

Around a year ago a couple of church elders and us co-pastors were chatting after a meeting about an educational television series that we all had seen on the History Channel called, "The Men Who Built America." If you have never heard of the series, it is about particular men in America's history and how their industrial innovations and business empires revolutionized modern society. The series has been expanded into "The Food That Built America," another show that depicts how food business owners and competitors revolutionized and modernized their industry. All of these people in history have had a tremendous impact on society at large.

When one studies history, no matter what time or place, there are always people, women and men, who influence it. Learning about history can lead to mysterious questions like, "What would it be like if so and so never invented this or came up with that idea." For example, "What would be of the automobile or transportation if steel was never invented?" These type of questions lead to many more. They are interesting to think about, but never have a definite answer, because it becomes mere speculation.

Thankfully, Christians do not have to ask a similar question, "What would the church be like if Jesus Christ, the Son of God, never rose from the dead?" The simple answer is that the church would not exist. For us, everything depends on Christ rising from the dead. Without the empty tomb, we would not have joy unspeakable, nor peace that surpasses all understanding, nor present or eternal hope. We would only know defeat and not victory. Paul says we would be empty and he puts it this way in 1 Corinthians 15:17-19, "And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied."

This Easter let us all give thanks that Jesus Christ HAS risen from the dead and let us count our blessings who put our faith in Him: our sins are forgiven, we have joy unspeakable, we have peace that surpasses all understanding, we have present and eternal hope. Jesus has defeated death by death, and so victory belongs to His people! Celebrate the historical truth of Jesus's death and resurrection and "Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him!" -Colossians 3:17.

Hallelujah! Christ is risen!
 -Michael and Aaron



EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES

Easter - In order to maintain a safe worship occupancy for Easter, there will be two worship services offered on Sunday, April 4, one at **9:00 AM and the other at 11:00 AM** (Notice, there is not a 10:30 service). **We ask that you please RSVP on our website or call the church office at 724-654-6657 by Wednesday, March 31, for either time** so that we do not surpass our safe occupancy numbers. Both Easter services will be live-streamed.

In addition, the nursery will be available for both services. We will not have Sunday School, and as always on Easter, there will not be Children's Church as families can sit and worship together.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us to do our part in keeping one another as safe as we can while still celebrating our Christian journey together.

YOUTH PAGE

- During our C.2G.S. Sunday School Class in April, the 7th-12th grade students will be diving deeper into learning more about who Jesus was and is, and what He came to do and is still doing today.
- Youth Group Bowling on **Sunday, April 18th**. Check your emails for more information.
- Youth Leaders meeting to discuss our post pandemic "youth ministry reset" on **Sunday, April 25th**. (Youth and family gathering in May will follow to share this new vision and discuss further).

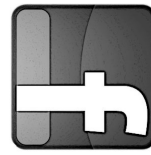


April, 2021

- 1 John 18.1-40 Good Friday
- 2 John 19.1-42
- 3 Psalm 70 Easter
- 4 John 20.1-18
- 5 John 20.19-31
- 6 John 21.1-25
- 7 Psalm 73
- 8 Psalm 74
- 9 Psalm 75
- 10 Psalm 76
- 11 Exodus 1.1-22
- 12 Exodus 2.1-25
- 13 Exodus 3.1-22
- 14 Exodus 4.1-31
- 15 Exodus 5.1-23
- 16 Exodus 6.1-30
- 17 Exodus 7.1-24
- 18 Exodus 8.1-32
- 19 Exodus 9.1-35
- 20 Exodus 10.1-29
- 21 Exodus 11.1 - 12.20
- 22 Exodus 12.21-50
- 23 Exodus 13.1-22
- 24 Exodus 14.1-31
- 25 Exodus 15.1-18
- 26 Exodus 15.19-27
- 27 Exodus 16.1-36
- 28 Exodus 17.1-16
- 29 Exodus 18.1-27
- 30 Exodus 19.1-25



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MANDATORY CLEARANCES AND TRAINING

Information on **mandatory volunteer clearances and child abuse recognition and prevention training** will be going out this month. Clearances are good for 60 months and many of our volunteers at Clen-Moore are due to renew your clearances. We will offer our annual training through a website connected to the University of Pittsburgh that is accepted by the state. All of this information will be shared with you in April via a letter and an email of who needs to renew your clearances and how to do it, as well as connecting to the online training. Please contact Pastor Aaron with any questions.

Mission Spotlight! Christian Camps

Christian camping is such a good opportunity for many children, youth, and families to experience the love of Jesus Christ in a unique and fun way. Through our Mission and Evangelism Committee, Clen-Moore Church supports Camp Lambec and Pine Valley Camp.

Most of you have some knowledge about Lambec and what programs are run from their shores on Lake Erie, like Wet-N-Wild, Music Camp and family camps. Camp Lambec is currently interested in staffing for the 2021 season. If you are interested you may go to camplambec.net to fill out an application or contact **Crystal Schilling at 724-944-8332**.

Pine Valley Camp, located in Ellwood City, is a unique camp who's motto is, "Rebuilding broken lives through Jesus Christ." They offer multiple summer camp programs, and other opportunities around the year, for kids of all ages to be able to have "the camp experience" that would normally not be able to for whatever reason.

Pine Valley's heart is connecting these kids to Jesus Christ through building relationships with counselors and other camp staff while having fun doing it. We have had their Light of the City Choir perform at Clen-Moore a couple of times over the past several years and have been incredibly blessed by them.

We will share more about Pine Valley Camp and Camp Lambec in a Sunday morning announcement in April. Please keep these camps in your prayers as they continue to battle the same things we all are battling amidst the pandemic. To learn more or donate to Pine Valley Camp, please visit their website, pinevalleycamp.org.



**SCHOLARSHIP
OPPORTUNITY!!!**



The Sue DeVite Scholarship is now available. This scholarship is for any active Clen-Moore Church member who is entering a post-high school educational program.

In addition to the Sue DeVite Scholarship and using the same criteria, there will be a special scholarship given to one applicant in honor of Harry & Thelma Banks.

There can be multiple recipients of the scholarship. The criteria within the guidelines must be met by the applicant, and the application must be completed and turned in to the committee by Friday, June 19th.

All of the details of the scholarship are within the application. Applications are available in the church office and can be picked up by appointment. They are also available to be emailed at your request. Please contact me with any questions.

~Pastor Aaron



Deacons for the month of April:
Lois Henneman & Elaine Meyers

