## The Vine

I am the vine; you are the branches...John 15:5

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We were supposed to live forever.

At creation, God put Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden and it was very good. He gave them a tree of life and as long as they were able to eat from it, they would not die.

Also in the garden was the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Eating from this tree would bring death.

By obeying the one rule God gave them, Adam and Eve had a way to show love toward God. Simply obey, and they would live forever and enjoy perfect fellowship with their creator.

We know what happened. They ate. They didn't die right away, but sin and death entered into creation. Their bodies began winding down toward a natural death. God killed an animal for a skin to cover their nakedness. A cursed earth would start working against mankind, bringing death through natural disasters. And murder entered into the picture when Cain killed Abel.

The sin which brings death would pass down from generation to generation, infecting all of mankind. Romans tells us all have sinned and the wages of sin is death.

We were supposed to live forever. Now death comes for all of us.

The good news is God had a plan in place before sin ever entered into the picture. He loved us so much that he sent his one and only Son, Jesus.

Jesus lived the perfect life we couldn't. His death on the cross paid the price to redeem us from our sins. His resurrection proved his power over death and his ability to give eternal life. Only through faith in Jesus Christ, can we live forever. With God. In paradise.

During April as we look toward Resurrection Sunday, read, meditate on, and pray over the following verses that teach about life. If you have extra time, read the context and look up related references.

Each morning during prayer, pray about what God's will for you is in light of eternity as you ask God's direction for your day.

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### 30 Days of

# Life

Apr 1: Genesis 2:7-17 Apr 2: Deuteronomy 6:1-9 □ Apr 3: Psalm 16:5-11 □ Apr 4: Psalm 27 ☐ Apr 5: Psalm 56:3-4, 8-13 Apr 6: Psalm 63:1-4 □ Apr 7: Psalm 103 □ Apr 8: Psalm 139 □ Apr 9: Proverbs 3:1-8 ☐ Apr 10: John 1:1-5 □ Apr 11: Numbers 21:4-9 □ Apr 12: John 3:14-21 □ Apr 13: Matthew 28:1-10 Apr 14: Mark 16:1-11 ☐ Apr 15: Luke 24:1-12 □ Apr 16: Luke 24:13-35 □ Apr 17: John 20:1-18 □ Apr 18: John 5:19-29 □ Apr 19: John 6:27, 32-40, 57-58 □ Apr 20: John 10:7-18 □ Apr 21: John 11:17-27 Apr 22: John 14:1-6, 19 □ Apr 23: John 17:1-5 □ Apr 24: Acts 17:22-31 □ Apr 25: Romans 5:6-11 ☐ Apr 26: Romans 6:1-11, 23 ☐ Apr 27: 1 Corinthians 15:12-26

Apr 28: 1 Corinthians 15:35-49
 Apr 29: Revelation 20:11-21:8
 Apr 30: Revelation 22



Sonrise service is Resurrection Sunday, April 17, 8 a.m. Breakfast follows at around 8:30.

Sunday School for littles at 9 a.m. – adults will cleanup/fellowship.

Worship at 10. No evening youth group



It's that time of year to submit names of graduates to Mike.

College, Tech school, High School, and Jr. High graduates will be recognized in May.



Time to start planning for City Wide Garage Sales, Friday/Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>. Get your items marked and ready to bring to church. Any items not sold will need to be picked up after the sale. Volunteers to help are much appreciated. Contact Cecelia Ragan, 785-762-2195 for questions or to volunteer.



VBS will be here soon. You can register to volunteer and children to attend, at: vbspro.events/p/9e3a25
Questions or more info needed?
Call or text Aisha Mitchell 785-741-5205

**Men's Breakfast:** The men's breakfast will be Saturday, April 9th at 8:00 AM. Kevin Gatzemeyer is cooking.

**Pocket Change for Progress:** Please continue saving your pocket change for VFCC youth programs and School Supply Project. There is a bucket for your change anytime, not just the third Sunday.

