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Holy Week Schedule

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 21st



7pm Maundy Thursday @ ACC

GOOD FRIDAY, April 22nd



7pm Tenebrae @FUMC

8 pm Begin Prayer Vigil

SATURDAY, April 23rd



12:00 Midnight Prayer Vigil Ends

EASTER SUNDAY, April 24

PRAYER VIGIL

8 am Sunrise Service

9 am Breakfast sponsored by the Cabinet

9 am Choir Practice

10 am Sunday School

11 am Easter Service



Easter



EASTER

A Reminder From The Worship Ministry:

Please bring fresh flowers Easter Sunday morning to decorate the Flower Cross.

Please mark on your calendars that there will be a

Congregational Meeting on May 1st immediately after Worship Service regarding Laurie's 3 month Sabbatical in 2012.



Easter Prayer Vigil If you did not have an opportunity to sign up for our annual Easter prayer vigil, there are still the following time slots open: Saturday April 23; 2:00-2:30am-3:00-3:30am, 3:30-4:00 am, 4:30-5:00 am, 11:30-noon, 1:30-2:00pm, 2:30-3:00pm, 3:30-4:00 pm, 6:30-7:00pm, 7:30-8:00pm. If you wish to claim one or more, call 817-444-4127 and let me know. You may spend that time in your own home communicating with God on this Easter time period. Thanks for growing spiritually. Spending time in prayer only makes Azle Christian a stronger church following in Christ's steps, Again, thank you, Dollene Price



PRAYER VIGIL

DOLLAR\$&CENTS



HONORED TO SERVE

Finances

Budget Needs Per Week	\$3,679.00
Received April 10, 2011	\$4,637.00
Received April 17, 2011	\$2,629.00
Received Year to Date	\$53,885.02
Actual Expenses Year to Date	\$58,612.61
Income Over (Under) Expenses	\$4,727.59

Attendance Report

Sunday April 10, 2011	Sunday School	62
	Worship	138
Sunday, April 17, 2011	Sunday School	60
	Worship	152
Average Year to Date	Sunday School	51
	Worship	109

CROSSES FOR SALE

We have crosses made from the wood that was on the 1893 building. These are made from wood that could not be reused for the building and each one represents a little bit of our ACC history! If you would like to have one, see Scottie and for a donation of \$20.00 she will give you a cross. Funds go to the ongoing restoration.

Need some chores done in and around your home? Let our youth help you?

They are working to raise money for their mission trip and are willing and able to earn this money!

Contact David for scheduling.
817/437-7296 or
drchristman1@yahoo.com



April 24, 2011

Worship Leader	Bryan Feille
Table	Laurie Feille
Bread Elder	Mark Hiles
Wine Elder	Dannie Davis
First Greeter	Joni Mote
Second Greeter	Sandra Gallatin
Deacon	Krista Christman
Deacon	Harlan Tidwell
Jr. Deacon	Aaron Hotwick
Acolyte	Madison Howell
Children's Moment	Laurie Feille
Children's Church	None
Visitation Team	Mark & Susie Hiles
Home Communion	Hark Hiles/Krista Christman



May 1, 2011

Worship Leader	David Christman
Table	Laurie Feille
Bread Elder	Dollene Price
Wine Elder	Diane Weger
First Greeter	Linda Gardom
Second Greeter	Cat Schlueter
Deacon	Katie Carlson
Deacon	Bob Wilson
Jr. Deacon	Brian Lingo
Acolyte	Isabelle Piercy
Children's Moment	Laurie Feille
Children's Church	Krista Christman
Visitation Team	Dollene Price/Bob Wilson
Home Communion	Dollene Price/Bob Wilson

New Prayer Requests

Tom Plumbley, minister at FCC
@ Fort Worth

Evonne Cordell, Elaine Taméz sister,
recovering from surgery
All affected by wildfires

Carlos Taméz, Pete Taméz brother
All affected by tornadoes
Bob Upchurch, surgery 4/27

