

The *VIEW*

News of the Ministries of Pleasant View Evangelical Lutheran Church April 2021

Preparing for a return to in-person worship

The church council has determined that on Easter Sunday (April 4th) we can safely gather for an in-person worship service to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord! We are still in the midst of a pandemic so to limit a potential spread of the virus the service will take place outdoors, temperatures will be taken, masks will be worn, and social distancing will be practiced. Rebecca Perrin has graciously volunteered to sing the hymns to limit the potential spread of the virus caused by congregational singing. If you feel comfortable I encourage you to come and celebrate with us at the 11:00am. service. “Christ is Risen! Christ has risen indeed!”

On Thursday, April 8th, the church council will meet virtually to discuss how and when we can safely continue in-person worship on a weekly basis. Prior to that meeting you may be contacted to see if you feel comfortable returning to in-person worship at this time. You will also be asked if you have received the COVID-19 vaccine (i.e., if you have an appointment to receive the vaccine, if you’ve received only one shot of the two part vaccine, or if you are fully vaccinated — for our purposes all of these three categories qualify as a “yes, I have received the vaccine”). The council is only interested in gathering the percentage of members who have been vaccinated—we are not interested in knowing the names of those who have or have not been vaccinated and no such records will be kept. This information is for statistical purposes only as it will aid us in determining the health risks our church faces with a return to in-person worship.

I would like the congregation to know that when we do return to in-person worship the restrictions that are in place for the Easter Sunday service will remain in place for future Sunday services until the State of Virginia, the CDC, and the Virginia Synod office gives the go ahead to relax some of these requirements.

Question: “If I am fully vaccinated do I need to wear a mask and practice social distancing when I come to worship?”

Answer: “Yes.” The vaccine protects you from getting sick but you may unknowingly be carrying the virus that could spread to others who are not vaccinated. There have been some studies conducted in Israel and elsewhere that indicate those vaccinated do not spread the virus to others but these studies are preliminary and more research is needed. Out of an abundance of caution, and the potential spread of virus variants, we ask all those returning to in-person worship to follow the church and CDC guidelines. Please do this out of love and concern for one another.

I so look forward to seeing many of you on Easter Sunday and hope we are able to safely resume in-person worship in the near future. I am very aware that some people don't yet feel comfortable returning and others, for health reasons, have been advised not to gather with others at this time. Please know that everyone who receives this email is an important part of our congregation. You are not forgotten and will not be left behind. The church will continue to reach out through emails and other forms of communication as we have been doing throughout the pandemic and will continue to do so long after the pandemic is past.

All through the month of April we celebrate the wonder of Christ's resurrection and what it means for us in this life and the next. Together we proclaim; "Christ is Risen! Christ has risen indeed!"

Love one another.

Pastor Larry

"In-Person" Worship Services Suspended: On March 18th, the Council decided to continue suspension of "in-person" worship services through April 3rd and all related activities until further notice. The Council will reevaluate this decision on April 8th. To assist in decision-making, prior to the April 8th Council meeting, a "Return to Worship" survey will be emailed to Congregational members for completion. Any questions may be directed to Carol Troxell at carol.troxell@gmail.com or (540) 294-1559.

Easter Sunday (April 4): We will gather outside the church at 11:00 a.m. to celebrate Our Risen Lord. The Festival of Easter will include a complete worship service, including a sermon, music, Holy Communion and the opportunity to share our joy in Our Risen Lord. The exact outside location is to be determined. Bring a lawn chair and blanket.



Palm Sunday (March 28): Palm Sunday is a feast that falls on the Sunday before Easter. The feast commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, an event mentioned in each of the four canonical Gospels. Palm Sunday marks the first day of Holy Week, the last week of the Christian solemn season of Lent that precedes the arrival of Eastertide. Worship outdoors at your home using the PVELC bulletin. Commune with nature as it begins its springtime rebirth – use your "senses" to see, to taste, to hear, to smell, and to touch God's creation.



