

Hymn-of-the-Month

Sunday, April 12th

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Lyrics by Joseph M. Scriven

Music by Charles C. Converse



Search Committee Meeting

Wednesday, April 1st, 7:00 PM, Fellowship Hall

We are making progress in recruiting a new Director of Youth & Family Ministry. We have ten members of an outstanding Search Committee who are helping us select our new Director of Youth & Family Ministry scheduled to begin ministry in our midst in June 2015. The members are: Jessica Fitchett, Sergio Guerrero, Mary Kantor, David Land (Chairperson), Bill Morse, Bob Norton, Beth Reed, Patton Swartzfager, Wendy Tappan, and Misti Warner-Anderson. We have eight respondents who have submitted resumes and they will be evaluated at this April 1st meeting in preparation for interviews/visits coming in April and May. Please keep these committee members and applicants in your prayers. We seek to choose God's person for this key role.

All Are Invited to Join Us!

Final Session of Our Lenten Class

Maundy Thursday, April 2nd, 7:00 PM

We have had a wonderful time of learning and fellowship with our Lenten Study Group focusing on John Ortberg's *Who Is This Man?* What a powerful book bearing witness to a powerful Jesus Christ who has transformed history. Truly, a story which deserves telling again and again.

Our final session focuses upon "The Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of Holy Week" and their relevance for human history. Join us in the Fellowship Hall and enjoy this dynamic learning experience as Pastor Bob Norton and Shelley Ballard lead the discussion. Refreshments will be served. Childcare provided upon request.

All Are Encouraged to Participate

In Our "RESURRECTION" Study Group

Two Dynamic Sessions - April 7th and 14th
7:00 PM in the Upper Room

We have distributed almost 100 copies of Lee Strobel's *The Case for Easter* inviting seekers, inquirers, and devoted followers of Jesus to consider the *Reality* of the Resurrection (Tuesday, April 7th) and the *Relevance* of the Resurrection (Tuesday, April 14th). This two-session study group will be power-packed. Come and join us. We'll start in the Upper Room and move to the Fellowship Hall if additional space is needed. Come and discover the power to live made possible through the Resurrection of Jesus.

Swing Into Spring!

Do you enjoy playing softball? Then slide on over and join our COR Co-ed Softball Team. Deadline to register is April 10th. Cost is \$20 per player. We need to see if there's enough interest to field a team, so don't miss out on this opportunity to play at the spectacular Thorpe Park Softball Complex. Sign up today by contacting our new Team Manager, Joan Stoner (928-853-9827).

Bjorn Peterson to Preach at COR Prayer Watch International Founder & Servant Leader

Sunday, April 12th, 9:00 & 10:45 Worship Services

We are incredibly blessed to have Bjorn Petersen grace our pulpit on Sunday, April 12th. Pass the word to all of Flagstaff! Invite your family and friends to hear this renowned Christian leader and author. Bjorn Petersen's influence is worldwide as he teaches Prayer Schools and builds up the Body of Christ on virtually every continent. His message will be on the theme "My House Shall be a House of Prayer for All Nations" (Isaiah 56:7 and Matthew 21:13). Let's fill our sanctuary to hear this timely and strategic message for Christ's Church in these troubled times.

Calling All Men and Boys!

"The Band of Brothers" Men's Prayer Breakfast

Invite your friends to come and join us for our upcoming Men's Prayer Breakfast, Saturday, April 18th from 9:00-10:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. We always enjoy a hearty, delicious breakfast followed by encouraging conversation and a spiritual talk. We prayerfully support one another and stand in prayer with significant ministries in our community. Come and grow in your faith and make a new friend in the process. Volunteer for set up, cooking, or clean up. Your donation will help cover the breakfast. Reach out and invite your friends. They'll enjoy it!

New Members To Be Received Into Our COR Family

Sunday, April 19th, 9:00 & 10:45 Worship Services

Would you like to be received into our Church Family? If so, call Pastor Bob at 699-7592 and arrange for a special visit to prepare you for this important step of faith. God is honored and glorified as His people make their commitments to Christ, the Body of Christ the Church, and the Work of Christ in the World.

Southwest Presbytery

Pray for the upcoming meeting, April 23rd-24th at New Life Church in Phoenix.

