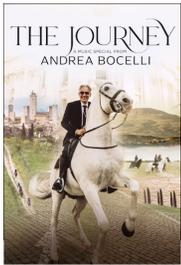




Easter Cross



The Journey: A Music Special from Andrea Bocelli

This movie will be showing at the Cinemark Movie Bistro in Charlotte on April 2-4 at 4 PM & 7 PM and April 6 at 4 PM. Tickets need to be preordered from Cinemark.com

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Received to Date: \$20.00



Fill the Tank Sunday

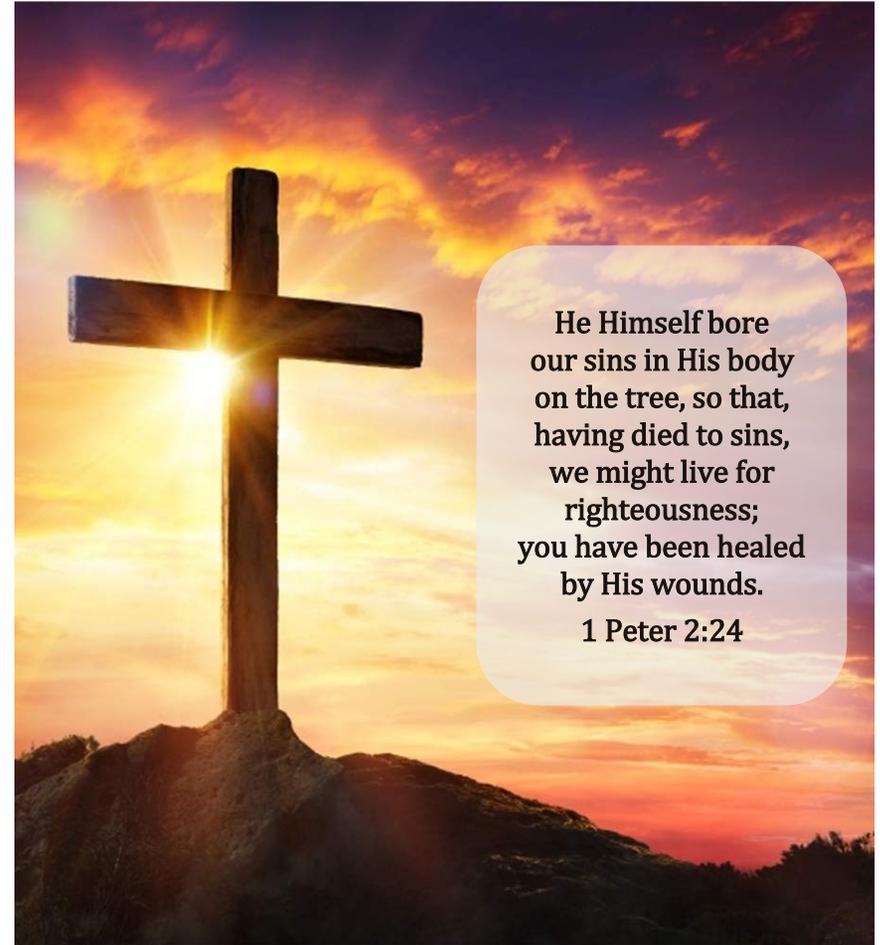
Mark your calendars for Baptism Sunday on April 16th! If you need to be baptized, please talk with Pastor David.

Ladies' Luncheon

Save the date for a ladies' luncheon on Saturday, May 6th. Our guest speaker will be Dawn Smith Jordan.



April 2, 2023



He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness; you have been healed by His wounds.
1 Peter 2:24

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Sunday, April 2, 2023

Jesus Died for Me (John 19:16-19, 28-30, 38-42)

The Point: Jesus's death on the cross made forgiveness possible for me.

The Bible Meets Life: The church I grew up in had a choir, and occasionally, one particular lady would sing a solo. The problem was she was not a good vocalist. Even as a kid, I thought someone should tell this lady not to sing because she was embarrassing herself and she didn't even know it. This was before the days of *American Idol*, and there was no Simon to tell her the truth about her singing.

We often fool ourselves into thinking we are better at something than we really are. If we enjoy doing something we assume we are fairly good at it. This doesn't just apply to hobbies or jobs; we often apply this to the whole of life. We think we are better people than we are. We assume that we are better behaved than most of the people we know. The problem is we aren't, and the Bible makes that clear: we are sinners. In fact, when we compare ourselves to Jesus, our best is completely inadequate. But through Jesus, we also have hope!

Live It Out: A word of thanks. Consider all that Jesus has done for you. He left heaven for you, lived the sinless life that you couldn't live, and died on a cross for your sin. Take a moment to thank Jesus for His sacrifice. If you are not a believer, confess your sin, repent, and ask Jesus to transform your life through faith. **A word of comfort.** Both Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus honored Christ at His death. If you know someone in your church or community who has recently lost a loved one, write the person a letter. Encourage them and let them know you are praying for them in their time of grief or loss. **A word of forgiveness.** Jesus died to forgive you of your sin. Is there anyone that you need to forgive? Ask God to reveal any grudges or unforgiveness in your heart. Ask Him to help you forgive that person.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

My Encounter with Jesus

Sunday, April 9 Jesus Rose Again to Give Me Life
(John 20:1-2, 11-18)



Dealing with Temptation

Sunday, April 16 The Source of Temptation
(James 1:13-18)

Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Indoor Worship
10:00 AM Online Worship
1:00 PM Deacon's Meeting

Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship
6:30 PM Youth

Thursday

Jail Ministry

Deacon's Meeting



TODAY at 1 PM
in the sanctuary.

Service Attendance

Sunday, March 26

Indoor: 37

Online: 112



Wednesday, March 29

Online: 40

Youth: 14

Monthly Budget & Offerings



Budget Needs:

\$17,787.33

March Offering

To Date:

\$13,019.00

Prayer Requests

Candy Anderson

Gary Clontz

Terry Cox

The Hedgepeths

Mike Helms

Christine Hinson

Gabe Horne

Lillian Lewis

Rich Majewski

Claudette Kay

Richie Raines

Global Missions

Local & NAMB

Area Schools/Admin

1st Responders

The Sick & Elderly

Backpacks of Hope Students

Electric Stove

If anyone is in need of a used electric stove, please talk with Stacey.



Newsletters

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