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What Would Patrick Do?



## Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions

Gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering are used to train and resource missionaries in church planting and compassion ministries. Gifts are also used to create evangelism resources. New churches are being planted, hurts are being healed and lives are being transformed by the gospel because you give.

**One hundred percent** of gifts given to this offering go to the field to support more than **2,900 missionary families** serving across the United States and Canada.

Mark your check or pew envelope with “Annie” or just “Missions.” If you use our giving app (see back page of the bulletin) you may designate your gift there.

**Our giving-to-date** for this offering is \$2,780.

## Looking Ahead



*Spring Break* for Manatee County schools including most private schools is **March 25-29**



**Palm Sunday** Sunday, March 24  
9:00 am service

**Good Friday** Friday, March 29  
7:00 pm service

**Easter Sunday** Sunday, March 31  
9:00 am service



**Tuesday, March 26 is**

**AMI Heritage Day.**

We have been asked if we will help with this event held at the Historical Museum from 10AM to 2PM. Sign up in the lobby or contact the office if you'd like to help.

**Saturday, April 6, 9AM-3PM**

**Disaster Relief Certification**

Location: 1st Baptist, Sarasota

Contact Ed Moss for more information



## WEDNESDAY NIGHT BLAST



**6:00PM Family Dinner** (donations appreciated)

**6:45PM SALTY YOUTH** grades 8-12

**WARRIORS FOR CHRIST** grades 5-7

**Boys Club** grades K-4

**Girls Club** grades K-4

**Preschool** 3-5 years old

 *CrossPointe Public:* GoCrossPointe  
*Message Videos:* YouTube.com/@CPF-AMI

**Children's Church** (4 years through 5th grade) dismisses from the sanctuary following the music portion of the worship service.



**Age-appropriate Life Groups** for **Babies** through **12th grade** meet at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Most of the groups meet on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.

### **CPF Adult Groups meeting weekly**

Day	Time	Topic/Group	Leader	Location
Sun	10:30 am	Adult Coed— <i>Mark</i>	Steve Pettit	Room 7
	10:30 am	Adult Coed— <i>Revelation</i>	Stoney Stone	Sanctuary
	10:30 am	Younger Adult Coed— <i>Hebrews</i>	David Moss	Basement
	10:30 am	Women— <i>Mark</i>	Lois Ann Swineford	Room 1
Wed	7:00 am	Men — <i>Hebrews</i>	Ed Moss	Fellowship Hall
	9:00 am	Women — <i>Trusting God</i>	Sue DeForest	Room 1
Thurs	9:30 am	Prayer Circle (all welcome)	Eloise Bobbitt	Bobbitt home
	7:00 pm	Adult Coed— <i>1 Corinthians</i>	Howard Payne	Payne home

*Room numbers are upstairs in the Education Bldg. Fellowship Hall is the downstairs area of the Education Bldg. "Basement" is behind the choir loft—through either wood door to the sides of the stage..*

#### ***GIVING INFORMATION:***

*Our Donation Buckets* are by the doors leading to the lobby

You may give online at our website or use our giving app: **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement**, available from your mobile app store . You can also give by creating payments through your bank, or simply drop a check (or cash) in an offering bucket as you leave today.

**Giving Note:** The Church Council has authorized "designated giving" for several ministries. Your gift designation is the highest priority. However, in accordance with IRS/ governmental regulations, CPF retains discretion over the use of all gifts..



## What Would Patrick Do?

3/17/24

In all passages the underlined font is the bad news and the **bold** font is the good news

**John 2:23** Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many people saw the miraculous signs he was doing and believed in his name.

<sup>24</sup> But Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all men.

<sup>25</sup> He did not need man's testimony about man, for he knew what was in a man.

**3:1** Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a member of the Jewish ruling council.

<sup>2</sup> He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the miraculous signs you are doing if God were not with him."

<sup>3</sup> In reply Jesus declared, "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again. "

<sup>4</sup> "How can a man be born when he is old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely he cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb to be born!"

<sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.

<sup>6</sup> Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.

<sup>7</sup> You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.'

<sup>8</sup> The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."

<sup>9</sup> "How can this be?" Nicodemus asked.

<sup>10</sup> "You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup> I tell you the truth, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony.

<sup>12</sup> I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things?

<sup>13</sup> No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven--the Son of Man.

<sup>14</sup> Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up,

<sup>15</sup> that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup> "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

<sup>18</sup> **Whoever believes in him is not condemned**, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

<sup>19</sup> This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.

<sup>20</sup> Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed.

<sup>21</sup> But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what he has done has been done through God." NIV 1980

**1 Corinthians 15:1** Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand,

<sup>2</sup> by which also **you are saved, if you hold fast the word** which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain.

<sup>3</sup> For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that **Christ died for our sins** according to the Scriptures,

<sup>4</sup> and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,

**Romans 3:19** Now we know that whatever the Law says, it speaks to those who are under the Law, that every mouth may be closed, and all the world may become accountable to God;

<sup>20</sup> because by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for through the Law *comes* the knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup> But now apart from the Law *the* righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets,

<sup>22</sup> even *the* righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction;

<sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

<sup>24</sup> **being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;**

<sup>25</sup> whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. *This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed;*

<sup>26</sup> for the demonstration, *I say*, of His righteousness at the present time, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup> Where then is boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? Of works? No, but by a law of faith.

<sup>28</sup> For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law.

<sup>29</sup> Or is God *the God* of Jews only? Is He not *the God* of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also,

<sup>30</sup> since indeed God who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith is one.

<sup>31</sup> Do we then nullify the Law through faith? May it never be! On the contrary, we establish the Law.

**Romans 5:8** But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, **Christ died for us.**

<sup>9</sup> Much more then, having now been **justified by His blood**, we shall be saved from the wrath *of God* through Him.

<sup>10</sup> For if while we were enemies, **we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son**, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

**Galatians 2:20** ...I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me, and **delivered Himself up for me.**

<sup>21</sup> "I do not nullify the grace of God; for if righteousness *comes* through the Law, then Christ died needlessly."

**Galatians 3:10** For as many as are of the works of the Law are under a curse; for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who does not abide by all things written in the book of the law, to perform them."

<sup>11</sup> Now that no one is justified by the Law before God is evident; for, "The righteous man shall live by faith."

<sup>12</sup> However, the Law is not of faith; on the contrary, "He who practices them shall live by them."

<sup>13</sup> **Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us—** for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"—

<sup>14</sup> in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

**Isaiah 53:6** All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But **the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him.**

**1 Peter 2:24** He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross,

**2 Corinthians 5:21** He (God) made Him (Jesus) who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

**Titus 2:14** (Jesus) gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed...

**1 John 4:9** By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him.

<sup>10</sup> In this is love, not that we loved God, but that **He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.**

**Revelation 1:5** ... Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the first-born of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To Him who loves us, and **released us from our sins by His blood,**

**Hebrews 10:10** ...we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

...<sup>14</sup> For by one offering He has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

<sup>15</sup> And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

<sup>16</sup> "This is the covenant that I will make with them After those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws upon their heart, And upon their mind I will write them," *He then says,*

<sup>17</sup> "And their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."



# What would Saint Patrick do if he was here?

Saint Patrick of Britain risked his life and endured much hatred and hardship to share this message in Ireland even though he had earlier been kidnapped and enslaved by some from the island.

Saint Patrick's message in Jesus' own words:

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

<sup>18</sup> **Whoever believes in him is not condemned**, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son." (John 3:16-18 NIV)

Know that God loves you! place your trust in Jesus as Savior and Lord and do what Saint Patrick would do.

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