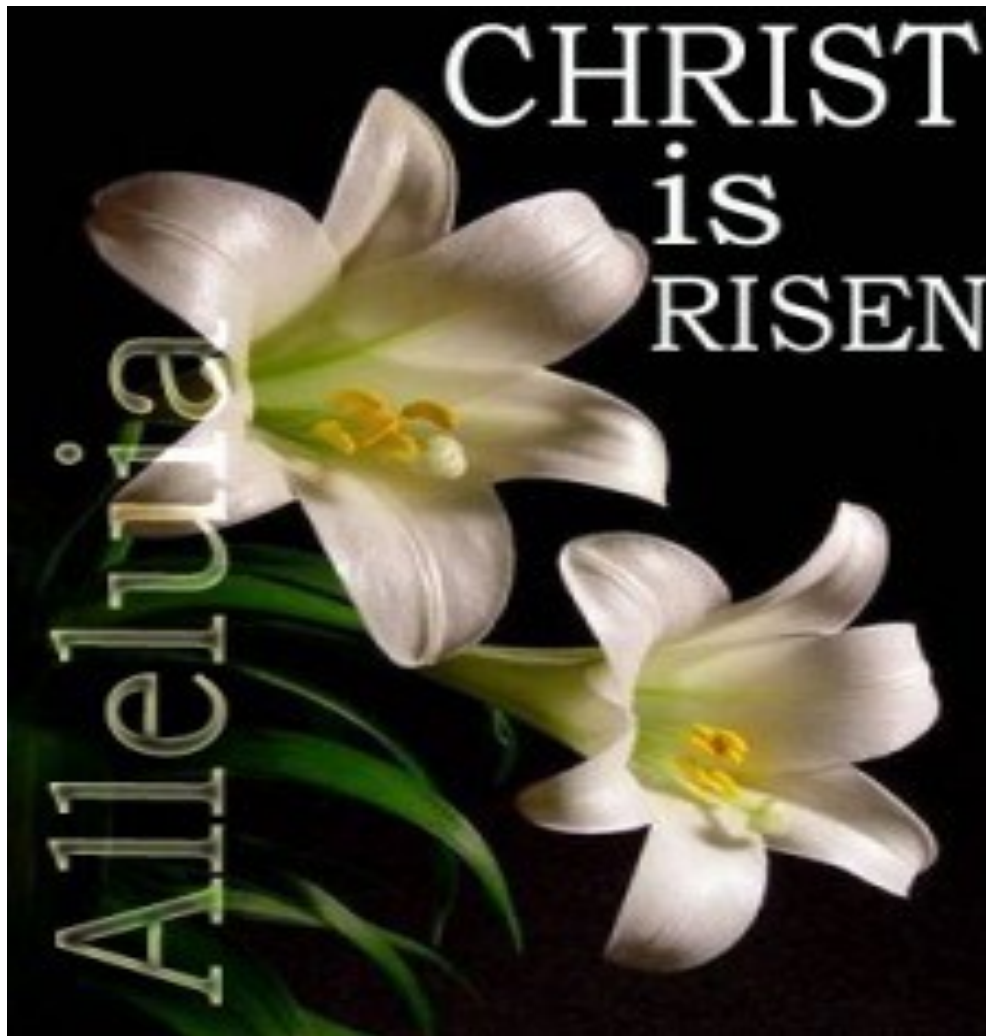


FRIENDLY VOICE

APRIL 2019



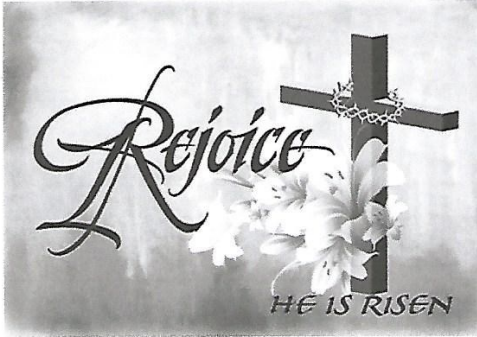
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Greetings Easter People!

