

HERITAGE NEWS

Monthly Newsletter



Reaching People in the Name of Christ - Discipling People in the Way of Christ - Empowering People in the Service of Christ



A Holy Week Prayer Walk through the Heritage Labyrinth

By: Michael Tutterow

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb... (Luke 24:1). Imagine walking alongside with the women. What discoveries might await you?

Journey. It's a key theme of the Christian life. We journey with Jesus during Lent; we follow along with Jesus to the cross. And on Easter, after finding an empty tomb we run to tell others that Good News.

Our Prayer Labyrinth offers us a way to take that journey with both our heart and our feet.

Labyrinths date back more than 4,000 years as a practice for meditation and reflection. Because of its meandering path, the labyrinth became an ancient practice for prayer in the Christian tradition. The single path into and out from the center invites you into

a contemplative journey. Consider it a kind of pilgrimage to a sacred place where you make new discoveries about God and yourself along the way.

As we approach Holy Week, why not take a walk with Jesus. Or join the women trudging through the darkness toward the tomb. Go to the web site (<http://www.hbccartersville.org/hbc-labyrinth>) and read about labyrinths and prayer.

Then, use one of several prayer guides on the web site and take the journey from despair to hope. And as you go, let the risen Christ come walk with you.



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A Most Holy Week

By: Michael Tutterow

“Why is this night different from all other nights?”

That question sets the tone of the Seder meal, the Passover meal shared for centuries by Jews. The meal recalls their journey from slavery to freedom, from captivity to exodus. It would have been the meal that Jesus shared with His family as He grew up in Nazareth. It would have been the meal he shared with disciples and friends on Thursday shortly before His arrest later that night. It was during the Seder that Jesus offered new meaning to the bread and wine they shared -- what we now call “the Lord’s Supper.”

Our church family will have the unique opportunity to share in an authentic Passover Seder meal on Wednesday, April 13, during Holy Week. Rabbi Albert Slomovitz, the Executive Director of The Jewish-Christian

Discovery Center, will be our guest. He will lead us through the Seder meal, offering insights about the meaning of the supper in Judaism. He will also highlight the places where Jesus added new meaning by speaking of the bread and wine as His body and blood for “a new covenant.”

The Seder meal is one of three special events you can share during Holy Week. On Thursday, we recall Jesus’ new commandment (Latin: *mandatum*): *“Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another”* (John 13:34). This year’s service blends the elements of Maundy Thursday with a fourth-century worship tradition known as Tenebrae (Latin: *“darkness”* /see article below). And then a noontime Good Friday service of reflection (*a printed guide will be available*).

Why would we ask you to come out three days in a row? Because these services help us reflect on the mystery of God’s love as revealed in Christ’s Passion.

I invite you to immerse yourself in the Gospel story during Holy Week. Walk where Jesus walked. Feel the Passover bread in your hands and the words in your own mouth: *“Is it I who will betray you, Lord?”* Smell the smoke of the courtyard fire and wince at the sound of Peter’s denial, *“I tell you, I do not know him!”* Draw so close to the cross that you yourself hear our Lord whisper, *“Father, forgive them...”*

And then, after you have huddled with the disciples in the darkness of grief and despair, you will understand in new ways the power of the words of God’s messenger on Easter Sunday: *“He is not here, but is risen!”*

A Service of Tenebrae

By: Rusty Gunter


Maundy Thursday
April 14, 7:00 p.m.


Each year, we have a special service on Maundy Thursday. It is a night to stop and reflect on the events surrounding the death of Jesus. *“Tenebrae”* is the Latin word meaning “darkness”. Our service of Tenebrae includes communion, followed by several readings from scripture and musical selections that enhance the meaning of each reading.


While we ultimately celebrate the resurrection of Jesus on Easter, we also take time to reflect on all that occurred before Jesus rose from the dead. Join us on April 14 at 7:00 p.m. as various music ensembles at HBC lead us in a moving and emotional experience of worship that centers around the crucifixion and death of Jesus.





HOLY WEEK

10  4/10/22 - PALM SUNDAY
“What Wondrous Love Is This?”
Philippians 2:5-11
Luke 19: 28-40; 22:1-23:56

13  4/13/22
Seder Meal & Service
5:30 pm - Fellowship Hall
RSVP by 4/10

14  4/14/22
Maundy Thursday
Service of Tenebrae at 7:00 pm
Choral Works & Readings

15  4/15/22
Good Friday Service
Meditation, Art & Scripture
Begins at Noon in the Sanctuary

17  4/17/22 EASTER
HE IS RISEN!!!
Sunrise Service 7:00 am Pavilion
Worship 10:00 am

Hopping Around the Easter Egg Hunt

By: Robyn Rhodes

Thank you for the candy and egg donations for our Palm Sunday Egg Hunt. The children were in awe of the brightly colored eggs “hidden” by the youth on the church lawn. Golden prize eggs and smiles were plentiful. A wonerful time was had by all. Happy Easter Everyone!!





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General Budget Receipts April 4: \$22,582.71

YTD Receipts through 03/31/22: \$108,100.81

YTD Expenses through 03/31/22: \$124,835.38

Debt Retirement Receipts April 4: \$1,987.48

YTD Receipts through 03/31/22: \$ 7,036.61

YTD Expenses through 03/31/22: \$15,360.00

Other Receipts April 4: \$895.00



PASSPORTkids
(Completed 3rd-5th Graders)

\$75 Deposit Due April 13

RSVP FOR SUMMER CAMP TODAY!

July 17-20 - \$345
Rock Eagle
Eatonton, GA



Let's Get Together

April 13 - April 28

Please RSVP for Wednesday Night Supper by noon on Tuesday.
Leave a message on the church answering machine at 770.382.6076.

April

- 13 – Seder Meal / 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
led by Rabbi Albert Slomovitz
PassportKIDS Camp \$75 Deposit DUE!
- 14 – Maundy Thursday / Worship @ 7:00 p.m.
- 15 – Good Friday / Worship @ 12:00 p.m. / Office Closed
(self-guided reflection in Sanctuary)
- 17 – Easter
7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service (Pavilion)
10:00 a.m. Easter Worship
- 19 – Reading Buddies / 2:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m. @Emerson ES
- 22 – Garden Club (FH) / 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon)
- 26 – Financial Seminar sponsored by Advocates
Hosted by HBC and led by Glen Merritt / 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- 26 – Reading Buddies / 2:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m. @Emerson ES
- 28 – Act III Resumes - 2:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall

COFFEE & CONVERSATION
ESTATE PLANNING WORKSHOP

When: Tuesday, April 26, 2022
Where: Heritage Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
Time: 9 AM-10:30 AM

A PANEL OF LOCAL LEGAL, TAX & FINANCIAL PROFESSIONALS WILL ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT ITEMS LIKE:

- Decisions to Make Before Seeing an Attorney
- Providing for your Family During Incapacity or After Death
- Georgia's Probate Process
- Titling of Your Assets
- "Must Have" Legal Documents in Georgia
- Money Management in Retirement
- Long Term Care
- Leaving a Legacy with Possible Charitable Gift Considerations

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT:
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Save the Date - Graduation Sunday will be May 15.
If you have a Kindergarten, High School, College or beyond Graduate in your family please contact the church with their name and accomplishment.

Seekers Celebrate with a Wedding Shower



March 27

Robert Gifford and Clara King will be married on April 23, 2022. The wedding will be live streamed.

HBC Youth Choir (6th-12th)



March 27

Sharing their gifts of music singing "O come to the Altar."

Lenten Lunch Hosted at Heritage



March 31

A large multi denominational crowd gathered at HBC for the LL.