

# Orchard weekly

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 4, 2021

## Announcements

**CHRIST IS RISEN! Alleluia! Welcome to worship** — and to resurrection life — on this most joyous day. Please join us for fellowship and coffee after this morning's service outside the north entrance. For those who are not comfortable in large crowds, please join us this evening at 5:00pm for a repeat Easter worship.

**DRIVE-THROUGH BBQ-RIB DINNER:** Order before April 19 for **Sierra Salem Christian Homes'** Spring Rib Dinner on **April 24**. Complete dinner for 4 will be available for pickup in Ripon, Modesto and Escalon. More details can be found at [www.SierraSalem.org](http://www.SierraSalem.org), on Facebook or contact Debbie Mensonides at (209) 499-1228. Please help Sierra Salem continue to be a Christian option for those families looking for a place for their family member with a developmental disability to call home.

**LOVE Ripon:** You can still sign up at the welcome center or contact Zac Dewey.

**Ripon Christian School's Annual Society Meeting will be Monday**, April 19, at 6 p.m. at the school's Performing Arts Center. All parents of current RC students and those who have chosen to be members of the school's Society are invited to attend. The proposed 2021-2022 school budget will be presented for approval, and the election of three new board members, will both be considered that evening. Please plan to attend if you are able. Current parents and Society members will be receiving additional information via email. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Society, please email [info@rcschools.com](mailto:info@rcschools.com).

**Ripon Christian Schools** is currently seeking applicants for instructional staff for the 2021-2022 school year. Currently, RC has openings in upper school music / band, high school mathematics, and elementary classroom teachers. Interested individuals can find more information and an application at [www.rcschools.com](http://www.rcschools.com) or by emailing Eric Segaar at [esegaar@rcschools.com](mailto:esegaar@rcschools.com).

**Priceless Treasures is in great need of volunteer help.** For 15 years this ministry has served Sierra Salem and RC. We give 100% of our profits to these 2 causes. We have had the privilege of many wonderful volunteers, from your church, who have joyfully and faithfully served. We appreciate you. We have a great need for extra help. Do you have free time, extra days off, or just need to give back? Come when you can, bring a friend or small group. This ministry cannot function without more help. Prayerfully consider your participation. WE NEED YOU. Contact Brechtje Harrewyn at 209-579-5513.

Save the date for the **Golden Bear Cadet Pinewood Race and Spaghetti Feed**, April 17 with dinner served at Zion URC from 5:00-7:00 PM and the Race at 7:00 PM at the Ripon Christian Gymnasium. Plans are still being finalized as we continue to deal with the pandemic so please check back next week or visit our website [Golden Bear Cadet Council](http://Golden Bear Cadet Council) for further details.

## This Week

### Sunday

8:45am Easter Breakfast  
9:30am Morning Worship  
10:45am NO Education Classes  
5:00pm Repeat Easter Worship with Communion

### Wednesday

6:30pm GriefShare meeting

### Thursday

7:00pm Worship Rehearsal

### Sunday

9:30am Morning Worship  
10:45am NO Education Classes  
6:00pm Evening Worship

## Church Family

**Birthdays this week:** 4/4 Melissa Sorenson 4/5 Kriste Moret 4/6 Paul Anema 4/7 Caleb VanDyke 4/8 Judy Groen, Andrew Heyboer, Jens Oines, Scott Rhoda, Minard Roorda, 4/9 Dawn Eskes, Bruce Goslinga, Viv Schuller 4/10 Cecilia Orozco 4/11 Karen Viss

**Anniversary this week:** 4/11 Richard & Tamelia Brown

## Weekly Prayer Guide

Monday - "Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need your tender care." All of us need God's tender care. Whether you are struggling with physical, mental, or spiritual challenges, pray for God's grace and mercy, remembering that he walks with us.

Tuesday - "All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing, alleluia." Join with all creation today and praise our living, glorious God.

Wednesday - "America, America, God shed his grace on thee." We have much to atone for as a nation, and much to weep over. With contrite hearts, we still seek God's grace and forgiveness for our nation.

Thursday - "Let us labor for the Master from the dawn till setting sun, let us talk of all his wondrous love and care." Thank God for our opportunities of work, especially work in his kingdom. May we be quick to share his goodness to others.

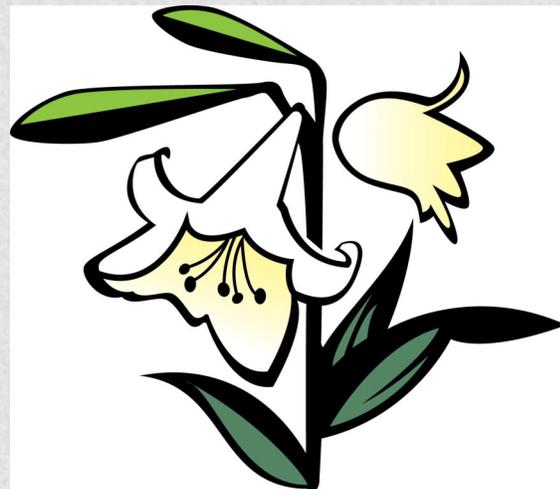
Friday - "Count your blessings, name them one by one." Today, stop and count your blessings. If you really think about it, it could take hours or days. Tell God "thank you" today.

Saturday - "Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way." Have you given God all of your life, or are you holding onto things that you know God wants to redeem in you? Pray that you can be able to give God your all.

Sunday - "I will enter his gates with thanksgiving in my heart. I will enter his courts with praise. I will say this is the day that the Lord has made. I will rejoice for he has made me glad." Pray for Pastor Mark as he brings God's words to us. May God be glorified in our worship.

## April Offering Schedule

4/4 Ripon Christian Tuition Assistance  
4/11 General Fund  
4/18 Interfaith Ministries  
4/25 GEMS



## LILY

The lily that blooms around Easter is a symbol of Christ's resurrection because it rises from a seemingly lifeless bulb decaying in the ground. It is also used as a symbol of Christ himself. The lily, a symbol of purity, is often used to represent the Virgin Mary.

## Palm Sunday

