

# NEW HORIZONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## April Newsletter

New Horizons PCUSA  
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### Important Dates for April

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Easter Sunday	April 1
Holocaust Remembrance Day	April 12
International Day of Farmers' Struggles	April 17
Earth Day	April 22

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# NEW HORIZONS PC(USA)

## News 'n Views

*Seek ye the Lord, with heart, mind, and soul*

### Words from the Pastor

Dear friends:

I have decided to retire as of February 28, 2019. In March 2019, I will celebrate my 65th Birthday and be eligible for PCUSA retirement and Medicare. My wife, Shari, has already retired, so I will join her then after 39 years of active church ministry.

Meanwhile, your Session has determined that your congregation is ready to call a part-time installed Pastor. With approval from the Presbytery Commission on Pastoral Transitions, they are planning to call a congregational meeting to elect a Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) as soon as possible. The Congregational Nominating Committee will be looking for members of PNC to be elected. If you are asked, please carefully consider this opportunity.

Once elected, the PNC will prepare an on-line profile of the church. (Estimated time of preparation is 2-3 months.) Once the profile has been accepted, the PNC will begin receiving resumes from pastors who are interested in the position. I believe that there is a good pool of qualified candidates in the St. Louis area who will be interested in this part-time position, so you should have a new pastor within 6-9 months after you begin your search. I believe this will dovetail nicely with my retirement plans.

Meanwhile, I will continue as your Interim Pastor until my retirement. We have some exciting events coming up, especially the Joint Worship Service with Pendo Presbyterian Church on June 17 when about 20 commissioners from the PCUSA General Assembly will be joining us for worship and lunch. (By the way, the Pendo Community was chartered as a congregation of the PCUSA at the last Presbytery meeting. We



Evelyn Reed  
Edie Roberts  
Marion Brewer  
Lore Bailey  
Tom Highfill  
Julianna Yamnitz  
Tamara King  
Michele Klous  
Jennifer Einfeldt  
Crystal Freeman  
Herman & Phyllis Jackson  
Brenda Jones  
Harry and Charity Sherrington  
Wray and Doris Darr  
Dorothy Alexander  
Marguerite Goedde

But we will give ourselves continually to  
**Prayer**  
and to the ministry of the word. Acts 6:4

**\*\*Please submit new prayer requests to the Office, church email, or After Hours Mailbox.**

#### **Office Hours:**

Tues, Thurs, Fri 8:30am—2pm

#### **Pastor's Hours:**

Tues\* & Thurs 1pm—4pm

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extend our congratulations and I am sure there will be a big party and commissioning service soon!)

Life in the church of Jesus Christ goes on. New congregations are chartered. A pastor retires. Another pastor agrees to accept a new call. God will be faithful still!

See you in church!

Pastor Mark

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## Easter Sermon at Hagia Sophia

...Let us all enter into the joy of the Lord!  
First and last alike receive your reward;  
rich and poor, rejoice together!  
Sober and slothful, celebrate the day!

You that have kept the fast, and you that have not,  
rejoice today for the Table is richly laden!  
Feast royally on it, the calf is a fatted one.  
Let no one go away hungry.  
Partake, all, of the cup of faith.  
Enjoy all the riches of His goodness!

Let no one grieve at his poverty,  
for the universal kingdom has been revealed.  
Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again;  
for forgiveness has risen from the grave.  
Let no one fear death, for the Death of our  
Savior has set us free.  
He has destroyed it by enduring it.

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Christ is Risen, and you, o death, are annihilated!  
Christ is Risen, and the evil ones are cast down!  
Christ is Risen, and the angels rejoice!  
Christ is Risen, and life is liberated!  
Christ is Risen, and the tomb is emptied of its dead;  
for Christ having risen from the dead,  
is become the first-fruits of those who have  
fallen asleep.  
To Him be Glory and Power forever and ever.  
Amen!

