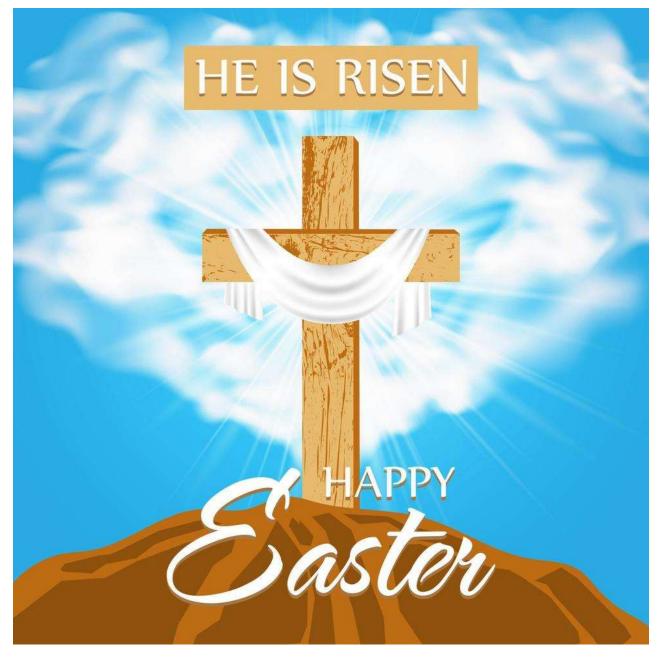
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Dear Covenant Partners and Friends,

I wanted you to know about some of our observances of Holy Week and upcoming celebrations. Please jot them on your calendars and join us for these times to worship God together.

Holy Week Schedule	
Palm Sunday Worship Service	April 13 at 9:30 a.m.
Maundy Thursday Communion Service	April 17 at 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday Drop-In Service	April 18, 12:00–3:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday Worship Service on Sunset Beach	April 20 at 8:00 a.m.
Easter Sunday Worship Service in the Sanctuary	April 20 at 9:30 a.m.

Holy Week Hope

"Holy Week" is the week of Easter and culminates on Easter Sunday. The purpose of Holy Week is to remember Christ's last week of earthly ministry, leading up to his resurrection. The last week includes the triumphal entry into Jerusalem, the challenges in the Temple, the Olivet discourse, the Last Supper, praying in Gethsemane, the crucifixion, and the burial of Jesus. I hope Lent, Holy Week, and Easter Sunday can help you see the beauty of Christ's saving work for you and in you. May the Lord bless you in this season, drawing you closer to himself.

With the love of Christ,

Pastor Dane

FOOD PACKING OPPORTUNITY

This is a new opportunity for our church to participate in food procurement and distribution to needy families in Brunswick County. This program will help Brunswick Family Assistance to add food to their pantry and provide food for school-aged children who are at home for the Summer.

In the past, Second Helping OIB conducted a food collection event every Saturday of the Summer season at **Ocean Isle Beach**. Food that vacationers had not used was dropped off at three locations on the island and then transported to BFA for distribution. That organization has disbanded, so the Second Helping group that had formed to collect food on Sunset Beach has decided to take up this cause. They are asking for our help. We are being asked to form a team of **15 people** that will collect food on the fourth Saturdays of the Summer months (**June 28, July 26, August 23**). We would begin at **7:30 AM and conclude before noon.** If we have enough people not all of us would need to attend each Saturday, so even if you can only help a couple times, we could use your help. Even if you can't help our team, the organization has other slots for you.

Please respond with your desire to participate. Thanks for considering George Brandon - <u>gbrandonhaiti1@gmail.com</u> (910) 547-0525

Ruth Apalinski expresses her gratitude for the contacts, prayers and love she felt when she was the prayer family of the week.

INVITATION TO PRAYER

The Impact of Prayer

Our Heavenly Father wants us to pray, not only because it honors Him but also because communicating helps us grow closer to Him. Prayer also connects us to His work in the world. Prayer is one of the best ways to get involved in Kingdom work. What a privilege it is to be able to participate in God's mission by asking Him to help His children and impact His creation. The Lord instructs us to pray in order to build our faith in Him. He loves to answer our prayers and see us grow bolder in our walk and witness. Be sure to set aside time every day to speak with and listen to Him. *

Please join us for group prayer gatherings (everyone is invited!):

- First Saturday prayer gathering: April 5th at 10 AM. (Prayers for Holy Week/Easter)
- CCPC Prayer List prayer gathering: April 17th at 10:00 AM.
- Drive Thru Prayer at CCPC: April 18th 10:00-11:30. (Please note time change for Good Friday April 18th.)
- Good Friday Prayer and Meditation Service; April18th Noon 3PM, please drop in.

