

CROSS WALK

A Communiqué of Anchor Christian Church

Have You Heard . . .

- Join Us for Easter Breakfast on Easter Sunday, 8 AM
- Come to an Early Easter Sunday Service at 7 AM
- Financial Peace University is coming to ACC in April 14, at 7 PM
- ACC Hosts Town Hall For Hope with Dave Ramsey, April 23, 8 PM
- We offer Adult, Deaf, and Youth Bible Studies, and Pioneer Club for kids every Wednesday evening at 7 PM.
- Ladies' Bible Studies are held every Monday, at 10 AM and Tuesday evening at 6 PM.
- Your comments and contributions to this publication are important to us. Call the ACC church office (889-2436).
- Our sermons are on the Web! Check out our web site: www.AnchorChristian.org

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Join us for an
Easter Celebration

*A Special
Early
Easter Service
at 7 AM*

*April 4
Easter Egg Hunt
10-11 AM
(For ages 2-10)*



*Easter
Breakfast at
8 AM*

*Followed by
Sunday School and
Worship Hours
at 9:45 and
11:15 AM*

*“Thirty Pieces of Silver Offering”
7:00, 9:45, and 11:15 AM*

Eight More Join Anchor!

We love it when we get to witness new births and hear people say that they want to be a part of our church family. And we have reason to rejoice because, since our last newsletter, we've grown by eight!

Patrick Minges is the oldest son of Babs Wallace. Patrick has grown up in our church and recently became very serious about a relationship with Jesus Christ. He kept sharing with his family his desire to be baptized, but his



mom wanted to be sure he understood the life-long commitment he was about to make. After studying with John Hilts what the Bible has to say on this subject, Patrick was ready to give his life to Christ in Christian baptism on February 15. We are so proud of you, Patrick!

Kevin Tieu is Dave Baroody's supervisor. Kevin's children are active in their church in Florida and have encouraged him to become a Christian. Kevin knew Dave was a

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Do You Know This Month's Mystery Member?

April's Mystery Member was born at Genesee Hospital in Rochester, NY. She's lived in this area all her life and has one younger sister.

She became a Christian at the age of ten, but says it was through her involvement with one of the college campus ministries, Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, that she learned what it meant to truly follow Christ. Today, you'll find her sharing that faith and God's love with her Sunday School classes.

EDUCATION :

Our MM is a graduate of Wheatland-Chili High School. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Social Work from RIT and her Master's degree from Roberts Wesleyan College.



WORK EXPERIENCE:

When questioned about her work experience, she says, "My first job was working at a Hallmark store. In college, I worked in different day care centers. Later, I began working at Heritage Christian Services in one of their group homes, serving people with developmental disabilities. After graduating, I began working full-time with them and, ten years later, I am still there! I did leave Heritage for a short time to work as a social worker at Hillside with teenage girls, but came back to Heritage three years ago to work in their clinical services as a behavior specialist and to support individuals in seven of their homes."

When asked what she enjoys

about her job, our Mystery Member replied, "I have met so many wonderful people in my time at Heritage. The relationships that have grown are some of the closest friendships I have ever had. Every day is different and it's great to see God working in the lives of those I support."

INTERESTS:

April's MM's biggest interest is her family. She's a new mom and has a 7-month-old son. As for hobbies, she loves shopping and looking for bargains. She also enjoys making flower bouquets and arrangements for weddings, scrap-booking, and most crafty things.

HER FAVORITES INCLUDE:

- **Book:** *The Chronicles of Narnia*
- **Food:** mint chocolate chip ice cream
- **Movie:** anything Disney
- **Music:** music by *Caedmon's Call*

FAVORITE SCRIPTURE:

Her favorite Scripture is Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength." Our MM picked this verse because it reminds her of where her real strength comes from – not from anything she can do, but from Christ who is our ultimate power.

ANY CLAIM TO FAME?

"I spent a summer in Germany. I've taken a deceased person to the morgue. I fell out of a moving car when I was 5. My mom was driving and was so scared that she kept driving away!"

WHO IS IT? CAN YOU GUESS?

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devoted Christian, so he began asking him questions. That led to a meeting with Chris Bacus on February 15, during which Kevin was baptized into Christ! Kevin, we are so happy about your decision to follow Christ as your Lord and Savior!

Marcia Yawman first came to Anchor at

the invitation of Joe and Helen Perkins back in 2003. When Marcia moved to Scottsville, she needed a church closer to her home. It just so happens that Stephanie Mercer lives next door to her! Looking back, Marcia said she liked us right from the start because of our warm and

friendly atmosphere. Little by little, she became more and more involved with us. When Jerry Patterson and his family moved here from Nova Scotia to be our new Worship Minister, she opened her home to them. They stayed with her for two months until they bought their home in November. To this day,

she comments on how much she misses them!

On February 17th, after our Wednesday evening Bible study class, Marcia confessed her faith in Jesus Christ to become our newest member. Welcome, Marcia!

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Kirsten Donica is from Missouri and is a student at NTID. She also is Jonathan Poe's girlfriend. Kirsten studied the Scriptures with the Poes so that on February 24, Debbie Poe had the privilege of immersing her into Christ.

