

United Christian Church, Yakima WA



Growing in Faith, Living in Hope, Serving with Love.

**APR
2024**

From the Pastor's Desk :

Dear Church Family,

As we welcome the beauty and freshness of April, we are reminded of the ever-changing seasons of life and the opportunities they bring for new beginnings and growth. Just as the earth around us begins to bloom with new life, we too are called to embrace new beginnings in our spiritual journey.

In this season of Easter, we reflect on the ultimate new beginning—the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Through His sacrifice and triumph over death, we are offered the gift of new life and hope. Let us take this time to renew our faith and rekindle our commitment to following Christ wholeheartedly.

As we navigate the uncertainties and challenges of the world around us, let us draw strength from the words of Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." In every season of life, God has a purpose and a plan for each one of us. Let us trust in His divine guidance and embrace the new beginnings He has in store for us.

Services : Sundays at 10am

Bible Study : 8:30am on Sundays and 5:30pm on Wednesdays

Youth Group : Tuesdays (5:30pm - 6:30pm)

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April also marks the beginning of spring, a time of growth and transformation. Just as the flowers begin to bloom and the trees bear new leaves, let us allow God to cultivate new growth in our hearts. May we let go of any burdens, fears, or doubts that weigh us down and hinder our spiritual growth. Let us open our hearts to receive the blessings and opportunities God has in store for us.

As a church family, let us support and encourage one another in our individual journeys of faith. Let us walk alongside our brothers and sisters in love and unity, offering a helping hand, a listening ear, and a compassionate heart. Together, let us strive to be a community that embodies the love and grace of Christ in all that we do.

In this month of April, let us make a conscious effort to seek God's presence in our daily lives. Let us spend time in prayer, meditating on God's Word, and listening to God's voice. May we be attuned to the gentle whisper of the Holy Spirit, guiding us on our path towards spiritual growth and renewal.

I encourage each one of you to embrace the new beginnings that April brings. Allow God to work in your life, transforming you from the inside out. May this month be a time of spiritual rejuvenation, a season of growth, and a period of closer communion with our Savior.

May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Blessings,

Steve



ART
Tutoring

Snacks
Weekly



GAMES

**Fun
Activities**

**Pizza
Monthly**

Youth Group

2nd Grade - 5th Grade

Tuesdays

5:30pm - 6:30pm

United Christian Church of Yakima
317 S 41st Street Yakima, WA
(Terrace Heights)

Our Youth Group is open to everyone.

Calendar Highlights :

Apr 6th (Sat) : 9am Workday and Finance Board Meeting

Apr 21st (Sun) : April Potluck (following worship)

Committee Reports :

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Hands-on Mission :

Thank you all for donating non-perishable goods to share with others through the Lenten fundraiser “**40 Cans During 40 Days**”. The containers full of goods will be a blessing to many in our community.

During April we will continue collecting donated (non-perishable) food items. This month we are supporting the Food Pantry in our Moxee/Terrace Heights community.

One of their ministries provides backpacks of food items to send home with kids to provide meals over the weekend. The families served are from the five schools within the East Valley School District.

I will have a list of foods that are needed to support this service available in church at the beginning of the month.

Our goal is to give everyone an opportunity to make a difference in our community. Even if we don't have lots of time or energy, we can add an extra item to our grocery cart that will be a blessing to others as we share.

In May, we will focus on supporting women (in honor of Mother's Day) and in June we will focus on supporting men (in honor of Father's Day).

We are all called to share in some way - this is just **one** opportunity to be a blessing in our community.

If you have ideas or suggestions on ways to serve our community, please share them with Marilyn Young, Brian Osborne, Sue Bennett, or Pastor Steve.

Monthly Scriptures :

April 7th, 2024 : Second Sunday of Easter

- Acts [4:32-35](#)
- Psalm [133](#)
- 1 John [1:1-2:2](#)
- John [20:19-31](#)

April 14th, 2024 : Third Sunday of Easter

- Acts [3:12-19](#)
- Psalm [4](#)
- 1 John [3:1-7](#)
- Luke [24:36b-48](#)

April 21st, 2024 : Fourth Sunday of Easter

- Acts [4:5-12](#)
- Psalm [23](#)
- 1 John [3:16-24](#)
- John [10:11-18](#)

April 28th, 2024 : Fifth Sunday of Easter

- Acts [8:26-40](#)
- Psalm [22:25-31](#)
- 1 John [4:7-21](#)
- John [15:1-8](#)



