

A Sunday School teacher asked her class on the Sunday after Easter if they knew what happened on Easter and why it was so important.

One little girl spoke up saying: "Easter is when the whole family gets together, and you eat turkey and sing about the harvest and all that."

"No, that's not it," said the teacher.

"I know what Easter is," a second student responded. "Easter is when you get a tree and decorate it and give gifts to everybody and sing lots of songs."

"Nope, that's not it either," replied the teacher.

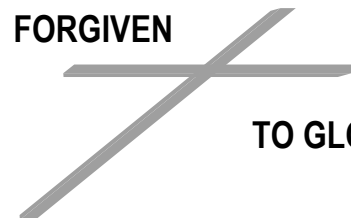
Finally, a third student spoke up, "Easter is when Jesus was killed, and put in a tomb and left there for three days."

"Ah, thank goodness somebody knows" the teacher thought to herself.

But then the student went on: "Then everybody gathers at the tomb and waits to see if Jesus comes out, and if he sees his shadow he has to go back inside, and we have six more weeks of winter."

Praise the Lord, Jesus is alive & risen!!!

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Sunday 14th April 2024 10:30 am

**The Church of Jesus the Saviour
Celebrates the Good News
of God's Love for the World
Made Manifest in Jesus His Son
as we learn to share Christ's Love with everyone**

Celebrating the Truth of the Presence of God – Alleluia!

Call to Worship:

Praise: “His Name Is Wonderful” SB #62

Welcome, and announcements:

Celebrating the Truth of Forgiveness – We Receive New Life!

Praise: “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” BP #190

Prayer, and the Lord's Prayer:

Celebrating the Truth of God's Word! - We are Listening!

Scripture: St. Luke 24:13-34 NLT

Message: “Are you letting Jesus transform you?”

Celebrating the Truth of God's gifts to us – We Are Accountable

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings:

+ Offertory

Doxology: “**God my Father loving me**” vs 3, 4 BP #359

Prayer of Dedication

Praise: “They Set Out On Their Homeward Road” BP #203

Celebrating the Truth of our Going Forth – We Leave for Ministry

Benediction:

Interpersonal Benediction: “Change my heart” SB #62

WORSHIP AND SACRAMENTS TEAM: PRAYER REQUESTS

Warnock Aitken – St. Joseph's Life-Care Centre, Brantford

Frank De Vries – at home

Pearl Howden – Trinity Village LTC

Frank Ingold – at home

Bob Kenzie – Sunnyside Home

Mary Master – Conestoga Lodge

Dolly McCormack – Court at Laurelwood Retirement Home

Marg McCorriston – at home

Terry McCorriston – at home

Julie Phoenix – Southbridge London Long Term Care Home

Curt Ryan – AgeCare West Williams LTC

Shirley Steinberg – Highland Place Retirement Residence

Glen Verheye – at home

Sunday School:

We are having bi-weekly Sunday School running in 2024: **April** 14, & 28; **May** 12, & 26; **June** 9, & 23. We have split the group: Grade 5 and under, and Grade 6 and up, to create a more engaging experience for our older children.

We are looking for more Sunday School teachers, helpers, or back-ups to join the team. If interested, please contact Cathrine (gcejtaylor@gmail.com), Nicolene (nclemens7@yahoo.ca) or Johnson (srikanthjohnson@gmail.com).

We can't wait to share and grow with the children this year.

Peace and Joy, Cathrine, Nicolene, & Johnson

Grocery Cards:

We are participating in the grocery gift card program in our Region. If you would like to purchase grocery gift cards for the PC group of stores, and/or the Metro group of stores, please speak with Barb Cook, Rob Gloin, or Emmie Richardson. They are available every week. For each card we sell we receive a small amount back from the Community Charity Services.

From the Finance Team: options for financial giving to KEPC:

- 1) **Canada Post:** send your offering envelope in an envelope addressed to the Church: 10 Zeller Dr, Kitchener, ON, N2A 4A8
- 2) **E – transfer:** This involves using your online banking application using the e-transfer option & sending the transaction to the Church email: kepc@golden.net
- 3) **PAR: pre-authorized remittance.** This is set up once and an amount is withdrawn from your bank account monthly until you choose to stop it or change the amount. Contact Chris Clemens clemensc78@yahoo.ca and he can set you up.
- 4) **Tithe.ly** on our website, (click on the menu “Donate Now”) and donations can be through your Visa, Mastercard, or Debit.
- 5) The locked, **black box** on the wall of the sanctuary by the main doors for your offerings.

Thank-you for your ongoing and prayerful support of the mission and ministry of KEPC.

Offering Envelopes: If you are interested in having assigned envelopes for 2024 and are not on PAR, please reach out to Chris. For anyone that changed addresses in 2023, please let Chris and Mark know so that we can check our records and update them as required.

Quarterly KEPC Financial Update: At the end of March 2024. The month of March showed positive cash flow with a surplus of almost \$2,400. For the YTD results, we have an expense shortfall of almost \$5,800 but this is much improved over YTD 2023 where the expense shortfall was almost \$11,000.

Thank you for your continued financial support and prayers in support of our ministries,
The Finance & Stewardship Team

EVENTS THIS WEEK: 14th – 21st April 2024

- Sunday:** 10:30 am –Worship Service; Sunday School; Coffee & Conversation downstairs.
- Monday:** 7 pm – Elders meeting in the Gray Hall
- Tuesday:** 9:30 am – Bible Study via Zoom
11:45 – 1:30 Music Therapy
6:30 pm – Sparks
- Wednesday:** 2 pm – Seniors’ Group outing
7 – 9 pm – Scouts in Gray Hall
- Thursday:** 9 am – Sonshine Corner in the Gray Hall
- Friday:** 10:30 am – 12:30 pm Music Therapy
6 pm – Music Therapy meeting in the Gray Hall
- Sunday:** 10:30 am –Worship Service

KEPC Seniors’ Group:



**Through the Drayton Entertainment Group,
Showing at the Hamilton Family Theatre in Cambridge,
We are going as a group to see this spectacular musical on
Wednesday 17th April 2024, at 2 pm.**



VBS 2024: Hello everyone:

We are preparing for our VBS at KEPC this summer and I just wanted to check in to see who would be interested and available in volunteering again this year.

Dates are July 8-12 9am-noon. The theme is SCUBA.

Please let me know so I can get an idea of interest/availability of volunteers, and we will start putting out announcements, etc to further our planning.

To register, click here: [KEPC Scuba VBS Registration Link](#)

Please fill out one registration form per child attending.

Kindly, Sarah Pottier, VBS Coordinator