Easter Lilies

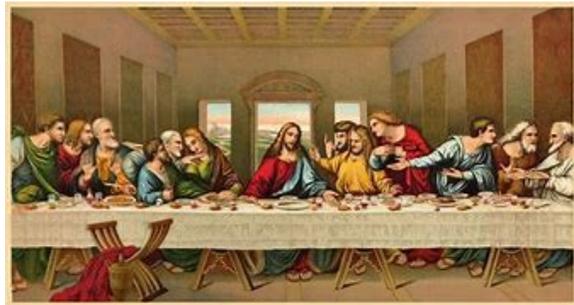
March 28 - Easter Lily Project - Deadline:

Rather than purchasing Easter Lilies for the Easter season, please consider a donation to one (or more) of several PVELC initiatives. A listing of the donations and their corresponding memorials or honorariums will be distributed in the Easter Sunday announcements (amount excluded). Suggested initiatives include: Outreach; General Fund; Building Fund; HVAC fund; and the Memorial Fund. Please return the form and associated check to PVELC or contact Becci Page.



Through April 3: “40 Days and 40 Nights – Praying through Lent” by Gail Ramshaw. Lent is “a time for contemplation, for action, for growth. a time to return to the waters of baptism.” Sunday Scripture readings: Year B.

The Last Supper: “On the first Maundy Thursday, after they had eaten, Jesus gave the disciples his body and blood together with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of their sins. Called Holy Communion or the Eucharist, Lutherans believe this to be one of two sacraments — gifts from God. Most worship services focus on the meal and communion to commemorate this day.” (The Living Lutheran)



[The Three Days: traditions of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Vigil of Easter - Living Lutheran](#)

Maundy Thursday (April 1): “What does the name mean? The term “Maundy” comes from the Latin “mandatum;” it is from a verb that means “to give” or “to order” — command. After Jesus and the disciples finished the Last Supper and walked toward Gethsemane, Jesus taught them a new commandment — “I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another” (John 13:34).” (The Living Lutheran)



Maundy Thursday

Good Friday (April 2): We remember Christ's hours on the cross with meditation and the Tenebrae service. This meditation will be included in the April 2 email. "The purpose of this **service** was to remember the somber events that occurred in Jesus' life from the exuberant entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday through the night of Jesus' burial on Good Friday" (wiki). There is a gradual dimming of the daylight and extinguishing of the candles as the service progresses.



Holy Saturday (April 3): "Holy Saturday. A pause. A space between Good Friday and Easter. A full tomb and, except for the guard, an empty garden. Still. Silent. ... Grief from Sandy Hook, Mother Emmanuel, Katrina, San Bernardino and other tragedies [COVID-19] cannot be rushed. None of the Good Fridays in our lives can. ... But I think the space between crucifixion and resurrection — truly terrifying and truly compassionate — beckons us from our life to life in Christ." Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton [Holy Saturday - Living Lutheran](#)



Easter Sunday (April 4): Please bring flowers to decorate the outdoor cross located beside the Giving Tree in front of the Cemetery wall. Please share our joy in the Resurrection of our Lord.



Thursday, April 8: Council Meeting (conference call) @ 6:30 p.m.: The Church Council has ongoing issues that must be addressed to ensure the appropriate planning for in-person worship services and overseeing the operation of our church. If you have suggestions or questions for the Council's consideration, please submit them to Carol Troxell (preferably in writing) no later than March 28, 2021. Email to carol.troxell@gmail.com

Change for Hope Outreach "Red Bucket" Requests: Please submit Change for Hope Outreach requests in writing or via email to the Church Council or Church Secretary. All requests are subject to Council approval and must be printed in the bulletin or announced at least two weeks prior to the Outreach collection. Outreach requests continue even during worship services suspensions. If an outreach is designated, the collections will occur on the first, third, and/or fifth Sundays.

Tuesday, April 13: WELCA will have a planning meeting at 10 a.m. This meeting will be held in the Social Hall with wearing of masks and social distancing.