Prayers for Healing & Wholeness Sunday, April 19th, Both Worship Services

"Calling for the Elders of the Church and have them pray over you...anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord." James 5

All-Church Luncheon & "COR Questionnaire" Dialogue

Sunday, April 19th, after the 10:45 Worship Service

Let's gather in the Fellowship Hall for a simple, delicious fellowship lunch and then share in a discussion of our recent "COR Questionnaire" responses with our Ruling Elders. The lunch will be provided, but your donations in the basket will help cover the costs. Pick up your copy of the questionnaire responses on the church office counter this Sunday. Then, study them in preparation for our discussion together.



Welcoming Missionaries Wes & Suzie Brenneman

"Focus on WORLD MISSION"

Saturday, April 25th, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall

This evening will be a very special event for our Pastor Bob Norton. Our speaker Wes Brenneman was the Campus Crusade missionary at UCLA who led a spiritually hungry student named Bob Norton to faith in Christ. This was in February of 1970. Wes and Suzie have gone on to faithfully serve the Lord for over 50 years in Campus Crusade for Christ and its subsidiary Global Hope International. They travel extensively across the globe and behold first-hand what God is doing through His people in these challenging and exciting times. Come and hear! Give praise to God! Come to our pie social and inspiring presentation and dialogue on "What is God Doing in the World Today?"

COMPASSION SUNDAY

"Releasing Children from Poverty in Jesus' Name"

Sunday, April 26th, 9:00 & 10:45 Worship Services

We currently have over 50 children sponsored by our Church of the Resurrection members and friends. We get such heart-warming testimonies from our families who have stepped up to sponsor these children from impoverished nations all over the world. It is a great joy to get to know these children and help them reach their full stride as disciples of Jesus Christ. Would you like to help by sponsoring a Compassion child? You will have the opportunity on Compassion Sunday! Don't miss the joy!

Calling All COR Youth & Friends!

Come & Enjoy Our April Youth Excitements

GAME NIGHT: Wednesday, April 1st, 6:00-8:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite game. A scrumptious dinner will be provided.

MOVIE NIGHT: Wednesday, April 15th, 6:00-8:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Let's get together and watch a great movie. Also, a wonderful meal will be provided!

ICE SKATING NIGHT: Wednesday, April 29th, 5:30-7:00 PM at the only rink in town....the Jay Lively Ice Rink. The church will pay for all that participate and we'll enjoy pizza fresh from the oven.

The FLOWERING of COR

Implementing Phase Three of Our COR Landscaping Plan

With the coming of Spring we see flowers emerging all around in keeping with the joy of Easter and the springing forth of new life! We now present our third phase in our COR Landscaping Plan appropriately called "The Flowering of COR". Our initial request in keeping with plant availability and the right timing for planting is the following:

Karl Foerster Grass (92 needed)	\$16/each
Heuchera (61 flowering plants needed)	\$5.75/each
Lupine (20 flowering plants needed)	\$5.25/each
Penstemon (52 flowering plants needed)	\$5.25/each

Our goal is to have our phase three plants in the ground for our June 13th Arizona Missions Conference. We will have many guests with us. How special to adorn The Lord's House of Prayer with beautiful flowers. Prayerfully consider responding with a gift of support for "The Flowering of COR".

The Upper Room Renovation Project

Your Gifts to Complete this Project are Much Appreciated

Take some time to walk up to our Upper Room and feast your eyes on the exquisite new oak bookshelves to house our new church library. Bob and Polly Philpott have given their labor of love in crafting these shelves. They are absolutely beautiful. Our thanks also to Charles Hodgin and John Kirch for assisting Bob and Polly.

We will continue to work on the Upper Room implementing our plans for cabinets and shelves to provide needed storage space. Fine home designer Bill King donated the plans. Bob Philpott will implement these plans with his master craftsmanship as funds are available to purchase materials. Would you like to help with a generous gift earmarked for "Upper Room Renovation"? Thanks for your prayerful consideration.

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

740 W. University Heights Dr. South
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Sunday Worship

9:00 AM & 10:45 AM

Sunday School for Children & Youth

10:45 AM

Nursery Provided At Both Services

Church Office Hours

8:00 AM—5:00 PM

Monday—Friday

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LIVING THE RESURRECTION

If you celebrate Christ's Resurrection only one day of the year, you're missing something really significant. The resurrection of Jesus is not simply proof of his divinity, nor is the event something Christians should celebrate on one day of the liturgical year and then forget. The resurrection has crucial relevance for our spiritual life every day. How can we experience the Risen Christ in everyday life?