Past sermons are available online at www.valleyfallscc.org. If you cannot access them this way, you may ask Pastor Mike for a cd copy.

On line sermon opportunity: For those sheltering at home, church service will be available to live stream on YouTube (and Facebook). Also available on YouTube, previous services.

Don't forget to subscribe to Valley Falls Christian Church YouTube channel



#### Sermon Series, Scripture

April 03 Golden Calves Exodus 32:17-20

April 10 God's Glory Exodus 33:17-23

EXOUUS 33.17-23

April 17 Resurrection Sunday

Lifted up John 3:14-17

April 24 Brian Barrett Preaching

Apr	Greeters Communion Prep	Scripture	Devotion	Servers	Nursery
03	Barrett	Barrett Exodus 32: 17-20	Stan F	Jay/ <b>Stan</b> /Steve/ Jackson	Debbie/Abby
10	Spencer	Spencer Exodus 33: 17-23	Stan F	Jay/Stan/ <b>Wayne</b> F/Jackson	Brittany/Dakota
17	J Mitchell	J Mitchell John 3:14-17	Stan F	Jay/Stan/ <b>Ray/</b> Chad	Leann/Ashley
24	Farr	Farr	Stan F	Jay/Stan/ <b>Jarret</b> /Kyle	Aisha/Rhonda

April communion devotion and prayer: Stan Farr

**Prayer Requests:** Becky Arnold, Christy Arnold, Emma Dockweiler, Ukraine & Afghanistan

**OUR SOLDIERS:** Curtis Mitchell, Aaron Cook, Jacob Mitchell, Matthew Branam, Noe Garza, Gary Flack, Dayton Flack

### **Church Offerings:**

Feb 20-\$ 1890 Feb 27-\$ 953

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### **April Birthdays and Anniversaries**

- 4 Betty Smith
- 11 Debbie Gerstner Cindy Parker
- 12 Aaron and Cheyenne Cook (2016)
- 13 Jozee Thayer
- 19 Martha Gilleece
- 22 Erin Thomas
- 26 Susan Klawuhn
- 29 Stan Farr

(Names in CAPS in Mission Field)



WHAT: VBS
WHEN: MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>-JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup>
WHO: AISHA MITCHELL, DIRECTOR
WHERE: VFCC
NEEDED: YOU TO VOLUNTEER, PLAN NOW
TO BE A PART OF A FUN FILLED VBS
ON "WONDERFULLY MADE"



FLAMING SPIRIT CAMP 2022 Schedule							
Registration Deadline Camp Week							
HS	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	June 5-10					
JR High	May 29 <sup>th</sup>	June 12-17					
Jr.	June 5 <sup>th</sup>	June 19-23					
Day Camp,	June 12 <sup>th</sup>	June 25					
Middler &	"	June 26-28					
1 <sup>st</sup> Chance	"	June 28-29					

All registrations are online at: www.flamingspirit.com



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Mike Kirby, Pastor

You are welcome to join us! **Sunday Service times:** 

Bible Study (all ages) – 9:00 AM

Worship – 10:00 AM Youth Group (grades 7-12) – 5:00 PM Midweek: Bible Study-7:00 P

Sunday	Monday	Wednesday	Thursday/Friday	Saturday
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3	4	6	7/8	9
5 PM – Youth Group	1:30 PM Sunflower Crafters	6:00 PM – Worship prac 7:00 Bible Study		8:00 AM Men's Breakfast
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RESURECTION SUNDAY 17	18	20	21/22	23
8 a.m. Sonrise Service 8:30 a.m. Sonrise Breakfast NO Youth Group	1:30 PM Sunflower Crafters	6:00 PM – Worship prac 7:00 Bible Study		
24	25	27	28/29	30
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	1:30 PM Sunflower Crafters	6:00 PM – Worship prac 7:00 Bible Study		