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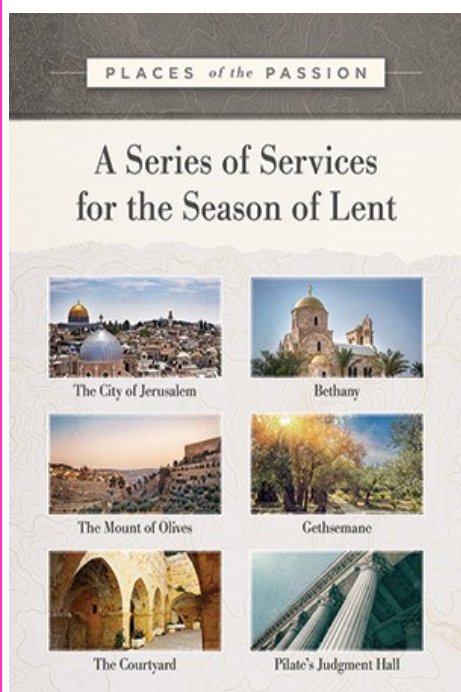
**Church Office Hours: Mon-Thur. 9am-3pm and Fridays 9am-12pm**



## ADVANCE NEWS 2021



### PLACES OF THE PASSION: Lenten Activities at Vance



Exciting times are ahead of us here at Vance Church. We are moving toward getting things back to normal. Everyone at Vance is challenged to prepare for the upcoming revival that is headed our way. Who will you ask to worship? Who can join you in Christian Education? How are you praying for your church and its leaders?

You can read of the wonderful plans for Christian Education for all ages on the next pages. One of those includes an adult offering on Sunday mornings but we decided not to start that until after Lent because Erica Harley will be teaching a series based on the devotionals given to the congregation.

This series is called *Places of the Passion* and considers places where the Passion of our Lord have come to have special meaning for Christians throughout the world. Throughout Lent these wor-

ship services and Bible Studies presented on ZOOM will remind us of the locations Jesus carried out his mission of salvation. Please consider joining in for one or more than one of the following Lenten opportunities.

#### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/9280826986?pwd=aVVmUENFT3dLbHVpcm9aQ1hma0NYZz09>

Meeting ID: 928 082 6986 Passcode: Vance0980

**February 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** – Ash Wednesday Worship: Bethphage

**February 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** – Bible Study Session 1: The City of Jerusalem

**March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm** – Bible Study Session 2: Bethany and the Mount of Olives

**March 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** – Bible Study Session 3: The Garden of Gethsemane

**March 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** – Bible Study Session 4: The High Priest's Courtyard

**March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** – Bible Study Session 5: Pilate's Judgment Hall

**March 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm** – Holy Wednesday Bible Study Session 6: Golgotha

**April 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm** – Maundy Thursday Worship: The Upper Room

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:00 pm** – Good Friday Worship: Golgotha

**April 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am** – Easter Worship: The Empty Tomb

LET US  
*Worship  
Together*

**Sundays at 10am**

**Communion Service  
First Sunday of the  
Month at 10am**

#### FEBRUARY



01—Marilyn Phillis  
06—Jesse Krall  
06—Karen Seabright  
08—Ella Green  
09—Seth Abraham  
13—Kara Kenamond  
15—Virginia Crowl  
15—Eflida Talisic  
16—Kenneth  
Campanizzi  
20—Gretchen Hooper  
22—Bill Johnson  
23—Robert Kanters  
24—Sean Flanagan  
25—Kathryn Hannan  
28—Elaine Strauch

**Please contact the  
office if we  
missed your  
birthday.**

## SUNDAY SCHOOL



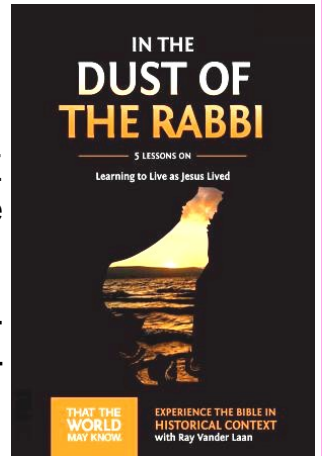
## VANCE SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMENCES

WE'RE BAAAAACKKKKK! The Christian Education Commission has decided to try to get our Sunday School program up and running again after a long absence due to Covid! We have missed our kids!

