If Not for the Resurrection

1 Peter 1:3-9

- The resurrection is all about hope.
 - a. The resurrection of Jesus started something special.
 - i. 1 Pet. 1:3.
 - ii. New birth becomes a possibility.
 - b. A living hope.
 - i. Hoping or just enduring?
 - ii. Hope can help you hang on.
 - c. Where does hope come from?
 - d. Christians don't just have hope; we have hope that endures.
- The resurrection is all about God's power.
 - a. We are reminded that through God's power, the best is yet to come.
 - i. 1 Pet. 1:4.
 - ii. 1 Pet. 1:5.
 - iii. God's business is creating new life, even out of death.
 - b. We can have joy in even the most difficult of circumstances because of the promises of God.
 - i. 1 Pet. 1:6.
 - ii. God said it, "Jesus is coming back!"
 - iii. 1 Pet. 1:7.
 - c. We don't see yet...
 - i. Our perspective is limited, and our faith is incomplete.
 - 1. 1 Pet. 1:8-9.
 - 2. Heb. 11:1.
 - ii. Peter had the advantage of seeing Jesus.
 - 1. We do not have this advantage, so Peter says we must "faith it."
 - 2. 2 Cor. 5:7, "We live (lit. 'walk') by faith, not by sight."

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CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Sunday Bible Study (9:00 a.m.) Wednesday Bible Study (6:30)Sunday Worship (10:00 a.m.)

Life Groups (Various Locations)

Doug Austin

Tim Dunnahoo - Lee Rogers Kent Taylor - David West **Elders**:

Elder Chairman of the Month: Tim Dunnahoo





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Song Leader: Kent Taylor

Song: 489 – I Know That My Redeemer Lives (vs. 1)

Welcome: Brandon Cometti

Songs: 296 – The Old Rugged Cross (vs. 1 & 3)

886 - Nothing But the Blood 543 – Because He Lives (vs. 1 & 3)

Communion Song: 300 – When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

(vs. 1, 3, & 4)

Communion Offering: Bryce Taylor

Kid's Church Songs: 339 – Low In the Grave He Lay

392 - Sing and Be Happy

Dismissal for Kid's Church

Sermon: Doug Austin – "If Not for the Resurrection" **Invitation Song:** 856 – There's a Fountain Free (vs. 1 & 4) Closing Song: 790 – When We All Get to Heaven (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Wynn Anderson

Sunday Morning Bible study (9:00 a.m.)

1 John - Robert Austin (Rm. 16)

The Church – Jesse McCarty (Small Fellowship)

Parenting through Philippians – Doug Austin (Couch Room) Hebrews (Spanish Class) – Oscar Hernandez (Rm. 15)

Revelation (Sun/Weds Evening Spanish Class) – Mynor Vasquz

Jr. High/High School – Thomas Beard (Teen Room – Rm. 26)

JL 4th - 6th grade - JL Bible Room

JL 1st - 3rd grade - JL History Room

4's, 5's & Kinder - Amy Joy (Rm. 12)

2's & 3's - Rachel & Mattie McCarty (Rm. 3)

Nursery up through age 2 - Various teachers (Rm. 1)

Life Group meeting times & locations: Warboys Life Group will not meet today

Morrow Life Group meets @ 4 in the couch room

Austin Life Group meets @ 5 at 3313 Highland Rd.



Visitors, please scan the QR code to let us know you're worshipping with us today. We pray our time together is a blessing to you!

Prayer Requests

- o **Judy Linton** was able to return home on Tuesday! She is doing well and happy to be back to the comforts of home.
- o **Barry Carter's** surgery for bladder cancer will take place in Houston next Thursday, 4/24.
- Ray Sanchez is also scheduled to undergo surgery for bladder cancer. That will be in Roswell on 4/28.

Continue in Prayer

Anita Zuniga, Clara O'Neil, Sam Gentry, Cheryl Ringheimer, Kathleen Sherman, Chris & Glenna Bertola, Betty Vinson, Doris Rodriguez, Robert Gomez, Gale Wright, Janice Bennett, Ronnie Merritt, Bobbie Doyle

From the Mailbag...

Dear CCR Family,

We appreciate the cards, phone calls, and other expressions of sympathy for Dana's unexpected death. He was a humble and Godly man, always reaching out to help others. We appreciate the thoughtfulness of everyone.

God bless, Chris & Glenna

Dear Church of Christ,

We want to thank your Preacher, staff, and members for helping us after our house and property were so damaged by the October 19th flood. It certainly lifted our spirits to know we didn't have to bear this burden alone.

Sincerely, Cecil & Deborah Pendergrass

For the Record

Sunday/Wednesday Bible Class	112/103
Sunday AM	203
Kid's Church	51
Social Media Count	577
Weekly Contribution	\$11,141

Life@CCR

- As our Recharge meals begin to wind down, we are continually thankful to those who have volunteered to cook. This week our thanks are extended to Amy Joy & Marcine McDaniel for the delicious spaghetti supper. We have only two weeks of meals left before we break for summer!
- The annual VBS meeting will take place next
 Wednesday, 4/23 at 6:30 in the small fellowship. This
 meeting will be for those who are helping or plan to help
 with Vacation Bible School. We will have pizza for
 Recharge that night and will order plenty if you aren't
 able to get to church until meeting time.
- Running tally for VBS giveaway bibles so far: 49
- You may have noticed a recent email to your inbox titled, "Opportunity to Engage with Our Kids." This email features an online sign-up sheet for teachers during the spring/summer for our 1st-6th graders. So far, we've had no respondents. We hope you'll consider signing up for even just one class, be it Sunday or Wednesday. You'll be amazed at these kids' knowledge of the bible and their eagerness to learn. If you happen to have missed the email, we plan to resend it on Monday, so keep your eyes peeled!
- Mark your calendar for Senior Sunday, taking place on Sunday, May 4th! This year we will be honoring soon-tobe graduate, Caleb Franzoy.

Upcoming Events

- 4/23 VBS meeting @ 5:30
- 4/30 Ladies Bible Class luncheon
- 4/30 Bahama Bucks (ages 3 high school)
- 5/4 Senior Sunday
- 5/22 Service for Bill Wright @ 10 a.m.

Week @ a Glance

Celebrations & Happenings

20 th	A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM,
	Facebook Live & YouTube.
23 rd	Ladies Bible Class @ 10:00 a.m.
	Recharge @ 5:30 p.m.
	Bible Class & VBS meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
25 th	Bobbie Doyle, Emily Taylor, Rocio Rubio, & Aubry
	Marley-Hollingsworth's b-day.
19 th	Dana Powell's b-day.

Small Group Study Guide

Text: 1 Peter 1:3-9

- 1. Thinking about the resurrection, how can we believe something we have never seen? How would you prove the resurrection? Is walking by faith and not sight easy? Why or why not?
- 2. How does the resurrection of Jesus give us hope? What kind of hope?
- 3. How is the resurrection a demonstration of God's power?
- 4. What perspective does Peter give suffering in verses 6-7? How does this perspective help you deal with past or current suffering in your life?
- 5. In the midst of suffering, how does God give us a new perspective? How does the world handle the trials of life?
- 6. How has suffering made you a better person? A better Christian?

Those Scheduled to Serve for April

Deacons on Duty: Phil Sexton, Dale Rogers

Men on Duty: Alan Warboys, Mac Rogers, Mark Pantuso