Despite the fact that Easter is a little later this year, it always seems to come more quickly than we expect it to. We have that same reaction with a lot of holidays and events (social, religious, family, and life) when preparation of ANY kind is required. We all secretly wish we had just a little more time to get ready.

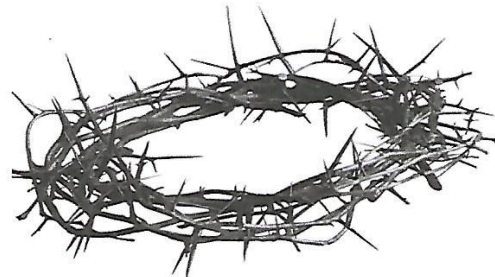
Did you ever think that maybe Jesus felt a bit like that? He knew he had to fulfill the prophesy -- to suffer, die, and be resurrected -- but was there a bit of anxiety? Did he think that "Wow! Passover came really quickly this year. I have so much to do this week. And, OH -- the end of the week... Wouldn't it be great to have a little more time?" Well, the Bible does NOT tell us that he said that; but I know that if I were in his place, I would be saying that, or something like it!

The Bible DOES tell us though, in Matthew 26:36-39, that as the time for his arrest rapidly approached, he went with his disciples to the Garden of Gethsemane. He asked the disciples to sit and wait as he took Peter, James and John a little further up the path with the intent to pray. There, he declared his grief and was agitated... *"And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, 'My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.'"* (vs. 39 NRSV)

He asked God, that if it were possible, to take away this sacrifice he must make. Jesus -- fully human, fully divine -- was asking his Father God to find another way, if possible.

But it wasn't possible.

And he yielded to his divine destiny knowing, that despite the denials of those closest to him that would come before morning, he would never be alone -- even on the cross.



And so, when we start to feel the pinch of the calendar weeks or even days before an event, remember the anxiety he felt, and the courage of Christ given to him by God in the moments before his arrest; the suffering he would endure on our behalf; the death he would endure so that we may be saved from our sins and ourselves; and the resurrection he brings us to so that we may know life everlasting in the kingdom of God!

Many Easter Blessings be yours and your loved ones' this season. Happy Easter!!!

Laurie, your pastor, and Mr. Boots!

Rev. Laurie J. Pfahler



"Jesus said..., 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

Do you believe this?" (John 11:25-26 NRSV)

Langhorne United Methodist Church

Apr 2019 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 10am - Combined 10am - UMCOR 6:30pm - Bell Choir 6:30pm - Youth	1 5pm - Brownies	2 6:30pm - Daisy GS 7pm - Bucks Mt.	3 10am - Lenten Study 7pm - Choir	4 7am - Men's Brk. 9am - Steeple Kids 7pm - Bagpipe 7pm - Choir 7pm - Lenten Study 7pm - Praise Band	5 6:30pm - Brownie	6 8:30am - Men Min. 11am - M.A.D.
7 9:30am - Children 9:30am - Traditional 11am - Contemporar 6:30pm - "Gathering 6:30pm - Bell Choir 6:30pm - Youth	8 7pm - Finance Mtg. 7:30pm - GS	9 7pm - Bucks Mt. 7pm - SPR Meeting 7pm - UMW	10 10am - Lenten Study 6pm - Girl Scouts 7pm - Choir	11 7am - Men's Brk. 9am - Steeple Kids 7pm - Bagpipe 7pm - Choir 7pm - Lenten Study 7pm - Power 7pm - Praise Band	12 9am - Reception	13
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21 EASTER 6am - Sunrise 9:30am - Children 9:30am - Traditional 11am - Contemporar	22 6pm - Shared Meal 7pm - Bucks Mt.	23 7pm - Bucks Mt.	24 6pm - Girl Scouts 7pm - Choir	25 7am - Men's Brk. 9am - Steeple Kids 7pm - Bagpipe 7pm - Choir 7pm - Praise Band	26 6pm - Girl Scouts @	27 8:30am - Men Min. 10am - Missions &
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APRIL 2019
SANCTUARY SERVANTS



