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THE HOME VISITOR

“He Is Risen” by Rev. Dr. Jeff Beebe

"He is risen" is the foundational Easter Proclamation celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, as recorded in Matthew 28:6. It signifies that Jesus is alive, defeating sin and death, and remains present today. It is commonly used as a greeting, to which the response is, "He is risen indeed!" How do I know this? I just asked "Siri" and AI provided an overview.

This month, April, begins with the Easter Celebration, where yes, *on the Third Day (Easter), He (Jesus) rose again (Resurrection) from the dead.* For those who believe, this is what matters ... a lot! For, "without the Resurrection, the Cross is meaningless" as the late evangelist Billy Graham reminded all those he encountered along life's narrow way.

For me, the Easter Celebration brings with it host of traditions and foundational memories, including Alfred Henry Ackley's 1933 hymn "He Lives". And just to note, I'm told Ackley was ordained a Presbyterian minister. The chorus reminds us that,

He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me Along life's narrow way. He lives, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives: He lives within my heart!

The Easter Celebration, which includes Jesus's life, death, and Resurrection, opens the door to new possibilities like the new month suggests, as the word April, according to dictionary.com, is derived from the Latin word *aperire*, meaning "to open". Which leads me to another hymn, "Open My Eyes", but we'll save that for another issue. For now, it is the Easter Proclamation which, gives life meaning and purpose and brings with it a multitude of new beginnings.

Perhaps you have traditions and foundational memories tied to the new beginnings which Easter brings forth? Perhaps not, and that's ok! Regardless, might we all be open to the new possibilities because He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!



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SPECIAL NOTES

4/2 Maundy Thurs Service 5:30
4/3 Good Friday Service 5:30
4/4 Easter Egg Hunt 9:00
4/5 Easter Breakfast 8:30
4/6 Easter Monday Office Closed
4/12 New Member Inquiry Class
4/19 New Member Gathering
Home Visitor article cutoff date
Wed. April 15.

We continue to lift in prayer OBPC Members.

Barbara Bowden
Charlotte Burge
Bruce Burge
Ella Mae
Chadbourne
Aleta Dick

Bruce Geelhood
Phyllis Heller
Carol Helmendach
Sherri Jarvis
Bruce Miller
Sue Mitchell

Alma More
Jill Moscoso
Susan Parisi
Cynthia Pfleiderer
Ray Piller
John Smarkusky

Marilyn Smarkusky
Elizabeth Strong
Cindy Watkins
Gwen & Earl
Williams



We lift in prayer OBPC Families and Friends

Kimberly Pyne-Daughter and George Keefer-Friend by Sharon Carter
Laura Bassett, Mel Smith, Audrey Pentz, John Harkrader-Friends by Kirsten and
Curtis Finley

Steve Struble-Friend by Bill and Bonnie Thompson

Hiro Hirumi-Father by 2c and Karen Hirumi

Betty Colburn-Mother by Sandy Johnson

Becky Krenn-Friend by Sue Kim

Jerry Bracken, Vince O'Conner, and Darlene Rathmell-Cousins by Mike Troutman

Jim Thiede-Nephew by Rosie & David Perry

Sylvia Engelbrecht-Friend by Kassie Manza

Kathy Miller-Sister by Debbie Strickland

Matthew Eaton-Son, Bonnie Warder-Mother, Lynn Baker-Sister, and Ali Owens and Carson-Friends by Heather Eaton

Lisa Pierson-Daughter, Elizabeth Gainsborough-Sister, Sharon Kitts-Friend by Arlene Clark

Matt Sweet and Brian Canard-Grandsons by Betty Canard

Brady Barry-Son, Trevin Barry, Henry Threath-Grandsons by Susan Barry

Carolyn Kuehn and Alva Debiak by Candy Christman



Prayers for Our Community and World

We pray for peace throughout our world.

We have a Church Prayer Chain

Please call or text Candy Christman (386-956-5924) if you have a prayer request
to lift up by our Prayer Chain.

LENT

Family Easter Egg Hunt - Saturday April 4



All youth and their families are invited to attend this year's Easter Egg Hunt **on April 4, 2026 from 9:00-10:30am**. We will gather for a continental breakfast, Easter activities, and an Easter Egg Hunt!

We ask that the teens help our littles with their egg hunt first and then they will have their hunt after. We hope you are able to join us for this fun tradition. **Please sign-up at the Sign-Up Station in the Narthex or contact the church office to let us know you will be attending.**



Join us on Easter, April 5, for a wonderful time of fellowship. We will gather in the Haddad Fellowship Hall from **8:30-10:00am to share breakfast**. Stop by on your way to choir, Sunday School or Worship. Stay for a few minutes or the entire time. Celebrate the Resurrection sharing a meal with your brothers and sisters in Christ!

Pancakes, sausage, breakfast casserole, coffee cakes, donuts, fruit, and other delicious treats. Coffee and juice!! Bring a friend or neighbor! And invite them to stay for worship.

