

He has been raised; he is not here

Worship Calendar for April:

April 7~Reverend Robert Conner - Communion Service at WPC at 10 am

April 14~Palm Sunday, CLP Charles Johnson -Worship Service at WPC at 10 am.

April 21~**Joint Easter Worship Service** at United Methodist Church at 9:30 am.

April 28~Reverend William Lupole - Worship Service at WPC at 10 am

Thank You!!!!!!

...to everyone who donated items for NICE Collection in March and our Emergency bucket.

.....to Christine Monteiro for the Lenten Study available each Sunday

To our March pulpit leaders , We Thank You:

March 3: Worship/Communion with Rev. Robert Conner.

March 6: Rev. Paul Lee for leading our Joint Ash Wednesday Service at WPC

March 10: Worship with CLP Charles Johnson.

March 17: Worship with CLP Charles Johnson.

March 24: Worship with Rev. William Lupole

March 31: . Worship with Rev. Mary Gay McKinney



*Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson and
Presbyterian Deacons*

*Sunday was a very
special day for me. I
enjoyed the sermon, special
music and the nice luncheon.*

*many thanks for your
lovely flowers, cards and
greetings. God bless all
of you*

*Love,
Florence
Hipple*

*He has risen.
Have faith in
Him....
And He will
always be there
for you.
Have a
Blessed and
Happy Easter.*

WOW 20th Anniversary Spring Event:

Women of the Word (WOW) is inviting all area men and women to a very special evening for our end of the year program, "Go Into All the World". This will take place on Thursday April 11, 2019, at 7 p.m. at Waterman Presbyterian Church, 250 N. Cedar, Waterman, IL. We will be celebrating 20 wonderful years of WOW! We please ask that any charter or former member of WOW to make a special effort to attend you will be blessed!!

Please come listen to author and motivational speaker, Naomi Koesler. Naomi and her nine siblings are natives of Sri Lanka. Impoverished and raised as Christians in a Buddhist country held many difficult challenges for the family. Migrating to the United States in 1980 brought even more challenges in her faith. Today, she receives many speaker invitations to share her testimony of God's Goodness.

Bring a friend along to enjoy inspiration and fellowship! Light refreshments will be served following the program. For more information contact Sue, at 815.264.3979 or sjhipple23@gmail.com.

Matthew 28:18,19a ~Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in Heaven and earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...."

Open Hands Preschool

"Play gives children a chance to practice what they are learning." -Fred Rogers
What We've Learned

Lions and tigers and bears...oh my! Our theme for the month of March has focused on animals in the zoo, and more importantly, that they are all animals of God's Kingdom! We have read lots of stories about animals and used different art techniques to make our own. Be sure to look at our displays in the hallway and classroom!

Pre-k has been working diligently on site words, their home address, and phone numbers.

Preschool has been working on mastering recognizing and writing their names, and they can even recognize and show numbers 1-10!

We continue to work on our social skills as we play in the classroom and work on taking turns and being a friend.

Good to Know

It's hard to believe our school year is already coming to an end! Open Hands Graduation has been set for the morning of May 24th, 2019. This is a celebration for EVERY child at Open Hands!

Our Spring butter braid fundraiser ends on April 4th and 5th and will be delivered just in time for Easter- on Friday, April 12th, between 10-11:30 AM.

A special thank you to Mrs. Gletty for all the time you have put into our fundraiser!

Please remember that registration for the 2019/2020 school year is OPEN! If you know of any families who may be interested, please send them our way! If you need a registration form, stop by our office or pick one up outside of the classroom. We are so excited to see so many returning faces!

Learning Focus

During the month of April, we will focus on baby animals, the farm, and weather! These are some of our favorite themes so activities will be endless!

We will explore the life cycle of animals such as a chicken, find out what makes a kite fly, and even talk about how to stay safe when it storms.

We will focus on new life- baby animals and the seeds that the farmers are planting.

Our preschoolers will also learn about the real meaning of Easter. We will read bible stories, books, and complete activities to learn the real reason of this wonderful celebration!

