

**Blessed NOCC Community** You are cordially invited to a time of prayer in the sanctuary this Sunday at 5PM. We will light tealights as a visible sign/sacrament of what we believe our prayers accomplish-----they bring light to dark places, warmth to cold places, comfort to fearful places, spiritual energy for healing and wholeness. Together, we create a space where the soul comes to rest. We abide in Christ's peace and become sharers and transmitters of Christ's peace for one another and the larger world. Amen and Amen.

**FINAL SOUP SUPPER---CELEBRATING FAVORITE HYMN TEXTS** Hymns can speak to us deeply in our life situations, the glorious and the difficult. Our focus is on the words, not so much the music. Is there a hymn text you've always cherished? Join us April 10. We'd love for you to share!

**REZOUND IN CONCERT APRIL 14 3PM** This cohort of master ringers returns to NOCC to dazzle and amaze and inspire with the beauty of their music. Free will donations received. This is a great opportunity to bring friends of all ages!

**EASTER FOR EARLY RISERS** As we approach Easter Sunday (see schedule below) some early risers among us may be open to an opportunity to walk our labyrinth in silence beginning at sunrise on Easter. The center of the labyrinth will be "set" with a simple symbol of the resurrection. Guidelines for walking the labyrinth are offered on the NOCC website. NEW THIS YEAR----a simple Easter Sunrise service will be held on the labyrinth (weather permitting) at 815AM Easter morning. Participants are asked to bring their own chairs.

**FLASHING YOUR BEST NOCC SMILES** is what we are asking you to do Sunday mornings as our youth take photos of you for our online photo directory. BTW, have you logged in to our website yet? This will give you access to our online directory which will be very useful ESPECIALLY IF WE HAVE OUR PHOTOS INCLUDED. Contact Sara for details

**BAPTISM AT SMITHVILLE LAKE** If you or someone you love might be ready this summer to celebrate their love of God through Baptism, it's time to make plans for July/August time frame. Be in touch with Rob

**SEEKING SCOUT LIAISON** We are seeking an NOCC person to serve as a liaison between the church and our Scout Troop and Pack. This person would offer occasional presence at their meetings and extend NOCC hospitality to our Scout friends to assure a healthy working relationship. Contact Rob or Elzene if interested.

**INVITE FRIENDS** to the many opportunities being offered in this Lenten/Easter season to share the gift of our life together in Christ

**REGIONAL DISCIPLES SUMMER CHURCH CAMP DATES** are listed on the Tall Oaks Web site.

**CHERITH BROOK NEWS** A workday has been announced for SATURDAY APRIL 13 9AM to NOON. All manner of tasks will be planned for willing workers, followed by lunch. RSVP by April 11 to 816.241.8047 or email [cherithbrookkcmo@gmail.com](mailto:cherithbrookkcmo@gmail.com)

**YOGA BENEFIT FOR CHERITH BROOK APRIL 12 630-730PM** "Get Down Dog" is open to all who want to bring a yoga mat to Power Life at 1480 Grand. This is a free will donation event with all funds going to Cherith Brook. This event is sponsored by GIVE SEVEN DAYS.

## **THE WEEK AHEAD**

Saturday 745AM Men's Breakfast

Saturday 9AM Centering Prayer

Saturday 2PM Troop 900 Eagle Court of Honor

Sunday 1130AM Community Life Ministry Team----all welcome

Sunday 5PM Service of Prayer

Monday 6PM Troop 900

Tuesday 945AM Men's Bible Group

Tuesday 1230PM Women's Bible Group

Tuesday 6PM Pack 900

Wednesday 1PM Vital Conversations

WEDNESDAY 6PM LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

Wednesday 7PM Music Ministry

Thursday 6PM NOCC Board

Saturday 6PM Music Recording Session in Sanctuary

Sunday 3PM REZOUND!

## SAVE THE DATES

HOLY THURSDAY MEDITATIVE COMMUNION April 18 7PM

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP April 19 7PM Featuring flute and cello!

HE IS RISEN!

LABYRINTH OPEN FOR WALKING AT SUNRISE

815AM SUNRISE CELEBRATION ON THE LABYRINTH---BRING CHAIRS

9AM BREAKFAST

1015AM CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION

YOU, ME AND THE ENNEAGRAM Led by Lori Hall May 11 930AM May 16 630PM May 23 630PM

*"Ignorance of the Scriptures is a precipice and a deep abyss."*

*The Desert Fathers: Sayings of the Early Christian Monks*

With you in Lent

Rob