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Marie Foster, eye cancer

Kaylie Hubbard

Judy Kirk

David Christman, MRI & MRA

Jarvis Admire's sister, Janie,

Katie Harrison

Tripp

Linda McCreary

Joel Aguilar

Bobby Davis

Margaret & Larry Freeman, Jada &
Quincy Robinson

Sherry Smith

Ruthie Addington

Mabel Boyd

*Mary Savage

*Lucille Koepp

*Norma Scott

*Leah Vann

*Marie Sutton

Debt Reduction Campaign

Brock Powell

Refugees at Los Fresnos

Katie Carlson, tendonitis

Don Wilson, at the passing of his mom

Jan Richardson

Fan beaten

Alina Bedford

Jon Saurenmann

Isabella Counts

Roxanne Keeter's daughter

Bobby & Karen Smith

Mark Jacobs

Libya

Ramon and Jim Pugh

*Ricky Stults

*Pauline Cowan

*Jack Cowan

*Patsy Clay

*Lodema Botts

Phyllis Gallagher

Pat, Mark Hiles aunt

Otis Leo Pillow

Family & friends of Jason Boen

Family & friends of Jennifer
Gallagher

Family & friends of Brenda Chaney

Lewis Botts

Lynn Hightower

Norma Hagge

Ida Knight

Family & friends of Ed Ipser

Nancy Bowen

Family & Friends of Mike Nolan

Family & Friends of Don Filgo

Graham Ginther

Katie Carlson's Aunt Co

Japan

*Sandra Bishnoi

*Russell Eagleton

Notice:

We will list family and friends for one month, unless notified otherwise. If you feel they should be listed longer than that, please let us know.

Serving in the military: Capt. Robb Huhn, Germany; Ryan Stults' friend, Sam Hollis, Afghanistan; Chad Tidwell, San Antonio; Spruill's grandson, David Collins, San Diego; Brandon Carroll, Persian Gulf; Iraq; Matt Huddleston, Korea; Jonathan Hendricks, Afghanistan; Jared Curry, Afghanistan



All Church Work Day on April 16th

Our work day was very successful! Mostly thanks to the directions from our Master Gardeners Betty Arber and Joe McCreary, and the many that showed up to work so hard in the flower beds. A special thank you to Kip Lemon with Time Rental for loaning us the use of the equipment and for John Pastre's experience in running the equipment for us. The work has made our property a real "stand out" in Azle. Thanks to one and all. Property Chairs



A New Tradition

mother's
DAY
BRUNCH

For several years, we have held a Father's Day fish fry where our men have fried their fantastic catches. This year the Membership Ministry is sponsoring a new tradition. Mark your calendars for Saturday May 7th at 10:30 a.m. All women are invited to bring their children, grandchildren & spouses. We are asking that you RSVP to either 817-444-4127 or the church office. Give your name and the number attending. We need to know how many people to cook for. Please plan on helping us start a new tradition of fun and fellowship at ACC.

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We are blessed to know the end of the story. Easter morning is filled with more joy and hope than the celebration of the entrance into Jerusalem can ever bring. The disciples experience the love and goodness of God in a miraculous way. They chose to live in the light of resurrection instead of the darkness of death and in that their lives were forever changed.

We will have to change some of the ways that we do church. For now, on Sunday mornings at 11:00 a.m. we will lock all of the outer doors except the Sanctuary doors. We will post signs on the doors that let our visitors and members know to use the Sanctuary doors after 11:00 a.m. and where those doors are located. We will begin doing this on Easter Sunday. Another plan may be developed but this will work for Easter.

We have always been a very welcoming church. We want the community and church members to use our facilities. We want people to make Azle CC their home. Even though someone chose to violate the welcoming Spirit of this congregation we know of the abundance of hope and goodness that has come from being a welcoming church. We will continue being the church we have always been and at the same time look at ways to be safer. I pray that we always choose to live in the light of resurrection and hope instead of the darkness of death. Again I say, even a break-in cannot put a damper on the joy I feel! I cannot wait for Easter Morning! Much love and peace, Laurie



***It was so thoughtful for Laurie & Dollene to come to my sister's funeral to pay your respect to my family and I really appreciated it. Thank you ACC for the plant, also. Beverly Harvey, Nursery Supervisor

***Caring friends!

As we continue to hand out a few groceries to hungry neighbors and coats and blankets to our homeless population throughout the county, we must pause once again to express our gratitude to all of you who make the program possible. We try always to be worthy of your trust, and are humbled at the sheer grace you exemplify. Sondra Williams, we wish you a very special birthday wish; we never got gift-wrapped p'butter before!

