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Imagine that you are sitting quietly in a restaurant with a couple of friends when suddenly the door bursts open and in rushes a stranger with a wild, excited look on his face. "Good news!" he shouts. "You'll never guess. The greatest news you can imagine." What on earth can he be talking about? What could his *good news* be, and why does he think it justifies barging into a restaurant and telling strangers about it?

Here are three possible scenarios:

Scenario 1: Perhaps the doctors just told him they had managed to cure his daughter of some disease that was killing her. That would be great news indeed, at least for his immediate family and friends, but it does not explain why he would announce it to strangers.

Scenario 2: Perhaps he heard that the local high school football team had won a decisive victory against their

cross-town rivals. In some parts of the country, that would be reason enough to celebrate. However, those who really care would have been at the game anyway. Why tell it to strangers?

Scenario 3: Perhaps, the local mayor just announced a major deal to bring in a new industry that would bring jobs to thousands. There are many places in America that would rejoice at such news, but others who had jobs might not be as excited about it for themselves.

The one piece of good news that is meaningful to all is the good news the angels announced to the women who arrived early on a Sunday morning to tend to the body of Jesus.

"Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said"
Matthew 28:5-6.

The resurrection of Jesus is not

just good news, it's GREAT NEWS!

Because Jesus Christ rose from the dead, we have the certainty that His sacrifice on the cross for our sins was acceptable to God.

Because Jesus Christ rose from the dead, we have the assurance that death is defeated. Those who believe in Christ can enter into that victory.

Because Jesus Christ rose from the dead, our lives have meaning and purpose and hope. We are not victims of chance and happenstance. We are more than conqueror through Him who loved us.

Because Jesus Christ rose from the dead, we have a message to share with others that they too can know the forgiveness of their sins and the hope of eternal life.

Shout the good news!
Pastor Brian

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Brian Prucey	2nd
Connie Grzesiek	2nd
Wayne Lee	4th
Cameron Lee	8th
McKayla Rice	8th
Jennifer Lofton	9th
Jim Middleton	9th
Michael Bond	16th
John John Fox	17th
Janet Jones	18th
Carlion Middleton	21st
Dennis Spearman	21st
Billie Starr	23rd
Patrick Humphrey	30th

ANNIVERSARIES

Kenneth & Jennifer Lofton	13th
Pam & Bill East	14th
Joe & Flo Tyler	16th
David & Susan Barnes	26th
Jimmie & Sherry Hudson	28th
Jim & Carlion Middleton	30th



CHARLIE'S CHATS

Thanks to all of you who have been faithful in choir practice and singing in the choir each Sunday.

We still have a few chairs available in the Praise Choir – maybe one is just for you!! Come join us each Wednesday at 6:30 for practice.



CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY,
APRIL 4TH

FROM 11 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

FUN FOR
TODDLERS - 5TH GRADERS



Get Connected

In
Sunday School
at 9:30 a.m. each
Sunday...
There's a class
just for you!

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Adult Prayer 6:30 p.m.
Youth/Children
Bible Studies 6:30 p.m.
Praise Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.



Thanks to Our Volunteers!

Who help with our Children's Church

- Kay Sutton
- Darlene Hay
- Christine Fox
- Pam Marange
- Nancy Lockey
- Dennis Spearman
- Tina Spearman



Sunrise Service
Easter Sunday
at 7 a.m.
Red River Marina Pavilion

CELEBRATE
EAS  **ER**

Sunday, April 5th
at 10:45 a.m.



Fellowship

Friday, April 10th
from 5 - 7 p.m.



Welcome to Our Church Family
John & Pat
Simonelli

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Church