

Sunday: **03-31-2019 4th Sunday in Lent**
9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Tuzz & Liz Hobbs)
10:45 AM Sunday School

Tuesday: **04-2-2019**
7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

Sunday: **04-07-2019 5th Sunday in Lent**
9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Jeff & Kim Coil)
10:45 AM Sunday School

Announcements:

Today's Adult Bible Study will explore the "**American Gospel: Christ Alone.**" The Gospel has been coopted into Christ plus +works, +health, +wealth, and +miracles. The study will help you know how the simple Gospel of Jesus Christ has been distorted in America and how-to re-center your faith on Christ.

The **Women's Bible Study** is this Tuesday, April 2, at 7 PM. We are going through the Book of Matthew. All are welcome.

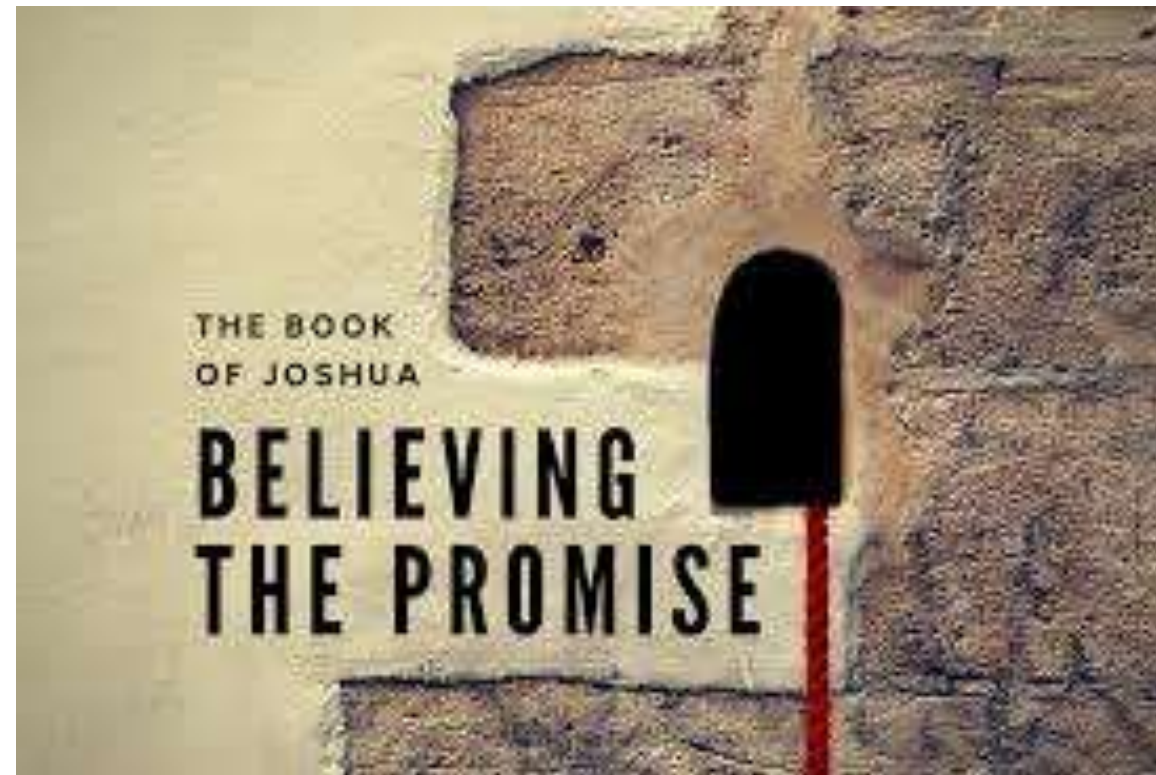
Dave and Jean Owens would like to **thank** everyone for their prayers, beautiful sympathy cards, expressions of love and concern in the loss of our dear Kim. We will always miss her but we are glad her suffering is over and she is in heaven.

Please take photos and contribute recipes, thoughts, and ideas for the April newsletter. Submit them to secretary@salemchurch.cc or PastorTomEmery@live.com.

Upcoming Birthdays

Apr 2nd-Lyndi Forsythe
8th-Andy Breese

6th-Carol Emery
12th-MaKenna Kimmet



JOSHUA at GILGAL

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Kylee Ball (surgery)
Peggy Burnett
Jackie Coalson (COPD)
Amy Cunningham (Fibromyalgia)
Jim Davis (cancer)
Mark Davis
Aiden Ellerbrock (injuries from a fall)
Betty Ellis (rapidly failing health)
Doris Evans (cancer)
Daniel Fisher (rectal cancer)
Judy Foust
Suzanne Hadley-Himes (cancer)
Bill Harmon (cancer)
Jeff Hines (kidney transplant)
Bob Hundley (cancer)
Tim Huster (cancer)
Jan Jones (health Issues)
Paula Jones (healing from fall)
Kale (nightmares)
Nancy Lautzenheiser
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Barbara Lewis (heart attack)
Linda Lissey (cancer)

Bob Louth
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Carol Matthews(Lou Gehrig's disease)
Sarah Miller (health issues)
Gwen Montez (surgery)
Marian Morris
Chance Mosier (shoulder surgery)
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Marjorie Rhodes
Julie Sheets (lung cancer)
Shelly (vertigo)
Deb & Steve Sheppard (health issues)
Doug Smith (Jen Pugh's dad)
Herb Summersett (prostate cancer)
Kerry Walls
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Rev. Thomas Emery
“Healing and a New Start” Joshua 5:9-12
Salem Presbyterian Church
March 31, 2019

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TEACHING POINTS

POINT ONE – *Our Past Can Be Healed.*

POINT TWO – *Our Lives Can Become Abundant Lives.*

POINT THREE – *Our Future Will Be Bright in The Lord!*

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE

Then the LORD said to Joshua, “Today I have rolled away the shame of your slavery in Egypt.” So that place has been called Gilgal to this day (Joshua 5:9 NLT).

ACTION POINT

While the text provides no further detail about this circumcision celebration, it is disclosed that on the day after the event, the Israelites have their first taste of the produce from the land (5:11). This is followed by an end to the provision of manna (5:12), thus signaling the beginning of a new era in which, instead of the Lord having to provide for Israel’s daily needs, the people will henceforth be sustained through the productivity of the land they will soon possess. They were no longer carrying the terrible past with its bad memories. This Lent season, come to realize that Christ can forgive and heal memories. You can forget bad ones. The past is covered by the blood of Christ. Our passage tells us that “the reproach is rolled away” when we seek God and do His will for us.

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