

April 4, 2021 Sunday

## **Bulletin Announcements and Updates—**

"Celebrate the Resurrection!"

In 1 Corinthians 15, Paul had to deal with a problem within the church at Corinth that seems a bit odd in our view of the basic doctrine of the Christian faith. There were some Christians at Corinth who actually did not believe in the resurrection! One might ask if a person can really be a Christian and not believe in the resurrection. What seems to be happening is that there were some people who did not believe that the dead corpse came to life again. They believed the spirit of a person continued to live, but not that the body came back to life again. Paul is explaining that Jesus's body actually came to life again and was witnessed by many people. He wrote that if their view is true the Gospel message is false and that even Jesus was not resurrected. Even the imagery of our baptism into the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus is without meaning, and comparing the new life of the body at the resurrection to the new life victorious over sin would be void and the person would still be in sin. Easter is a great day to remind ourselves of the significance of the resurrection.

- 1. The Resurrection Answers Life's Greatest Question Is there life after death? (1 Cor. 15:1-16,20) The answer is yes! Because Jesus was raised!
- 2. The Resurrection Gives the Solution for Life's Greatest Problem Life's greatest problem is sin. God's Grace through Jesus' death and resurrection for the Forgiveness of Sin is the solution. (1 Cor. 15:17)
- 3. The Resurrection is the Motivation we need to deal with Life's Greatest Challenge The greatest challenge is hopelessness, and the Hope of the Resurrection gives us the motivation to live with a purpose that remains after death. (1 Cor. 15:18-19; Rom. 5:1-10)
- 4. The Resurrection gives us Security when we face Life's Greatest Fear The fear of death. (1 Cor. 15:21-22; Heb 2:14-15) Believing in Salvation through Jesus in this life and for eternity overcomes the fear of death.
- 5. The Resurrection gives us the Victory over Life's Greatest Enemy The greatest enemy is Satan and his power over us is through sin and through death. (1 Cor. 15:24-28, 54-56; Rom. 16:20) But by Jesus' death and resurrection we have Forgiveness and Eternal Life to crush Satan and live victoriously forever!

David Bearden



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## OPPORTUNITIES TO BE TOGETHER IN STUDY AND PRAYER

Bible Class for all ages at 9:00 a.m. (Theme: "David – The Faith to Fight Giants") Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. NEW TIME STARTS TODAY, SUNDAY, 4/4/2021! This Sunday, April 4, 2021, Small Groups meet

Wednesday Night Bible Class in auditorium at 6:00 ("Getting To Know Jesus Through The Old Testament" - The Husband/Wife Relationship and Their Roles in The Church)
Wednesday Night Singing Class in Room 109 at 6:00

Wednesday Night Graham Street Youth Group "REVIVE" in Family Center 6:15-7:30 (first Wednesday of the month—come early & enjoy food as well as fellowship)

Texans for Christ College Ministry Announcement: College students can stay up to date with what our college ministry has going on through our website https://texansforchrist.org

## NEWS/UPCOMING EVENTS

BEGINNING EASTER MORNING - BIBLE CLASSES AT 9:00 and WORSHIP AT 10:00 Community Sunrise Service, Sunday, April 4th, 6:45 a.m. Birdsong Amphitheater (donuts, breakfast burritos, orange juice and coffee served after services)

Men's Prayer Breakfast, Saturday, April 3, 2021, 8:00 a.m. at the Tri-C (Corner of Ollie & Tarleton)

Easter Egg Hunt, Sunday, April 4, 2021, at the Museum Grounds, after church service Duracells meet Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 5:30 p.m., at the Family Center. Everyone bring a covered dish or dessert

#### Basic Needs Totals for March 2021:

Seniors 123 Families Served 80 Individuals 90 New Families 2

#### **Basic Needs Totals for 2021 Year To Date:**

Seniors 376 Families Served 269 Individuals 846 New Families 17

Prison Ministry YTD 331 Bibles sent 415 Lessons Mailed

NIGHT OF 100 CASSAROLES TOTALS FOR THURSDAY March 25: 102



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## ONLINE RESOURCES

Audio with Slides Recording on website ( <a href="https://grahamstreetchurch.com/sermons">https://grahamstreetchurch.com/sermons</a>)

Family Resources: <a href="https://www.grahamstreetchurch.com/house-church">https://www.grahamstreetchurch.com/house-church</a>

Small Group Lessons and Study materials are on the website:

https://grahamstreetchurch.com/small-group-materials

**Chronological Bible Reading:** 

https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-reading-plan/chronological.html

# **Giving Update**

Contribution 03/28/2021 \$6,247 (64%)

Budget: \$9,700 a week YTD Contribution \$ 116,198 (92%) YTD Budget: \$ 126,100

Building Fund \$309,621 (this is the total amount given since start of Phase 2— the funds given to date have been used for the new roof and new A/C units.) We are making plans to start Phase 3 soon!

- Welcome to our new members! Jorge & Chantelle Mora, children, Heavyn, Tatum, Kempton, & Brayden. They work at the Foster's Home as relief Caregivers, 1779 North Graham, Stephenville, TX 76401.
- Socially Distant Seating for Sunday morning service is clearly marked & available in the Southwestern Section of the auditorium (back left as you enter the auditorium from the Lobby—look for the signs).
- Youth Group Announcement: For details and updates for 6th-12th grade students and their parents, go to <a href="https://www.grahamstreetyouth.org">https://www.grahamstreetyouth.org</a>

The GSYG is invited to "REVIVE" a time to relax, hangout, pray and have fun during the week. We will be in the Family Center on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Games & snacks every week!

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Charles Williams; Courtney Clayton; Fred Alvord; Mike Hughes; Ronnie Moring; Denise Powell; Paula Busby; Micaela Moore, Cynthia Price, Jody Caudle; James Young; Debbie Kitchens; Billy Powell; Bobby Tate; Chuck Gruenwald; Diana Lee, daughter of Carroll & Judy Lee; Bill Scott, husband of Gloria Scott; Chuck Arpe; Ricky Caudle; Laura Peterson, her mother, Rose Spencer, passed away this week; Courtney Clayton. Please continue to pray for the Svien and Caraway families.

To Honor Sherilyn Svien—A celebration of life will be held at the Graham Street Church of Christ auditorium, 11:00 a.m., Saturday, May 15, 2021.

The section of Graham Street from Green Street through Tarleton Street intersections to a point between Post Office entrance and exit (see map below) is closed due to construction. Be alert for any updates on church activities scheduled for the Family Center, and use extreme caution in the Graham Street area between the church building and the Family Center. The Green Street and Tarleton Street parking lots are still open. The Family Center parking is accessible from Virginia Street, but the nearest crosswalk is at Mason Street.

(See page 4 for most current map.)



