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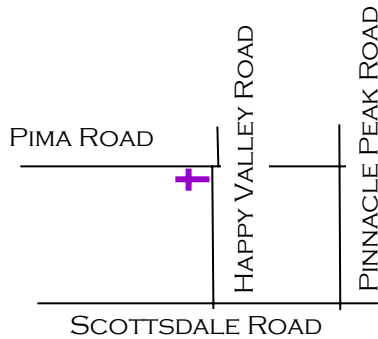
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CHILDREN HUNT FOR EASTER EGGS

The ever popular Easter Egg-Stravaganza is a time for children to grab their Easter basket and come to The Green on Saturday, April 7 at 11:00 a.m. to celebrate the new life of Easter with an egg hunt, fun crafts and yummy snacks. The Easter Bunny may even hop on over!

**EASTER
EGG-STRAVAGANZA**



Registration is requested to make sure of supplies for everyone. People to help set up or clean up are asked to contact Shelly Core at score@pinnaclepres.org or 480 585-9448 x 209. It is a fun way to get involved and to meet other families in the church. Set up will take place Saturday April 7 at 9:30 a.m. and clean up commences at 12:30 or so just after the event. Also needed are a dozen or two plastic, filled eggs for the children to find. The bunny needs all the eggs at the church office by noon on Friday, April 6.

HINTS FOR EASTER PARKING

If ever there was a time to carpool, it will be Easter Sunday, April 8. One option is to take advantage of Messinger Mortuary on Pinnacle Peak Road (just west of the General Store) as they again have offered their parking lot as a place where families and individuals can meet to share a ride to church that morning. Another option is to consider attending the 11:00 a.m. service on Easter as it will be an exact duplicate of the 9:30 a.m. service. Additionally, there will be a 7:30 a.m. service in the Sanctuary.

CORBETT'S CORNER

Dear Friends,

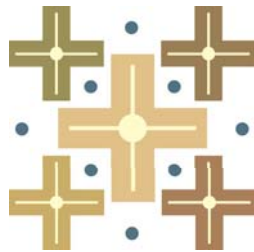
Ever since Sept. 11th many persons have discovered new appreciation for the little but meaningful things of life - - a hug with a loved one before leaving home; a word of appreciation to a friend, giving way on the road rather than reacting with modified road rage. But to some extent it seems that these gestures of life have begun to fade with the passing of time.

In my visits to hospitals, nursing homes, and listening to folks who have gone through the death of a loved one it is evident how valuable it is to appreciate life daily. Life is a gift each day, a precious, vulnerable gift for each of us to cherish and value. I have frequently felt that perception to be a shared value among and in the life of this congregation.

It is with a spirit of gratitude to God and reverence for life that we gather to worship weekly. Invite a friend to join you in some aspect of the life of Pinnacle Presbyterian Church, but especially in our life in Holy Week and Easter. God has blessed us so richly. May we acknowledge that gift, and respond with daily gratitude.

Sincerely,

Larry



CHURCH SCHOOL PLANS APRIL

Nursery hears about Peter telling the Easter story, learns about Easter and when Jesus appeared to his followers.

3s and 4s learn of Jesus' appearance on the road to Emmaus and how he went back to heaven. They also study the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

Kindergarten finds out how Jesus forgives Peter, helps Thomas believe, walks to Emmaus, and rises to heaven

1st-4th graders explore the Crucifixion and Resurrection.

5th and 6th grades meet Paul and Barnabas, Priscilla and Aquilla and see how the church grew during dangerous times.

Junior and Senior Highs take a Palm Sunday walking tour and attend worship on Easter. They will lead worship on Youth Sunday. They will discuss how to avoid gossip, resolve conflict, console someone, cope with loss and grief, and study The Nicene Creed and Apostle's Creed.

CLASS HELPS WITH COMMITMENT

A Marriage Tune Up: Commitment class will be facilitated by Ms. Kathy D. Infeld, MS RN CS, on Wednesday, April 18 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, Room 1.



It will be a renewing and insightful workshop on commitment in marriage and will explore all the benefits, challenges, and blessings this aspect of relationship brings to our lives together. Ms. Kathy Infeld has been a couples counselor in private practice for over 22 years in North Scottsdale. She has been happily married for 34 years.

