

Sunday 9:30am Men's and Ladies classes
Sunday Worship 10:30am
Midweek Service 7:00pm
Nursery and Children's ministry are always available

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21 Resurrection Service 10:30 AM He is risen, He is risen indeed!	22	23 Noon Prayer	24	25 Noon Prayer Staff Meeting 1:00 PM	26	27
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Resurrection Power

Matthew 28: 6 "The Angel said,
 He is not here for HE IS RISEN,
 just as He said."

Welcome Guests!
 Thank you for visiting us today! We hope you
 help yourself to a refreshment in the
 Hospitality Area before or after the service.

It was a warm, humid day as I walked along the dusty streets in Magdala, a fishing town on the western shore of the Sea of Galilee. Even though I was raised in this town my whole life, I will never get accustomed to the smell of dead fish. But, today was different. There was something else in the air, but I was not sure what it was.

Not much later, I noticed a crowd listening to a man on the hillside. I was drawn to this man with tenderness in His eyes, like no other man. (Sadly, I have known many men in my life, but none of them ever treated me kindly.) After the crowd parted, an opportunity arose for me to approach the man with the kind face. As he turned to look at me, something violently threw me to the ground and a sound like none I have ever heard before came out of me saying, "Leave us alone; what do we have to do with you, Jesus of Nazareth?" Jesus commanded the demon in me to be quiet and to come out of me! This demon, along with six others, left my body and my mind at the command of this gentle, yet authoritative man named Jesus. All at once, I felt incredible peace like I had never experienced before. I no longer felt dirty, rejected, shameful, or abused. For the first time in my life, I felt loved. It was a pure and comforting love.

Jesus said to me, "Go, and sin no more." I understood exactly what He meant. I did not plan to GO anywhere! I was going to follow this man, along with the group of disciples He had chosen, to the ends of the earth. Even though I had lived a life of sin, I knew at that moment that I was forgiven and that Jesus, who commanded the tormenting demons out of my life, had to be the Messiah that my Grandmother had always told me would be our Deliverer! I just did not expect that He would be my personal Deliverer from every feeling of fear, hate, anger and rejection that I had bottled up in my heart for years. My heart overflowed with thankfulness.

In the days, weeks, and months that followed I would listen to Jesus the Messiah teach the multitudes, and also the small group of us that followed Him. He taught things I had never heard before, like "love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, and pray for those who mistreat you." Did Jesus know the long list of people that had mistreated me? Was I to forgive them all and actually pray for them? I did forgive them ALL, because I knew Jesus' words drew me closer to God, and when I obeyed His word I always experienced great joy and peace. BUT, all the peace left the day the soldiers came and took Jesus away to be arrested, beaten and crucified. It was a horror for His mother Mary and I to watch Jesus' flesh being torn off as the soldiers whipped Him over and over again. Even after being beaten profusely, and crucified on a cross, Jesus still spoke words of forgiveness. After His body was placed in a tomb, we disciples all hid in grief and fear in an upper room, unsure of what the future held. His mother Mary believed that a miracle was about to happen, so I accompanied her to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body with spices. Just as freedom came to me on the first day I met Jesus the Messiah, so Resurrection Power came to me when I heard Him call my name, "Mary"! His voice again changed my life! JESUS IS ALIVE!! HE HAD RISEN FROM THE DEAD!! No power of darkness could defeat Him! I, Mary Magdalene, plan to tell everyone I meet about Jesus' love!

(Pastor Joslyn Severin)

What's Happening at VCF?

Happy Resurrection Day!
HE IS RISEN, HE IS RISEN INDEED!!!

Welcome Friends and Family! We are so happy to have you join us on this Resurrection Morning! The Children will have a Resurrection Party in His House after they perform their song.



Next Sunday will be Youth Sunday!! Justin Anderson will be teaching in The Lift!



It is time to up-date our Church directory. Next Sunday we will have Directory Cards for you to fill out in the Foyer. If your information has not changed since 2017, (yes, it has been that long), just put your names and write SAME on the card. If your info has changed, or you are new to VCF please fill out all the information on the card.

Book Store

Have you noticed the new shelf in the "Book Store" area? We have many new or gently used books displayed. All the books are \$1.00 at this time. If you would like one, place your money in the box provided. All proceeds will go towards Justin and Becca's mission trip to Russia.



Spring clean up days are April 26th and 27th. If you can help us clean up the church and take in loads of discarded items, please let Kathy Wilson know.

Mark Your Calendars

Wednesday, May 1st --Light Dinner at 6:30 and Ladies Meeting at 7:00 PM

Sunday, May 19th after service will be a Mission Trip support meal for Justin and Becca Anderson

WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS:



Let's prayer for all of the precious ones whom received Jesus as Savior during this Holy week, that they would allow the Word of God to dwell in them richly!