April 7

Worship Assistant 9:30.....Jerry Hill
Greeters 9:30.....Dot Gannon
Ushers 9:30Ron & Louise Cookson
Contemporary Assistants 11:00.....Raab Family

April 14

Worship Assistant 9:30..... Linda Rutledge
Greeter 9:30.....Kathy DiGregorio
Ushers 9:30Bob & Cheryl Fryer
Contemporary Assistants 11:00Daeche Family

April 21

Worship Assistant 9:30.....Erika Paton
Greeter 9:30.....Jeff & Robyn Rowlands
Ushers 9:30..... Paul & Jackie Hansen
Contemporary Assistants 11:00..... Boyle Family

April 28

Worship Assistant 9:30.....Jeannette Hesser
Greeters.....Marybeth States
Ushers 9:30.....Marty & Marlene Kabach
Contemporary Assistants 11:00Tyler Family



**HOLY WEEK
WORSHIP
SCHEDULE**

Langhorne United Methodist Church

Palm Sunday

April 14, 2019

Traditional Worship 9:30 AM

Contemporary Worship 11:00 AM

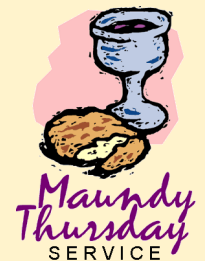


Langhorne United Methodist Church

Maundy Thursday

April 18, 2019

Worship Service, 7:00 p.m.



Langhorne Area Ministerial Association

Good Friday

April 19, 2019

Procession of the Cross,

**Leaving from the Friends Meetinghouse
at 12:00 noon**

**Ecumenical Worship Service at
Langhorne Presbyterian Church
at 1:30 p.m.**



Langhorne Area Ministerial Association

EASTER SUNDAY

**Ecumenical Sunrise Service, Core Creek Park,
Pavilion #6 - 6:00 a.m.**

**Easter Sunday Celebration Worship at
Langhorne United Methodist Church**

Traditional Worship with Communion at 9:30 AM

Contemporary Worship with Communion at 11:00 AM

STEWARDSHIP IS WORK

Enjoy a Short Stack for a Tall Cause!

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019 (Palm Sunday)