***There is no school on April 19th, 2019 in honor of Good Friday!**

~If you or your group use our church facilities, please make sure that everything is back in place, lights are off, thermostats set at 68 degrees and the doors are locked~ The Session

**Session Meeting: Wednesday, April 3rd at 6:30 pm.
Deadline for Easter Lily orders ~ Sunday, April 7th**

Holy Week and Jelly Beans

Considering the season, the following is a great exercise for all and children:

You will need a bag of jelly beans with the following colors and a bible.

Eight colorful jelly beans are just enough different colors to take one each day, beginning with Palm Sunday. Don't consume all eight in haste. Don't let this Easter Season rush pass in haste without pausing to reflect, appreciate and prepare. Taste the particular flavor and let the specific color remind you of some aspect of the Easter event.

Palm Sunday ~ Yellow is for sunlight and radiance.
Read Bible scripture ~ John 1:3-5, 14.

Monday ~ Green is the color of nature, signifying hope & eternal life.
Read Bible scripture ~ I John 5:11-12.

Tuesday ~ Black is the color of grief, sorrow and sins we may have committed.
Read Bible scripture ~ Matthew 27:51-54.

Wednesday ~ Purple refers to Jesus' triumphal entry as well as His time of suffering.
Read Bible scripture ~ Luke 19: 37-42.

Thursday ~ Orange is for the edge of night.
Read Bible scripture ~26: 39-42.

Friday ~ Red is for the blood Jesus gave.
Read Bible scripture ~Romans 5: 8-9.

Saturday ~ White is for the grace, glory and joy Jesus gave.
Read Bible scripture ~ John 20: 19-21.

Easter Sunday ~ Pink is for our new tomorrow.
Read Bible scripture ~John 10:10.

A bag of jelly beans, colorful and sweet, full of flavor; bringing meaning to this week.

*I found the above in a file cabinet, at the
Waterman Presbyterian Church.*

~ M. Houghtby

Please Pray for: The Family of Frank Bilardello,
The Family of Milford Clausen,
The Family of Hazel Stryker,
The Family of Natalie Witek,
The Family of Emiline Rood,
Amber Barshinger,
The Family of Tony North,
Geri Leonard, Kate Derry (Rev. Lupole's daughter)
and Our Church.



Our military personnel:

Staff Sgt. Vadon Loudermilk Jr.,
Major Garrett Slack
& Major Bob Mitchell



SAVE THE DATE
get your walking shoes
buffed & ready!!!

**17th Annual Walk/Run for
N.I.C.E Center
Sunday, May 5th, 2019**

There are a few churches that support NICE by doing a monthly collection of a named item from their congregations. It is usually an item that is expensive for the Center to buy or that is very popular.

We are now collecting for the month of April and we would like to collect ketchup.

The items can be put into the collection box in the Narthex. Watch the newsletter and bulletins for what we will be collecting each month.

As always, monetary donations are accepted.

**The families that come to the
NICE Center are very
appreciative of all that you do.**

***** Thank you for your support. ******

Word Search Puzzle

W W H A S C S F F D F T F
E I A L S O I I A E R H R
M L R I R R N R C A O I U
A L E V A I C S T T M S I
D H S E I N E T W H O N T
E O U B S T H O N L Y R S
C P R E E H U C O M E S O
A E R E D I M O S T G V F
M D E N D A A D A M O A B
E H C T F N N P E O P L E
D A T H O S E L I F E L I
I V I E R T H R O U G H N
E E O P I T I E D E A D G
D U N S C H R I S T B U T

(1 Corinthians 15:19-22) If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. (20) But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. (21) For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; (22) for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. (NRSV)

Word List

RESURRECTION CORINTHIANS THROUGH RAISED PITIED PEOPLE
FRUITS CHRIST THOSE SINCE HUMAN HOPED FIRST DEATH
BEING ALIVE WILL THIS ONLY NRSV MOST MADE LIFE
HAVE FROM FACT DIED DEAD COME CAME BEEN ALSO
ADAM WHO THE HAS FOR BUT ARE ALL WE TO OF