

Easter Liberation Bible Study

Tuesdays, April 6 - May 18
5:30-7:00 pm

How we read the Bible matters. Where we come from and our life experiences inform the way we understand what we read in the Holy Bible, shaping the way we follow the teachings of Jesus.

Liberation Theology is a theology grounded in the insight that God sides with the poor and marginalized throughout scripture.

Join Rev. Milly and community leaders such as Tami Forte Logan, Amy Cantrell, Bruce Waller, Jr., Nontombi Tutu, Amy Kim Kyremes-Parks and others as they break down various voices of Liberation Theology during the season of Eastertide.

More info on page 4 with instructions on how to register.

Below: Liberation Jesus (artist info not known)

Holy Week

April 1 ~ 7:00 pm

Maundy Thursday Zoom service

April 2 ~ 7:00 pm

Good Friday Zoom service

April 4 ~ 9:00 am and 11:00 am

EASTER DAY — Two morning in-person services at the church parking lot: Registration for the Easter services ends Monday, March 29, at 6:00 pm.

To obtain a registration form, email Jim Haage at jimhaaga@gmail.com or phone him at **828-333-3882**. Time is short: do this quickly. But first, read the ECHS Covid Covenant. In order to attend, agreement to its terms is necessary. Copy the link below into your browser and click to read:

https://mcusercontent.com/78e76b6a3469ca29d67134d70/files/e76e737b-ef5c-45f5-87ab-7317b237c902/Covenant_3_10_21.pdf

Zoom Links will be provided via church emails.



The One-Column April Calendar

Every Tuesday ~ Evening Prayer via
Zoom: 7:00pm

Every Wednesday ~ Centering Prayer via
Zoom: 10:00am

Every Thursday ~ Evening Prayer via
Zoom: 7:00pm

Every Sunday ~ Morning Prayer via
Zoom: 10:30am

Other:

1 ~ Maundy Thursday service via Zoom
at 7:00pm

2 ~ Good Friday service via Zoom at
7:00pm

4 ~ Happy Easter!

11 ~ The Second Sunday of Easter

14 ~ The Black Jesus Book Group meets
via Zoom at 4:00pm

17 ~ ECHS Women's Group

18 ~ The Third Sunday of Easter

20 ~ Outreach Committee meeting via
Zoom at 10:00am

Vestry meeting via Zoom at 5:30pm

22 ~ Living Gifts Fund Board meeting at
11:30am

24 ~ Spring cleanup at ECHS from
9:00am to 1:00pm

25 ~ The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April Women's Group, Saturday, April 17

My hands have been busy (and happy) recently. How about your hands? Let's share our creativity at the next ECHS Women's meeting.

Plan to bring something to show or tell about, something creative you've done recently. This could include projects such as gardening, knitting, photography, quilting, needle-point, baking, cooking, singing, playing an instrument, writing poetry or novels, painting, woodwork, weaving, soap or herbal-ointment making, rearranging your house, dancing, and so on.

Plan your presentation to last only three or four minutes, in order to allow sharing from everyone who wishes. Include a few details about your process: do you plan how you're going to proceed ahead of time, or do you simply follow what your artistic medium guides you to do?

My thought today is that we are all creations of **The Great I AM.**

—Mary Maupin

First Sunday Offering: The Community Housing Coalition

The Community Housing Coalition (CHC) of Madison County is one of a kind. Over twenty years ago, faith leaders in Madison County saw a need for a clearing house of sorts, an agency to field the overwhelming needs of low-income Madison County residents in desperate need of critical home repairs. Through this realization CHC was born and is working its way toward its twentieth anniversary of being a 501(c)(3).

Though Habitat for Humanity is still active in our county, that organization is unable to fill all the requested home repair needs and may refer folks to CHC. The two organizations have a terrific working relationship. CHC is grateful for Habitat's guidance when CHC opened the ReClaim Madison Salvage store in downtown Marshall. All proceeds from ReClaim sales go into funding CHC's programs. The hope is that ReClaim Madison will grow and become a greater funding source for CHC and lessen its reliance on grants.

