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**RESURRECTION**

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Rector



## Rector's Reflections

Dear Resurrection People,

This is our time! Nothing gives us a deeper experience of what it means to be resurrection people than participating in the ancient prayers and rituals of Holy Week. Here is where we learn how to wrap ourselves in hope before journeying through suffering and death. Here is where we remember what is hidden (symbolized by removing or draping all religious symbols in the church). Here is where we discover our tears can turn to joy because of the hope of the resurrection.

Come and see how faith builds strength, perseverance, character, and the capacity to find the love of God in all circumstances. Remember how the first Palm Sunday started an irreversible chain of events that led to the greatest miracle in human history (even though it looked like a horrible failure). Journey through the Stations of the Cross with Mary the Mother of Jesus, join Jesus at the Last Supper, hear His Seven Last Words from the cross, and bring it all together at the Good Friday evening service of music, prayer, Passion and the final journey with Jesus through the stations of the Cross. Holy Saturday is spiritually where we spend most of *our* days: between the agony of dying and the hope of resurrection. In this brief prayer service we remember the

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Where the healing love of Christ radiates comfort in caring, joy in sharing, strength in hope.

## HOLY WEEK

**The Sunday of the Passion**

**PALM SUNDAY 10am**

**Blessing of the Palms with CSI**

**Procession of the Palms**

**Passion Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Matthew**

**HOLY WEDNESDAY 10am**

**Stations of the Cross Mary's Way**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY 6pm**

**Foot Washing; Soul Supper**

**Stripping of the Altar**

**Wooden cross placed at foot of Chancel steps**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**TGIF 12noon**

**The Last Seven Words of Christ**

**Church remains open until 3pm for personal meditation  
7pm**

**The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
Stations of the Cross**

**HOLY SATURDAY**

**10am Prayer**

**Set up Sanctuary for Easter**



**The Sunday of the Resurrection**

**EASTER DAY 10am**

**Rejoice!**

**Jesus Christ is risen today!**

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Do you sit on the couch watching TV? Do you feel bored doing nothing? Take this time to do something for someone else.



Learn how to knit or crochet.



I am willing to host a class or classes to teach people or help some to remember how to knlt or crochet.

Just call me and we'll organize a class.

*Dottie Lotten* 516 998-8951

### BIRTHDAYS

4 Paul Servinskas  
1944 - 70 years young!



### ANNIVERSARIES

4-11-53  
Ruth & Ray Rusche



4-24-83  
Audrey & John Gutkes

### Coffee Hour

Hosts are needed for the fellowship time following worship.



Get together with someone and provide simple goodies to have with coffee and tea.

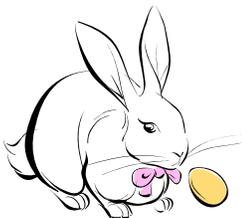


Please sign up in the vestibule. Thank you!



Thank you all who gave so generously to ECLI.

In helping others, we help ourselves



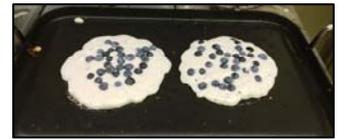
# Happy Easter!

### Any old records? 78, 31/3, or 45 rpm?



William Buckley is collecting records. He is particularly interested in Barry Manilow. [yes, he has looked in the Thrift Shop] If you can be of help, please call Trish at 631.575.3671.

### FAT SUNDAY



*Pictures taken by Meri Harmon Halem*



Shrove Tuesday on the Sunday before Ash Wednesday. Thank you John, Dottie, and all who joined in cooking, cleaning up, and most of all 'pigging out' before Lent!

### Resurrection of our Courtyard Garden! Spring is definitely here!



*Pictures by editor; 12:57pm, 3-20-2014*

## A Word from our Warden



Dear Friends,

Today is Rose Sunday, the fourth Sunday in Lent. We take a deep breath, relax a bit and continue on our journey to Holy Week and the Feast of the Resurrection on Easter. Lent is a time of introspection and prayer. During this penitential season we are bolstered by our meaningful Sunday and Wednesday services. They bring us deeper into the mystery and prepare us for what is to come.

I feel blessed to be a member of Resurrection and often reflect on how we can share what we have here outside our doors. I keep returning to the same answer. Tell those you know why this church is important to you, why you support it and why you return week after week. Most of all, if someone shows an interest invite them to attend a Sunday service with you. I know I am empowered to live a Christian life in the world because of what I receive here. Our Mission Statement says it all. Resurrection is "Where the healing love of Christ radiates comfort in caring, joy in sharing, strength in hope."

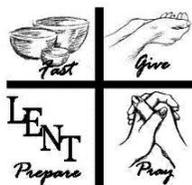
I was so touched by the response to the Vestry's plea last Sunday for additional pledge members willing and able to count. A big "Thank you" to Carol Bozek, Irene Genovese, Gina Huneke, Marge Mahoney and Trish Radenberg who eagerly volunteered. Gina was our first volunteer and was part of the counting team after our meeting on March 16<sup>th</sup>. If any pledging member wishes to join the counting team please speak to me.