Change for Hope Outreach Contributions: The Council has approved the following “Red Bucket: collection:

- **Sunday, April 18 Verona Community Center**

The Verona Community Center is a non-profit organization funded entirely through donations and staffed by volunteers. The center provides “...a place where the Verona community and its neighbors can come together for worship, fellowship, service and recreation,,,” The center has been used for joint PVELC and Salem ELC planning meetings.

Good News: Valley Roofing has completed the roofing/gutter work and the completed cost of the project \$7,150 came in at \$842 below the estimated cost. The payment for this project was recommended by the Memorial Committee, approved by the Council, and paid from the Memorial Fund. Anyone wishing to contribute toward the Memorial Fund may do so -- just make a notation in the notes portion of your check.

PVELC Contributions: Please mail your contributions (or correspondence) to: **PVELC, P.O. Box 346, Verona, VA 24482.** If you wish a contribution designated to a special fund (e.g., Outreach, HVAC, Change for Hope request), please make a note in the memo section of your check or include a note along with the contribution. Thank you for your ongoing support of PVELC.

Faith Formation at Home (Online Worship Opportunities)

Pleasant View Evangelical Lutheran Church: search website and Facebook posts:

<http://www.pvelc.org/>

[Pleasant View Evangelical Lutheran Church - Posts | Facebook](#)

Thank you to Michael Vayvada (website) and to Mary Garber (Facebook) for maintaining and updating these PVELC websites. Just click on the links above.

ELCA: www.elca.org

ELCA news releases are detailed accounts describing events and ministries of the ELCA.

[News Releases - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America \(elca.org\)](#)

[Worship in the Home](#)” is available weekly on the ELCA Worship blog. You are encouraged to worship as you are able in homes on Sunday and throughout the week. [ELCA Worship ELCA Worship - Resources, stories and news from the ELCA Worship Office. - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America](#)

Mar. 21: [ELCA Worship » Blog Archive Worship in the Home: March 21, 2021 - ELCA Worship - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America](#)

Mar. 28: [ELCA Worship » Blog Archive Worship in the Home: Sunday of the Passion / Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021 - ELCA Worship - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America](#)

Apr. 1: [ELCA Worship » Blog Archive Worship in the Home: The Three Days: Maundy Thursday, April 1, 2021 - ELCA Worship - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America](#)

Apr. 2: [ELCA Worship » Blog Archive Worship in the Home: The Three Days: Good Friday, April 2, 2021 - ELCA Worship - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America](#)

Apr.3: [ELCA Worship » Blog Archive Worship in the Home: The Three Days: Vigil of Easter, April 3, 2021 - ELCA Worship - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America](#)

Virginia Synod: vasynod.org/resources/pulpit-supply.

Mar. 21: [Gospel Reading and Sermon by Deacon Lisa Geiger for Lent 5b - YouTube](#)

Mar. 28: [Sermon by Vicar Luke Swanson for the Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday. - YouTube](#)

Mar. 28: [Mark's Passion for the Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday - YouTube](#)

NOTE: Muhlenberg Lutheran and Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church are using the Narrative Lectionary series based on Biblical stories, "Rich Man and Lazarus," Luke 16:19-31.

Muhlenberg Lutheran Church, Harrisonburg; Pastors Lauren Eanes and Alex Zuber.

[Lent 2021 at Muhlenberg \(muhlenberglutheran.org\)](https://muhlenberglutheran.org)

Mar. 21: [Fifth Sunday in Lent Wellstream Worship at Muhlenberg - YouTube](#) (worship service);

[Coming Up Short - Sermon for 3/21/2021 - YouTube](#) (sermon only)

Unexpected Lenten: [Lenten Micropractices Calendar.pdf \(mcusercontent.com\)](#)

Lenten "Soup Suppers at Home" recipes - each recipe submitted by a fellow Muhlenberg member:

[Soup Supper Recipes \(muhlenberglutheran.org\)](#)

Link to various Lent services from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday: [Lent 2021 at Muhlenberg \(muhlenberglutheran.org\)](#)

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mount Sidney; Pastor Derek Boggs.

