



Upcoming Events

Wed Mar 31:

Choir Rehearsal

Thu Apr 1:

7pm Spirit Road-
Crucifixion and Jesus as
Savior with a time of
meditation

Fri Apr 2:

7pm Taize Service with
Stations of the Cross

Sat Apr 3:

**11am Easter Egg Hunt
& a Light Lunch @
Agape'**

Sun Apr 4:

**7am Sunrise Service
8am Pancake Breakfast
10:30am Easter Sunday
Service**

Sat Apr 10:

**8pm OpenDoor
Productions- Suzanne
Westenhoefer @ Youth
Orchestra Hall**

Sat Apr 24:

**7:30pm OpenDoor
Productions- Tret Fure
@ Heart & Soul Coffee
House- Agape'**

Travel Holy Week with your Spiritual Community

Thursday, April 1

7:00 p.m. Spirit Road -Crucifixion and Jesus as Savior with a time of meditation

Friday, April 2

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross in the Taize Tradition

Saturday, April 3

11:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt and light lunch at Agape'

Sunday, April 4

7:00 a.m. - Sunrise Service
8:00 a.m. Pancake Breakfast
10:30 a.m. - Easter Sunday Service



Weekly Meditation, March 31, 2010

By Rev. David Wynn

Death...And Life

"So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves."...and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified." Matthew 27:24, 26b

This is an odd space to hold as a pastor...this sitting on the Wednesday before Good Friday, before the kids Easter Egg Hunt and lunch, before Easter Sunday. Tragedy, sadness, crucifixion, and triumph, joy, and resurrection are in such close proximity to each other and the temptation is always to say "well we know how it turns out" and forego the dying parts for the living parts.

Sat May 1- Sun May 2:

**8am-3pm Church
Garage Sale @ Jennifer
N.'s house-Arlington**

March Stats:

03/07:

Attendance: 119
Offering: \$3,159

03/14:

Attendance: 92
Offering: \$1,367

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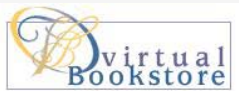
Attendance: 86
Offering: \$3,947

03/28:

Attendance: 126
Offering: \$1,730

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We truly do want to wash our hands and leave the death to someone else. But the truth is that dying and living go hand in hand and we cannot embrace one without experiencing the other so...I know, I know this is so macabre for a devotion.

So...if we are very, very brave we will get really still this coming Good Friday and pray to Spirit...simply, openly...show me what needs to die in my life so that something new can be born. The good news is that we DO know how the story turns out...life DOES come from places we thought long dead and the places we have sealed off DO break open and we DO get to play in "God's recreation of the new day."

See...even in darker devotions...the light prevails...yes?



Easter Egg Hunt

& Potluck Lunch

Sat April 3 / 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Food ideas for the potluck: sandwiches, chips, dip, salads
fruit. Drinks will be provided.

Opportunities to help...

We need volunteers to:

Donate eggs, candy, coins, healthy snacks for hunt.

Help set up "hunting area".

Hide eggs, set up fellowship hall for brunch.

Clean up.

Small items for the prize eggs.

But most of all, *come and play with us!!!*

Family and friends are welcome.

Egg Hunt will begin promptly at 11:15 a.m.

The History of Christianity at Spirit Road

Please join us, **beginning April 8 at 7:00 p.m.**, for a six part series on the History of Christianity. This is a DVD series presented by gay Christian Historian Diarmaid MacCulloch who is faculty at

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Oxford. There will be time for discussion.

April 8 - The First Christianity
April 15 - Catholicism: The Unpredictable Rise of Rome
April 22 - Orthodoxy: From Empire to Empire
April 29 - Reformation: The Individual Before God
May 6 - Protestantism: The Evangelical Explosion
May 13 - God in the Dock



Join the Crowd!

Suzanne Westenhoefer's Totally Inappropriate!

New Comedy Show

April 10 - 8 p.m.

Youth Orchestra Hall
4401 Trail Lake Drive, Fort Worth

Tickets: \$20 general seating (\$25 at door)
online at www.opendoorproductionstx.com
or at Agape' MCC 817-535-5002

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Susan G. Komen Race for the Care
Register or Donate Online at:

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Grace Gray - Captain

April 24, 2010
Downtown Fort Worth at Sundance Square

Prayers:

- Healing for Jade and Thomas' mom in the hospital
- For Terry's sister Nelda for healing
- For Michael facing a possible leukemia diagnosis

- For Anna, more energy and continued health
- For all of those seeking employment
- For all who are going through transitions in life

Praises!

- For the volunteers who helped spruce up our outside sanctuaries including: Kathy, Carlos, Claudia, Brenda, Linda, Lou, and Seth
- For the amazing Easter Season lunch Rusty, David, and volunteers provided!
- For Kris, Cassy, and those who helped set up tables and chairs for our lunch
- For everyone who helped clean up afterwards
- For our worship leaders who create a powerful experience on Sundays
- For the ministers of this church
- For Candy's ministry in music
- For those starting new jobs

Our Mission- With open hearts, open minds, and open arms, Agape' MCC is a nurturing faith community seeking God's will by celebrating inclusive worship, redefining family, and providing a voice for justice.

Our Core Values- We believe that a sacred space: Welcomes and affirms all people; Does not "stand idly by" in the face of inequity and injustice; Communicates the unconditional love of God for all; Improves the spiritual connections between each person and God as she or he understands God.