Spring is a busy time at Resurrection and we have a number of important dates in the months ahead. Check them out in this issue and make notes on your home calendars. The Penny Social, our major fund-raiser, is scheduled to take place on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Please do what you can to make this event a success. A planning meeting will be held shortly. The services during Holy Week will help us all further prepare for Easter Sunday. I encourage you to attend as many as possible.

Bless you on your Lenten journey and may you and your family celebrate a joyous Easter.

Blessings,

*Joan*



## Vestry Vibes 3-16-14

- Regina Huneke welcomed as clerk of the Vestry.
- V meeting dates: 3/16; 4/27; 5/18; 6/22.
- Penny Social: Fri, May 16.
- Community Garden Party: Sat, June 7th, 3-5pm.
- Parish Dinner: Fri, May 2nd.
- Discretionary Fund: \$726.98.
- Search for new window well vendor—original non-responsive.
- Clean undercroft tables and chairs.
- Need replacement signage for 3 corners.

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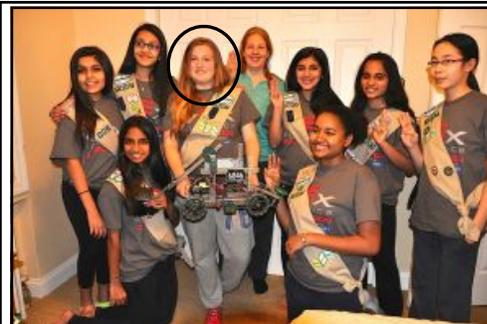
despair of abandonment with hope, because we know the rest of the story.

Holy Week gives us a personal encounter with the soul of our faith: reconciliation with God is freely given to penitent believers, but it is not cheap. Grace, forgiveness, restoration of our goodness and freedom from the powers of sin and evil come at a very high cost to God through the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. As disciples of Jesus Christ, we need to always remember this, and be willing to pay the same price of self-giving love when it is necessary to further the spread of love over evil. Meanwhile, we live with deep gratitude as we discover the joys of new life in God's love.

Blessings and Peace,

Faithfully,

*Mother Christina*



Girls Scouts of Herricks Cadette Troop 1887  
Troop Leader, Kristen Pepper

Read about this Troop's achievement on the back page of this issue.

Carrie Smithing

**Carrie Smithing**, a Church of the Resurrection member and a Girl Scout in Troop 1887, participated in the Southern NY State VEX Robotics Championship held at Adelphi on March 8. Her team won the Excellence Award when Thirty-three VEX Robotics teams faced off to see who would qualify for international competition at the VEX World Championship in Anaheim, CA, April 23-26.

The path to reaching this tournament involved an idea to explore robotics and lots of support from the community. With the cost of starting a robotics team at over \$1000, they looked for grants and found one with the Rec Foundation, who generously awarded the troop a Women in STEM Team Grant to loan the equipment. Now they had to prepare to compete in a "Toss Up" match.

This year's game "Toss Up" is played with 5" "bucky" balls and 17" inflatable balls. The robots must have an 18" cubic starting position, but can expand to any size after the match begins. The two minute matches are played by alliances of 2 robot teams. Points are scored by placing the balls in different zones separated by a bump and a 12" high barrier or scored in a 24" high goal. Points can also be earned hanging from a 40" high bar and bonus points for hanging with a big ball.

The girls learned a myriad of engineering skills. They now know not only what a bearing is, but why it is needed if you want your motor to keep turning through an otherwise square hole. They learned how to program in a way that could accommodate the different setups in different games. In many late nights, they pushed hard but also compromised to reach a good enough design. Girls who thought they were not any good at building became confident of their abilities in true Girl Scout fashion.

They competed in a qualifying competition at the Adelphi University Toss Up Qualifier on Feb 8. They had a lot of trouble with the 2 inch bump, which they could get over only if they hit it straight on. If they were sideways, they became stranded on that bump. They won the Sportsmanship award at that competition, and moved to the state championship. They set to work on their robot with renewed enthusiasm, working many nights and weekends. Adelphi's coach Joe Reid, who won a Volunteer of the Year award, helped the girls experiment until they found a design that would get their robot safely over the bump from any angle. This paid off in winning the Excellence Award at the Southern NY State VEX Robotics Championship held at Adelphi on March 8.

Now while they make improvements to their robot, they are looking for a way to fundraise to get to Anaheim for the VEX World Championship in Anaheim, CA on April 23-26. At that competition, the girls will meet great robotics teams from around the world, and become more immersed in hands on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics learning while having an amazing cultural experience. Of course they will sell cookies, but they are looking for sponsorship beyond that to meet their goal of attending this competition.

