

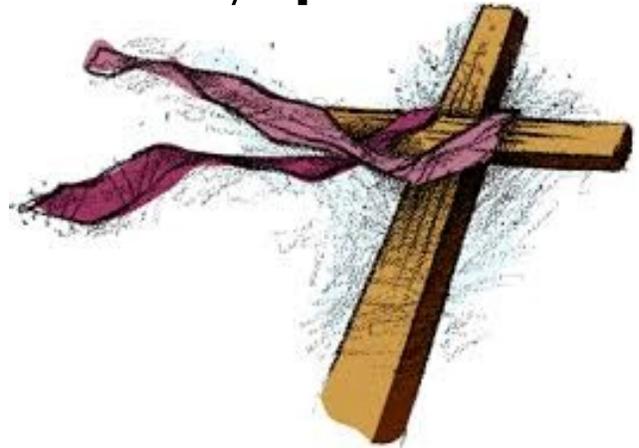
Good News in the Forest March / April 2020

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FROM THE PASTORS DESK A friend at my Tuesday morning Bible Study at St. John had just had some tissue that was giving him problems in his throat removed. He was feeling better, BUT he was still anxious because he was waiting for the results of the biopsy on the tissue. Some of you know about that kind of waiting. A life could be affected dramatically by the answer to the question - Is it malignant or not? At this time of year we in Florida think about the upcoming hurricane season. Will we or won't we be hit by one of those behemoth storms? We see fellow Floridians being affected for years because of a storm's damage. Then there are tornadoes that seem to be popping up more frequently (or is it just that we are more sensitive to our safety than we were in the past?). What about the coronavirus? Will it or won't it be coming to central FL? How can you be ready for the unknown? Finally, just who will be running in the presidential election that is over 8 months in the future? Will it make a difference who wins?

Questions - important questions - are constantly around us. There is so much for us to be concerned about - even worried about. Things that we can do very little about. There are people think they know the answers. They often disagree and even contradict each other. Isn't it nice when we can be certain about something that is really important.



We may not know the date and time that marks the end of our life, but we know what is next for us. Each of us has a "mansion" prepared and waiting. We have a confirmed reservation - a pre-paid reservation. The confirmation phrase is "Jesus is my Savior". There is no need for a credit card. Our auto club or senior citizen membership or even our church membership will not matter. We will be ushered into our quarters that will be beyond imagination. Our eternity will be completely without question. That sounds too good to be true, but it will be even better than we imagine.

The questions that surround us now may be interesting. Then again they may be insignificant. We have the answer to life's biggest question: what is next? And we have complete confidence in our eternal futures because we have God's promise of heaven given to us many times in His Word. Plus we have the strength of the Holy Spirit who leads us to believe in Jesus and is with us each minute of every day to support us. Does it show in us? Many people need to see our confidence.

Pastor Larry



"Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection, not in books alone,

but in every leaf in spring-time." Martin Luther

Worship with us -Sunday Worship 10:30 AM Sunday School & Bible Study 9:30 AM

Our Annual Spring YARD SALE
AND BAKE SALE, this is our only sale this year!

Saturday, March 14th 8 AM-12:00 PM
Vendors Welcome \$ 5.00 Donation
Hot Dogs, Soup, and Sodas for sale



Join our “Road Crew”

Help pick up litter on Saturday March 21st @ 7:45 AM

Free Community Meal on March 21st 3-4:30 PM
on the menu: BBQ Chicken

Quilting on Wednesday March 4th and 18th at 10AM

Bible Class every Wednesday at 3:30 PM

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Every Wednesday in Lent
5 PM Worship with
Soup Supper afterward



Mid-Week Worship