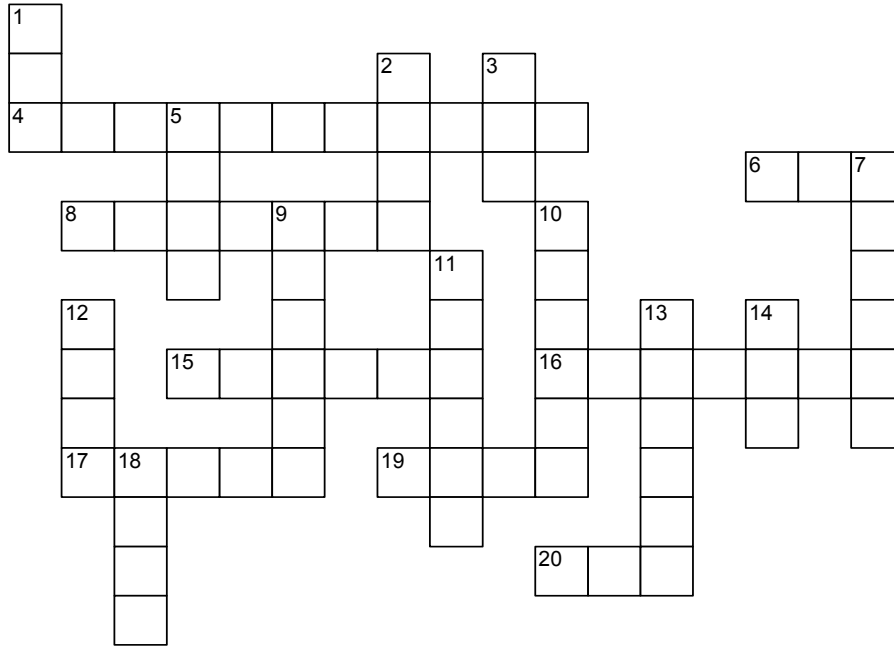
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THE FALL OF ADAM AND EVE INTO SIN

