrected—hold onto life. And then...

Live Life!

Pastor Bob Raschka

# Fellowship at Mary's Spring Session Begins April 3rd!

Join us for Fellowship at Mary's on Wednesdays at 6:30pm this spring.

Each Fellowship night will be at pitch in dinner.

The evening includes a meal, singing, fellowship, discussion, and prayer.

Everyone is welcome at the home of Mary Gray 304 E. Main St. Rossville, IN

## **LADIES DAY OUT April 12**

Eight ladies met for lunch at The Bryant, March 8th. The next Ladies Day Out will be Friday, April 12th. Lunch will be at Bob Evans on SR 26 in Lafayette. Meet at the church parking lot to leave promptly at **11am** to carpool. All ladies are invited! For Questions Contact Jane Emens (765-242-0633)





**Every Tuesday** 

April 9th, 16th, 23rd, & 30th

6pm -7:30pm

Join us as the Adventure Club team takes you through "The Lord's Prayer". Each Tuesday there will be a Bible story, music, crafts and light meal. Adventure Club is free and open to any child Pre-K (potty trained) through 5th grade. Check in for the Club will open at 5:45 each Tuesday.

Hope Beyond today

Navigating Life After Loss

Grief Care Class Have you experienced loss, either recently or in the past, that you need to process? Join us for "Hope Beyond Today, Navigating Life After Loss." This 6-week class is designed by Grief Care Fellowship and offers excellent methods on how to navigate the journey of grief. Classes will be held on Tuesday's Starting April 23rd, 6pm at the Delphi UMC. There is no cost for the class. Please RSVP by April 5th, so that we have ample supplies available for you. Please call the Delphi Methodist church office (765-564-3791) Monday-Thursday. 9:00AM-4:00PM to sign up.



Shelby Brock April 2nd

Corey Nicolas April 13th

Kristin Arnone April 13th

Israel Green April 15th

Lyn Burkle April 19th

Tegan Weida April 19th

Ainura Nametullayeva April 23rd

Ali Burkle April 25th

Dylan Disinger April 25th



Rex & Jane Rothenberger April 17th

Phil & Jane Emens April 28th

#### TATATATA PRAYER CHAIN

Prayer requests for the church can be submitted to the church office. Pastor Bob or Brandy will start the phone tree system as soon as possible after receiving a request.

## Rossville United Methodist Church

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Adult Sunday School: 9:00 am Worship & Jr. Church: 10:30 am

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#### **April Worship Themes**

April 7<sup>th</sup> "God Said Yes!" John 20:19-31

April 14<sup>th</sup> "Done" Matthew 6:5-10

April 21<sup>st</sup> "Provided" Matthew 6:11

April 28<sup>th</sup> "Forgiven" Matthew 6:12-15

## **RUMC Breakthrough Prayer**

God, may Your preferred will break through in our church and in our lives, opening the door to the future You have chosen for us. We exchange our wills for Yours to fully follow You. Amen

### Stewardship

<u>Date</u>	Regular Offering	<u>Missions</u>
Feb 25 <sup>th</sup>	\$1,850.57	\$97.25
March 3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$1,598.00	\$78.50
March 10 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 626.00	\$56.00
March 17 <sup>th</sup>	\$1,757.00	\$53.00
March 24 <sup>th</sup>	\$3,569.00	\$52.00
March 31 <sup>st</sup>	\$ 842.00	\$23.00



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# **April 2024**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Trustees Meeting 6pm	Adventure Club Volunteer Meeting 6:30pm	FELLOWSHIP  Fellowship @ Mary's 6:30pm	4	5  Religious Education 1-3 pm	6
7 Communion Sunday School 9 am Worship and Jr. Church 10:30 am Prayer Group5pm	8  TOPS 6:30pm  Administrative Council 7pm	Adventure Club 6-7:30pm	FELLOWSHIP  Fellowship @ Mary's 6:30pm  Jesus Night 7pm @ LSC	11	Ladies Day Out Meet at church parking lot 11am Religious Education 1-3 pm	13
14  Sunday School 9amWorship and Jr. Church 10:30 am  Milner's Service 3pm  Prayer Group 5pm	Missions 6pm TOPS 6:30pm	Adventure Club 6-7:30pm,	FELLOWSHIP Fellowship @ Mary's 6:30pm Jesus Night 7pm @ LSC	18 SPRC 6pm	19 Religious Education 1-3pm	20
21 Sunday School 9am Worship 10:30 am Prayer Group 5pm	Worship Team 6pm TOPS 6:30pm	Adventure Club 6-7:30pm	24  FELLOWSHIP  Fellowship @ Mary's 6:30pm  Jesus Night 7pm @ LSC	25	26 Religious Education 1-3pm	27
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