

I feel I must apologize for using the term not male to describe someone who is attending a women's college. Oh boy, I used the term woman again...). Anyway, as I was saying politically incorrectly, though I do not intend any offense, is apparently you can attend a "women's college" and not "identify as a woman". I will be honest, I do not understand this.

Another usage of language to impact culture has been in the recent trend away from the word "pornography" which definitely has a connotation of questionable morality, if you will: "filth, disgust and sin". So those in this profession prefer and the term preferred by the industry is "adult entertainment". In fact, this trend is being magnified now by the recent admissions or allegations of 2 women of having extra-marital affairs with our current president. The interesting part of these allegations is they are both heavily involved (forgive my political incorrectness again) in the porn industry. In fact, one article pointed to the recent astronomical surge in internet searches for each of these women and the comeback of their careers because of recent media coverage. By changing the language of pornography to "adult entertainment" what this is saying culturally is this is "normal entertainment aimed for those who are adults". This gives a new perception: what was once hidden in private, covered and secured behind store counters, delivered in manila envelopes, only available for paid subscriptions will soon be readily available to all even those who may not be adults. Now if you are aware of anything going on in the world you know this is already the case but I have a feeling it will soon be available openly and freely to anyone of any age who flip the channels, use Netflix or Amazon Prime and have not set up the necessary filters. Remember what is done in private in one generation will be done in public in subsequent generations. This is important because many studies have shown pornography is an addiction which is as addictive and destructive as cocaine.

Language is very important, Proverbs 18.21, "Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits." *Language changes our perception and the language we use to teach future generations about gender will have a significant impact on how they perceive gender, sex, marriage, child rearing, discipline, government, economy, ethics, law, justice and so much more. This language is "secular evangelism" meant to promote doctrine, an alternate doctrine of life, a radically opposed world-view to that of the Gospel and of Christianity. Jesus said in Matthew 12.36, "I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak, by your words you will be justified and by your words you will be condemned." Matthew 15.18, "But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person." James 3.6, "The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell." May our words be pure and may our language be holy; for Jesus Himself is the Word and may we represent Him beautifully with our language for we hold the power of life and death.*

# TUPOOS

STUDENT MINISTRIES

## UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES...



Mrs. Nubern with her Young Ringers  
What a blessing they all are!



## RESURRECTION SUNDAY

APRIL 1, 2018

### *Morning Worship Service*

### **Christ the Lord Is Risen Today**

Scripture Reading - *Luke 23:33-43*

### **Rolled Back Stone - Choir**

# 160 *Low in the Grave He Lay*

### **The Hallelujah Chorus**

- Adult Handbell Choir

Scripture Reading - *Luke 23:44-56*

**Let the Grave Be Opened - Choir**

### **7 ACTIONS OF JESUS FROM THE CROSS**

#134 *Jesus Paid it All*



Its Easter Sunday! Resurrection Sunday! One of the many holidays celebrated which have their origin in Christianity and this is one of the two most important days especially with the increasing secularization and post-Christian world in which we are living.

Nothing is more important historically or theologically than the birth, death, and resurrection of Jesus. These three events, celebrated on the holidays of Christmas and Easter, continue to draw attention worldwide and especially in the west (Europe and the Americas). However, as we know these "holidays" have changed in recent years regarding the language to which they are referred... it seems if you want to change the culture or cannot get rid of something ingrained in the culture you have to begin by changing the language and the activities which center around those cultural events. What is most interesting is that is what Christians did for years to implement special celebrations and now it is being done in reverse to Christians to minimize those same celebrations.

Christmas, Easter, St. Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Thanksgiving are a few of the more well-known holidays. Many pagan celebrations occurred throughout the year and Christian's took those opportunities to celebrate alongside society but with a Christian twist using the opportunity for evangelism; to be in the world and a part of society without taking part in the sin of the culture. We are supposed to be with sinners and not sin and these were efforts by Christian's often times suffering extreme persecution to promote evangelism. Christmas is celebrated on December 25 which has its origins in a Roman celebration of the sun god which the Christians used to celebrate the Son of God. Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day are both based upon Christians who gave their lives for the spread of the gospel while other holidays may just have a Christian emphasis. The shoe is on the other foot now. The meaning of these holidays has become blurred and diminished. Though schools and even government still recognize these holidays the language of them is changing and their meanings are being ousted with vocabulary and semantics. Christmas break has become winter break, Christmas trees, holiday trees, most people think saint Valentine was a chubby kid with a bow and arrow, and saint Patrick was an Irish leprechaun, who wore green and ate lucky charms. We must pay attention to what culture promotes visually and verbally because language through picture, print or verbiage is significantly impactful over time.

This week, Mount Holyoke college, a women's college in Massachusetts, is discouraging professors from using the word "women". The acting president said, "As we know, not every Mount Holyoke student identifies as a woman. But every student at Mount Holyoke has the right to live and learn in an inclusive environment that is free from hostility and respectful of their identity. We are deeply committed to this belief — and to all of our students." Apparently, you can attend a "women's college" (I apologize if my use of the term "women" to describe those of the female persuasion attending a college exclusively dedicated to female students is offensive. Perhaps female is offensive also, I apologize for using female to describe someone who is not male.

