

**Sunday, April 29th**

As we gather for worship, prepare your heart by focusing on God and offering this prayer: **“Living God, as we gather to worship you today, help me to encounter you, to truly worship you, to hear from you and to have my life changed by you. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”**

Readings: Acts 3-4; John 10; John 16; Ephesians 1:15-23

**Prayer List**

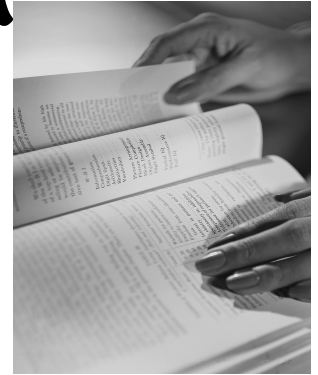
**Please note the names of people needing prayer who were named in church last Sunday:**

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| Pat Rose                       | Rosa Elliott              | Ogburn Taylor             |
| Patti Woods                    | Steven Stroupe            | Tommy and Sheila Cage     |
| Melinda Bagley                 | Ronald Stroupe            | Betty Yerby               |
| Diane Bacon                    | Mike Day                  | Joan Parrish              |
| Camille, Frank, and Dana Bacon | Marvin                    | Louise Ogburn             |
| Junior McHenry                 | Dorothy Driskill          | Wayne and Alice Talbert   |
| The family of Shirley Moncure  | Dennis Chumney            | Susie Wolf                |
| W. T. Reams                    | The family of Judy Sites  | The family of Harry Smith |
| Harold Springer                | Ruth and Ray Hathcock     | Martha G. White           |
| Gene Zava                      | Jerry Smith               | Elizabeth Reese           |
| Virginia Overby                | Katy Overby               | Tom Tanner                |
| Bertha Arthur                  | Edith Tanner              | Linda and Jerry Luff      |
| C.W. and Leslie Bing           | Barbara Callis            | Elizabeth Barker          |
| Amanda and Mike Jordan         | Sam and Mildred Glasscock | Jerry Davidson            |
| Kenneth McDaniel               | Marjorie Thompson         | Mary Mills                |
| Gertrude Hite                  | Edith Hite                | Scott Carter              |
| Diane Overby                   | Grace Marshall            | Carrie Stostetter         |
|                                | Hilda Ozlin               | Jim Maynard               |
|                                | Hazel Taylor              | David Jones and family    |

**Others I would like to pray for:**

# Transformation Journal

April 22, 2012



*Inviting you to daily time with God.*

Every day the Transformation Journal will offer you a scripture passage and a question or two for reflection. Take a few minutes each day, and see what God has for you! The prayer list is also on the back, so please take time to pray for those we have lifted up on Sunday.

**Sunday, April 22nd**

Sermon Notes:

Read Acts 2:22-41. Why do you think that 3,000 people responded with faith after Peter preached this sermon? Was the message especially compelling? How do you respond when you hear the simple Good News of Jesus’ death and resurrection?

*Prayer focus: Pray for God’s Spirit to fill our church so that, we might respond to the Good News with faith, repentance, and renewed love.*

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**Monday, April 23rd**

Read 1 Corinthians 2:1-5. What is your faith based on? Have people used wise words to draw you to faith or have you encountered God? Talk with God about where you see (or don't see) God in your life.

*Prayer focus: Pray for Pastor Andrew and his family, that they would rely on the power of God and not persuasive words in ministry.*

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**Tuesday, April 24th**

Read 1 John 1. Do you recognize the sin in your life? Ask God to search you and confess your sins to God as God reveals them to you. Trust that God forgives you as you confess!

*Prayer focus: Pray for church plants, Journey UMC and the Stand UMC, that they would turn to God in the midst of their sinfulness.*

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**Wednesday, April 25th**

Read Matthew 3:1-11. Why was it important for the people to recognize their sinfulness in preparation for the ministry of Jesus? What does John's message say to you today?

*Prayer focus: Pray for the United Methodist General Conference that every delegate would be able to hear from God and encounter God.*

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**Thursday, April 26th**

Read Acts 7. Why did this crowd respond so differently from the crowd in Acts 2? What times in your life do you respond like the Acts 7 crowd?

*Prayer focus: Pray for Charis Storms that she would be filled with the faith and hope of the Good News.*

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**Friday, April 27th**

Read Luke 19:1-10. Zacchaeus' faith and repentance were clear to Jesus because of the costly ways that he repented from his greed. What acts accompany your repentance?

*Prayer focus: Pray for the churches of Lunenburg County, that we would encounter God in life-changing ways.*

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**Saturday, April 28th**

Read 1 Corinthians 6:9-20. How do you respond when you read this list? Do you live in such a way as to honor God in your body and how you live?

*Prayer focus: Pray for the people of Djibouti an Somalia, that they would encounter the risen Christ and be transformed.*

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