-John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople

## Easter Sunday Prayer

It is only right,  
with all the powers of our heart and mind,  
to praise You Father  
and Your Only-begotten Son,  
Our Lord Jesus Christ:  
Dear Father, by Your wondrous  
condescension of loving-kindness toward us,  
Your servants, You gave up Your Son.  
Dear Jesus You paid the debt of Adam  
for us to the Eternal Father by  
Your Blood poured  
forth in loving-kindness.  
You cleared away the darkness of sin  
By Your magnificent and radiant Resurrection.  
You broke the bonds of death  
and rose from the grave as a Conqueror.  
You reconciled heaven and earth.  
Our life had no hope of eternal happiness  
before You redeemed us.  
Your Resurrection has washed away our sins,  
restored our innocence and brought us joy.  
How inestimable is the tenderness  
of Your love!

- Saint Gregory the Great

## Fabulous 50's Trivia Night

**Saturday, April 7th @ 7pm**

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Grab seven of your Coolest Cats and for St. Mark's 1950's themed fundraiser. It is \$200 per table of 8, or \$25 per individual ticket and they will find a hip group you can hang with. Doors open at 6pm and trivia starts at 7pm. BYOB and Be there or Be Square! The evening includes: 10 Rounds of Trivia, Silent Auction, Wine Grab, 50/50 Raffle & Games. To call dibs on a table or register individually, call 636-394-2233. St. Mark Presbyterian Church is located at 601 Claymont Drive, Ballwin, MO 63011. All proceeds benefit St. Mark Presbyterian Youth Group.

## Newsletter Deadline

Newsletter articles for the May Issue should be submitted to **the office** by April 25, 2018.

## Easter Scripture

"He was despised, and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering; as one from whom men hide their face, and we despised him and we did not value him.

Surely he has borne our sufferings, and carried our pains; yet we considered him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions. He was crushed for our iniquities. The punishment that brought our peace was on him; and by his wounds we are healed."

- **Isaiah 53:3-5**

"I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying. Everyone who lives in me and believes in me will never ever die."

- **John 11:25-26**

"Very early on Sunday morning the women went to the tomb, carrying the spices they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the entrance to the tomb, so they went in; but they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

They stood there puzzled about this, when suddenly two men in bright shining clothes stood by them. Full of fear, the women bowed down to the ground, as the men said to them, "Why are you looking among the dead for one who is alive? He is not here; he has been raised. Remember what he said to you while he was in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, be crucified, and three days later rise to life.'"

- **Luke 24:1-12**

## Mound Ridge Fundraiser

**Saturday, April 14th, 2018 @ 6pm—10pm**

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This annual event will be held at Andre's South Banquets and Catering, located at 4238 Telegraph Road, St. Louis, Missouri on Saturday, April 14 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Come join us and help support "The Magic of Mound Ridge." Tickets are \$65 per person or \$500 for a table of 8 and can be ordered at:

<http://bit.ly/2F98XEM>

## Easter Prayer

We are often not the Easter People that we should be, living in the certain knowledge of your great mercy and love.

Distracted by the world around us we fail to hear your voice, or hide when faith is challenged as we wander off the path.

Forgive us, we pray; restore the love that we first had, a faith that can endure.

We will keep our eyes fixed on you, Lord, and with you at our right hand we shall not be shaken.

## Easter Trivia

1. Who made the statement, "Take ye him, and crucify him, for I find no fault in him?"  
A. Mary Magdalene      B. Judas  
C. Pilate                      D. Herod
2. What kind of cloth was used to wrap the body of Jesus?  
A. Wool                              B. Linen  
C. Cotton                              D. Silk
3. How many angels were guarding the sepulcher in which Jesus' body was placed?  
A. 1                                      B. 4  
C. 6                                      D. 2
4. Which disciple is not present when Jesus goes to see them after his resurrection?  
A. Thomas                              B. Simon  
C. Paul                                      D. Peter
5. Which prisoner was released instead of Jesus?  
A. Barabbas                              B. Barnabas  
C. Bartholomew                              D. Barak
6. What was the name of the hill where they crucified Jesus?  
A. Gethsemane                              B. Golgotha  
C. Gibeon                                      D. Ararat