Mar. 21: [Worship Service 3/21/21 - Fifth Sunday in Lent - YouTube](#)

PVELC Communications: If you need a pastoral consultation, please contact Pastor Larry via phone or email. If you have issues for the Church Council, please contact Carol Troxell. For additions or corrections to the bulletin prayer list or email distribution, please contact Stephen Dickerson. To initiate a prayer chain request or to be included in the prayer chain communications, please contact Linda Page.

Bulletins, Newsletters, Etc. A plastic bin containing these materials is placed outside at the Parish Hall door. If you are having difficulty accessing the email distributions or are not receiving emails, please contact either Stephen Dickerson or Becci Page. The "Word in Season" for April, May, and June is available.

From Pastor Larry: Sunday Gospel reflections; Midweek reflections
Sunday Bulletin; Announcements; Roots and Wings; Spark Bulletin
Devotion Materials: "Word in Season" and "Living Lutheran"

Communion – special circumstances: On an individual or a couple basis, limited at-home communion (on your porch or patio) may be administered by Pastor Larry or Sue Cook. If you are interested, please contact them via email or telephone.

Staying in Touch – Holidays, Get Well, Birthdays, Anniversaries, Thinking of You: Please take time to send a note of encouragement to one another, make a phone call, send

a text message, post a social media message, light a candle, donate to a charity serving those in distress, and pray for our brothers and sisters around the world. To initiate specific prayer chain requests, please contact Linda Page via text or phone.

Prayer Chain Requests: To initiate specific prayer chain requests, please contact Linda Page via phone or phone at 540-294-6596; email lindalinkpage@comcast.net. In addition, refer to the “Our Prayers” section of the Announcements.



Glen & Ruth Worrell	4-20-1996
(25 years)	
Gary & Mary Roudabush	4-27-1986
(35 years)	
Duane & Rebecca Perrin	4-30-2011
(10 years)	



In Memoriam

Dennis Wayne McCray (deceased March 8) Please keep the family and friends of this child of God in your prayers.

Entering the Church: If you need to be in the building, please use the Main Hall entrance. Please wear a mask and observe a six-foot physical distance. Sign-in "tracking" documents are in the Main Hall and in the Social Hall. Please sign in and note the applicable rooms visited.

Stewardship/Church Donations: Are you at least 70 1/2 years old and have a traditional IRA (not a Roth)? Money from an individual retirement account (IRA) that is donated directly to the church will allow you to avoid paying taxes on the amount withdrawn. Contact your financial planner or your financial institution and request to make a “qualified charitable donation.” Designate the amount of the contribution and the time period (weekly, monthly, yearly). A check will be written to PVELC in the amount specified and sent directly to the church. If you itemize deductions on your yearly tax return (Schedule A), you would not be able to deduct this contribution. If you take the standard deduction, however, the amount you contributed through your IRA will not be included in your income. This will lower your adjusted gross income and lower your taxes. Contact your financial advisor or institution for information/questions.

March 28, St. Paul’s United Methodist Church, 2000 Shutterlee Mill Rd, Staunton, VA, “Journey to the Cross,” from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Enjoy a drive-through presentation of Jesus’s journey to the cross. There will be live animals and actors illustrating Jesus’s journey to the cross; 11 stations portraying the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. No charge: rain date is April 3.

Easter Passion: “Experience the last days of Jesus through a unique, dramatic presentation of Mark’s Gospel with Max McLean and a cast of dynamic Broadway artists. Easter Passion follows His steps from the triumphal entry, to the cleansing of the temple, the Last Supper, Gethsemane, the trial before Pilate, Christ’s agony and the crucifixion, culminating with His glorious resurrection.” Premiering **Palm Sunday** and available through **Easter**. Nine Scenes from *The Gospel of Mark*! Nine Amazing Songs! All in 45 Minutes! [Easter Passion - Fellowship for Performing Arts | Fellowship for Performing Arts \(fpatheatre.com\)](http://fpatheatre.com)

