Resurrection Perspective

Arthur Barry

Matthew 28:1-7

Now after the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to look at the grave. ² And behold, a severe earthquake had occurred, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled away the stone and sat upon it. ³ And his appearance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. ⁴ The guards shook for fear of him and became like dead men. ⁵ The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; for I know that you are looking for Jesus who has been crucified. ⁶ "He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said. Come, see the place where He was lying. ⁷ "Go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead; and behold, He is going ahead of you into Galilee, there you will see Him; behold, I have told you."

The guards were terrified, but the angel told the women:

"Do not be afraid. Go quickly and tell the others that He has risen from the dead."

⁸ And they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to report it to His disciples. ⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and greeted them. And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and take word to My brethren to leave for Galilee, and there they will see Me."

The women experience the ultimate emotional roller coaster - fear and great joy. They worship Jesus and He tells them:

"Do not be afraid. Go and take my word to the others".

Resurrection...taking the fear out of death so we can live with joy.

If you are trusting in the resurrection do not be afraid and remember to tell the others.



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All the Churches of Christ greet you.

Romans 16:16

WELCOME!

Sunday	Bible Class- 9:30 a.m.
	Worship- 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday	Bible Study-6:30 p.m. on Zoom

- Today's Sermon: First Fruits of Resurrection
- Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Steve is preaching today.

Sermons are recorded and are available for listening on the church website.

Bulletins are archived on the website.

Notes for Sunday morning and Wednesday evening classes are available on the website.

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Headphones are available for the hearing impaired.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS…

- ✤ Ladies' Class Tuesday, April 2. The prophet Zechariah.
- Wednesday Evening Bible Class: 6:30pm April 10 (no class this week), on Zoom, 1 Thessalonians.
- Valley Cities Ladies' Prayer Brunch- My Identity in Jesus -April 6, 10am-1pm
- Soul Winners Workshop at Horseheads. April 13, 9am-3pm.
- Community Coffee House- Saturday, April 20, 1-3pm.
- Next Potluck & Bring-a-Friend Sunday April 21.
- MAGI box Appreciation Dinner- Saturday, April 27, @ Whitehall church of Christ in Pittsburg. 5pm. RSVP to Arthur. Healing Hands International will send representatives to the dinner.
- Next 5th Sunday Singing- June 30.



Last Sunday's Regional Singing at Horseheads was encouraging for all. There were people from Wellsboro, Endwell, Sayre, Ithaca, and Horseheads in attendance and one all the way from Liverpool. We enjoyed a wonderful time of praise and fellowship.

MAGI box update—As always, please check in the collection room for accurate figures, but currently we don't need any more boys' black pocket combs, toothbrushes, soaps, wash cloths, pencil sharpeners, big pink erasers, pens, or boxes of band-aids. Clothing, flip-flops, toys and other items are being paid for using donations and MAGI budget money. We received both boys' and girls' T-shirts (knit tops for girls) and boys' shorts. Girls' skirts are coming along nicely as well.

PRAYERS

- Pray for the success of our outreach effort with the coffee house and open mic program for the community.
- Pray for success of our preacher search.
- Pray for impact from our **MAGI boxes** as we prepare to fill 80 more for 2024.
- Pray for the efforts of **the ladies** as they prepare for **the prayer brunch on April 6**th.
- Pray for those, especially children, in violent war-torn areas of the world and those suffering from famine.
- Arthur has a recurrence of prostate cancer. Pray that it will be completely eradicated with treatment.

Continue to pray for these people:

- Shirley Stroll- Todds friend's mother, terminal cancer.
- **Dawn Cowles** chemo treatments following breast cancer surgery.
- Bonnie's brother Greg upcoming hernia surgery
- Pat Gutherie-he has lung cancer, stage 4, and his wife Robin.
- **Paulette-** Pain coming from her spine and affecting her hip and leg. Also, she has a lot of work-related stress.
- Mike Walls, frontal lobe dementia. Pray also for Carrie who has left the marriage. Mike's health care is now being overseen by his sister.
- Sue Barry- stage 4 breast cancer. (currently in remission)
- Steve's brother Brian- prostate cancer
- Steve's sister Deb- leukemia, and breast cancer
- Monique (Miki's friend)- managing back pain meds.
- Jon Russell- needs foot surgery because of diabetes but has a heart condition that needs to be addressed first.

If you have any PRAYERS or NEWS that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy at <u>barncat7237@gmail.com</u> or text or call (607) 261-0911.

HAPPY RESURRECTION SUNDAY!