



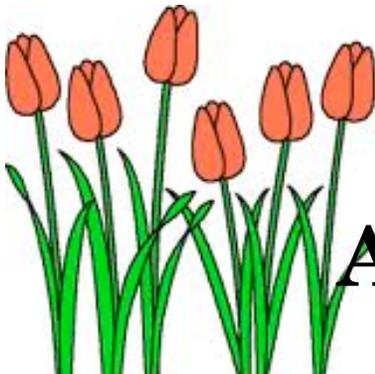
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Sunday Worship 9:00 AM

From Pastor Bonnie

Are You Willing to Make People Uncomfortable?

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By Jenni Catron, Executive Director of Cross Point Church in Nashville

Great movements occur when a leader gets discontent enough to make others uncomfortable.

We've seen them throughout history...

Joan of Arc

George Washington

Mahatma Gandhi

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Mother Teresa

Winston Churchill

We've also seen them in our communities...church planners, community leaders, founders of non-profit organizations, moms who fight for health, education and safety.

Great leaders are comfortable making others uncomfortable for a vision of a greater good. They understand that keeping others happy perpetuates the status quo. And they're willing to risk being liked for being extraordinary.

Where are you settling for status quo?

What movement has God inspired you to Lead



About Jenni Catron: Executive Director of Cross Point Church in Nashville. Founder of Cultivate Her. Loves great books, the perfect cup of tea, playing a game of tennis with her husband and hanging with her dog Mick.

Pastor Bonnie's April Calendar

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Education Building New Siding Project

Starting Next Tuesday, April 2, our contractor will begin work on replacing the old siding on the Education Building with steel siding. The design will exactly match the wood siding on the sanctuary. The job should take about three weeks to complete. In addition to the siding, the two doors, on the east and north sides, will be replaced with steel clad doors; and we will replace the old swamp cooler on the west side of the building.

SEDER DINNER AT THE MOUNTAINAIR METHODIST CHURCH

On Maundy Thursday, the Estancia and Mountainair UMCs joined in Mountainair to participate in a Christian Seder. Although the ritual was shortened and "Christianized", all present left with a new appreciation for the historical deliverance by God of the Hebrews from slavery in Egypt. And we learned how this deliverance preceded our own deliverance from the slavery of sin. After a lovely meal, we went into the Sanctuary for a most moving Communion service followed by Pastor Bonnie stripping the altar of all decoration, leaving the cross covered in darkness. Powerful stuff! We will surely appreciate Easter morning more for having experienced this Maundy Thursday evening.

-Patty Mahoney



Rosebud, a flower of God's design!



Can you unfold a rosebud? God's Rosebud:



A new minister was walking with an older, more seasoned minister in the garden one day.

Feeling a bit insecure about what God had for him to do, he was asking the older preacher for some advice.

The older preacher walked up to a rosebush and handed the young preacher a rosebud and told him to open it without tearing off any petals.

The young preacher looked in disbelief at the older preacher and was trying to figure out what a rosebud could possibly have to do with his wanting to know the will of God for his life and ministry.

But because of his great respect for the older preacher, he proceeded to try to unfold the rose, while keeping every petal intact.

It wasn't long before he realized how impossible this was to do.

Noticing the younger preacher's inability to unfold the rosebud without tearing it, the older preacher began to recite the following poem...

*"It is only a tiny rosebud,
A flower of God's design;
But I cannot unfold the petals
With these clumsy hands of mine."*

*"The secret of unfolding flowers
Is not known to such as I.
GOD opens this flower so easily,
But in my hands they die."*

*"If I cannot unfold a rosebud,
This flower of God's design,
Then how can I have the wisdom
To unfold this life of mine?"*

*"So I'll trust in God for leading
Each moment of my day.
I will look to God for guidance
In each step of the way."*

*"The path that lies before me,
Only my Lord knows.
I'll trust God to unfold the moments,
Just as He unfolds the rose."*

Joyous Singers

The plans for next month involve singing on the following dates and songs:

April 7 “*He Touched Me*”

April 21 “*Just Over in the Gloryland*”

I will be out of town on the 14th and 28th so will have to rehearse at 8:15 am on the 7th and 21st. See you then!

Methodist Men's Fellowship

On Saturday, March 16, the Methodist Men met at the Old Mill. Topics of discussion were the remodeling efforts at the Mountainair church, the needs of the Estancia facility, invitations to individuals to join the Methodist Men and a letter of appreciation to Sonny Massey for his continued help with church projects.

-Jon Shively

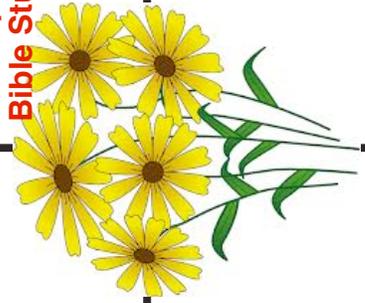
April is a gorgeous month that welcomes spring. When we look around us, it seems as if some artist had the responsibility of a great “layout” to determine the best grouping, the best arrangement and best color relationships to please the whims of the beholder.

When we marvel at God’s handiwork, our faith is renewed and through the ever-changing scenes of nature’s brush, we remember the dogwood cross and the empty tomb.

Now that April is here, let us always know that because of God’s creative plan we can reach through the beauty of an April day and touch God’s hand.



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1 EASTER SUNDAY	2	3 10:30:am Quilters	4 3:30:pm Bible Guppies	5	6	
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