

# South Nissouri Presbyterian Church

# Newsletter



## Mark 16:5-6

5 As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.  
6 "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him."



*Christ Is Truly Ascended Into Heaven. 'I go to prepare a place for you' (John 14:2). The apostle Peter also says: 'Heaven must receive Christ until the time of restoring all things' (Acts 3:21).*



## Minister's Message

### Christ is Risen!

Did you know that Easter is a season and not just one day? In the Church calendar the season of Easter lasts until Pentecost. This year, that's seven extra weeks of eating chocolate eggs! Or for the church it means a lengthened celebration of the new life Christ gives us at his resurrection. We sing Easter hymns and read scriptures of Christ's resurrected presence with his disciples.

We hear how he loves them and sends them out. As we do we're reminded of the potential we have in the new life Christ gives us. We have life to live and life to share with others. Being an Easter people means living this new life to the fullest. Easter people trust in Christ's transformation for the world. So Happy Easter! May the festivities continue as life springs forth anew among us.

*Rev. Heather Paton*

## Upcoming Events

**April 18<sup>th</sup>** - Come out for a night of fun at Marie Huiser's, 156 Glass St, St. Mary's. Marie is hosting a card party from 6:30-9:00 pm. Everyone is welcome!

**April 19<sup>th</sup>** - Blessing of the Seeds Service at Brown's Church at 2 pm. Come and celebrate our agricultural identity with churches in the Thorndale area and pray for God's blessing on our farmers this season.

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Board Meeting at 7:30 at the church

**May 6<sup>th</sup>** - Joint Session and Board Visioning Meeting at 7 pm. Everyone welcome, even those not on session or board to come and share ideas for the future.

**May 24<sup>th</sup>** - Thames Centre Community Choir will be holding a concert at our church to thank us for the use of our building. Mark your calendars for an evening of wonderful music. Concert starts at 7 pm.

Our community garden will be offered again this year. Please let our local neighbours know that plots are free of charge.

**Holiday Doubles** will take place again this summer which means joint worship at 10:00am on the holiday weekends. This gives us another opportunity to worship with our partner church and hopefully amp up lower summer attendance.

July 5<sup>th</sup> - Worship Service - Dorchester - 10 am

August 2<sup>nd</sup> - Worship Service - South Nissouri – 10 am.