

# the MESSENGER

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#### REFLECTION FROM PASTOR

In the light of the Resurrection, as we move farther and farther away from the darkness of Holy Week, I've been thinking about something. For generations, Christians have looked to Pentecost as the birthday of the church, the day the church was born in wind in fire. But this year, after our journey from the wilderness to the cross I'm not so sure. I wonder if the church wasn't born a little earlier than we realize... on Palm Sunday. On Palm Sunday, as I preached a few weeks ago, the disciples finally grew up. They found their voices and summoned their courage to assume their role as witnesses to God's will on earth as it is in heaven.

As they entered into Jerusalem, Jesus' followers begin to assume the roles of leaders. They walk into Jerusalem during a great annual festival. For the first time since they have known Jesus, they stand up and take their place in the kingdom of God.

"Quiet them down!" the Pharisees tell Jesus. "Make them stop!" But Jesus, riding on that borrowed colt, just shakes his head because he knows it is too late: "I tell you," he says, "if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

The disciples found their voices, and nothing could stop them now.

In the coming week their resolve will be tested. They will face religious and political persecution. They will face the worst kind of betrayal by one of their own. They will face their own weakness found in denial and fear. But, in the light of an Empty Tomb, they will finally understand what God looks like and what God's Kingdom can be. And with the dried palms crunching under their feet, they will find their voices once again and begin a ministry founded on faith, hope and love.

It's our turn now, to show the world what God looks like and what God's Kingdom can be. To show the world what it looks like to love your enemies, to welcome the stranger, the other, the ones that others turn away. To show the world what it looks like to forgive those who have hurt you... to forgive those who have hurt those you love... to forgive them not once, not seven times, but seventy times seven.

We can show the world, one person at a time.

Ultimately, it's not what we say... it's what we do. It's the random acts of kindness. It's the radical acts of love. It's the all-encompassing acts of welcome. We are the ones who can find our voices and They found their voices and summon our courage to assume our role as witnesses to God's will on earth as it is in heaven.

For Christ's sake, let's show the world what God looks like.

Peace be with you, my beloved friends,

Pastor Katie



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#### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

Elaine Baker Jacob's Well 522 Thomas Run Road Bel Air, MD 21015

Dick Spooner

**Betty Dillinger** 4410 Camellia Road Baltimore, MD 21237

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5/6	Theodore	Burke
5/7	Shirley	Dalgo
5/7	Kevin	Langenfelder
5/7	Melissa	Wengler
5/8	Ronald	Earling
5/9	Jane	Anderson
5/9	Julie	Spause
5/10	Timothy	Grace
5/12	Allen	Dufour, Jr.
5/14	Harry	Freund, Jr.
5/16	Charles	Ritter
5/19	Terry	Reed
5/19	Geoffrey	Gordon
5/26	Joan	Jordan
5/30	James	Murphy, III



5-03 Tim & Shirley Dalgo 5-11 Jim & Mary Murphy 5-29 Herb & Jennifer Pilarski

#### **MEMORIALS AND DONATIONS**

Donation from Donald & Marilyn A. Mohr - General Fund Memory of Vera Saffer from Keith M. Isaacs - Organ Fund

#### Zion Congregation

Thank you for all the thoughts and prayers for our family and James Baker Sr. He is now in a place where he can be the person he used to be, talking and laughing. He is with his wife, AnaBelle and son Jim

The family of James Baker, Sr.

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## **MAY 2019**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4
		NA 7:3opm	NA /Nar Anon 7:30pm		Spaghetti Dinner 4-7pm (Hall)
6	7	8	9	10	11
Turner Seniors 9:30-3:30pm Executive Board 7:00pm	Choir 7:00pm	NA 7:3opm	Woman's Guild 10:00am NA /Nar Anon 7:30pm		Used Book Sale 10:00am-1:00pm
13	14	15	16	17	18
Turner Seniors 9:30-3:30pm Council 7:00pm	Choir 7:00pm	NA 7:3opm	NA /Nar Anon 7:30pm		Property Work Day - 8am Bingo 1:00pm Hall
20	21	22	23	24	25
Turner Seniors 9:30-3:30pm Property 7pm	Choir 7:00pm	NA 7:30pm	NA /Nar Anon 7:30pm		
27	28	29	30	31	
Memorial Day Observed Office Closed	Choir 7:00pm	NA 7:3opm	NA /Nar Anon 7:30pm		
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### Many thanks to our volunteers

Date	Greeter(s)	Liturgist	Acolyte
May 5 Communion 9:45am	Krista DiPaula & Natalie Sturm	Krista DiPaula	Lindsey Turner
May 12 9:45am	Ruth Langenfelder	Jane Anderson	Ciara Murphy
May 19 9:45am	Terry Reed	Jenny Winter	Elaina Winter
May 26 - Hymn Sing 9:45am	Kathy & Lindsey Turner	Dave Winter	Camden Dunn
Altar Guild: Krista DiPaula & N			
Head Ushers for May: Sandy			
If you would like to read or g time, please call: Elaine Robe Church O			