If you know of a corporation that might be interested in sponsoring this event for the team, please contact Kristin Pepper, [krispepper@verizon.net](mailto:krispepper@verizon.net). Pictures and videos of the event can be found on the team page at <http://www.octagonsys.com/girlscouts/>



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## HOLY WEEK AT RESURRECTION



April 13 **Palm Sunday** starts with blessing the palms in the courtyard with CSI Jubilee Memorial Church, then going into our own sanctuaries for worship. Remember, on this day we gather at the Font behind the cross and process in together singing "All Glory Laud and Honor." Those who are unable to do this are encouraged to waive their palms as we come by, like they did for Jesus. We will again have various readers participate in the Passion. If you wish to participate let Jane know.

April 16 **Holy Wednesday** service at **10 am**: Stations of the Cross with Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Those who can, travel with us, those who are less mobile participate from their seats. The service concludes with a brief Lenten Eucharist.

April 17 **Maundy Thursday** Soul Supper at **6:00 pm**. This service is returning to the undercroft so we have more space, and small children can play in the Kid's Corner if they want. This is the night we remember the first Passover in the Exodus with Moses, and the last Passover with Jesus as the Paschal Lamb. We begin as he did at his last supper, with the *mandatum* (commandment) to serve one another. Foot-washing is a symbolic gesture, not a pedicure! We encourage participants to offer one foot (not both) bared for water to be trickled over it, then dried. Those who receive may then serve another in the same way. As Richard Rohr says, foot-washing is a sacrament of self-giving, surrendering ego for love, just as is the Eucharist. A light supper follows at table, during which Holy Communion is celebrated. Soul Supper usually lasts about an hour, followed by stripping the altar upstairs. The Altar Guild solemnly takes away all removable signs of God's presence from the altar space, symbolizing Jesus' capture, and a wooden cross is left at the foot of the stairs.

April 18 **Good Friday** we have two services:

**12 Noon**: Meditations on The Seven Last Words From The Cross. Insights and reflections are read, brief silences allow reflection. This takes 30-45 minutes. Afterwards people may remain for silent prayer or for conversation about the Words. The Church remains open until 3:00 pm for personal reflection.

**7:00 pm** Solemn worship with an innovative yet traditional blend of music, prayers, Passion, and Stations of the Cross. Those who can, travel with us, those who are less mobile participate from their seats.

April 19 **Holy Saturday** begins at **10 am** with a brief prayer service commemorating the absence of God's presence, the great void between the cross and the resurrection. Afterwards, we dress the sanctuary for the great celebration of Easter. The more helping hands, the better!

April 20 **Easter Day** Eucharist begins at **10 am** enacting the spiritual significance of journeying from dark to light with candles, chants, and prayer leading to the great celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. After worship we are hosting an Easter Egg hunt for tots. *cvl*

# Resurrection Living



# April 2014

Worship Sunday & Wednesday 10 am  
 Thrift Shop Thursdays 9:30-1:00 pm; Saturdays 10:00-2:00 pm  
 Tots with Jesus Family Night 5:00-6:30pm  
 Adult Discussion 7:00-8:30pm

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>March 30</b> Lent 4 HE Coffee Hour Discretionary Fund Collection <u>Easter baskets</u> Hop to It	31	1	2 HP&HE ILM Valerie Periera Adult Discussion Jesus A Pilgrimage James Martin SJ	3 Thrift Shop Cub Scouts 4:30pm, 6:30pm	4	5 Thrift Shop Cub Scouts 11:30am
6 Lent 5 HE Coffee Hour <u>Easter baskets</u> Hop to It	7	8	9 HP&HE ILM Marylynne LaBrusciano ALTAR GUILD	10 Thrift Shop Cub Scouts 4:30pm	11	12 Thrift Shop
13 HE Coffee Hour  <u>Blessing of            Easter baskets</u> Hop to It	14 Holy Week	15 Holy Week	16 Holy Week 10am Stations of the Cross Mary's Way Lenten HE	17 Holy Week Thrift Shop 6pm Foot Washing Soul Supper Stripping of the Altar Wooden cross placed at foot of Chancel steps	18 Holy Week TGIF 12noon The Last Seven Words of Christ Church remains open until 3pm. 7pm The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Stations of the Cross	19 Holy Week Thrift Shop Closed 10am Prayer Set up Sanctuary for Easter
10 HE  Easter Egg hunt for tots after worship	21	22	23 Morning Prayer	24 Thrift Shop Cub Scouts 4:30pm Order of the Arrow 7:30pm	25	26 Thrift Shop
			<i>Mother Christina on Retreat</i>			
27 Easter 2 HE Coffee Hour Discretionary Fund Collection VESTRY	28	29 Tots with Jesus	30 HP&HE ILM Maureen Krosby	May 1 Thrift Shop Cub Scouts 4:30pm, 6:30pm	2 Parish Annual Spring Dinner 	3 Thrift Shop Cub Scouts 11:30am