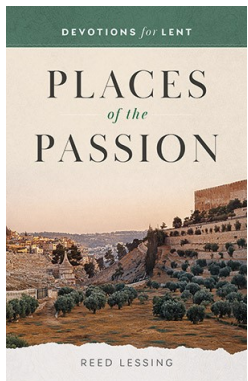
We'll be starting up again on March 7 at 9:00 a.m. and there will be some new faces both with teachers and students.

*Please join us!* Elementary Kids will return to the second floor of the CE building and our youth (both Sr/Jr high kids) will meet in the Robbie Clarke Room.

Starting after Lent, An adult class will be held in Potter Chapel each Sunday at 9am - a 30 minute video by Ray Van der Laan. There is no pressure, just hope you can join us for a look at how Bible people walked, *In the Dust of the Rabbi*.



## LENTEN DEVOTIONALS FOR ALL AGES



The CE Commission is again offering Lenten devotionals for our congregation this year. Small booklets for our adult congregation will be available at the Welcome Center in the Narthex as will age appropriate materials for children and youth. We hope you enjoy these materials and that they will help all of us have a more spiritually reflective time during this Lenten season.



**What do I  
WONDER about  
this LENT?**

Daily Tear-Off Trivia Cards

## Sunday School Teacher Retirement

The Christian Education Commission announces the RETIREMENT from teaching for Mrs. Karen Seabright and Mrs. Ruth Keefer.

These women have been teaching our little ones for over 60+ combined years! Some of the children attending our Sunday School now are the children of children that they taught many years ago.

We have been so honored by their gift of time and talent through these years and we wish them a hearty congratulations and thank them for their service!







Food Pantry  
Donations Needed

The Deacon's would like to thank the congregation for their generous donations of *non-perishable food items* to the Food Pantry.

**\*\*\*FEBRUARY is Spaghetti and Sauce MONTH\*\*\***

Please use a "FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS" envelope in the pew rack for your monetary donations.

**DEACON'S FOOD PANTRY**

*Caleb, Claire,  
Lydia, Elena, &  
Aslan*

## OUR MISSIONARIES

### Conference Season

We are in a season of conferences right now with college ministry. Last year, we traveled to several locations for these gatherings with students but this year we are at home on our computers. Though we look forward to the time when we can gather safely again in person, we are grateful for the time and space to connect and grow deeper in faith alongside these young people virtually.

The Design conference for South Asian American students was a success! Over 100 staff, students, and volunteers met together over Zoom for the three-day event and two of our volunteers were in charge of planning for the conference. It was neat to see our students participate, plan social gatherings, and lead seminars during the weekend. Now that students have returned to the Spring semester, we are resuming our regular leadership meetings and online Bible studies.

Cru's National Winter Conference will take place February 5-6, 2021. Though in years' past, this conference was held regionally around the country, this year every time zone will come together for one national event (some meetings will be open until midnight Eastern time for the Hawaii time zone attendees!). We hope that even though we can not gather with students in person, the times we have to reflect with our students will be engaging and give forward momentum.

### Support our Missionaries!

If you'd like to give financial support to our missionaries, please follow these instructions:

- \* Please make checks payable to "Cru"
- \* DO NOT place any other information on the "pay to the order" line.
- \* Also, please do not write on the memo line.
- \* Please attach a note indicating which staff member or ministry the gift is intended for.
- Please also include the seven digit designation number. (Caleb and Claire Bermudez: 0559783)
- \* Make sure the check is signed and dated.
- \* Mail to:

Cru  
Attn: Contributions  
PO Box 628222  
Orlando, FL 32862-8222  
Or visit [www.cru.org](http://www.cru.org) using #0559783 and follow directions.

**Feel free to contact us at our home  
in Philadelphia:**

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# Keeping in Touch

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| Sally Riley                            | 304-233-9056 | 89 Bethany Pike<br>Wheeling, WV 26003                           |
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| Virginia Dulany                        | 410-430-2447 | 8 Williamsburg Cir.<br>Wheeling, WV 26003                       |
| Peggy Monroe                           | 304-780-9804 | 173 Paxton Ave.<br>Wheeling, WV 26003                           |

Please remember the following members who are in need of special care. They are all going through unique journeys and need your prayers, cards/calls, and visits.

If you would like to inquire about a specific person's needs, please contact an Elder or Deacon or the Pastor.

If *any* information listed is incorrect, or you would like to add someone, please notify the church office *immediately*.  
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**Worship  
Sundays at  
10am**  
Communion  
Service  
First Sunday of  
the Month



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Hand Sanitizer



Masks



Gloves



All are available at the Welcome Center in the Narthex during worship.