Genesis 3:1-19



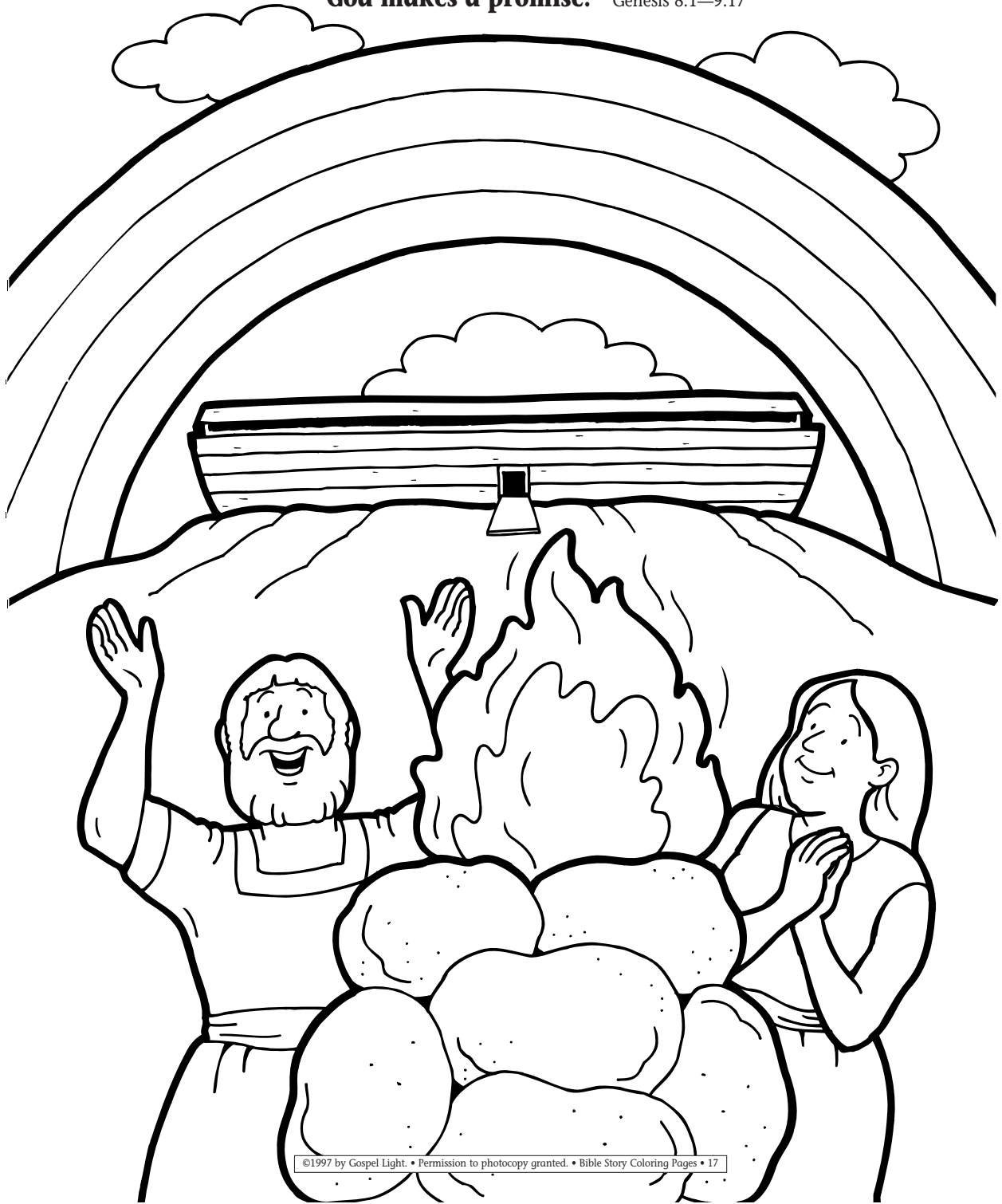
Across

- 4 God told Adam and Eve that when they eat the fruit of the tree, their eyes would be opened and will be like God knowing _____. (Genesis 3:5) Three words
- 6 Who ate the forbidden fruit first --- Adam or Eve? (Genesis 3:6)
- 8 After the woman (Eve) ate the forbidden fruit, she gave some to her _____ and he ate it. (Genesis 3:6)
- 15 Because Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit, mankind would eat the _____ of the field. (Genesis 3:18)
- 16 Who said, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat the fruit from any tree in the garden.'"? (Genesis 3:1)
- 17 After Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit, they realized they both were _____. (Genesis 3:7)
- 19 The woman (Eve) saw the fruit of the tree was _____ for food and pleasing for the eye. (Genesis 4:6)
- 20 The serpent said to Adam and Eve, "Did _____ really say you are not to eat the forbidden fruit?" (Genesis 3:1)

Down

- 1 When Adam and Eve realized they were naked, they sewed _____ leaves together for coverings. (Genesis 3:7)
- 2 The offspring of Eve will crush the serpent's _____. (Genesis 3:15)
- 3 The serpent told the woman (Eve) that if she would eat the fruit, she would not _____. (Genesis 3:4)
- 5 God told Adam that he was only _____ of the ground. (Genesis 3:19)
- 7 The Lord said to the serpent that He would create _____ (hostility). (Genesis 3:15)
- 9 After Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit, God asked Adam, "Where are you?" Adam said he was _____. (Genesis 3:10)
- 10 To the serpent for deceiving Adam and Eve into sin, God said, " _____ are you above all livestock and all the wild animals." (Genesis 3:14)
- 11 The serpent promised _____ to Adam and Eve when they were to eat the forbidden fruit. (Genesis 3:6)
- 12 To the woman God said He would greatly increase her _____ in bearing children. (Genesis 3:16)
- 13 Because Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit, the _____ would be cursed and it would grow thorns and thistles. (Genesis 3:17-18)
- 14 After Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit, did they realize what they did? (Genesis 3:7)
- 18 Husband of Eve (Genesis 3:6)

God makes a promise. Genesis 8:1—9:17





Thoughts and Prayers

We humbly pray for those caught in the midst of conflict and strife. May your love and peace surround them, offering solace and guidance during these challenging times. Grant them strength, courage, and the wisdom to seek peaceful resolutions. Let your compassion and understanding fill their hearts, and may they find a path towards reconciliation and harmony.

Submit a Prayer Online! uccyakima.org/prayer

We encourage members to give as they feel led.

Your contributions enable us to continue our mission of service and love within our community and beyond. **Every donation, big or small, helps in nurturing the seeds of faith, hope, and togetherness.**

Whether it's supporting our local food banks, contributing to the maintenance of our sacred space, or funding community outreach programs, your generosity is the cornerstone of our growth and outreach.

Donate Online!



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Child Abuse Prevention Month (All Month)	April Fools Day	World Autism Awareness Day Youth Group (5:30p-6:30p)	5:30p Bible Study (Small Meal)			9a: Work Day and Finance Board
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Second Sunday of Easter 8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service		Youth Group (5:30p-6:30p)	5:30p: Bible Study (Brown Bag)			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Third Sunday of Easter 8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service		Youth Group (5:30p-6:30p)	5:30p Bible Study (Brown Bag)			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service ~ 11a : Potluck	Earth Day	Youth Group (5:30p-6:30p)	5:30p: Bible Study (Brown Bag)		Arbor Day	
28	29	30	27	28	29	30
Fifth Sunday of Easter 8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service		Youth Group (5:30p-6:30p)	5:30p: Bible Study (Brown Bag)			
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						Every 1 st Saturday - Work Day Every 3 rd Sunday - Potluck