Bryan Barbalace, Gerrie Bouthner, Les Bowser Jr., Vivian Bowser, Richard Buck, Jerry & Mae Coleman, Betty Cornes, Family of Frank Ekr, Charles Freund, Bill Gilbert, Wayne Goodwill, Retha Griffin, Robert Hayman, Linda Heath, Keith Langenfelder, Jr., Judy Langenfelder, Scott Lein, Gloria Long, Gloria Nethkin, James Penick, Annabelle Phillips, Clarence Pitz, Sandy Reitze, Lindsay Winter, Tori Smith, Nick White, service men & women, **peace on earth.** 

#### Women's Guild News By Gloria Nethkin, President

- Everyone appreciated information given by guest speaker Detective Burton at the April meeting concerning current area scams.
- The next Women's Guild meeting is planned for Thursday, May 9 at 11:00am in the hall. New friends are welcome to join us. Our June 13 meeting will be the end of the year luncheon celebration more details will follow next month.
- Book sale day is Saturday, May 11, 10:00am -1:00pm in the hall. We will continue the sales on the second Saturday through the summer (June 8, July 13, August 10). You are also welcome to make purchases at the May 4 Spaghetti Dinner and time when the hall is used for other events. You will always find great prices for all types of books, jigsaw puzzles, magazines and assorted small gifts. Your support is greatly appreciated.
- Have a pleasant spring season.

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Easter Memorials:	<u>By:</u>	Fund:
Albert & Mamie Jones	Tim & Shirley Dalgo	General
August & Madeline Pflugrad	Loving Family	General
Aunts & Uncles	Terry, Bob & Mark	General
Benjamin & Doris (Thelma) Jones	Tim & Shirley Dalgo	General
Bert Shrader	Loving wife Carol	Organ
Christine Price	Dave & Jenny Winter	General
Conrad Ritter	Richard & Donna Meise	General
Denise Winter	Dave & Jenny Winter	General
Eadie Mehring	Barbara Hart	General
Eleanor & Lawrence Willis	Jane Anderson	Genera
Elizabeth Grauer	Richard & Donna Meise	General
George & Helen Johnson	Joyce, Carol & Marjorie	Organ
George A. Dalgo	Tim & Shirley Dalgo	General
Grace Ritter	Richard & Donna Meise	General
Jack West	Judy & Kevin Langenfelder	General
James Hart, Jr.	Loving Family	General
Jim & Ruth Hart	Loving Family	General
John & Barbara Pflugrad	Loving Family	General
John Langenfelder	Lois & Paul Single	General
John Naumann	Carol Shrader	Organ
Joseph J. Kachinski	Shirley & Tim Dalgo	General
Louise Meise	Richard & Donna Meise	General
Loved Ones	Charles & Sandra Freund	General
Loved Ones	Elaine Roberts & Family	EIO
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Loved Ones	Shirley & Charles Ritter	General
Scott Clark	Karson & Katie Langenfelder	General
Scott Clark	Time & Shirley Dalgo	Organ
Walter Meise	Richard & Donna Meise	General
William & Margaret Fischer	Loving Family	General

#### <u>Easter Lilies:</u> <u>By:</u>

Vera Saffer

Carolyn Anna (Kreisel) Dougherty Charles & Carole Pfarr Conrad Ritter Helen Ritter & Family **David Earling** Loving Family Frederick Solowski John & Lauren Chopper Karl Langenfelder Norma West Karson & Katie Langenfelder Norma West Kevin & Judy Langenfelder Norma West Lorraine & Bob Bollinger Terry, Bob, Mark Loved Ones Jim & Mary Murphy Loved Ones Jerry & Joyce Ey Mae & Carl Earling Loving Family Marie Louise Solowski Leslie Swiger/Cowing Ricci Earling Loving Family Richard L. & Alice Hess Richard, Joyce & Family

Jean Saffer

#### Honor of:

#### By:

Karl, Karson & Katie Langenfelder
Kenneth & Barbara Langenfelder
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Kevin & Judy Langenfelder
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Les Bowser, Jr.
Norma West
Ruth Lanlder
Ruth Lanlder
Ryan, Ben, Brady & Olivia
Tracey, Timmy & Joshua

Karson & Katie Langenfelder
Kevin & Judy Langenfelder
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Lois & Paul Single
Grandparents-Tim & Shirley
Parents-Tim & Shirley

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#### Spaghetti Dinner / Spring Plant Sale Saturday, May 4 4 - 7pm

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - June 18 - 20<sup>th</sup>

- Our week of VBS will begin Tuesday, June 18 and run through Saturday, June 22 from 9 AM to 12 PM each day.
- Ages 4 years through High school are invited to join the fun as we hear stories from the Old and New Testaments and explore how far beyond our imaginings the power of God will take us. Daily activities include stories, music, science projects, crafts and more.
- Parents and family members can join us any day, but are especially invited to share our Saturday activities, ending with a lunchtime picnic.
- A donation of \$10 per child is suggested for the week.
- Anyone who may have time to share is encouraged to consider being a teacher or station leader. Any
  questions may be directed to Kerri Wilcox (410-687-3576).



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