Rick & Trelle, the sausage is a big hit.

We thank you, Sue Miller, "Inasmuch..."EMUMC



TBA Day

Reception and Dialogue

Assembly Day

When: Sunday May 1, 3:00 to 6:00 P.M.

Where: Rush Creek Christian Church
2401 SW Green Oaks Blvd.
Arlington, TX 76017
(817)465-5261 -- rccc@rushcreekcc.org

Day Includes: Farewell Reception

for

Ken and Hyacinth Hall

3:00pm to 4:00pm

TBA Information and Approval
Leadership, finances, and ministries

Conversation and Dialogue

with

Dani Loving-Cartwright and Chad Cline
To Discussing Regional and Trinity Brazos Area
Transition Matters

Closing Communion Service



2011

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1 Area Assembly Congregational Meeting— noon	2 6 pm Planning & Building ■ Nathaniel Hudman ■ Mark Hiles ♥ E.L. & Betty Jones	3	4 9:30 am Prayer Group 6:30 pm Meal 7:30 pm Elders ■ Cameron Mote	5 9 am Golf Mail Out 9 am UFO Quilters	6 ■ E.L. Jones	7 Mother's Day Brunch ♥ Galen & Diane Clark
4:00 pm Youth Group ■ Eddie Weger	9 12 pm Newsletter Dead- line 6 pm Planning & Building ■ Jeff McDonald ■ Stephanie Wilson	10	11 9:30 a.m. Prayer Group 6:30 pm Meal 7:30 Cabinet	12 9 am UFO Quilters	13 CMF ■ Harry Dekin	14 Retreat 13-15 Canoe Trip ♥ Bryan & Laurie Feille
8 Mother's Day 4:00 pm Youth Group ■ Larry Jones ■ Kane Weger	16	17 DWM Jewelry Party	18 9:30 am Prayer Group 6:30 pm Meal 7:30 pm Board ■ Joe Thatcher	19 6:30 pm Stamp Up Club	20 Young ■ Alex Pastre	21 ACC Habitat for Humanity 8-3 Adult Retreat 19-22 ■ Lynn Hightower ■ Chelle Jacobs
15 4:00 pm Youth Group	23 12 pm Newsletter Dead- line 6 pm Planning & Building	24 ■ Isabelle Piercy ■ Ginger Chapman ■ Justin Jacobs	25 9:30 am Prayer Group 7 pm DWM ■ Lynn Piercy	26 ♥ Mark & Chelle Jacobs	27 ♥ Eddie & Diane Weger	28 Discovery Camp 28-30
22 4:00 pm Youth Group ■ Kit Miller	30 Office Closed ■ Kyle Hendrix	31 7:00 PRM ■ Betty Jones		■ Denotes Birthday ♥ Denotes Anniver- sary		
29 Homecoming Azle Cemetery 4:00 pm Youth Group ■ Samantha Flavin ■ Julie McDonald ■ Jonathon Saurenmann						

EASTER

Rev. Laurie P. Feille, Sr. Minister

Sunday night I posted the following on facebook:

Last Sunday and today have been wonderful Sundays at Azle CC. We have been blessed with two wonderful families joining! Even a break-in into the church office during Palm Sunday Worship can't put a damper on the joy I feel. Thanks be to God!

Yes, someone (or more than one) broke into my office during worship this past Sunday. I did not discover the break-in until I finally made it back to my office after worship (152 people!) and the Easter Egg Hunt. The door from the parlor into my office is damaged and will have to be replaced. The person(s) went through my desk drawers, filing cabinet drawers and my purse. All that was taken was some cash. The workroom was entered but nothing was taken. Also, someone went through the kitchen and found one member's purse but must have been scared off and left. All of this happened while we were in the sanctuary for Palm Sunday worship.

Needless to say, Sunday was a mixture of emotions. There are no words to describe the joy I experienced from a sanctuary filled with people to 400 children (not really, just seemed that way) to yet another family joining the church. Our children had a wonderful time at the Easter Egg Hunt and a wonderful Fellowship Lunch started after the hunt ended. And then.....I arrived at my office and feelings of anger, disappointment and fear emerged.