On Sunday, March 15, we introduced her as our newest member. She proudly signed for us in ASL that Jesus is her Lord and Savior. We are so happy to have you as a part of our church family, Kirsten!

Jim Siena and **Melissa Blonsky** are friends of Ramon Medina. Since they are getting married soon, they decided to find a church that they both would want to join. So they tried Ramon's church, and the rest is history! On March 1st, Jim was immersed into Christ by Chris Bacus. Melissa, who is already an immersed believer, confessed Jesus as her Lord and Savior. Welcome, both of you!

Luke and **Lois Mayo** are friends of Holly Comas. Lois first came to Anchor when Holly was in one of our Christmas musicals. She also has volunteered to help Holly in Sunday School. Lois grew up in the church, serving the Lord, and even attended Bible college.

Luke was baptized on March 22nd. Since coming to Anchor, he has grown more and more in his knowledge of Jesus. In fact, he's on his second time reading through the entire Bible! Way to go, Luke!

Please be sure to let these eight new members know how excited you are about their new lives in Christ and how glad you are that they are a part of our church

This Month's Mystery Member is Holly Comas.

ACC to Host Town Hall For Hope

The Economy, Your Money, Real Answers with Dave Ramsey

Tired of hearing the fear, doom and gloom that's filling the airwaves? It's time to connect with families across the nation for a truly radical message – hope. Join Dave Ramsey here at ACC on April 23, at 8 PM, as we host him in a nationwide town hall meeting. Come and discover what's happening with the economy, how we got there, and where we're going. Plus Dave will answer questions live throughout the event!

Join us in one of the thousands of venues across the country for this free event as we stand together to reignite the fire of hope! For more information, call the church office at 889-2436.

Financial Peace University is Coming To ACC!

ACC will be conducting a Financial Peace University again at our church building beginning April 14, at 7 PM. This class was first offered in 2006 and again in May 2008. It was so well received both times that we are offering it again.

Financial Peace University is a life-changing 13-week program on personal finance, designed to empower people to manage their money better, eliminate debt and build wealth. All material is Biblically based and taught via video by Dave Ramsey. Dave is the author of the best-selling books, *The Total Money Makeover*, *Financial Peace*, and *More Than Enough*. This course is designed for you if . . .

- You feel like your money has control over you
- You struggle in your marriage due to financial problems
- You live paycheck to paycheck
- You carry large credit card balances or use debt consolidation loans
- You do not have an emergency fund
- You don't understand stocks, bonds, or mutual funds, or how to invest
- You don't have a clear understanding of real estate and mortgages, college planning, bargain buying, credit reports, etc.

If you would like to attend these classes, please sign up on the poster in the Entryway. Cost is \$100 for non-members, \$50 for ACC people (Anchor pays half the cost). For more information or questions, please contact Fred Enders, our Financial Peace facilitator, 429-7190.

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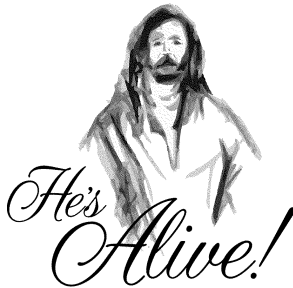
Easter Is Our Faith

The Resurrection is the central theme in every Christian sermon reported in the Book of Acts. The Resurrection and its consequences were the “gospel” or “good news” that the Christians brought to the world. The first fact, the main fact, in the history of Christianity is that more than 500 people said they had seen Jesus alive again, come back from the grave. The message of Easter – “He’s alive!” – is our faith.

Why is Easter our faith? He came from the bosom of the Father to the bosom of a woman. He put on human nature that we might put on the divine nature. He became the Son of Man that we might become sons of God.

Why is Easter our faith? He was born contrary to the laws of nature. He lived in poverty and was reared in obscurity. He left

His homeland only once, and that in His childhood. He had no advanced education or training. He had no wealth or influence. His relatives were inconspicuous and unknown.



Why is Easter our faith? In infancy, He startled the king. In boyhood, He baffled the experts. In manhood, He overruled the laws of nature. He walked upon the waves and hushed the sea to sleep.

Why is Easter our faith? He never wrote a book, yet all the libraries of the world could not hold the books that have been written about Him. He never wrote a song, yet He has been the theme of more songs than any other subject ever imagined. He never founded a college, yet all the schools together cannot boast as many students as those who study His life and His teachings. He never practiced medicine, yet He has healed more broken bodies and broken hearts than all the

doctors who have ever lived – and charged no fee for His services.

Why is Easter our faith? He is the Star of Astronomy, the Rock of Geology, and the Lion and Lamb of Zoology. He is the Harmonizer of all discords and the Healer of all diseases, including death itself.

Why is Easter our faith? Great men have come and gone, yet He lives on. Herod could not kill Him; Death could not destroy Him; the Grave could not hold Him. Jesus Christ has risen from the dead, and He is the Lord of all!

Our Mission

God has called us and leads us by His Spirit to live the love of Christ, have the mind of Christ, and do the work of Christ.

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