THIS WEEK

TODAY 4-21 Resurrection Sunday 7:30 a.m.—Early Service 8:00 – 9:15 a.m.—Breakfast Served 9:00 a.m.—Sunday School Fellowship Time/Common Ground 9:30 a.m.—Ushers & Greeters Prayer 10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship MONDAY 4-22

6:00 p.m.—VBS Teachers Meeting

TUESDAY 4-23 6:30 a.m.—Elder Prayer Noon—Community Prayer

WEDNESDAY 4-24

5:30 p.m.—Worship Team Practice 7:00 p.m.—AWANA Awards Night No Jr. High Youth group 7:00 p.m.—High School Youth Group

REMINDERS

<u>This Week</u> Nursery (9:00) Deb Kruger Nursery (10:00) Katie Collins & Family Greeters: Ken & Linda DeWaard <u>Next Week</u> Nursery (9:00) Marcie Larson Nursery (10:00) Matt & Joy Ites, Faith Nielsen Greeters: TBA

FRIDAY 4-26 Office Closed

SATURDAY 4-27

10:00 –11:30 Bridal Shower for

Rachael Smith & Ryan Swanson

(See Announcement)

SUNDAY 4-28-

8:30 a.m.-Common Ground

9:00 a.m.—Sunday School

Fellowship Time/Common Ground

9:30 a.m.—Ushers & Greeters Prayer

10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship

GIVING UPDATE

Weekly Budget: \$6,600

General Fund Offering— 4-7-19: \$8,749.25

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for these people with health issues or other concerns

David Peterson Josh Johnson Evelyn Hill Doug Kneisel Vickie Swanson Family Nancy Anderson Marv Johnson Mathew Dallman Blanche Friedow Jodi (Anderson) Brown

For God to give us a passion to see Christ move in our community
Servicemen & Women—Including Robert Goerish
Missionaries including Church Planters Fund
Sunday School—including Preschool Class—Teachers Amber Nielsen & Hannah Harmon
Life Group Leaders—including Paul Christians
Youth Pastor—Pastor Jesse
Interim Pastor Randal & Linda Kay

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AWANA AWARDS NIGHT—April 24th at 7:00 p.m.

-You are invited to join us for the clubbers awards ceremony -The kids will sing some of their favorite songs for you -Please have your clubbers at the church at 6:45 p.m. -A time of fellowship will follow the ceremony

YOU ARE INVITED TO A BRIDAL SHOWER for RACHAEL SMITH AND

RYAN SWANSON on Saturday, April 27th at Dan & Brenda Smith's home (215 2nd St. SE, Britt). Come and Go from 10:00—11:30 a.m. They are registered at Amazon and Swenson's.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER—MAY 2nd at the WH Ambulance Shed at **NOON**. There is only one meeting this year.

FAMILY COMEDY NIGHT-MAY 5th 7:00-9:00 p.m. with

MIKE & NATE COMEDY TEAM. We will also have youth led worship and snacks to follow. The Miami Missions Team (including youth groups from our church, First Baptist in Forest City and EFC in Clear Lake) is coming together to host this event. We hope you'll join us for this fun night!!

SPRING SENIOR SAINTS DAY—May 7th at Hidden Acres. There are brochures and a sign-up sheet in the foyer. Lu McClellan is driving and you are welcome to ride along. Contact her if you have any questions.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOGNITION—May 19 during the morning worship. Please let Pastor Jesse know if you plan on participating. Graduates, remember to wear your cap & gown.

UPDATE ON BLANCHE FRIEDOW

Blanche is residing at Westview Care Center 445 8th Ave. SW, Britt. Please pray for peace and calmness for her as she is no longer mobile. Cards would be a wonderful way to bless her. She really enjoys receiving and reading mail.

THE EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF BRITT

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"I AM the Resurrection and the Life" John 11:25

Notes

The Shepherd's Staff Pastor Randal

Gravestone Rubbings

In 1850 the Evergreen Cemetery of Santa Cruz, California was founded. It is the final resting place for those who made the long trek west to seek and find their fortune in the "golden state." This is a place full of history waiting to be discovered and I suppose that is why every year grade school field trips are taken to this spot. Each child is outfitted with a large sheet of white paper and a crayon or piece of chalk in order to make rubbings of the old and broken down gravestones. The stones have stories to tell as the children witness history unfolding right before their eyes.

Grave markers do have stories to tell of those who came to find a new life and whose lives are now resting in peace ... hopefully.

On this Resurrection Sunday, we have come to see a grave as well, but this one boasts no tombstone message of a life born and a life that has perished. In fact, this tomb is an unmarked and empty one. Some have said this hole in the cliff-side is the tomb of Jesus, and others have stated, "no this is the one." The truth be told is that we have no marked tomb of Jesus, because Jesus has risen from the dead. He's alive, and the living have no need of a grave-marker.

Today we celebrate not a crucified martyr, but a living Savior. The Scriptures declare that Jesus, the Messiah, would die and three days later rise from the dead. "Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days." They replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" But the temple he had spoken of was his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken." (John 2:19-22)

Therefore, on this Resurrection Sunday I invite you to respond to the One whom death could not hold. To worship the One who stated, "Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live." (John 14:19)

So, on this special day of remembrance, declare with me, "*He is risen, He is risen indeed*!"