Stations of the Cross in the (Roanoke) Valley, The Virginia Synod prepared a “Stations of the Cross” adventure with coordinating gospel passage, reflection, and prayer. Make your Lenten Journey a journey. Many of us have spent a good deal of time in our homes over the past months and some of our spiritual disciplines have necessarily changed and adapted. This Stations of the Cross resource is intended to get people out of their homes to experience the story of Jesus’ passion and to consider the story of the neighboring community. This is for you to use in a way that makes sense for you. Most importantly use this resource to deepen the relationship with Jesus who suffers, dies, AND rises for your sake and for the sake of the world. (See separate attachment) SOURCE: Virginia Synod

Stations of the Cross (Staunton area) As an alternative, consider replacing the Roanoke Valley locations with ones in the Augusta/Staunton area. Or in lieu of travel, envision the locations and the meaning they offer. For example:

Station One: Edith J. Carrier Arboretum, 780 University Blvd, Harrisonburg

Station Two: Verona Community Center, 465 Lee Hwy, Verona

Station Three: Salvation Army, Valley Mission

Station Four: Augusta County Circuit Court, Staunton Circuit Court, Waynesboro Circuit Court

Station Five: Verona Food Pantry

Station Six: Find a favorite hiking area. Labyrinth at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1148 Ladd Rd, Waynesboro

Station Seven: Sears Hill Bridge and Overlook, Staunton

Station Eight: Middle River Regional Jail, Staunton

Station Nine: Smith Center’s Mevluda Tahirovic Memorial Garden, 22 S New St, Staunton

Station Ten: Gypsy Hill Park, Staunton

Station Eleven: Pleasant View Cemetery; Thornrose Cemetery; cemeteries of loved ones

[Scriptural Way of the Cross - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scriptural_Way_of_the_Cross) “Out of the fourteen traditional Stations of the Cross, only eight have a clear scriptural foundation. Stations 3, 4, 6, 7, and 9 are not specifically attested to in the gospels (Roman Catholics believe in Holy Tradition and this is the Holy Tradition not written but practiced for centuries and therefore valid) and Station 13 (representing Jesus’s body being taken down off the cross and laid in the arms of his mother Mary) seems to embellish the gospels’ record, which states that Joseph of Arimathea took Jesus down from the cross and buried him. To provide a version of this devotion more closely aligned with the biblical accounts, Pope John Paul II introduced a new form of devotion, called the Scriptural Way of the Cross, on Good Friday 1991. He celebrated that form many times but not exclusively at the Colosseum in Italy, using the following sequence (as published by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops): In 2007, Pope Benedict XVI approved this set of stations for meditation and public celebration.”

1. Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane;
2. Jesus is betrayed by Judas and arrested;
3. Jesus is condemned by the Sanhedrin;
4. Jesus is denied by Peter;
5. Jesus is judged by Pilate;
6. Jesus is scourged and crowned with thorns;
7. Jesus takes up his cross;
8. Jesus is helped by Simon of Cyrene to carry his cross;
9. Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem;
10. Jesus is crucified;
11. Jesus promises his kingdom to the repentant thief;
12. Jesus entrusts Mary and John to each other;
13. Jesus dies on the cross; and
14. Jesus is laid in the tomb.



The **Virginia Synod Assembly** will be held on-line for 2021 and is scheduled to take place on Saturday, June 12th. This year's theme comes from, *We have boldness and confident access to God by way of Christ's faithfulness.* (Ephesians 3.12 NET) God is bold – gifting us each with grace and making us servants of the gospel.

Pleasant View may send two voting members to the Annual Assembly. Early bird registration is \$50 through April 19th and standard registration is \$65 through May 12th. The registration fee will be paid by the church. If you are interested in representing our Congregation, please contact Carol Troxell (carol.troxell@gmail.com) for additional information.