After the resurrection of Jesus, nothing is the same. Let's journey in the gospel accounts so we can experience the resurrection through the eyes of the biblical witnesses. Step into the story so its meaning and wonder can enliven our souls as never before. Christ's friends were utterly transformed by his resurrection. Their friendship, their work, and even their meals together took on new meaning and purpose. The same can happen to us today. Author of *The Message*, Eugene Peterson writes, "When the resurrection becomes the core reality of our spiritual formation, our dimmed eyes and dull souls are lifted to a place of continual renewal."

First, experience *resurrection wonder*. Why does the Bible contain so many stories of hurting people? Why do we read one account after another of Jesus meeting people with problems? A crook on a cross. A wild man in a cemetery. Nicodemus rejected. Peter ashamed. Joseph bewildered. Martha bereaved. Discouraged, despairing disciples feeling hopeless after Jesus's death. Why are these portraits in the Bible? So we could be grateful for the past? So we could look back with

amazement at what Jesus did? *No!* The purpose of these stories is not to tell what Jesus *did*. Their purpose is to tell us what Jesus *does*. The hopeless, decimated disciples became Easter people filled with hope, joy, and zeal turning the world right side up with resurrection power. The good news of the resurrection is God doing for people what people cannot do themselves. *He is alive!*

Second, experience *resurrection friends*. Our living Lord invites us to become an intimate fellowship in whose midst the risen Jesus himself makes his joyful home. Through the most common daily experiences we grow in our relationship with our living Lord and with those who are seeking to become fully devoted to him. The fifty-one "one-anothering" passages of the New Testament – like "*love one another as I have loved you*" (John 13:34) – call us to a new community of love through which the living Lord manifests himself to the world. "*By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.*" (John 13:35) The Easter people are the matrix through whom God is winning the world to the Risen Christ.

American novelist Wendell Berry said it well, "*Every day do something that won't compute. Love the Lord. Love the world. Work for nothing. Love someone who does not deserve it. Plant sequoias. Be joyful though you have considered the facts. Practice resurrection.*"

Living the resurrection brings you to the central place of life and faith – the resurrection of Christ himself unleashed in the hearts and lives of his people. Let's live out our life together as Easter people! To God be the glory!

Good Friday Worship, April 3rd, 12:00 Noon

Focuses on *The Cross of Christ*

This devotional service will inspire the hearts of those who gather with us on Good Friday. Pastor Bob will be speaking on "*What God Did to Win Your Heart*" as we remember and give thanks for Jesus's redeeming love manifest on the Cross. The Cross looked like defeat, but it was the triumph of Christ. The Cross was his throne as he fulfilled prophecy as "the Lamb of God to take away the sins of the world." Each worshipper will be invited to take away a memorial nail as a remembrance of Christ and His Cross. Everyone is welcome to join us for this worship celebration.

Easter Joy On Easter Sunday, April 5th

9:00 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

Oh, that we would remember the power of a personal invitation. People will come to worship at Easter if their trusted friends invite them. Let's do it!

Pastor Bob will complete his Holy Mountain Series as he preaches "*Easter People Sent into the World*" based on Matthew 28:1-10, 16-20. His encouraging words will intrigue seekers and inquirers as well as fully devoted followers of Jesus. We will share in the Church of the Resurrection tradition of "*The Flowering of the Cross*" celebrating the victory of Jesus over sin and death. Bring your flowers from your gardens or your neighbor's garden (be sure and ask permission), but we will also have extra flowers for those who forget. We will *Celebrate The Lord's Supper* inviting worshippers to come to Jesus and experience his resurrection power. The elders and their wives will provide a wonderful spread for refreshments at fellowship time. Be sure and introduce your family and friends to Pastor Bob at the fellowship time. We will also have an *Easter Egg Hunt* for the children. The Easter Eggs remind us of the New Life Jesus brings.

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FaithWorks Mission Opportunities

Mission to Camp Civitan
Saturday, May 2, 2015
Williams, Arizona

Medical Mission Trip
Thurs-Sun, May 21-24, 2015
Sonora, Mexico

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