Sanctuary flowers given  
In Memory of  
*Mr. David Davis*  
By  
*The Handbell Choir*

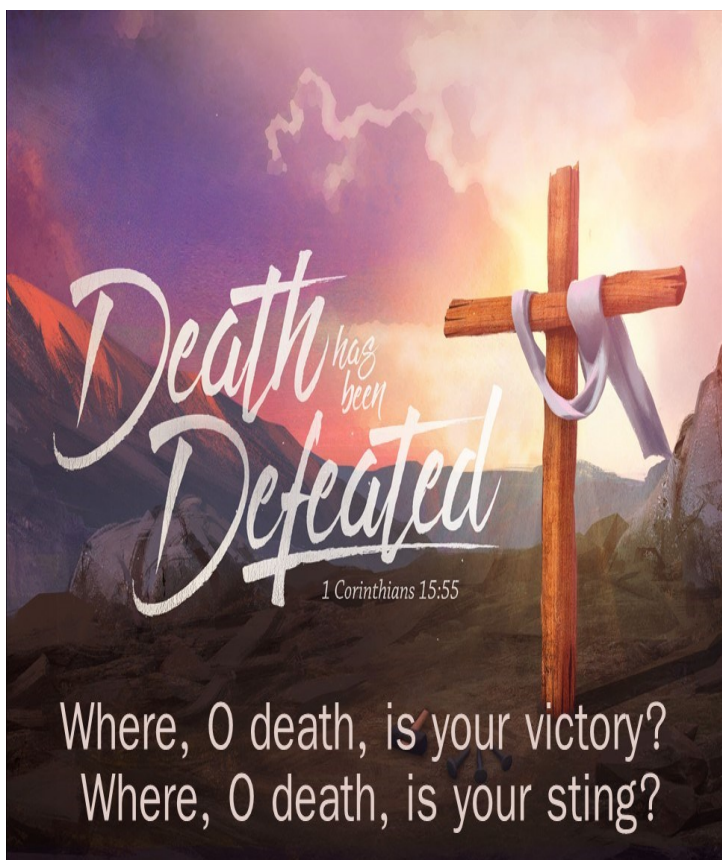


### Happy Birthday!



**Today**-Hunter Graham  
George Wilson  
**April 3**-Riley Trammell  
Justin Davidson  
Connie Trammell  
**April 5**-Krystin Chapman

April 2018						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	2 7pm Deacon's Meeting	3 House & Grounds Meeting 7PM	4	5 Meal Delivery: Margaret Bennett	6	7
8 Guest Speaker Mel Heal	9 6pm Stewardship Meeting	10	11 Business Meeting 6:30p	12 Meal Delivery: Cyndi Fischer	13	
15	16 Day of Prayer for Johannesburg	17	18	19 Meal Delivery: Alma Durrance	20	6:00pm
22	23	24	25	26 Meal Delivery: Pauline Hendrickson	27	28
<b>REVIVAL</b> Rev. Robert Roberts						
29	30	1 May	2		4	5



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Morning Worship..	135	GA/RA (elementary).....22
Evening Worship....	43	Mission Friends (pre-s).....11
		Nursery.....2
		Women's Study.....11
		Leaders.....19
		Total.....89

### Giving Record

Budget Needs/Week ....\$7,056.00  
Tithes & Offering .....\$4,352.00  
Difference.....-\$2,704.00  
Designated..... \$767.00

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**COUNTING COMMITTEE - APRIL 2018**  
Talmadge Albritton, Sheena Benbow, Alecia Hughes

**WEEKLY CAMPUS ACTIVITIES**

Sundays

9:30 A.M. Media Center Open

9:45 A.M. Sunday School - Education Building

11:00 A.M. Morning Worship Service - Sanctuary

Kids' Church K-5

6:30 P.M. Evening Worship - Sanctuary

Wednesday

5:00 P.M. Women's Bible Study

6:30 P.M. Wednesday Night Live (TUPOS)

G.A.'s, R.A.'s, Mission Friends - Kids Bldg.

Women's Bible Study

Prayer Meeting/ Bible Study - Ed. Bldg.

**USHERS OF THE WEEK**  
Marlon Pendergrass  
David Moore  
David Suttles  
Justin Davidson

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**  
April 1-7  
Marlon Pendergrass 781-9232  
April 8-14  
Daniel Moore 781-1565



If you're visiting us for the first time, we invite you to fill out a visitor packet in the pew in front of you and drop it in the offering plate.  
**We're so glad you're here!**

**REVIVAL**

Saturday, April 21st @ 6pm - Fish Fry

Sunday, April 22nd -9:45am Sunday School

11:00am Worship Service

12:15pm Dinner

6:30pm Evening Worship

Monday, April 23rd -Wednesday, April 24th

6:00pm Dinner

7:00pm Revival Services