THIS WEEK

April 22-29, 2018 TODAY Earth Day 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship 2 pm IBR Worship 4 pm IBR Bible Study 5 pm Youth Singers 6 pm Youth Dinner/SNL! MONDAY **TUESDAY** 10 am Mother's Day Out **WEDNESDAY** 10 am Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm Churchwide Potluck 6:15 pm Preschool & Children's Activities 6:30 pm Youth Wednesday Night Live! 6:30 pm Adult Seminar 7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir **THURSDAY** 10 am Mother's Day Out 7 pm IBR Rehearsal FRIDAY 7 pm IBR Worship/Prayer Meetings **SATURDAY** 6 pm IBR Prayer Meetings **SUNDAY** 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship 2 pm IBR Worship 4 pm IBR Bible Study

5 pm Youth Singers

Youth Dinner/SNL!

*+Response # 3 Worthy of Worship

> You are worthy, Father, Creator. You are worthy, Savior, Sustainer. You are worthy, worthy and wonderful: Worthy of worship and praise.

*Prayer of Dedication

Charlie Burts

*The Epistle Romans 8:18-25 Charlie Burts

This is the word of God for the people of God. Leader:

All: Thanks be to God.

Special Music For the Beauty of the Earth Red Sanctuary Choir with Joy Wilson, flute

Reverend Michael Poole The Message "Already Not Yet"

*Hymn of Commitment # 176 Fairest Lord Jesus

*Benediction

Postlude All Things Bright and Beautiful Smith

*All who are able, please stand. Please see an usher for large print bulletins and hearing devices. CCLI #421482

+There is no children's church today. Activity packets are available in the back.

UNIFIED OFFERING

Income to Date Through April 15 \$37,084 Actual Expenses to Date \$10,449

WORSHIP LEADERS

Michael Poole Intentional Interim Minister

Stephen Gray Associate Pastor Pat Close Minister of Music

Director of Preschool & Children's Ministries Rebecca Larson

Jessie Kearns Minister with Youth

Olga Teutler Organist

Robert Whitten Pastor Emeritus Charlie Burts Worship Deacon

> Office Hours: M-Th 8:30 am-3:30 pm; F 8:30 am-12:30 pm Church Email: church.office@westwood-baptist.org www.westwood-baptist.org

Westwood Baptist Church

"For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed."

Romans 8:19

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April 22, 2018 Earth Day 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Opportunities for Service Reverend Jessie Kearns

Toccata on "All Creatures of Our God and King" Prelude Martin

*Call to Worship Rebecca Larson

Leader: Friends, let us worship God today, for God is great – People: God has blessed us with life, with faith, and with

community.

Let us worship God today, for God is good -Leader:

God forgives us, and encourages us, and loves us. People:

Let us worship God today -Leader:

People: Because we are God's people.

Let us worship God. AII:

*Invocation Rebecca Larson

*Hymn # 43 This Is My Father's World

Children's Time Brandi McKenzie

Psalm 19 *The Psalter Juliette Frazier

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Reverend Stephen Gray Morning Prayer

*Hymn # 346 He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

Offertory This Is My Father's World arr. Howell Sheets

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Applications for the Don Forester Scholarship are available on the church website and in the office. High school seniors and current college undergraduates should submit applications no later than May 15. Multiple \$1,500 awards will be made in June. Contact Pam Seay, Chair, if you have questions.

Come for a Churchwide Potluck Dinner this Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.! Bring a dish or two to share. No signup is needed.

Our final Day/Night Bible Study for the 2017-18 school year will be a DVD study on the healing power of pain and memory, using A Crazy, Holy Grace by Frederick Buechner. The four-session study begins May 14. Rev. Gray will lead the Monday sessions in Whitten Hall from 10-11:30 a.m. Sign up for this study at the Welcome Center. The book and participant guide are \$10. We will add sessions on Tuesday evenings if there is enough interest; indicate interest on the sign-up sheet.

Westwood Night at the Nationals is Friday, June 8, at 7:05 p.m. See the Nats take on the San Francisco Giants. Our outfield reserved seats in Section 101 are \$35 each, available from Rev. Gray on Sundays at the Welcome Center.

Next Sunday we will be joined in worship by Leena Levanya whose ServeTrust mission in India Westwood supports. Adult and Youth Sunday School classes will meet with her in Whitten Hall, and she will speak in worship.

Westwood's children's choirs present Spring Fling Thing in worship next Sunday, April 29.

Our Grade 7-8 Sunday School seeks a second Sunday School teacher who will rotate months with Kathy Rodgers and start in June. Please contact Jessie Kearns or Stephen Gray to learn more.

Our FunDay School children in grades 1-4 invite you to teach them a lesson in science, art, or drama on just one Sunday morning in May, June, or July. Lesson materials are provided. Please sign up on the FunDay school board in the narthex. For more information, contact mail Rebecca Larson at larsonsinnova@gmail.com.

Calling All Cooks! Our youth seek groups and individuals to provide Sunday night dinner for 20. Subs, pizza, spaghetti — everything is appreciated. Dinner is served at 6 p.m. in Whitten Hall. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.

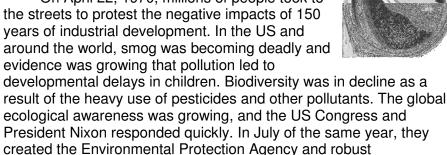
Flower Dedication—The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by the Green Team in memory of Martha Lee Fugate, friend and founding member of the Green Team.

What is Earth Day, and what is it meant to accomplish?

On April 22, 1970, millions of people took to the streets to protest the negative impacts of 150 vears of industrial development. In the US and around the world, smog was becoming deadly and evidence was growing that pollution led to

environmental laws such as the Clean Water Act and the

Endangered Species Act, among manv.



Earth Day is now a global event each year, and more than 1 billion people in 192 countries now take part in what is the largest civic-focused day of action in the world.

Faith leaders connect Earth Day with protecting God's greatest creations, humans, biodiversity and the planet that we all live on.

Earth Day Network, the organization that leads Earth Day worldwide, announced that Earth Day 2018 will focus on mobilizing the world to End Plastic Pollution, including creating support for a global effort to eliminate single-use plastics along with global regulation for the disposal of plastics.

From www.earthday.org

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