

St. Paul Ministries

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Easter, Resurrection, is coming Soon! Signs of Easter

In the past two days, while taking a walk and while sitting in the sunroom of my house, I have begun seeing robins. I have noticed over the years their early presence. American robins migrate to find food. One of their favorites is worms. When the ground thaws, getting above 37 degrees, these early birds are catching worms. They also are communal in nature and



so we see groups of birds watching for predators and harvesting worms. Robins don't generally sing but, in the spring, their mating season, males sing.

This has been an encouraging site as the entire past year has had qualities of a long, dark perpetual Lenten Season. Isolation, death, abstaining from fellowship, including church, has been our daily diet and has defined our lives.

Yet, unlike the first Christians who went to the tomb and were utterly surprised by the resurrection of Jesus, we have held onto this story of life over death as central to our lives. Hope in Christ and a Resurrection Faith have sustained us.

As believer's, Holy Week and Easter mark the beginning of Spring and more importantly reveal the core of our Christian Faith. 1) Christ died for the sins of the whole world and to the degree that we are willing to surrender, grace will be revealed. 2) We also believe in resurrection and recognize that this faith has been carrying us through this dark Lent.

Like the Robins who show up in the Spring, we are invited to our resurrection experience. Rejoice and practice faith in the company of others in the sanctuary and/or online.

Here are some possibilities:

Palm Sunday March 28 @ 10 am will be an opportunity for a "Homecoming" for many who have not been in the sanctuary for the past year.

Good Friday April 2 @ 7 pm will be an online Zoom meditation with readings about the Passion of Jesus and sorrowful songs. People interested in being readers will be recruited.

Easter Sunday April 4 @ 10 am will begin with a reflective communion and grow to a celebration of God's Victory over death.

This Easter you are invited to share a thank offering as part of the body of Christ, continuing to bring the Good News to others, both by example and by word.

Happy Easter!





IIICARRY OUT ONLYIII Saturday, April 17, 2021

4-6 p.m. Adults - \$10 / Children - \$5

Please call 937-252-4467 to reserve your meals. Reservation deadline is Friday, April 9 at 1 p.m.

<u>Meal Pickup:</u> Enter church through sanctuary or office doors, wearing a mask. Wait in sanctuary (social distancing) for your order. Exit by office door. There will be a limited number of handicap parking spaces on 4th St. and on Huffman Ave. for curbside order and delivery.



MENU

Cubed Steak with Mushroom Gravy • Baked Potato Green Beans • Tossed Salad or Applesauce • Dinner Roll Homemade Desserts





Inviten a su familia y amigos... ¡TODOS SON BIENVENIDOS!

Favor de enviar un texto a la Pastora Susan (937-586-8578) para confirmar el número de niños y adultos que van a venir.

*Los números de enfermos de COVID han bajado, gracias a Dios, pero todavía observaremos el distanciamiento social y todos deben llevar mascarillas. Estimadas familias: Les invitamos a celebrar con nosotros el **Domingo de Resurrección** 4 de abril, 2021 a las 6:45 p.m.

Culto de la Pascoa del Señor: Una Alabanza Llena de Gozo

Ubicada en:

La Iglesia MU de San Pablo 101 Huffman Avenue Dayton, Ohio 45403

Después del culto realizaremos una fiesta con la visita de los conejos.