8:00 - 11:00 am

You're invited to a

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

to support Langhorne United Methodist Church



**Requested Donation is \$7.00 for Adults and
\$3.00 for children under 12**

Contact Holly Rogerson at 267 879-5547

We accept cash and checks



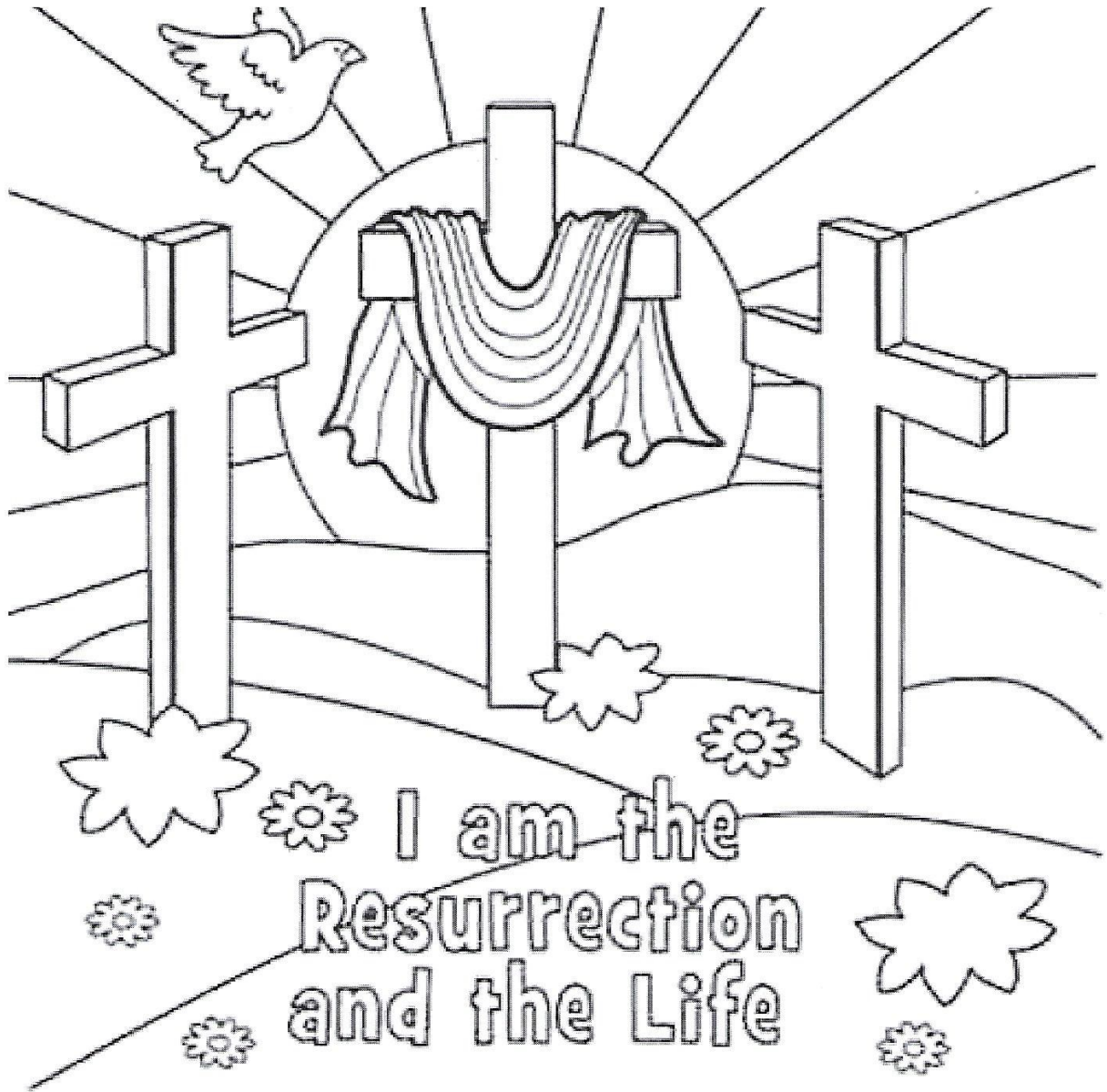
SUNDAY SCHOOL

As I mentioned last month, we are now working from a combination of the original, and the pre-school curricula. You may notice that the activities are much more age appropriate for our group.

Your child came home with a very long paper chain, with each link representing a day of lent, and a suggestion for something your child can do to help him / her understand the service / sacrifice of Lent. In addition, we had a lesson where I included a little of the geography of Israel, in particular the commonality of caves. Caves were used to store jars of food, important writings, and tombs for the dead. From this we have been eating “Cup Caves,” where we pretend that the cup cake is a cave and we see what is stored inside – generally a cookie. We will do this for the entire Lenten period, then have “empty tomb cookies” which puff up, but have nothing inside -representing the empty tomb that Jesus’s family found on Sunday following his death. They were upset and afraid of what had happened to his body, until they found him, resurrected!

What’s coming? Palm Sunday we will be participating in the beginning of the service with procession of the palms before we go to class, and Easter Sunday we will be singing during the service.