Throughout the pandemic, CHC has managed to facilitate home repairs on 68 homes in Madison County, directly impacting the lives of 111 individuals living in those homes. But the needs are great and growing. Because of limited resources, not all who apply receive assistance.

Currently 137 individuals are awaiting assistance. CHC has created a triage system to assist those with the most urgent needs, those which threaten their life, safety, or would potentially displace the residents. CHC does all it can for those with urgent needs.

CHC has also implemented a more holistic approach to the health of our neighbors, beginning with their crucial home repairs, but extending into other resources to be sure our neighbors are secure in their food sources, transportation, mental health, and do not feel overly isolated (an especially difficult thing to navigate during COVID). We aim to do what we can to get to the root of issues, and leave neighbors feeling empowered to sustain their improved living situations.

If you'd like to learn more about CHC and/or ReClaim, feel free to reach out to Stephanie McCullough, member of ECHS and on staff at CHC; or Susan Sewell, member of ECHS and on CHC's Board of Directors. Both are listed in the ECHS Directory.

ReClaim is located at 25 Bridge Street in downtown Marshall across from the U.S. Post Office. Hours are Mon-Wed, 10am-4pm; and Thu-Sat, 10am-6pm. Closed Sunday.

April Birthdays

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| Mary Filiss | 1 | Gary Brumo | 13 | Rob Mangum | 24 |
| Mike Ray | 3 | Elizabeth Sparrow ... | 14 | Amy Carlson | 25 |
| Evan Small | 4 | Tamma Moriarty | 15 | Taylor Barnhill | 26 |
| Terry O'Keefe | 8 | Justin Reilly | 21 | Saya Jane King | 29 |
| Tyler Jones | 10 | Marcia Schneider | 21 | Tom Panek | 30 |
| Gwyneth Tuck | 11 | Indigo Hollister | 22 | | |

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Join us weekly on Tuesdays during Easter-tide for Liberation Easter Bible Study: April 6, 13, 20, 27 and May 4, 11, and 18. Come to some sessions or all of them.

Paste the following online address into your browser to reach the online registration form:

<https://graceepiscopalasheville.simplechurchcrm.com/external/form/167e548c-e000-4e2d-956c-43abb8967a77>

Add your email, and each week you will receive the scripture, names of the leaders for that week and Zoom [link]. There will also be the option of attending in-person for up to 25 people. The location will be sent in the weekly email.

Peace and love from Rev. Milly Morrow

Spring Outdoor Cleanup

**Saturday, April 24,
9:00am-1:00pm**

Spring is coming on, the sap is rising, and it's time to gather for outside cleanup days at Church of the Holy Spirit. Come enjoy some outside fellowship. Many hands make light work! Bring a sandwich for lunch. Snacks and water will be provided.

We will follow COVID precautions while working outside and limit time inside the building only for using the restrooms.

If weather makes April's work date impossible, I'll email you in advance.

The list of chores includes but is not limited to: Dead fall pick up, leaf removal,

Creation Care Alliance Series

The Creation Care Alliance will be hosting a series entitled **All We Can Save: Truth, Courage, and Solutions for the Climate Crisis** for those seeking to discover, explore, and participate in meaningful conversation about climate change and climate action.

The **All We Can Save** anthology offers a range of perspectives on understanding and responding to the climate crisis. These perspectives will come from the vantage points of a diverse collection of women authors. Over a six week period participants will meet via ZOOM and discuss selected works from this exceptional anthology. This is an opportunity for conversation, connection, and collaboration.

Six Thursdays at 7:00-8:00pm EST:

April 8, 15, 22, 29; May 6 and 13

Space is limited: Watch for the link for registration coming from the ECHS office.

Moving gravel to where it's needed, Clipping shrubs, clipping overhead tree branches, checking and cleaning gutters, Washing outside of windows, weeding banks. **Bring your own tools, please.**

To sign up, email me at pegbates@gmail.com or call 713-7596 Then I'll know I'll see your smiling face on cleanup day. Both Holy Spirit Church and I thank you!

— Peggy Wilson

Another date will be scheduled in May for cleaning exterior walls and staining. Stay tuned.

