

Wesley Global Methodist Church 3700 Indian Hills Drive Sioux City, Iowa 51104

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Welcome to
Wesley Global Methodist Church

9:00 AM Traditional Service10:00 AM Fellowship time11:00 AM Inspiration Service

Communion is served on the first Sunday of every month.







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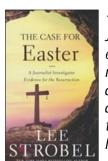


Often, we are challenged in our faith. I grew up in the 70s where seeds of skepticism surrounding the truth claims of a Risen Christ have now exponentially grown to a norm of attack and rejection of the Easter story altogether. From many angles unbelievers focus on suggested inconsistencies and unreconciled confusion concerning Biblical reliability, to suggestions of mythology, to scientific rejection of the supernatural, and to the "offensive" lifestyle ramifications if the "truth" of the "gospel" message were to be fully embraced.

In other words, everything changes if Jesus Christ really did rise from the dead. It would require a clearer commitment of acceptance or rejection of the Biblical storyline. Jesus' resurrection, proven beyond a reasonable doubt, would strongly compel a clearer decision about how we all should live. And for many, scarry is the thought because course of life correction and direction does not come easy. It is always a costly possibility in terms of reevaluating EVERYTHING to align with EVERYTHING Christ suggested in the scriptures. After all, Jesus himself said that people should "count the cost" if they are to follow Him.

Yet, His LIFE is a testimony to the great blessing of HOPE! If it is all confirmed valid in real time and space then the promises of eternal life in paradise under the reign of God assure of so much joy to come: joy of God's forever presence, joy of wholeness beyond sickness and death, joy of reunion with other loved ones who have proceeded us in the faithful departure from death to life in heaven, and so much more! That is... if it is all true.

Scholars and serious students of the historical truth claims surrounding Jesus' Resurrection such as Lee Stroble and Gary Habermas, I believe, make a compelling case. For an example, in his book "The Case for Easter" Stroble inquires of Dr. Habermas concerning the validity of the Christ literally rising from the dead as promised. Habermas responds:



"So," he continued, "here's how I look at the evidence for the resurrection: First, did Jesus die on the cross? And second, did he appear later to people? If you can establish those two things, you've made your case, because dead people don't normally do that." Historians agree there's plenty of evidence that Jesus was crucified, and Dr. Alexander Metherell demonstrated in an earlier chapter that Jesus could not have survived the rigors of that execution. That leaves the second part of the issue: Did Jesus really appear later? "What evidence is there that people saw him?" (Pages 63-64, "The Case for Easter" by Lee Strobel.)

## **April Worship Schedule**



# Ways to Worship at Wesley:

#### Join us on Sundays:

9:00 AM Traditional Service10:00 AM Fellowship time11:00 AM Inspiration Service

You may join us live on our Facebook page on Sundays at 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM.

#### Wesley

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Phone 712-239-2382

Email: wesleysiouxcity@gmail.com
Website: www.wesleyumcsc.com

**Wesley Global Methodist on Facebook** 

#### Office Hours

Monday-Friday Hours: 9:00 am—1:00 pm

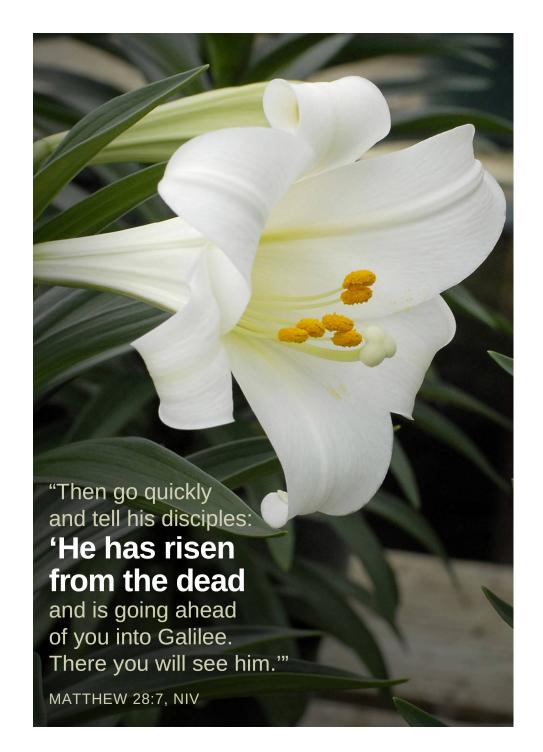
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So, I propose that we at Wesley take an intent look at the actual "Risen Christ Encounters" during the weeks of Eastertide (through all of April and into May). Included in this newsletter is a sermon schedule that seeks to present a chronological review of each of those firsthand, in the flesh, eyewitness encounters with Christ as risen! Also, we have available in the worship space entry area a gift of Stroble's booklet, "The Case for Easter" for you meditate on and share with others. We will also offer a four-week video review produced by Stroble to coincide with reflection on his book. Our Growth Groups on Sunday mornings between Sunday services and on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm will offer that review.