Created, Called, Clothed: Pastor Jean Bozeman: As a part of our recognition of Women's History Month, Assistant to the Bishop Kelly Bayer Derrick interviewed the former Assistant to the Bishop Jean Bozeman. Pastor Bozeman, who was the first woman ordained by the Virginia Synod, shares the story of her call, her ministry, and her hopes for the future. There are two versions of the video - the five-minute version [Created, Clothed, Called: Virginia Synod's First Woman Pastor \(Abbreviated Version\) - YouTube](#) and a 20-minute version with more details and more stories. [Created, Clothed, Called: Virginia Synod's First Woman Pastor – YouTube](#)

CENTRAL SHENANDOAH HEALTH DISTRICT
Weekly COVID-19 Update (excerpts)
March 23, 2021

COVID-19 Vaccine Information from CSHD newsletter: [COVID-19 – Central Shenandoah Health District \(virginia.gov\)](#)

CSHD Expands Vaccination Efforts: This week CSHD is expanding our vaccination efforts to include all groups in [Phase 1b](#). Invitations for these clinics will come through email or phone call.

PREVENTION We still need to focus on flattening the curve.

Watch your distance | Wash your hands | Wear a mask

- All people in Virginia should **stay home as much as possible** and **practice social distancing** to reduce the risk of being exposed to COVID-19.
- **Wear a face mask to protect yourself** from COVID-19.
- **Download [COVIDWISE](#)**, Virginia’s free exposure notification app.
- **Answer the call!** If a Case Investigator or Contact Tracer calls you, you should answer the call. Talking to the health department is an important step in slowing the spread of COVID-19.
- **Who is in your Social Bubble or Pod?** As COVID-19 continues to spread in our community, it is important to think about who is in your social bubble and who might be in their bubble.

Virginia Statewide COVID-19 Vaccine Pre-Registration System: All Virginians, regardless of phase eligibility, can pre-register for the COVID-19 vaccine at [vaccinate.virginia.gov](#) or by calling the **Virginia COVID-19 Vaccine Information Call Center 1-877-VAX-IN-VA (1-877-829-4682)**.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT COVID-19, VISIT: <https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/covid-19-in-virginia/>

USDA Extends Free Meals to Children through Summer 2021 Due to Pandemic: The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) today announced the nationwide extension of several waivers that allow all children to continue to receive nutritious meals this summer when schools are out of session. These flexibilities are now available through Sept. 30, 2021.

In addition, the waivers:

- Allow meals served through the **Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)** and **Seamless Summer Option (SSO)** – collectively known as “**summer meal programs**” – to be made available in all areas at no cost;
- Allow meals to be served outside of the normally required group settings and meal times; and
- Allow parents and guardians to pick-up meals for their children, including bulk pick-up to cover multiple days of feeding children.

[USDA Extends Free Meals to Children through Summer 2021 Due to Pandemic | USDA](#)

Our Prayers

For the good of the church: Our bishops, Elizabeth and Robert, and all pastors.

For those serving on military active duty: Chapman Toman and Alex Rankin

For our healthcare and safety members and friends: Leslie Adkins, Andy Bunch, Jennifer Cline, Rebecca Coffin, Alex & Nathan Hall, Courtney Johnson, Frances & John Knott, Kegan Knott, Naomi Knott, Dr. Timothy Landes, Amy Moyers, Casey Parady, Karen Quick, Lisa Rankin, Thomas Ratcliff, Beth Sheets, Susan St Clair, Kimberley Toman, Forester Wright, Hunter Wright, Dustin Wright, Dean Zullig, and others.

For healing and recovery: Linda Zullig, Bill Braithwaite, Betty Cox, Gladys Fockler, Kenneth Landes, Wanda Bowers, Duane Perrin, Tina Carrillo and Frances Knott

For our friends and neighbors: **Rette Cline**, friend of Rosemary Spell; **Helen Berry**, sister of Hunter Fauber; **Emily Simmons**, grandmother of Laurel and Zane Simmons; **Dottie Hall**, sister of Jim Sheets; **Virginia Roudabush**, mother of Gary Roudabush; **Michael Adkins**, grandson of Jimmy and Carolyn Cox; **Lynda Midgett**, cousin of Joe Price; **Susan Wimmer**, friend of Joe Price; **Michael Suter**, nephew of Bill Braithwaite

Those affected by COVID-19: **Diane**, Pastor Larry's sister; **Forester Wright**, father and father in-law of Forester and Susan Wright; **Mary Sowers**, friend of Joe Price