Sign up in the narthex. Let us know what yummy food you will bring to share! Questions? Call Ann Myer @ 386-405-6357 Volunteers needed!!

HOLY WEEK

WORSHIP AND EVENTS SCHEDULE



PALM SUNDAY
Sunday, March 29
10:30 AM



MAUNDY THURSDAY
Thursday, April 2
5:30 PM



GOOD FRIDAY
Friday, April 3
5:30 PM
Tenebrae Service



FAMILY EASTER EGG HUNT
Saturday, April 4
9:00 AM



EASTER SUNDAY
Sunday, April 5
Breakfast 8:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM

OUR WEDNESDAY LENTEN SOUP & STUDIES were a wonderful time of fellowship, learning, sharing, and growing with all generations coming together. We shared a meal together and studied the scriptures that connected back to our Sunday morning worship services. Through interactive plays, games, readings, and discussions, we came to have a stronger understanding and connection to the way Jesus connected with others and to us today.



OUTREACH

We were honored on Sunday, February 22 to welcome back Rachel Bruno, Rennae Henry, and Madam Bruno from Bethlehem Ministry to update us on the work that they have been doing recently in Haiti!



Our PB&J team had some extra helping hands from some of our local school teens on Sunday March 8! We love the extra help and it's a great way for the teens to get their volunteer hours needed for school.



FINANCE COMMITTEE

On Sunday, March 15 Rev. Dana Waters was our guest pastor as well as the speaker at our Legacy Giving Seminar following worship. We are so grateful for his wonderful ministry and helping us to understand how we can better support OBPC now and many years from now.



FLORIDA PRESBYTERIAN PILGRIMAGE



You are invited to a life-changing, transforming weekend retreat called *Florida Presbyterian Pilgrimage* from **April 17-19, 2026** at the Retreat in Silver Springs, FL. This weekend is an extraordinary time to deepen your relationship with God, meet new friends, share in music, fun, laughter, meditation, motivating talks, and lots of surprises.

For further information you can go to the website: www.floridapresbyterianpilgrimage.org or please contact Mary Kay Wagner for more information 330 206-4344.

Music Notes—April 2026



Youth Choir Mini-Concert

Sunday, April 19 – come to Fellowship Hall after worship for a delicious luncheon, served by our Youth who will be attending the **Montreat Worship & Music Conference** in June. Our Youth Choir will present their annual Mini-Concert after lunch for your enjoyment! This is our only fund raiser for Montreat so please be generous!



Choral Scholars Graduating!

Thank you also for your continued support of our Choral Scholars. Three of our scholars will be graduating this spring. We want to wish them well and send them off with reminders of their time at OBPC. We will recognize and honor Monae, Chanah, and Zay on Sunday, April 26th during worship and then with a reception in the Fellowship Hall following worship. We'll celebrate Jonathan too and we hope he will be back to sing with us next year! Please plan to come and support these musicians as they begin the next phase in their musical journey. Please use this QR code to give directly to the Choral Scholars Fund!



Senior Recital

Zay Anderson, tenor

Mr. Karl Van Richards, piano



**Watch for details about the date and time!
Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church**

**All are welcome to attend Zay's Senior Recital here at OBPC.
Come and support this two-year Choral Scholar!**



Tuned for Praise

Just a reminder that gifts are always welcome for the OBPC Concert Fund using this convenient QR code



MUSIC

Our Postlude on Sunday, March 1 was a fantastic solo from one of our Bethune-Cookman University Choral Scholars, *Jonathan Grant* who sang *Witness* arranged by Hall Johnson. It was so powerful and moving! The gift of music is such an important and impactful part of our worship time.



AMSDEN ACADEMY

Amsden Academy: Intro to Basic AI was **Saturday, March 7**. We learned so much about AI and how it can be applied to our everyday life. A **big** thank you to Atsusi Hirumi for an excellent presentation! Be on the lookout for our next Amsden Academy event!



PREGNANCY CRISIS CENTER



The Pregnancy Crisis Center has been helping mothers and babies since 1989. Their mission is simple. They help pregnant women choose life for their babies. With a "Love First" approach, they strive to show mothers their own intrinsic worth and value, so they can see the worth and value in the life they are carrying. Mothers are encouraged to finish their education and acquire job skills so they will ultimately achieve self-sufficiency.

All their services are provided at no cost. They are not supported by any local, state, or federal funding and are 100% funded by individuals, churches, organizations and businesses.

The Women's Bible Study group will be collecting donations from Sunday, April 26 until Mother's Day, May 10. Donations may be left in the Narthex.

The center will accept gently used baby supplies: cribs, crib bedding, car seats (less than 5 years old), strollers, high chairs, pack-n-play, clothing, blankets, bottles, maternity clothing, etc. Additionally, they are always in need of diapers, wipes, diaper cream, tear-free baby shampoo, baby lotion, formula, waterproof bibs, burp cloths, onesies, pacifiers, and baby wash cloths.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

What an amazing day at **The Garden Shop of Select Growers** on Saturday, March 14. We traveled to DeLeon Springs to learn more about the plants God has placed on our planet, and how to care for them. We created beautiful flowerpots, explored the shop, shared a salad lunch and devotional, and enjoyed fellowship in nature together.



