Prayer Calendar

April 2018

Shenandoah District Church of the Brethren

Week of April 1 Easter Sunday

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (17) NIV

I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

- On this Easter morning, we do proclaim what our Lord has done suffered and died for us, came back to life and walked with his disciples, demonstrating God's power in the resurrection. Lift up prayers of thanksgiving that we have a living Lord and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia!
- Pray that Easter's joy will sustain us and motivate us in the days ahead.

Week of April 8

I John 1:1-2:2 (1:2) NIV

The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us.

◆ Ask God for the boldness to testify to what we have seen and experienced as followers of Christ.

Week of April 15

Acts 3:12-19 (15) NIV

"...You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this...."

- In our daily prayers this week, ask God to keep us alert to seeing Him at work in our lives, our families, our communities. We are witnesses of His power every day.
- At tax time, we remember Jesus' words that we render unto Caesar what
 is Caesar's. Pray for our state and national leaders that how they spend
 our taxes may reflect a commitment to serving the public with fairness.

Week of April 22 Earth Day

John 10:11-18 (11) NIV

"...l am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep...."

- Thank God for the majesty of His creation. And on this Earth Day, we can pledge to Him our efforts to respect and protect the environment.
- Pray this week for our pastors, the "good shepherds" who devote themselves to leading, teaching and growing their flocks.

Week of April 29

John 15:1-8 (4) NIV

"...Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me...."

 As many of us commit ourselves to a garden this time of year, we know the truth of how healthy plants bear fruit. Seek God's leading that each of us might be known by the fruit we bear in His name.



This month, lift up in prayer the District's Blue Ribbon Team as it works toward helping our congregations find unity in Christ, the Solid Rock.

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