

PATHWAY

a Wesleyan church

April 1, 2018

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The Resurrection of Jesus reminds us that God provides second chances. When Jesus was crucified it came as a shock to His followers. They just did not seem to understand that He would be crucified and rise again on the third day. When the Crucifixion actually took place, it shattered their faith. But after His Resurrection we see the risen Lord seeking out these discouraged, disheartened disciples to revive them, to reignite them.

How easily Jesus could have written them all off and said, “You didn’t stand by Me in My greatest hour of need; now I am not going to stand by you in yours.” But no—the Lord sought to restore them.

When Mary Magdalene went to the tomb of Jesus early in the morning, the angel told her that the Lord had risen. As she and the other Mary “went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, ‘Rejoice!’” (Matthew 28:9). She found the living Lord to restore her hope and purpose in life.

Thomas missed the meeting when Jesus had appeared to the other disciples, but He reappeared when Thomas was back with the group. How gracious of Jesus to condescend to the skepticism of one single man. It almost appears that He came to that meeting simply to restore Thomas.

Remember the two discouraged disciples on the Emmaus Road? As He spoke to them, their deadened hearts began to reignite. “And they said to one another, ‘Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?’” (Luke 24:32). Jesus went out of His way to restore their hope.

Maybe you have doubts or fears today. The same Jesus who restored Mary, the disciples on the Emmaus Road, and the skeptical Thomas, will restore your faith. You too can find that Jesus gives second chances.

-Greg Laurie, Harvest Devotionals

Coming Up

- Tuesday, April 3: Small Group w/ the Hutchinson's, 6:30 pm
 - Wednesday, April 4: NO WEDNESDAY PROGRAMS (Spring Break)
 - Thursday, April 5: Wesleyan Women, 1:30 pm
 - Sunday, April 8: Community Dinner, Housing Commission West Building, 6:00pm
 - Sunday, May 6: Local Annual Conference
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Announcements

- Chuck and Sylvia Hutchinson's small group will start back up on Tuesday, April 3rd. The group meets from 6:30 - 8:00 pm, and they will be studying spiritual gifts. There is still room for new attenders! See Chuck Hutchinson for more details.
 - Sunday, April 8th at 6:00 pm is the next Community Dinner at the Saranac Housing Commission (West Building). Please look on our Facebook group page for signups. If you would like to contribute but do not have access to Facebook, please contact Terra Penninga.
 - On Sunday, May 6th, Pathway hold its Annual Local Conference after the 10:00 service. More details will be announced soon, but please plan on attending this meeting if you're a member of Pathway Church. All non-members are welcome to attend, but may not vote during the meeting.
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Pathway - A Wesleyan Church
4960 Portland Rd
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Traditional Service, West Berlin Chapel, 8:15 am
Contemporary Service, Ebenezer Center, 10:00 am
Wednesday: Supper's Ready, 5:00 pm (*not on April 4*)
Wednesday: The ROCK, 6:00 pm (*not on April 4*)

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Global Partners : Goal - \$6,750 Received - \$5,040 (75%)
WKFM: Goal - \$300 Received - \$0(0%)
Parsonage Kitchen Remodel: Goal - \$15,000 Received - \$7,110 (47%)