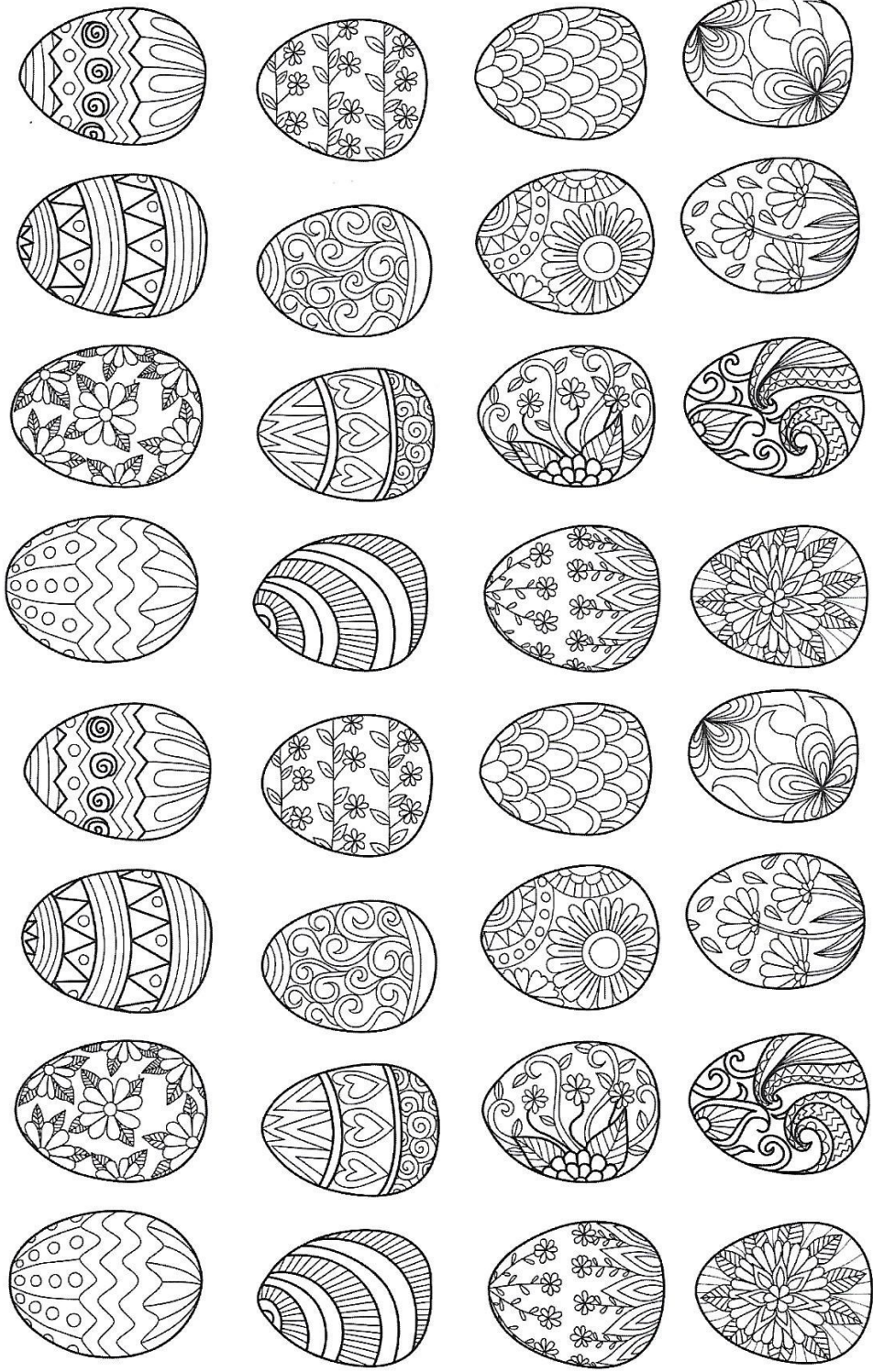
Easter Color Page



I am the
Resurrection
and the Life

Happy Easter
Everyone!!

