

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Jesus said, "Everyone who drinks this water will get thirsty again and again. Anyone who drinks the water I give will never thirst—not ever. The water I give will be an artesian spring within, gushing fountains of endless life." – John 4:13 - 14

## GATHER JOYFULLY

### Welcome, Announcements, Quiet Time

Cathy Driscoll

**\*Call to Worship** (*Please rise for the Call to Worship*) Liturgist: Heather Murphy

Leader: Come - all who are thirsty says Christ our Lord.

**People: We thirst for God**

Leader: Come, all who are weak, taste the living water that Jesus gives.

**People: We thirst for God**

Leader: Dip your hands in the stream, refresh your body and soul, and drink from it, depend on it. For this water never runs dry.

**People: We thirst for God, come let us worship God.**

**\*Song** (wall) "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Hymn 356

**\*Prayer of Confession** (together)

**God of living waters, we confess that we have often turned from you and wandered in our own wildernesses of fear and doubt. Our thirst mounts daily, seeking to be quenched by your redeeming love. Yet, when that love is offered to us, we again turn away, unable to truly believe that you would actually heal and love us. We have behaved in very unloving ways. We have chosen to ignore those in need or to deal only passively with them. Our hearts are not placed in service to others, but rather in self-serving motives. Heal us, merciful God. Wash us again in the living water. Help us be faithful servants. AMEN.**

**\*Words of Assurance**

Hear the good news for all of us: our fear is gone by God's presence. God's love for us is forever. Our sins are forgiven, in the love of Jesus Christ.

**\*Praise Response** (all sing) "This little light of mine"

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, shine, shine. Let it shine!

## GROW SPIRITUALLY

**Prayer of God's People, Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Call for Offering** "Safe Within Your Arms" Mark Hayes  
*Soloist: Hannah Braun (Growing Tree Alumni and current GT teacher)*

**\*Doxology** (together)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Growing Tree Children Sing**

**Eagle Project Dedication** Aidan Ashe (Growing Tree Alumni)

**Scripture** John 4: 1 – 30 The Message

**Message** "Living Water" Malissa Garcia

**\*Song** (wall) "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

## GO FAITHFULLY

**\*Blessing**

**\*Response** (all sing) "Sanctuary"  
Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true,  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

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*\*Congregation stands. If standing is difficult, please remain seated.*

Large print bulletins are provided for those with compromised sight. Please speak with an usher for assistance.

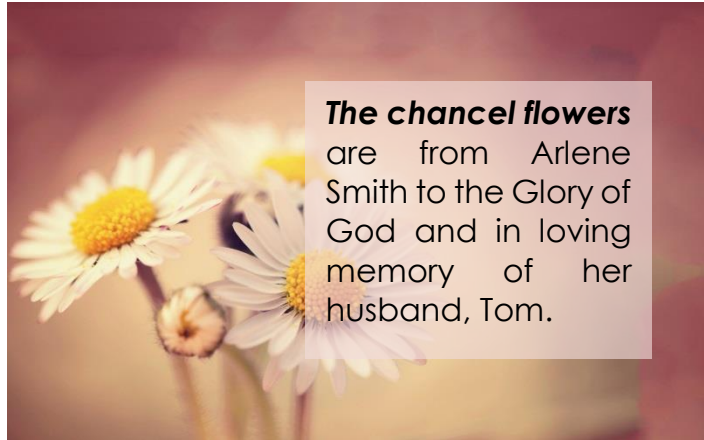
Listening devices are available for those with hearing issues. Devices are located in the center entryway to the Sanctuary. A small step-by-step instruction page is there to help you to use the device effectively.

# April

Sunday - 15
<b>10:15</b> Worship – <b>Growing Tree Sunday</b>
<b>10:30</b> Children's Sunday School (Rm 112)
Monday - 16
Tuesday - 17
<b>10:00</b> Library Committee (LIB)
<b>1:00</b> Bridge Club (FH)
Wednesday - 18
<b>11:30</b> Growing Tree Chapel (Sanctuary)
<b>4:00</b> Quilting for Comfort (104)
<b>6:00</b> Daisy Troop (FH)
<b>6:00</b> Youth Group (Youth Room)
<b>7:00</b> Boy Scout Court of Honor (Sanctuary)
Thursday - 19
<b>9:00</b> Growing Tree Pictures (FH)
<b>7:00</b> Theology on Tap (Peggy O's)
<b>7:00</b> Choir (Choir Room)
Friday - 20
Office Closed
<b>9:00</b> Growing Tree Pictures (FH)
<b>1:00</b> Open Youth Room
Saturday -21
Sunday – 22
<b>10:15</b> Worship
<b>10:30</b> Children's Sunday School (Rm 112)

## PRAYERS

Dick & Iris T.	Mike C.	Elberta P.
Belinda	Bill	Lee
Martha	Steve G.	Irene B.
Cindy R.	Bob B.	Ava B.



**The chancel flowers** are from Arlene Smith to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Tom.



*Coffee, cookies, and conversation after service in Fellowship Hall*

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

### April F.E.A.S.T. Items

- Canned Meat, 8 - 16 oz.
- Toilet Tissue
- Paper Towels



**Quilting For Comfort would like to welcome anyone to join them on Tuesdays at 9:30am in Room 104. They are continuing the tradition of making quilts for the Graduating Seniors.**

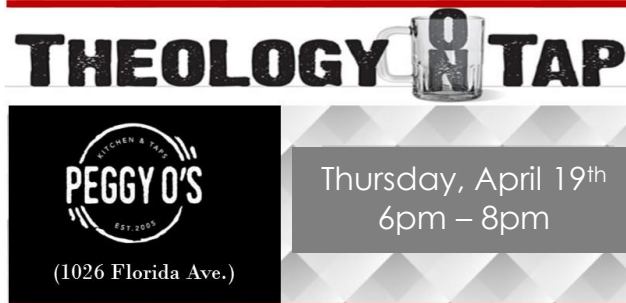
## Youth

### Upcoming Events:

**April 18<sup>th</sup>** – Youth Group, 6:00pm – 8:00pm  
**April 19<sup>th</sup>** - Priority First at PHUHS – First Lunch  
**April 20<sup>th</sup>** – Open Youth Room, 1:00pm – 4:00pm  
**April 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Youth Car Wash, 9:00am – 1:00pm  
**April 29<sup>th</sup>** – Senior Sunday, 10:15am



**Senior Sunday  
April 29th, 2018**



## CHILDREN



Spring Kids Choir practice will begin today and continue through May 13<sup>th</sup>. The practice will be held 11:45am - 12:15pm. On May 20<sup>th</sup> the choir will sing during the church service.

### Upcoming Events:

**Sundays through May 13<sup>th</sup>** – Kids Choir, 11:45am – 12:15pm

## Growing Tree Sunday!

TODAY!

- Bounce House
- Kona Ice



## Attention Bridge Players!

Meet the first and third Tuesday of each month from 1:00 - 3:00 pm in Fellowship Hall to play bridge.

For more details call Kathie Roberts or Bonnie Vandervegte.