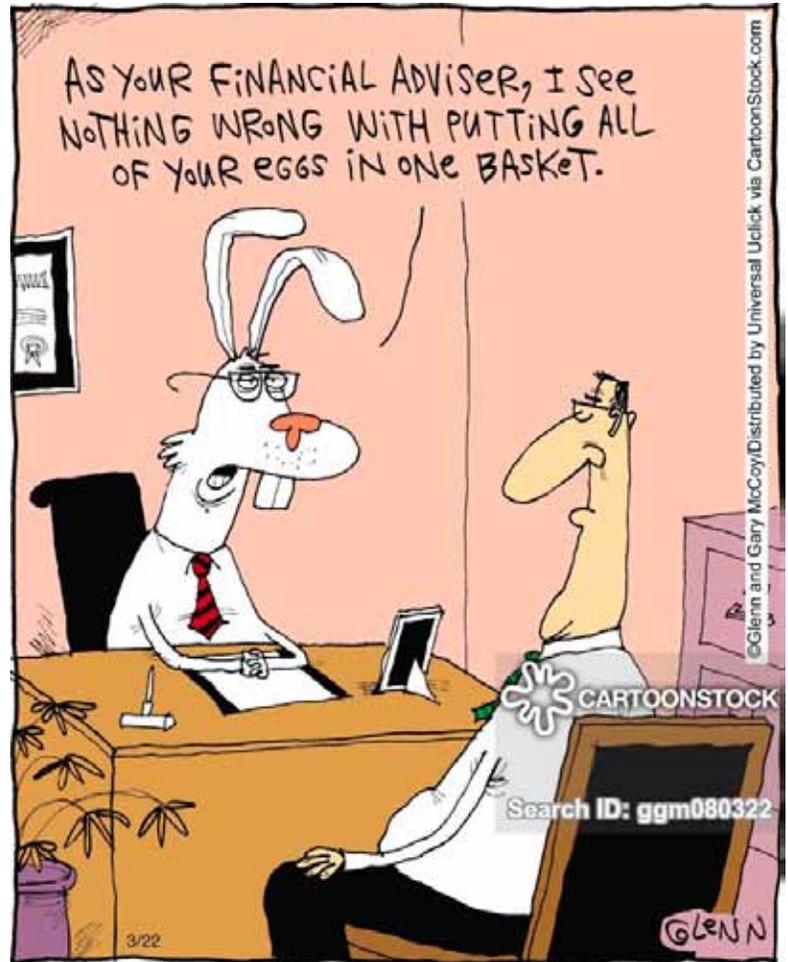
Youth Activities Fun, Crafts, Maybe a Bonfire!

Thursday, April 8, 12:00- 3:00, the La Esperanza Youth group will meet in Mars Hill in the pavilion behind Broyhill Chapel on the campus of MHU for a day of craft, games, and a campus tour for the older youth (middle and high school)

The Latinx Student Association group at MHU will be partnering with us to lead this activity

That is all that's currently planned, although maybe there will be a bonfire at Nancy and Jim's. It will happen at the end of April....plans yet to be finalized.

—Rebecca Sharp



EGHS Womens Retreat Oct. 15-17, 2021 Lake Logan

Here we are, one year after being told to "stay home and stay safe" and to follow the limits associated with COVID-19. We've all gotten good at following those protocols. Now the vaccines have traveled through the tier of priority groups and are available to all adults and young people age sixteen and up. By August the vast majority of young folks will likely have gotten theirs, too.

Among many events planned for 2020, our women's retreat at Lake Logan was postponed. But Lake Logan Episcopal Center has graciously rolled over our deposit from 2020 to 2021.

- Unless our plans change, the ECHS women's retreat will happen this October 15-17. Fall colors should be on full display during that weekend!

- We have reserved the Hemlock and Retreat houses again with maximum sleeping spaces for twenty-two. The cost per person will be \$258, provided twenty-two are committed. That cost covers two nights, Friday dinner; Saturday's breakfast, lunch and dinner; Sunday breakfast and lunch.

- Immediately mark your calendars to save the date. Start socking away extra dollars. Sign ups will begin in July, and everyone's fee is due by September 1. We've got plenty of time to save up and plan.