Easter Color Page Challenge!



Stewardship News

Words to Live By:

April: HOPE

hope
/hōp/
noun

1. a feeling of expectation and desire for a certain thing to happen.

“**Hope**” is commonly used to **mean** a wish: its strength is the strength of the person's desire. But in the **Bible hope** is the confident expectation of what God has promised and its strength is in His faithfulness.

What a wonderful time of the year to use the word HOPE. The good news, is that in addition to the confident expectation of what God has promised; Easter lets us actually see that HOPE fulfilled!

A Prayer for Hope

“Jesus, remember me. You know the desires of my heart, You love me perfectly, and You have the power to meet all my needs. Help me to trust you even when I cannot see you working as I’d like. I lift my mustard seed faith up to you. Make it grow, and renew my hope. In your name I pray, Amen.”

A scripture of HOPE

Romans 15:13 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.





UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

2nd Tuesdays of the Month

7:00 P.M. - Fellowship Hall

Please join us Tuesday April 9th, 7pm, for our United Methodist Women's meeting. We will have our "call to prayer and self denial" program and a Lenten bible study. Our refreshments will be provided by Ruth Torres and Carol Annucci .

Our mission outreach will be for new items (socks, underwear, hygiene products, etc) for INGATHERING.

All women are invited and please bring a friend!



Altar Flowers

Do you have a special date to remember coming up? If you wish to place flowers on the altar in honor or memory of a Loved One, please contact:
church@langhornechurch.org.

Or call the church office at: (215) 757-4984

Scholarship “Heads UP!”

Announcement!!

***The Calkins Scholarship Applications
ARE available***

Eligible applicants* may contact the Langhorne UMC office to receive an application either as hard copy via USPS mail, or printable PDF via email.

The DEADLINE to apply for the scholarship is

MAY 15, 2019

*Qualifications -

Candidate must be a sophomore, junior or senior in good academic standing at an accredited, recognized two-year or four-year institution.

Candidate must be a member of Langhorne United Methodist Church by confirmation, transfer, or profession of faith.

Candidate must complete this entire application legibly, then sign and date it. If the applicant is under 18 years of age, the application must be co-signed by the applicant’s legal parent/guardian.

To receive a Calkins Scholarship Application, please contact the office via telephone or email.

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LUMC JOB OPENINGS

We are asking for your help to find a New Treasurer: Is there anyone in our congregation who would be willing to take on the job of church treasurer... or knows of someone who is qualified and would be interested? Amy Hansen is stepping down from this position on May 15th, and we need to have the post filled by then. The candidate should have a good understanding of accounting, but a degree is preferred as it involves record keeping and taxation. It is a paid salaried position. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Erika Paton, Chris Cresswell or Cheryl Boyle to discuss the position further, receive a current job description, and set up an interview.



Spread the Word and Spread the Music

We are actively looking for a **Praise Band Leader** for our Contemporary Service. An accomplished musician with praise band experience is needed to lead our praise band.

This job is salaried, part-time. One service (11 am) Sunday mornings with one weekly (evening) rehearsal (1.5-2 hrs.) plus whatever time is needed to plan music for the services. Late afternoon Christmas Eve service and occasional meetings with the pastor and staff relations are included in the job expectation.

We are looking to fill the position as soon as possible.

For more information and an application, please call or email

Langhorne UMC at

Telephone (215)757-4984

Email: church@langhornechurch.org

Native American Ministries Sunday



Did you know that more than 20,000 Native American people are part of The United Methodist Church? On May 5, we will celebrate Native American Ministries Sunday. We will receive a special offering that directly supports Native American congregations and enables them to authentically minister with their communities while honoring creative expressions of culture and heritage. The offering also provides scholarships for Native American seminary students.

Through our denominational connection and with our offering, we live out our commitment to repentance, healing, forgiveness and love. We encourage you to give generously on May 5.