Who knows? It might just change EVERYTHING.

Blessings,

Todd

God and my Girlfriends

April 18TH AT 6:30.

Join us in the FLC. More details to follow!!

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### Risen Christ Encounters

A sermon series focused on the eyewitness appearances of Christ Risen from the dead.

If true, it changes EVERYTHING!

| April 7 -  | Peter, Paul, and Many!             | - 1 Corinthians 15:1-11      |
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| April 14 – | Mary and the Other Women           | — John 20:11-18, Mt. 28:1-10 |
| April 21-  | The Emmaus Road Conversation       | - Luke 24:13-35              |
| April 28 – | The Eleven Disciples and Others    | - Luke 24:33-39              |
| May 5 –    | Ten Apostles without Thomas        | – John 20:19-23              |
| May 12 –   | The Apostles Including Thomas      | – John 20:26-30              |
| May 19 –   | Seven Apostles by the Sea (or SEE) | – John 21:1-14               |
| May 26 -   | At the Great Commissioning         | — Matthew 28:16-20           |
| June 2 –   | At the Ascension of Jesus          | – Acts 1:1-11                |



# Our Life Together

#### **Prayers and Concerns:**

#### **Prayers for Healing**

- -Pray for Don Byerly who had a procedure in Omaha in March.
- -Pray for Nancy Bishop who is at Mercy with a staff infection.
- -Pray for Pam Wurster as she recovers from surgery in March and was happy to hear good news on her last visit.
- -Pray for Jaylene Bauerly who underwent more heart testing and will be having bypass surgery on April 16th.
- -Pray for Jennifer Moos who had a procedure done in March.

#### **Prayers in Deaths**

- -Pray for Chad Bauer and family as they mourn the loss of Chad's sister Therese Bauer.
- -Pray for all who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

#### **Continuing Prayers**

- -Pray for Steve Sharp who has been diagnosed with lung cancer. He has just completed chemo.
- -Pray for Lori Betsworth as she undergoes cancer treatments.
- -Pray for Scott Parsons, son-in-law of Carolyn Yockey Streffeler as he recovers from open heart surgery.
- -Pray for Marie Clegg who is dealing with ongoing health problems.
- -Pray for Tom Calhoun, brother-in-law of Bonnie Porsch, who is battling cancer.
- -Pray for Dan Mace, son of Caroline Mace as his four year battle with cancer continues.
- -Pray for former Wesley member, Rich Andersen, who has Myeloid Leukemia cancer.

#### \*Special Prayer Requests\*

- -Pray for our country that God may be brought to the center.
- -Pray for members of the military.
- -Pray for our pastor, our church, and our denomination.





#### Attention Graduates! We want to celebrate you!

If you have a graduating senior from high-school or college you would like recognized in our Wesley newsletter please send in a photo, full name, the school they are graduating from, the school they will be attending, or plans for the future, degree (college grad)

and Parents/Grandparents names, to the church email, wesleysiouxcity@gmail.com. Please have the information in to the church office by April 21. We will celebrate our graduates on Sunday May 5th.



Who: Wesley Youth Preschool and older

When: Friday, May 31st 5:30-8:00

Where: Wesley UMC

3700 Indian Hills Dr.

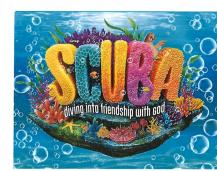
What: Supper: hot dog, fruit, chips, drink and

movie snacks

Why: Food, Fun and Fellowship!

Bring your kid for an evening of fun and you can enjoy an evening off! ©

\*Please register by calling the church office (712) 239-2382 or contacting Christy Cook 712/490-8775



Vacation Bible School

June 24th-27th 6-8pm

Scan the code to register your child or to register to volunteer!



# Church Rummage Sale

# **April 20th**

We need help with Set up on the 19th

We also need help with the Rummage Sale on the 20th, 8 am to mid-afternoon.

Call the church at 712-239-2382 or Delores Disterhaupt at 218-213-4218

This is a good opportunity to do some spring cleaning and get rid of those unwanted items. Please mark your items with a price before you drop it off at the church. You can start bringing items anytime, we have a room available to store items in until the rummage. Also, if you have any heavy items, we have someone who has volunteered to haul them up to the church.



You are invited to share the amazing talents God has given you with your Wesley Family?

Saturday April 27th 2-4pm

A Free Will Offering will be collected to help provide camp scholarships for our youth.

Registration forms available in the office or we can email it to you as well. Questions contact Christy 712/490-8775

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| APRIL 2024                                                                                                                                 | 1                           | 2<br>1 pm OVEREATERS<br>ANONYMOUS<br>5:00-9:00 pm Dancers<br>6:30 pm Eve Circle | in pire!  5:30 Inspire  Growth Groups—6:30 pm  Al-Anon—7:00 pm | <b>4</b> 5:00-8:30 pm Dancers                        | 5                                                                                 | 6<br>10:30 am - noon<br>OVEREATERS<br>ANONYMOUS                    |
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