—Peggy Wilson

ZOOM MINISTRY SCHEDULE APRIL, 2021

| DATE: | APRIL 4 | APRIL 4 | APRIL 11 | APRIL 18 | APRIL 25 | MAY 2 |
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| | EASTER 9AM | EASTER 11AM | | | | |
| FIRST READER | Nancy Larkin | Annette Henry | Gail Kase | Amanda Hilty | Frances Knisley | Rebecca Sharp |
| SECOND READER | Bob Magnus | Ronnie Jordan | Jan Mallindine | Ingrid Diederer | Ron Pell | Barbara Schauer |
| PRAYER LEADER | Nancy Larkin | Ingrid Diederer | Amanda Hilty | Jim Haaga | Claire Gillespie | Gail Kase |
| PRELUDE MUSICIAN | Jan Mallindine | Mark Holland | Debra Alexander | Rebekah Wilson | Regan Roos | Rebekah Wilson |
| MUSIC AFTER THE REFLECTION | Jan Mallindine | Jan Mallindine | Jim & Margie Haaga | Robertjohn Gillespie | Rebecca Sharp | Debra Alexander |
| VESTRY REP | Nancy Larkin | Dick Jordan | Lorraine Hilty | Lynda Miller | Mark Holland | Debra Alexander |

Faith 4 Justice

Facilitated Intensive Series

Do you struggle with being loving while attempting to address ways in which white supremacy shows up in you, your family, your church, etc.? Rev. Tami Forte Logan and **Faith 4 Justice** offer you an opportunity to participate in a six-month facilitated intensive. Join them to build trusting relationships, foster collective healing in the community, and practice tools to dismantle the multiple forms of white supremacy culture in our daily lives and our faith institutions. Each session will include grounding and body-centered work, historical and contemporary content to advance our shared analysis, individual and group reflection, and opportunities to activate and deepen one's faith.

- Sessions are scheduled for second Thursdays from 6:00pm to 8:00pm, These are the dates:
- April 8, May 13, June 10, July 8, August 12, and September 9.

- The cost for this series is \$500. Scholarships are available for BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color). Financial assistance is also available through David McNair to offset the full or partial cost of the registration fee. To inquire about this assistance, contact him at priestholyspiritwnc@gmail.com.

- Deadline to register is April 2.



Earth Day Vigil

April 25, 6-7:15PM

Although gathering in person is not possible this year, instead a virtual Earth Day Vigil over Zoom hosted by Mountain-True will happen to celebrate Earth Day. The vigil will focus on the concepts of loving people and place. It will include readings, prayers, songs, and information about creation care. Speakers from throughout Western North Carolina will be featured in the vigil, which will run from 6-7:15 pm. Following the Vigil, regional breakout rooms will open. All are welcome to join for as long as desired, either from computer or phone.

Paste this link in your browser to reach the online registration form:
https://secure.everyaction.com/IZVii6_cnEiEd9xesthn_w2?emci=fc8932a3-f488-eb11-85aa-00155d43c992&emdi=fb0e2be0-fb88-eb11-85aa-00155d43c992&ceid=568373

Earth Day Bear Wallow Contemplative Hike

**Thursday, April 22
9:00am-12:00noon
Cost: \$5.00**

This easy-to-moderate trail climbs one mile through the lovely mountain forest and at the top opens onto a large grassy field. This spectacular summit will be the site for guided reflection before looping back down the mountain.

MountainTrue's Ecologist and Public Lands Director, Bob Gale, will offer ecological insights along the hike. Once we reach the top of the Mountain Creation Care Alliance director Scott Hardin-Nieri, will provide some spiritual context around caring for our ecological neighbors.

Everyone will meet at the Bearwallow Mountain trailhead at 9:00 am, returning to their cars by noon. (Bear Wallow Mountain is located in Henderson County, about 19 miles from Asheville.)

Paste this link in your browser to reach the online application form:
<https://secure.everyaction.com/Y4uRbHHe50GuDzYgBqIDVg2?emci=fc8932a3-f488-eb11-85aa-00155d43c992&emdi=fb0e2be0-fb88-eb11-85aa-00155d43c992&ceid=568373>