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**Answers:** 1. C; 2. B; 3. D; 4. A; 5. A; 6. B

## Quotes for Easter

"Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime." - Martin Luther

"God loves each of us as if there were only one of us." - Saint Augustine

"Easter is the only time when it's perfectly safe to put all of your eggs in one basket."  
- Evan Esar

"Our old history ends with the cross; our new history begins with our resurrection."  
- Watchman Nee

"Easter spells out beauty, the rare beauty of new life." - S.D. Gordon

"The great gift of Easter is hope."  
- Basil C. Hume

"Easter is a time when God turned the inevitability of death into the invincibility of life."  
- Craig D. Lounsbrough

## Moment for Prayer

"Holy God, we pray for those who are separated from the fullness of life that you desire for all people. Strengthened by your love and mercy, may we bridge the gaps that keep people from experiencing lives of wholeness and fulfillment. Amen."

- Mission Yearbook 2018

## 2nd Annual Night at the Improv

**Saturday, April 14th @ 5pm**

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Uni-Pres Kindercottage Fundraiser invites you to a night of laughter, fine dining & frivolity on Saturday, April 14 at 5 p.m at the Second Annual, Night at the Improv, featuring Ed Reggi, and The Paper Slips Troupe "Whose Line Is It Anyway?".

This fun event will be held at St. Paul UCC, 115 West "B" Street, in Belleville, Illinois.

*He is Risen!*



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**Risen  
Salvation  
Empty  
Tomb**

**Angel  
Calvary  
Sunday**

**Crown  
Disciples  
Cross**

**Stone  
Christ  
Mary**

## April Birthdays

Wray Darr	04/02
Marguerite Goedde	04/04
Evelyn Reed	04/05
Marion Brewer	04/06
Mary Shehorn	04/10
Judy Doyle	04/11
Brian Frazier	04/13
Richard Hause	04/17
Jennifer Lohnes	04/20

HAPPY  
*Birthday*

## April Anniversaries

Harry & Charity Sherrington 04/04



# April 2018 - New Horizons' Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 9:30am Easter Breakfast 10:30am Easter Worship & Communion 12:30pm Pendo Comm.	<b>2</b> 10:00am Free to be Me Al-Anon (JH)	<b>3</b> 7:00pm Narcotics Anon (JH)	<b>4</b> 8:30am Mission Sewing	<b>5</b> 7:00pm Choir 7:00pm Narcotics Anon (FH)	<b>6</b> 10:00am Freedom Al-Anon (JH)	<b>7</b> 10:00am Pendo Prayers in Sanct.
<b>8</b> 10:30am Worship 12:00pm Mission Mtg 12:30pm Pendo Comm.	<b>9</b> 10:00am Free to be Me Al-Anon (JH)	<b>10</b> 12:00pm PW Meeting (JH) 7:00pm Narcotics Anon (JH)	<b>11</b> 8:30am Mission Sewing 6:30pm Session Mtg	<b>12</b> 7:00pm Choir 7:00pm Narcotics Anon (FH)	<b>13</b> 10:00am Freedom Al-Anon (JH)	<b>14</b> PEO (JH) 10:00am Pendo Prayers in Sanct.
<b>15</b> 10:30am Worship 12:15pm Deacon Mtg 12:30pm Pendo Comm.	<b>16</b> 10:00am Free to be Me Al-Anon (JH)	<b>17</b> 7:00pm Narcotics Anon (JH)	<b>18</b> 8:30am Mission Sewing	<b>19</b> 7:00pm Choir 7:00pm Narcotics Anon (FH)	<b>20</b> 10:00am Freedom Al-Anon (JH)	<b>21</b> 10:00am Pendo Prayers in Sanct.
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