



the Spirit

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life together

"Why do you look for the living among the dead? Jesus is not here, but has risen." (Luke 24:5)

That is quite a question, "Why do you look for the living among the dead?" The women, deep in grief at the death of Jesus, arrive at the tomb to anoint the body for a proper burial. Entering the tomb, they did not find the body. At the appearance of the messengers in dazzling clothes, they bow their faces to the ground. Grief is now mixed with fear and perhaps a bit of wonder. Into this complex, emotional moment, the dazzling messengers ask the women the question: "Why are you looking for Jesus here? He has risen."

In many ways the question is about where they are looking, where they set their gaze, their assumptions and expectations. The women, there for the loving work of anointing the body, assume death, failure and loss. The dazzling messengers are there to re-orient where they look and change their assumptions and expectations about God.

It is easy for us to set our gaze, where we look, on what we can control or where we think our powers or abilities will bring us the outcome we desire. We can so easily get caught thinking that life is about our assumptions and expectations. Right up to the point when where we look does not work, when our powers fail, and our assumptions and expectations fall flat on their face. The good news of Easter is at all the moments of death, the question rings for you, "Why do you look for the living among the dead?" The good news of Easter is that God's love answers the question for you, that Jesus is alive and at work in your life. New life happens on God's terms, often not in the answers that you want or in the restoration of control, but in the promise of what is new. God's gift of newness, of Easter, is often a re-oriented gaze, the experience of love and the gift of new perspective.

Yours in the Risen Christ Jesus,
Pastor Peter

100th Anniversary Weekend Banquets

Central's 100th Anniversary celebration will reach its peak over the weekend of May 4, 5 and 6. There will be a festive worship along with catered anniversary banquets.

On Saturday evening, May 4, the elegant event features a reception with passed appetizers, a champagne toast to Central and a delicious meal served family style. Central member and Augsburg University president Dr. Paul Pribbenow will give a keynote message. A jazz quartet will provide musical entertainment, and a dance floor will be available. On Sunday, May 5 at 11:45 a.m., former Central member and published author Greg Bancroft will speak at the family-friendly banquet. A violin/harp duo will provide music. On Monday, May 6, worship is at 11:00 a.m., featuring festive worship with a unique walk down memory lane, and the catered meal at 11:30 a.m.

Thanks to Central Lutheran Church Foundation for underwriting the Saturday and Sunday banquets; tickets are just \$15 for adults. Kids 12 and under eat free. Tickets are available online and at the welcome desk on Saturday and Sunday. There is no charge for the Monday banquet.

Building and Restoration Center Closed April 22

In observance of the Easter holiday, the church building, office and Restoration Center will be closed on Monday, April 22.

Thank you, Easter Garden Donors!

The members and friends of Central listed here (in bold) have helped to carry on a decades-old tradition by purchasing the Easter lillies that adorn our worship space today and then are delivered to our homebound members and friends today or during the week.

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Please help deliver plants! Recipient addresses and plants may be picked up Sunday in the sanctuary, following the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. worship services. Thank you.

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news and happenings

Guide to Prayer

Listening for God

The journey of Lent and the wonder of the Three Days has led us to the joy of Easter Sunday. On this first day of the week, the women go to the tomb to give the body of Jesus a proper burial. When they arrive, the stone has been rolled away. They are confused, and then terrified when dazzling messengers appear with the good news that Jesus has risen from the dead. The question that the dazzling messengers ask is breathtaking: "Why do you look for the living among the dead?" (Luke 24:5)

Listening to your life

Pause for a moment each day, light a candle to welcome the presence of the risen Christ. Enter into the remarkable question from the dazzling messengers: why do we, so often, look for the living among the dead? Why do we look for our own way, forgetting that the God of love seeks to guide our paths? Where do we try to find life in dead ends? Where are you experiencing road blocks? Hear the good news of Easter: Jesus transforms all death to new life. Alive, Jesus invites you to look for him. Where do you need the risen Jesus to open your eyes and reveal new possibilities? Offer all of this to God in daily prayer.

Central Lutheran Church Foundation Seeks Nominations for Trustee Positions

The Central Lutheran Church Foundation Board is seeking nominations to fill up to three trustee positions. The Foundation Board is particularly looking for people with investment management, marketing or financial management experience. If you have individuals to nominate or you would like to learn more about the expectations for serving on the Foundation Board, you can talk to Pastor Peter or email the Foundation Board Chair, Bonnie Wiesenburger, at bjweisenburger@comcast.net.

No Adult Faith Formation This Weekend

Remember, there is no adult faith formation this Easter weekend. We gather next Sunday, April 28, to hear Pastor Melissa's faith story. On Sunday, May 5, Pastor Peter will lead the final adult faith formation for this program year. We will gather to brainstorm topics for us to explore the next program year as a learning and growing faith community. This adult learning time is at 9:30 a.m. in the lower narthex. Coffee, tea and cookies are served.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

7:30 a.m. Sunrise Devotions in the Columbarium
8:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Worship

MONDAY, APRIL 22

Building and office closed

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

10:00 a.m. Free Store Opens
2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
3:00 p.m. Peace with Justice Ministry Team
5:30 p.m. Congregation Council

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

9:00 a.m. Emergency Rental Assistance
9:45 a.m. OWLS Leave on Trip
10:00 a.m. Free Store Opens
1:00 p.m. Bible Study with Preacher
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir
7:30 p.m. Central Choir

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

8:30 a.m. Street Voices of Change
10:00 a.m. Free Store Opens
10:00 a.m. Augsburg Central Health Commons
11:30 a.m. Shalom Circle
12:30 p.m. Emergency Rental Assistance

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

Building closed

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

4:00 p.m. Confirmation Rehearsal
5:00 p.m. Worship
5:45 p.m. Saturday Evening Fellowship

Because of you...

Seven adults were baptized this weekend at the Easter Vigil. We journeyed with them this Lenten season as they prepared for baptism and the celebration of God's love in their lives.

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