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Easter is a time of joy and renewal. Followers of Jesus saw their darkest days replaced with the miracle of hope and eternal life. Christians today take time for self-examination and reflection during Lent. "Going dark" for a few weeks prepares us to fully experience those first rays of resurrection light on Easter.

Prayer:

When everything was dark
and it seemed that the sun would never shine again,
your love broke through.
Your love was too strong,
too wide,
too deep
for death to hold.
The sparks cast by your love
dance and spread
and burst forth
with resurrection light.
Gracious God,
We praise you for the light of new life
made possible through Jesus.
We praise you for the light of new life
that shone on the first witnesses of resurrection.
We praise you for the light of new life
that continues to shine in our hearts today.
We pray that the Easter light of life, hope and joy,
will live in us each day;
and that we will be bearers of that light
into the lives of others.
Amen.

This prayer was composed by the Rev. Michaela Youngson, the Methodist Church of Britain.

SPRING CALENDAR

March 29 - Maundy Thursday Service, 7 pm, Jacksonville CUMC, Mecklenburg CUMC, TUMC at Trumansburg UMC

March 30 - Jacksonville sanctuary open for prayer and reflection
12:00 noon-3:00 pm

March 30 - Good Friday Service, 6:30 pm, Jacksonville CUMC, Mecklenburg UMC, TUMC at Jacksonville CUMC

March 31 - Easter Egg Hunt 10 am sharp

April 1 - Sunrise Service at Taughannock Falls 7 am

Hosted by Jacksonville CUMC, Mecklenburg UMC, and Trumansburg UMC

April 1 - Easter Sunday Service at 10 am

April 5 - U.M.W. at 10:30 am

April 10 - Church Council 7:00 pm

April 14 - U.M.W. Men's Breakfast 9:00 am

April 16 - SPRC at 7:00 pm

May 3 - UMW May Breakfast at Falls Restaurant 10:00 am

May 12 - SpringFest

Special Lenten Offering to support our local Food Pantry

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

April - Boxes of rice, instant potatoes, and pasta side dish mixes

May - Single rolls of toilet paper towels

June - Oatmeal, boxes of cereal



TO THE JACKSONVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH CONGREGATION

After much research and many months of discussion, the trustees are excited to announce that we will be purchasing 3 new sets of doors for the front of the church. We have secured funds for the doors, but are happily welcoming any donations and contributions as well. The doors will be a great addition to the church and they should have a huge impact on our energy usage/heat loss. The doors are being custom built and will be wider wooden doors with a smaller wing door, each with glass panels on the upper portion. The doors will be painted red. The total cost of the three sets of doors is approx. \$8,292. Additional hardware and installation might cost approximately \$3,000. This brings us to a total of around \$11-12,000 for the project.

Thank you,
The Jacksonville Community Church Trustees

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A MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

Lots of Socks: As of April 1, our congregation and friends have donated almost 1800 pairs of socks (and many hats, gloves and scarves) to our Warm Feet, Warm Hearts, Give Socks effort. The recipients are more grateful than you can imagine. Many, many thanks. Although the big stocking has been moved to the back of the sanctuary, feel free to donate over the summer and fall if you wish.

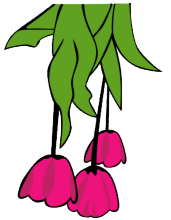
Looking Forward: On WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11 AT 7:00 P.M. in the Hearth Room, the Mission Committee will hold an OPEN MEETING for anyone who would like to know more about what we do or to share ideas for this coming year. All are welcome. If you have ideas or questions but cannot attend, please contact Amy Moe, Lynn Rich, or Beth Hickman on Sundays or email Beth at [bethdon98@yahoo.com/](mailto:bethdon98@yahoo.com) Please join us.

U.M.W. MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, April, 14 at 9:00 am
Sign up at church on Sunday, April 1st
Or e-mail Rachel Boyer jrboyer@fltg.net
before Wednesday, April 4th
Men of all ages are invited to attend!



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Christ
is
Risen!
Alleluia

Very early on Sunday morning the women went to the tomb, carrying the spices they had prepared. ² They found the stone rolled away from the entrance to the tomb, ³ so they went in; but they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ They stood there puzzled about this, when suddenly two men in bright shining clothes stood by them. ⁵ Full of fear, the women bowed down to the ground, as the men said to them, “Why are you looking among the dead for one who is alive? ⁶ He is not here; he has been raised. Remember what he said to you while he was in Galilee: ⁷ “The Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, be crucified, and three days later rise to life.”

Luke 23:1-7 GNT