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#### **Snacks Sponsoring Families:**

- 1. April 07: Jiju Thankachan's Family
- 2. April 14: Johnson Stephen's Family
- 3. April 21: Joji George's Family
- 4. April 28: Joy John's Family
- 5. May 05: Mathews Jacob's Family
- 6. May 12: Church Family
- 7. May 19: Mathew C. Mathews' Family
- 8. May 26: Mathew M. Oommen's Family

#### **Days to Remember**

Sunday School online: Saturday, April 6th, 20th and 27th at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom.

Sunday School in-person: Sunday, April 14th at Church, after service.

**Choir Practice: Every Sunday after Church Service** 

Women's Group meeting: Every 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays After Church Service

April 12: Committee meeting at 8:00 p.m.

April 21: Spring Clean Up of Church & Parsonage (inside and outside)

May: 05: Parish Day

May 09: Ascension of Jesus

May 12: Mother's Day

May 19: Pentecost Day

May 26: Trinity Sunday

June 02: Bi-Annual Bake sale

June 09: General clean-up of Church

June 16: Father's Day

Motto 2024: "New Ways of Participating in God's Mission."

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## **Church Messenger**

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#### From the desk of: Lawerence Achen

Jesus was born into the world to bring good news to all people. He is the king of peace and the light to those who live in darkness. Through his compassionate service, proclamation of the gospel, and healing ministry, his public ministry brought light and hope to people who lived like sheep without a shepherd. He is the good shepherd who lay down his life for the sheep. Hosanna Sunday, he showed the world he is the messiah the scriptures promised, and the Jewish people long waited for. Jesus also told us that the Kingdom of God, which he proclaimed from the beginning of the ministry, is not of this world, but wherever people submit to the will of God and live in God's love, they are in the Kingdom, though its perfection is transhistorical.

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#### **Birthdays**

#### April

Rachel Ann George	4-Apr
Isaac Abraham	10-Apr
Sarah Thomas	12-Apr
Smera J Sathri	15-Apr
Sophia Mariam George	16-Apr
Mincy Thomas	25-Apr
Abigail Mariam George	30-Apr

#### **Wedding Anniversaries**

#### April & May

Mrs. & Mr. Mathew M Oommen 24-Apr

Mrs. & Mr. Mathew Varghese Jr. 7-May
Mrs. & Mr. Sunith George 11-May
Mrs. & Mr. Biji Thomas 17-May
Mrs. & Mr. Mathew Varghese
Mrs. & Mr. Bino Thomas 22-May
Mrs. & Mr. Jacob Chacko 22-May
Mrs. & Mr. Joy John 25-May

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The ordinary people who heard his message and received his healing and compassionate service greeted him as the Savior and king of their lives and entered the Kingdom. However, the religious authorities and hard-hearted people rejected him and searched for ways to kill him, which ultimately resulted in his crucifixion. Though his enemies thought that was the end, it was only the beginning of a new dawn. God raised him from the dead and glorified him with all authority and honor. All those who share in his suffering, take up the cross and follow him share in Jesus' resurrection and glory. It is by identifying with his suffering that we share in his resurrection and glory. There is a cross before the resurrection. Therefore, let us not be discouraged by the challenges and strains of life we face today, but let us live as witnesses of Christ's resurrection. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

## COME & SHARE THE EXPERIENCE OF WORSHIP

#### From the Treasurer

- 1. Pledge Target: \$15,000. Form returns to treasurer: Before Sunday, April 28, 2024.
- 2. Pay off Church Building mortgage: Before end of November

#### SUNDAY BIBLE READINGS

#### Sunday, April 7, 2024

#### 1st Sunday after Easter

Holy Communion service in Malayalam

Theme: Encounter with the Risen Lord

1st Lesson: Genesis 32: 22-32 (Warden)

Psalm: 40 (Bino Thomas' Family)

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Acts 9: 1-18 (Binu Cherian's Family)

Gospel: John 20: 24-29

Elements: Sunith George's Family

#### Sunday, April 14, 2024

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Easter

Holy Communion Service in English

Theme: Identifying Risen Lord in the Workplace

1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: Ruth 2: 1-18 (Warden) Psalm: 15: (Bobi Chandy's Family)

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Acts 9: 36-43 (George Cherian's

Family)

Gospel: John 21: 1-14

Elements: Aneesh Abraham's Family

#### **Sunday, April 21, 2024**

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Easter

Holy Communion service in Malayalam

**Theme**: Community Formation around

Resurrection Experience

1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: Isaiah 25: 1-9 (Warden)

Psalm: 126 (Harish Sathri's Family)

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Acts 4: 32-37 (Jacob Chacko's

Family)

Gospel: Luke 24: 13-35

Elements: Biji Thomas' Family

#### Sunday, April 28, 2024

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter

Holy Communion Service in English

Theme: Believing in Christ: The Resurrection

1st Lesson: 2 Kings 4: 27- 37 (Warden)

Psalm: 90: (Jiju Thankachen's Family)

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Acts 26: 12 - 23 (Johnson Stephen's

Family)

Gospel: John 11: 17- 28

Elements: Bino Thomas' Family

#### Sunday, May 05, 2024

#### 5th Sunday after Easter

Holy Communion service in Malayalam

Theme: Christ's Invitation to be an Expression

of Mission

1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: Ezekiel 34: 25-31 (Warden)

Psalm: 47 (Joji George's Family)

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: 1 Peter 2: 1-10 (Joy John's Family)

Gospel: John 20: 19-23

Elements: Binu Cherian's Family

#### Sunday, May 12, 2024

#### 6th Sunday after Easter

Holy Communion Service in English

Theme: Waiting upon the Holy Spirit

1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: Isaiah 40: 25-31 (Warden)

Psalm: 51 (Mathews Jacob's Family)

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Act 1: 1-11 (Mathew C. Mathews'

Family)

Gospel: Luke 24: 44-49

Elements: Bobi Chandy's Family

#### **Sunday, May 19, 2024**

#### Pentecost

Holy Communion Service in Malayalam

Theme: Come Holy Spirit Renew Us

1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: Ezekiel 37: 1-14 (Warden)

Psalm: 104: 24-35 (Mathew M Oommen's

Family)

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Acts 2: 1-13 (Mathew Varghese'

Family

Gospel Matthew John 16: 1-11

Elements: George Cherian's Family

#### Sunday, May 26, 2024

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Trinity Sunday)

Holy Communion service in English

Theme: We Worship the Triune God

1st Lesson: Genesis 1: 1-28 (Warden)

Psalm: 2 (Ponnamma Kurian's Family)

 $2^{nd}$  Lesson: 2 Cor. 13: 11-14 (Robin Chacko

Varghese' Family)
Gospel: John 1: 1-18

Elements: Harish Sathri's Family

#### Sunday, June 02, 2024

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity (Students Sunday)

Holy Communion Service in Malayalam

Theme: Wisdom from Above

1st Lesson: I Kings 3:16-28 (Warden)

Psalm: 119: 33-40 (Robin Mundakkal's Family)

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: James 1:1-8 (Saraja Samuel's

Family)

Gospel: Luke.10:21-24

Elements: Jacob Chacko's Family