The United Methodist Church

The generosity of United Methodists through this special offering specifically supports Native American leaders. It strengthens, develops and equips United Methodist Native American rural, urban and reservation congregations, ministries and communities and annual conference Native American outreach. **Thank you for urging your congregation to give generously on May 5.**



APRIL SENIOR BIRTHDAYS Send our Seniors a Birthday Card and let them know you are thinking of them!!

- April 6th Ted Thieroff—936 W. Richardson Ave., Langhorne, PA 19047
- April 10th Bob Hesser - 771 Cypress Ave., Langhorne, PA 19047
- April 11th Helen McDonald—1276 Thames Crescent, Yardley, PA 19067
Sam Phillips—4301 S. Woodland Drive, Bensalem, PA 19020
- April 15th Vic Campo—61 Milton St., Feasterville, PA 19053
- April 20th Joan Yuhas—3318 Fonthill Ct., Langhorne, PA 19047
- April 29th Kurt Tommuscheit—2304 Brownsville Rd., Apt. B, Trevoese, PA 19053

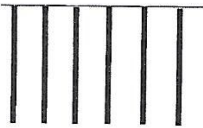
BECOME A MEMBER OF LANGHORNE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

All of those who express an interest in joining the church, please call Rev. Pfahler at 215 757-4984 or e-mail her at laurie@langhornechurch.org

Prayer: O God, the ability to communicate is a wonderful thing. Help me this month to use my words to bless and encourage others. In Jesus' name. Amen.

BRAIN DRAIN

You are given the following:



Add five more line segments to make 9. See answer below.

ANSWERS to Test Your Bible Knowledge: 1E, 2C, 3C, 4C, 5D, 6C, 7E, 8A, 9A, 10D

ANSWER to BRAIN DRAIN: NINE (Add a slanting segment twice, and three horizontal segments to get NINE.)

TEST YOUR BIBLE KNOWLEDGE!

Knowledge is acquired in many ways. One approach is to review what has already been mastered. See if you remember the correct responses to the questions below. These questions review and connect with many well-known stories in the Bible. Answers below.

1. All of these are part of the story of Noah except: A. a dove, B. a rainbow, C. an olive branch, D. a raven, E. an apple. (Genesis 6-9)
2. Hagar was the handmaid to this matriarch: A. Bathsheba, B. Ruth, C. Sarai, D. Rebekah, E. Rachel. (Genesis 16)
3. King David succeeded: A. Solomon, B. Samson, C. Saul, D. Isaiah, E. Jeremiah. (1 Samuel 18)
4. Which person is mismatched? A. Gideon/trumpet, B. Moses/burning bush, C. Joseph/slingshot, D. Daniel/lions. (1 Samuel 17)
5. Which biblical figure's faith was tested by many trials? A. Adam, B. Moses, C. Noah, D. Job, E. Solomon.
6. Jacob saw angels going up and down a: A. highway, B. bridge, C. ladder or stairway, D. mountain, E. tree. (Genesis 28)
7. Elisha healed the waters of Jericho by putting this into the spring: A. blood, B. an olive, C. wine, D. sand, E. salt. (2 Kings 2:19-22)
8. In the Old Testament, Zion refers to: A. a city, B. heaven, C. a prophet, D. a name for God, E. a fortress on a hill. (Psalm 48:1-2)
9. The Bible says that all but which river flowed through the Garden of Eden? A. Jordan, B. Tigris, C. Gihon, D. Pishon, E. Euphrates. (Genesis 2:10-14)
10. Nebuchadnezzar was responsible for the destruction of: A. the hanging gardens, B. the wall of Jericho, C. the city of Sodom, D. the temple at Jerusalem. (2 Kings 25:8-12)

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JOIN US FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP!

Sunday Worship Hours:

9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship

9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School

10 -11:00 a.m. - Adult Sunday School *

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Adult Sunday School *

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship

*2 Adult Sunday School Classes being held
pick which time is best for you.

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