TEEN NIGHT

On Saturday, March 14 in the Fellowship Hall “Teen Night” had a **St. Paddy’s Day** feel, and the question of whether, luck, good or bad, is real.



March Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations



Following worship service on **Sunday, April 12**, please join us in the Haddad Fellowship Center to recognize all who celebrate a birthday or an anniversary during the month of April. **Please note the change to celebrate on the second Sunday in April.** Desserts will be served.

April Birthdays

1	Harry Hackett	9	Claire Hiller	19	Jim Adkins
1	Jack Spottiswood	9	Dorothy Holbrook	20	Debi Reilly
3	Jean Ferry	11	Mike Wilson-Stovall	24	Elissa McCarthy
3	Lyle Neely	12	Colleen Sidwell	27	Miriam Ruby
5	Gordon Whitley	13	Gwen Williams	28	Ella Mae Chadbourne
6	Bruce Burge	14	Cyndy Beebe		



April Anniversaries

4/10	Jamie & Ken Hawes	27 Yrs
4/12	Nathan & Sherri Wheeler	41 Yrs
4/17	Barbara & Wayne Bowden	55 Yrs

APRIL

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Every Sunday 9:00 Youth Choir, room 10; 9:00 Adult Sunday School, Library; 9:00 Adult Bible Study, room 12; 9:30 Youth Sunday School, rooms 8,14; 10:30 WORSHIP 1st Sunday with Communion; 11:30 PB & J Sandwich Making, HFC; 11:30 Fellowship Coffee Time, HFC

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 8AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, LIB 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 10AM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY, 12	2 MAUNDY THURSDAY 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 10:30AM TAI CHI, 9 5:00 WORSHIP SERVICE, SANCTUARY 6PM GLORY BELLS 7:15PM CHOIR REHERSAL	3 GOOD FRIDAY 9AM P.C COUNSELING,7 5:30 WORSHIP SERVICE, SANCTUARY	4 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 9:00 EASTER EGG HUNT 10AM WOMENS GATHERING, 12
5  8:30 EASTER BREAKFAST, HFC	6 EASTER MONDAY OFFIC CLOSED 9AM P.C.COUNSELING,7	7 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 6:30PM DB CHORAL SOCIETY	8 8AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, LIB 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 10AM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY, 12 12:30 OUTREACH MEETING, LIB	9 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 9:30AM PLANNING & STAFF, 12 10:30AM TAI CHI, 9 6PM GLORY BELLS 7:15PM CHOIR REHERSAL	10 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7	11 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7  5PM TEEN NIGHT, HFC
12 11:30 APRIL BIRTHDAYS/ANNIV. CELEBRATIONS, HFC 11:45 NEW MEMBER INQUIRY CLASS, 12 5:00 CONFIRMATION CLASS DINNER, HFC	13 9AM COUNSELING CTR,7 9AM FINANCE, LIB 6PM C.E. MEETING, LIB	14 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 10AM PROP.MTG-12 11:00 FELLOWSHIP EVANGELISM, LIB 6:30 DB CHORAL SOCIETY	15 8AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, LIB 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 10AM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY, 12 HOME VISITOR CUT OFF	16 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 9AM DEACONS, MAKE & TAKE, HFC 10:30AM TAI CHI, 9 6PM GLORY BELLS 7:15PM CHOIR REHERSAL	17 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7	18 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 9AM CONFIRMATION CLASS RETREAT-Off campus
19 10AM NEW MEMBER GATHERING, 12 11:45 MONTREAT YOUTH CHOIR & LUNCHEON, HFC	20 8:30 HUM VOLUNTEERS 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 6:00 SESSION MEETING, 12	21 9:00 P.C COUNSELING,7 6:30 WORSHIP MEETING, LIB 6:30 DB CHORAL SOCIETY	22 8AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, LIB 9AM P.C COUNSELING,7 10AM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY, 12	23 9AM P.C COUNSELING,7 10:30AM TAI CHI, 9 6PM NO GLORY BELLS 7:15PM NO CHOIR	24 9:00 P.C COUNSELING,7	25 9:00 P.C COUNSELING,7 4PM HFC private use, HFC 5PM Confirmation class TACO night, Sanctuary, Rooms 9 & 12
26	27 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7	28 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 6:30PM DB CHORAL SOCIETY	29 8AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, LIB 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 10AM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY, 12	30 9AM P.C COUNSELING,7 10:30AM TAI CHI, 9 6PM GLORY BELLS 7:15PM CHOIR REHERSAL	5/1 9:00 P.C COUNSELING,7	5/2 9AM P.C. COUNSELING,7 10AM WOMENS GATHERING, 12 5PM CONFIRMATION CLASS DINNER, HFC

Please note: Since printing of this calendar changes may have been made. We would like you to visit OBPC web site at ormondbeachpc.org for the most current calendar and for other current announcements.