If you are in need of prayer or pastoral care, please call the church office at 910 579-7356 or email <u>prayer@calabash.church</u>

The Prayer Ministry Team * adapted from devotional by Dr. Charles Stanley

Long Term Prayer Requests

Julie Adams, Linda Batts, Betty Bond, Sally Bond, Sandy Brinegar, Rick Ellwanger, Phyllis Foley, Sue Greiner, Karen Grohsman, Diane Hahn, George Habel, Inge Hickson, Pat Huie, Maryann Krieger, Rosemarie Lacroix, Chris Lewis, Peggy Little, Frank Mayberry, Gene McKelvey, Keith Rosdahl, Betty Schillinger, Dan Stinnett, Rob Waldron, Barbara Weber, Wendy Weber

LET'S UNITE IN PRAYER FOR EASTER SERVICES

From April 6th through April 19th, CCPC requests your daily prayers to bless our Easter services at the beach and in the sanctuary.

April 6th, today- pray the Lord will bless us with great weather so both services will have overflowing attendance

April 7th, Monday- pray that all who attend will do so with open hearts ready to receive the Good News of Easter

April 8th, Tuesday- pray that visitors who don't know Jesus will be convicted by the Holy Spirit to accept Jesus' invitation for salvation

April 9th, Wednesday- pray the presence of the Lord will be tangibly felt by every person

April 10th, Thursday- pray that God will bless every CCPC member contributing to the Easter service

April 11th, Friday- pray that the Holy Spirit will guide every item in our services to honor Jesus Christ

April 12th, Saturday- pray the Easter services will be an avenue for reconciliation and renewed hope for all who listen to God's message.

April 13, Palm Sunday- pray for impactful days of reflection for all as we enter Holy Week

April 14, Monday- pray that the Lord stirs the hearts of all He sends to our services

April 15, Tuesday- pray The Holly Spirit's work will convict all people of the love and salvation that Jesus offers to us personally

April 16, Wednesday- pray for wholehearted commitment to Jesus and perseverance to resist Satan's temptations to break our bond with Jesus

April 17, Thursday- pray that the full meaning of the Last Supper will enlarge hearts and minds to the grace and mercy God gives us

April 18, Friday- pray that the crucifixion of Jesus Christ takes on new, life- changing meaning

April 19th, Saturday- pray that the silence experienced on this day of Holy Week will cause each person to "be still and know that I am God" and recognize their need for Him

April 20th, Easter Sunday afternoon- pray and give thanks to the Lord for the day's services, those who heard it, those who received it, and all the seeds that were planted for God's Kingdom. Christ is Risen Indeed!

May God bless each of you as you join together in prayer, unity, and purpose to grow God's kingdom through our Easter services. May all God's plans succeed.

Daniel: A Helpful Mentor and Guide in Prayer by Scott Goodwin

In 2002, my wife and I moved from North Carolina to New Hampshire to be closer to her family. The move involved a change in employment for me and an unexpected new role as an elder in a small Presbyterian church. All these changes led to a new focus on prayer for me. I found Daniel to be a helpful mentor and guide on how to incorporate prayer into all aspects of my life.

In his commentary on Daniel, Tremper Longman emphasizes that the core message in Daniel is that "despite appearances, God is in control" (Longman, 1999, p. 42). He describes Daniel as "the incarnation of a wise man" who is able "through God's grace to navigate life's difficulties" (p. 56).

There were three situations that Daniel faced in which he exemplified this wisdom and the role of prayer in his life: Nebuchadnezzar's dream; the plot by fellow administrators during Darius's reign, and Daniel's response to Jeremiah's prophecy concerning Jerusalem. In his desire to serve God and in his work in Babylon, Daniel turned to prayer. In the first situation, Nebuchadnezzar ordered the killing of all the wise men in Babylon, including Daniel and his three fellow captives. In response, Daniel met with his friends and "urged them to plead for mercy from the God of heaven concerning this mystery so that he and his friends might not be executed" (Daniel 2:17). God responded to their prayers and saved their lives.

Later in his life, Daniel was the victim of a conspiracy. Jealous administrators in Babylon persuaded the king to pass a law forbidding prayer to "to any god or king" but Darius for thirty days specifically to discredit Daniel. As part of this story, I learned Daniel's regular practice throughout his life was to pray three times a day "giving thanks to his God" (Daniel 6:10) and "asking for God's help" (Daniel 6:11). Again, God saved Daniel when he was cast into the lion's den.

Finally, Daniel demonstrated the role of prayer is his life in response to God's word. In his old age, Daniel "understood from the Scriptures, according to the word of the Lord given to Jeremiah the prophet, that the desolation of Jerusalem would last seventy years" (Daniel 9:2). In response, Daniel "turned to the Lord God and pleaded with him in prayer and petition, in fasting and in sackcloth and ashes" (Daniel 9:3) to "turn away your anger and your wrath from Jerusalem, your city, your holy hill" (Daniel 9:16). Daniel glorified God and comforted the people of Israel in exile by describing God's sovereignty over the foreign kings through God's responses to his prayers. Daniel's faith in God's sovereign grace led him to pray frequently during the day, during difficult times, and in response to God's word.

He served as a model for me as I sought to develop my prayer life as a servant of Jesus Christ. I hope his example strengthens your commitment to serving Jesus Christ through your prayers.