PINNACLE BUILDS HABITAT HOUSE

On Saturday, March 24, the Presbyterian Coalition of area churches held a Groundbreaking Ceremony and commenced construction of a new Habitat for Humanity home for Gilbert and Rebecca Molina and their four children, ages 2 to 10. The home is being constructed in Guadalupe, at the southern border of Tempe, on land donated to Habitat by the Presbytery of Grand Canyon. The Rev. Bud Engstrom, Associate Pastor of Mountain View Presbyterian Church provided the blessing for the structure.

The response from our congregation for Habitat volunteers to work on construction of the Molina home and to provide lunches for the workers has been truly heartening. Thanks to all! Many of the workday rosters and the lunch volunteers have been filled, but the project organizers still are looking for construction, painting and landscaping volunteers for April 28, May 12, June 2 and June 16. Incidentally, Habitat provides portable cooling units on the construction site, so the May and June dates will not be uncomfortable!

Those interested in helping on one or all of these days (no skills or tools required) can look for the Habitat table on the west terrace or contact Roy Gust; e-mail: gustben@msn.com or phone 480 315-1701 or Doug Brown; e-mail: TCB51@cox.net or phone 480 515-1361.



OFFERING, WORK CREW HELPS KATRINA VICTIMS

Every year at this time Pinnacle joins with Presbyterian congregations around the world in One Great Hour of Sharing. This year we are designating the "One Great Hour of Sharing" offering to the "Home for Christmas" project of the Presbytery of South Louisiana. This program is designed to assist the many families who are still struggling to put their lives back together after Hurricane Katrina. The Presbytery is using the funds raised solely to purchase building supplies such as drywall, flooring, lumber and roofing materials which will be used by volunteer groups to rehabilitate homes in the New Orleans area significantly damaged by the hurricanes.

Priority for assistance is being given to those who are low income, disabled or senior citizens. All of the recipients were either uninsured, underinsured or had their damage claims denied by insurance companies. They have exhausted or did not qualify for federal or state disaster assistance. Most have been living with relatives or in FEMA trailers since the fall of 2005. The idea is to assist them to finish rehabbing their home and spend Christmas 2007 in it for the first time in three years.

Pinnacle Presbyterian Church will be taking a work team from Pinnacle to New Orleans the week of October 28 and will be working with an eligible family to complete the rebuilding of their home and see that they get "Home for Christmas". If you are interested in participating on the work team, watch for the date of an informational meeting the Mission Committee will be holding with details on this "hands on" mission project.



SOUND SYSTEM NEARS UPDATE

There have been many questions about when the new speakers will be installed. Tomorrow wouldn't be soon enough for many of listeners, but patience is required for the company to do its planning to do it right the first time. At this time the church anticipates completion no sooner than early June and probably more like the end of June.

CLUB 46 BEGINS GREAT RACE

The 4th - 6th grade youth will explore every nook and cranny of the church grounds. The Club 46 Great Race will be held April 29 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. The youth will be divided into teams and be sent out to solve 100 questions that will take them on a fast fact finding race around the church grounds. The first team to make it back to the base on time (and with the most points) wins! Bringing a friend earns extra points! It will be a true test of knowledge, detective skills and teamwork. The Great Race will end with a cookout on The Green. Reservations are made by emailing Shelly Core at score@pinnaclepres.org or calling the church office.



QUESTERS CHECK OUT MOSES AND PAUL

Questers, 1st—6th grades, explore faith through the stories of Moses and Paul on Wednesday nights from 5:00-5:30 in the Pre-school Atelier. Stories of Paul show how to connect to God by listening to him, through worship, through the Bible and through the Holy Spirit. Veggie Tales join us on our journey!

PINNACLE CELEBRATES HOLY WEEK

Sunday, **April 1, Palm Sunday**

7:30 a.m. Communion in the Chapel

9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m. Labyrinth Walk in Fellowship Hall

9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship in the Sanctuary



Monday– Thursday, **April 2 – 5**

9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m. Labyrinth Walk in Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, **April 3**

7:30 p.m. Wholeness and Healing in the Chapel

Thursday, **April 5**

9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m. Labyrinth Walk in Fellowship Hall

7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday service and Communion in the Chapel

Friday, **April 6, Good Friday**

Noon Worship service in the Chapel

Saturday, **April 7**

11:00 a.m. Easter Egg-Stravaganza

Sunday, **April 8, Easter**

7:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary, The Rev. Mac Schafer

9:30 and 11:00 Worship in the Sanctuary, Dr. Larry Corbett

