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MARCH MESSENGER

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THE FINAL TRUTH

By LaVerne Kling

Not long after I accepted Christ as my Savior, the wonderful teachers in the Children’s Sunday School Department allowed me to sit in on their lessons because I was curious what went on. My faith was young but eventually I became a teacher myself, using Nazarene Publishing House materials which grew my faith as well as the kids’. One day a 9 year old boy—a great kid—came up to me and asked, “Miss LaVerne, does God change?” An amazing question from a young boy whose chain around his neck held symbols of several different religions—Buddhism Hinduism Christianity. His parents practiced all of them. He wanted some truth, some constancy. To my dismay my mind scrambled for an answer and I said “Yes God changes.” I was convicted all day something was wrong with that answer until the Holy Spirit brought Hebrews 13:8 to my mind: “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.” Boy, I could hardly wait til the next Sunday to rectify my error with this boy. The lesson? Not only are my words important but God’s Word is Truth and we need to know it. We believe the Bible is the inerrant Word of God, the writers being inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit—it is correct in everything it records because God is its author. (John17:17 “Your word is truth”)

Winter has turned the corner and Spring is on its way along with the most joyous of Christian calendar events—Easter. Easter’s biblical account is an amazing story of God’s love for us. God provided a bridge (Jesus) over the chasm between sinful mankind and Himself. Jesus’ mission was to save mankind from the consequences of sin, and to be the perfect sacrifice, the Lamb of God, who gave up his life as an atonement for our sin. But the story doesn’t stop there. Jesus died, was buried, but three days later he rose from the dead! just as he predicted (John 10:17-18). Not only did he predict his death, he also pre-

dicted his resurrection—only God can do that. Jesus’ Resurrection is the most important Truth of the Christian faith because the death and resurrection of Christ is the story of forgiveness and restored relationship with God. The Truth and power of the Resurrection is victory over death in a grave. What does that mean? All those who trust in Christ by faith, who believe in his atoning death and resurrection, will also rise to live with Him eternally.

In a world filled with tolerance, humanism, relativism, diversity etc. Jesus’ Resurrection makes a difference. It gives us an eternal perspective founded on Truth—God’s Word. We can stand firm on God’s promise: “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” (John 3:16)

And guess what else Jesus said? “Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.” (Luke 21:33) Have a blessed Easter!

March Birthdays



Eli Laker	17		
Elizabeth Ruple	21	Ina Bert	27
Joanna Kolpien	25	Lucy Adams	28
Pastor Don Lain	27	Jenny Bishop	31

Weekly Services: (services are in person and online)

Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Go to: www.facebook.com/parknaz/ or

[www.youtube.com Parkside Nazarene Church](http://www.youtube.com/ParksideNazareneChurch)

Life Groups are back!

Go to: <https://parknaz.org/ministry-news/> for details

The March Messenger Continued..

SIGNIFICANT MARCH DATES :

01: NDI Discipleship Dinner

03: Communion Sunday



10: Finance Committee Meeting

10: Daylight Savings Time 

17: St. Patrick's Day

17: Church Board Meeting

19: Gals w/Grace



20: Egg Stuffing Party

24: Palm Sunday



24: Egg Hunt Committee Meeting

27: Pastor Don's Birthday



28: Maundy Thursday

28: Family Communion

29: Good Friday



30: Easter Egg Hunt



31: Easter Sunday!!

PARKSIDE CHILD CARE CENTER

Winds of March, blow the winter cold away!

As we usher in the new season and anticipate the arrival of spring, our classrooms are gearing up for brighter days filled with warmth and sunshine.



We are continuing our search for a part-time PreK Teacher to join us Monday to Friday, from 9 am to 1 pm. If you are aware of anyone interested in this position, kindly direct them to contact Cheryl at administrator@westlakenaz.org.

Please note that we will be closed on Friday, March 29, in observance of Good Friday. Wishing you all a joyous Easter celebration! Please contact Cheryl Szczepanski or Nancy Lain in the school office with any questions.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Easter Egg Hunt is a Free Event for Everyone!

Join us on **Saturday, March 30 at 11:00 a.m.** for

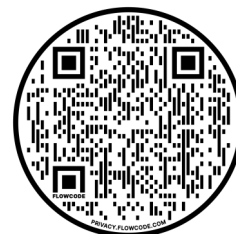
music, an Easter Egg Hunt (with candy) and a

short Easter Story. Bring your own basket, or use

a bag provided. We hope to be both inside and outside, so dress accordingly!

Use the QR Code or go to our website (www.parknaz.org/special-events/) to

pre-register by Wednesday, March 27 to be entered into a special drawing!



No little ones to bring? See below for other ways to get involved!

HOLY WEEK



March 24: Palm Sunday Service at 10 a.m.

March 28: Maundy Thursday

Family Communion

(See Foyer for Sign-Ups as Family and/or Friend Groups)

March 29: Good Friday

March 31: Easter Breakfast at 9:00 a.m.

March 31: Easter Celebration Service at 10:00 a.m.

EGG HUNT RELATED EVENTS/DEADLINES

March 17: Candy/Toys/Treats Due for Easter Egg Hunt

March 20: Egg Stuffing Party at 6:00 p.m.

March 24: Egg Hunt Committee Mtg Following the Worship Service

March 24: Requested Deadline to Volunteer for Egg Hunt

March 27: Pre-registration Deadline, Possibly more Egg Stuffing

March 30: Volunteers Report at 9:30 a.m.

March 30: Easter Egg Hunt at 11:00 a.m.