Longman, T. (1999). *Daniel* (The New International Version Application Commentary). Zondervan Academic. Kindle Edition. All Bible quotations are from the New International Version.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

April

Alice Ditzler	2
Bill Seip	2
Debi Bullard	5
Marti Kennedy	7
John Bennett	11
Barbar Price	13
Ken Dresser	14
Gloria Wimmer	18
Bob Thwaites	20
Mickey Smith	23
Paula Loomis	24
Carolyn Robison	26
Betty Coffini	26
Wendy Stanton	26
Nancy Matzek	26
Bonnie Lee	27
Pat Hannigan	28
Annelle Waldron	28
Don Decima	28
Sue Compton	29
Pat Robison	29
Rosalin O'Rear	30

April

Bob & Karen Scheboth	3
Eric & Lynn Wagner	6
John & Suellen Bennett	7
Tom & Leah Pressel	10
Ron Cybyske & Denise Reiner	15



APRIL "Resurrection Power" Scripture Reading Plan



Day 1: Genesis 3:14-15	Day 17:	Matt 27:45-46
Day 2: Genesis 12:1-3	Day 18:	Matt 27:50-51
Day 3: Numbers 24:17	Day 19:	Mark 15:46
Day 4: Psalm 22:16-18	Day 20:	Luke 24:1-2
Day 5: 2 Sam 7:12-13	Day 21:	Luke 24:3-4
Day 6: Isaiah 9:6-7	Day 22:	Luke 24:5-7
Day 7: Isaiah 35:3-4	Day 23:	John 20:11-14
Day 8: Isaiah 35:5-6	Day 24:	John 20:15-17
Day 9: Isaiah 53:4-5	Day 25:	John 20:26-27
Day 10: Isaiah 53:6-7	Day 26:	John 20:28-29
Day 11: Isaiah 53:8-9	Day 27:	John 20:30-31
Day 12: Isaiah 53:10-11	Day 28:	Romans 8:33-34
Day 13: Isaiah 53:12	Day 29	2 Corinthians 5:17-18
Day 14: Matt 26:31-32	Day 30	Revelations 5:11-13
Day 15: Matt 26:38-39		
Day 16: Matt 26:53-54		

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
9:30 am Worship 10:30 am Bible study	10:00 am Woman's Bible Study	7:30 am - Men's breakfast 9:00 am – Men's Bible Study 9:00 am – Crafters 1:00 pm – Assimilation 7:00 pm – Men's WebX		10:00 am – Art in Worship 10:00 am – Card Ministry 5:30 pm – Handbells 6:30 pm – Jubilation Choir		10:00 am – Prayer gathering
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9:30 am – Worship 10:30 am – Bible study	9:30 am – Fellowship 10:00 am – Woman's Bible Study	7:30 am – Men's breakfast 9:00 am – Men's Bible Study 9:00 am - Crafters 10:00 am – Worship 1:00 pm – Discipleship 7:00 pm – Men's WebX	1:00 pm – Deacons 2:15 pm - Tech 4:00 pm - Mission	9:30 am – Dorcas circle 5:30 pm – Handbells 6:30 pm – Jubilation Choir	10:00 am Prayer Ministry	
13 Palm	14	15	16	17	18	19
Sunday 9:30 am – Worship 10:30 am – Bible study 3:00 pm – Lydia Circle	10:00 am – Woman's Bible Study 4:00 pm – Personnel	7:30 am – Men's breakfast 9:00 am – Men's Bible Study 9:00 am – Crafters 10:00 am – Property 7:00 pm – Men's WebX		10:00 am – Art in Worship 10:30 am – Prayer gathering 5:30 pm – Handbells 6:30 pm – Jubilation Choir	10:00 am Drive Through Prayer 12pm – 3 pm Drop in service	
20 Easter	21	22	23	24	25	26
COMMUNION Food Pantry Collection 9:30 am – Worship 10:30 am – Bible Study	OFFICE CLOSED 10:00 am – Woman's Bible Study 7:00 pm – Mary Martha Circle	7:30 am – Men's breakfast 9:00 am – Men's Bible Study 9:00 am - Crafters 3:00 pm – Session 7:00 pm – Men's WebX		5:30 pm Handbell 6:30 pm Jubilation Choir	10:00 am Random readers	
27	28	29	30	May 1	2	3
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Session

Sue Brandon, Barbara Dresser, Darlene Hummer, Brian Johnson George Brandon, Sue Brown, Tom Pressel, Dan Stinnett Mary Ard, Pat Robison, Debbie Ryan, Bob Volinic

The Diaconate

Judy Buschmeier, Don Decima, Donna Lee, Ray Beadnell, Jerry Coffey, Bonnie Lee Barbara Poe, Mark Ryan, Barbara Volinic

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Karen Scheboth Peg Stinnett Gloria Wimmer **CLP-2** Annelle Waldron (Leader, Whiteville Community) **Group Leaders** Presbyterian Women – Debbie Ryan Presbyterian Men – Mark Ryan, Dan Stinnett

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