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April 23, 2023

9:30 Worship

"The Resurrection Hoax"

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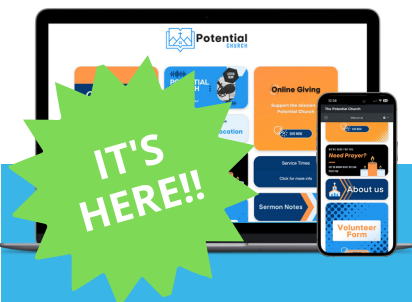
Spring Dates TBD



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Welcome!**



Warren United Methodist Church

Second Sunday After Easter

Announcements

*Call to Worship

L: O Lord, as we come to worship You this morning,

P: Open our eyes.

L: For without the gift of your revelation,

P: Our eyes are kept from recognizing you.

L: Appear before us, suddenly, unexpectedly, in all your glory.

P: So that we, too, may proclaim to a world in despair, that we have seen the risen Lord. Amen.

*Hymn #158 "Come Christians, Join to Sing"

Children's Time

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Hymn #303 "The Day of Resurrection"

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology #95

*Prayer of Dedication

Like the disciples at Emmaus, we offer what we have. They offered their company, their table, and their bread. We invite you to be with us, Jesus, as we offer you our love, our devotion, and these gifts. May our eyes be opened to your holy presence among us, now and always. Amen.

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

Sermon "The Resurrection Hoax"
Pastor Matt

*Hymn #310 "He Lives"

*Benediction

*Postlude

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays: Jane Balbach (28th), Kristi Leverton (29th)

Anniversaries:



UPCOMING MINISTRY

**Squirmy Butt Service
A Kid-Focused Worship
Experience - kid songs, kid
activities, kid fun...and
donuts (for all)!!
NEXT SUNDAY!!!**

**Last Weeks Attendance: 14
Last Weeks Offering: \$690.00
Avg. Offering Needed: \$ 900.00**



PASTOR'S CORNER

It is truly amazing what spending 3 days focused on a relationship with Jesus will do for one's soul. I was blessed to attend the Walk to Emmaus last week and feel rejuvenated and refreshed.

However, one of the things that they teach at the end of a Walk is that, while you may have changed during the 3 days, the world has not.

This world, especially our American post-Christian culture has certainly not changed...but needs to, in my opinion.

For a lot of reasons (apathy, science, division, hypocrisy, politics, etc.) many in this country have begun to doubt the resurrection of Jesus...including many who call themselves Christians. Their claim is that it is made-up, a fairy tale or a "drug" that keeps people oppressed.

The problems with this include: what gain is there for those who would have "made it up" and how do you explain peoples experiences for 2000 years? What do you believe?



**Food
Pantry
Needs**

Cereal, crackers, peas,
pancake mix, cake mix,
laundry soap, liquid hand
soap, shampoo

Church Calendar

Today (4/23): COM Meeting (8:30),
Worship (9:30), Young Author's Workshop
(5:30), Brent Vernon (6:30)

Tuesday (4/25): PM in Office 9:30-3

Thursday (4/27): PM in Office 9:30-3

Sunday (4/30): Squirmy Butt Worship
(9:30) with donuts afterwards!

Noisy Offering
NEXT SUNDAY
Bring Your
Change!!

TONIGHT!!!!
6:30pm

Brent Vernon & Sam
Children's Author, Illustrator,
Musician/Vocalist and
Ventriloquist

Fun for the
WHOLE
family!!



Colleen Eder, Pauline Sidor and family,
Darla Cobb and family, Denis Toay, Brynn
Fry, Brandon Hartzell, Lynn Workinger,
Roger Broshous; Candy Blair Schellinger;
our people in the nursing homes, all those
who are suffering with certain sicknesses;
service men, women, and their families;
police, firefighters, and EMTs, doctors, and
nurses.

Please leave a message with Susan Stone
at (815) 297-2028 with additions or changes
to the prayer list.

WIF Meeting
4/30 - 8:30am