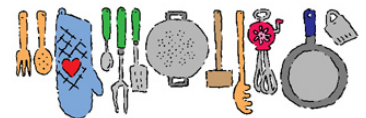
Holy Week has a mixture of these emotions too. The joy of the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem is filled with joy, celebration and hope. As the week goes on the disciples are filled with anger, disappointment and fear. They didn't expect the one, who they believed to be the One, would be arrested and crucified. Life did not go as planned and the darkness came at the height of such hope and joy. (cont'd on pg. 4)

MENU for Wednesday Night Dinner

APRIL 27

- Main Entree: Chicken and Dumplings,
- Vegetarian Entree: Tex Mex Beans w/ Dumplings
- Sweet Peas, Green Beans, Green Salad or Broccoli Salad
- Dessert: Priisna's Cheesecake or Carrot Cake

FROM THE KITCHEN



Welcome Our New Members

ACC is so proud to have the Saurenmann and Hudman families join our church on Sunday April 10th and 17th, respectively. Please welcome the Saurenmann and Hudman families and let them know how very happy we are to have them as part of our awesome congregation. They will be a great blessing to this congregation, as we will be to them, I'm sure.

Matthew & Heidi Hudman
6525 Silver View Ln
Ft. Worth, TX 76135

Chris & Leah Saurenmann
146 Deer Crossing Way
Azle, TX 76020



APRIL 29 -APRIL 30

Relay for Life 6 PM - 6 AM

The Cancer Survivors accompanied by their Caregivers will make the first lap. Then at DUSK all lights are extinguished except the LUMINARIAS. We will then have the power point show where many of our loved ones will be HONORED or REMEMBERED. This is such a heart felt ceremony. Come and celebrate with us. We have 7 SURVIVORS on our team "WALKERS FOR A CURE". Let me once again thank each of you who have supported our team thru the many fundraising events that we have had this year. YOU are what makes us successful.

Blessings from, Dannie, Jimmy and George



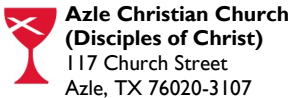
Hello Everyone,

I hope you all are having a good week. I would like to give an update on the youth mission trip to Flower Mound. The youth have begun selling stock again. For those of you who are new (or those of you who just do not remember) the youth sell stock. When you purchase a stock one of our youth stock you are purchasing stock in their lives. On this mission trip the youth will be growing closer to God, closer to the other youth and sponsors, and closer to who they are and who they are created to be. We all know that the stock market is a gamble, you never know what you will end up with; however when you purchase youth stock, you are purchasing stock that will **never** depreciate. With the purchase of a youth stock you also get an invitation to our stockholder's dinner which will be after the mission trip is over. At the stockholder's dinner you will get a meal, made and served by our youth, and you will hear each youth talk about their experiences and watch a video from our trip. I really encourage you all to buy stock from our youth, it is probably the best investment opportunity you could ever make because you are helping these youth grow into the people God is calling them to be.

Another fundraiser that the youth will be doing is making soap and soap baskets for Mother's day. There will be order forms the Sunday after Easter where you can pick the scents and the number of soaps and or baskets that you would like to purchase. Husbands, Sons, Grandsons-this is a quick, easy, and thoughtful gift for you to get for your loved ones. I encourage all of you to stop get a form and get some homemade soap from our youth.

I have camp forms in my office. The early bird deadline is already past; however, you still have plenty of time to get in your forms before the late fee deadline. So please come by my office and get some forms from my office.

I hope all of you can make it to our Thursday and Friday services and I pray that we all remember and truly experience within the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ so that on Sunday morning we will have that much more hope and joy because of the Resurrection! May God bless and keep you all, David Christman



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Sharing our Christian
Community

*"We are a Christian community that loves
God and our neighbor, where everyone is
welcome at Christ's table. God accepts you
just as you are and so do we."*

Lectionary 4.24.11

Jeremiah 31:1-6
Psalms 118:1-2,14-24
Colossians 3:1-4
Matthew 28:1-10

Lectionary 05.01.11

Acts:2:1-14a,22-32
Psalms 16
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31