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April Birthdays

Cassidy Knicely	4/1
Kim Toman	4/1
Zane Simmons	4/3
Emmarae Dawn Cary	4/4
Rosemary Spell	4/4
Jordan Toman	4/4
Zach Cook	4/11
Lisa Rankin	4/15
Gene Lilly	4/22
David Jetton	4/28

April Anniversaries

Mark & Leah Wheeler	4/10/2010
Mike & Emily Vayvada	4/18/1998
Glen & Ruth Worrell	4/20/1996
Gary & Mary Roudabush	4/27/1986
Roger & Cheryl McKay	4/27/1988
Duane & Rebecca Perrin	4/30/2011



April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
ROOTS AND WINGS VIRGINIA SYNOD, ELCA VOL 13, ISSUE 4 APRIL 2021						
4 Happy Easter! Read John 20:1-18	5 Booker T. Washington's Bday With your grown-up, Google to learn more about this educator and civil rights activist.	6 On Sunday, we celebrated God's love for us as shown in Christ Jesus. As a family, talk about the special significance that Easter has for each of you.	7 Nat'l Walking Day Get out and take a stroll, enjoy the sunshine or the night sky. Thank you, God, for the ability to get around!	8 Draw a Bird Day Take a peek outside of your window. The birds are happy that it's Springtime. Draw a picture of your favorite bird and give thanks to God for all of creation.	9 Nat'l Unicorn Day If you had a pet unicorn, what would it look like? Have each person in the family draw a picture of the "perfect" unicorn.	10 Family Fun Day
11 Read John 20:19-31	12 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day What's your favorite cheese to use on your GC sandwich? For dinner, make a variety of gourmet grilled cheeses. Don't forget to add bacon!	13 When the risen Lord appeared to His disciples, He said to them, "Peace be with you." We do the same thing on Sundays in worship. Talk about this with your family at dinner.	14 1 st English Dictionary Published in 1828 Do you have a favorite word, at dinner tonight, ask the family this question then, after dinner, look up all the meanings of their favorite words.	15 ASL Day The 1 st School for the Deaf was founded in 1817. Sign Language is a way to communicate with your hands. With the help of an adult, find a YouTube video on how to say I love you in ASL.	16 High Five Day Instead of hugging your family and friends today, give high fives instead.	17 Family Fun Day
18 Read Luke 24:36-48	19 Nat'l Bicycle Day After dinner tonight, go out for a family bike ride! Enjoy being outside.	20 The disciples on the road to Emmaus did not recognize Jesus until he gave them something to eat. How can you recognize Jesus this week?	21 Church Administrator's Day Do you have a church administrator? Today, show your love by bringing flowers or making a special card to say thank you for all the work that they do for us.	22 Earth Day God has given us this great, big beautiful earth to take care of. We can use less plastic, recycle, and be cautious of our water usage. Talk about how we can do this as a family.	23 World Book Night Tonight, take turns reading several chapters of a book that the whole family enjoys.	24 Nat'l Dance Day
25 Read John 10:11-18	26 Nat'l Pretzel Day Today's a great day to Google a pretzel recipe and make some with your family for an after-dinner treat. Top with cinnamon sugar or dip them in mustard.	27 Babe Ruth Day With the help your grown-up, Google to learn more about this famous baseball player. Batter up!	28 Nat'l Superheroes Day Who's your favorite superhero? Thor, Captain America, Cat Woman? Or...maybe a special grown-up that you know. Tonight, tell a story using your favorite superhero as the main character.	29 World Wish Day I bet you have dandelions in your neighborhood. We call them wish flowers. Pick a dandelion and make a special wish when you blow off the petals. What did you wish for?	30 International Jazz Day Billie Holiday, Ella Fitzgerald, Benny Goodman. With the help of an adult, go on YouTube and listen to some jazz music. Put on your dancing shoes!	31 Family Fun Day

Table prayer for April: Brighter days are upon us, sunshine fills our days. God, you gladden our hearts by the light of your Son and bless us in so many ways. Amen.

Memory verse for April: Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Ephesians 4:32

