

Neshaminy Valley Baptist Church

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March 29th, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

The Individual & the Church

- March 29, Sun Birthdays: Stacey Slaughter, Audrey Sawyer**
Psalm 149:4 “... the LORD takes pleasure in his people”
- March 30, Mon Pray for Churches in America**
Isaiah 53: 3-7 Prophecy about Jesus – notice he’s not a macho strongman wielding his strength; the descriptions – despised, rejected, man of sorrows, smitten, afflicted, etc.
- March 31, Tues Pray for Churches in persecuted countries**
Philipp. 2: 5-11 We are to have the same mindset as Jesus – “made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant”. The way of the cross (vs 8) is to humble, die ... to be raised and exalted by God
- April 1, Wed Birthday: Alex Granda**
Isaiah 53: 8-12 Jesus bore all of these because it was the “will of the LORD ...”; secondly, it was for us (vs 8b, 11c, 12c)
- April 2, Thur Pray for Pastors – they raise the Cross of Jesus**
Psalm 22: 14-21 A Psalm that Jesus was familiar with – he quoted it on the Cross (22: 1). This is a psalm of Lament where David anguishes of all that is going on, how God feels far off (vs 19). Suffering, the Cross, etc. are not pleasant places to be or journey through – that’s a reality for David, Jesus and godly people. How do you survive that period? See vs 3-5: that foundational confidence is a rock to be grounded on (cf. Matt 7: 24-27)
- April 3, Fri Meditate on Jesus’ suffering. Birthday: Joseph Thomas**
John 19: 16-24 ‘One of the officers struck Jesus’ – he didn’t hit back or get verbally aggressive. Instead, Jesus asks a pointed question that they couldn’t answer (vs 23). Cf. Matt 5: 38-40 – Jesus taught that and then practiced it. Why do we Christians find it difficult to practice Jesus’ teaching and example?
- April 4, Sat Birthday: Chris Ann Mammel**
Mark 15: 33-39 In the climax of Jesus’ death, the onlookers had mixed understandings of what was happening. What was not confusing was – the curtain of the temple was torn in two, and the centurion standing guard in front of Jesus had a massive heart attack and dropped dead!
- April 5, Sun It’s Resurrection Sunday! Celebrate victory over death!**
Luke 24: 1-9

I Cor. 7-9

Individualism and Gospel Mind

Intro: 3 topics are covered: marriage, divorce, singleness, (2) food offered to idols, and (c) individual rights. How you navigate through these and **variations** of them is based on 3 principles

1. The Teachings

- a) “Marriage” is between a _____ and _____ (7:1-2, Matt 19: 4-6, Gen 2)
- i. Whether for the unmarried or the widow, the state of _____ is _____ (7: 7-8, 40)
- ii. Divorce is permitted for _____ and _____ (Matt 5: 32, 19:8-9; I Cor. 7: 15, Exod. 21: 10-11)
- iii. Remarriage is permitted for _____ and # ii; if one violates that and marries, one is guilty of _____ (7: 39, Rom 7: 1-3, Matt 19:9, Mark 10: 11-12, I Cor. 7: 10-11)
- b) ‘Food offered to idols’ (chp 8):
- i. Since “idols” don’t have “_____”, the food offered to them is not ‘_____’ (vs 4-8); however,
- ii. If there is a sibling whose “_____ is _____” then there is a category shift (vs 7-12)
- c) Ministers have a right to Salary (chp 9) – using examples of a soldier, vineyard owner, a plowman’s ox, and _____, Paul states that they have a “right” to be _____

2. The Principles

- a) Marriage: Discovering God’s _____, one needs to find _____, and then employ _____ (7: 17, 24; 5, 9)
- b) Food & Idols: one’s *freedom* is not implied _____; a higher call is to _____ out of _____ (I Thess. 5:11, Phil. 2: 7)
- c) Rights [to be Paid]: “freedom” permits us to _____ the ‘right’; _____ injustice and _____ (vs 12, 15)

Conclusion: The way of the Cross is radical!



If you are visiting with us for the first time, we want to warmly welcome you! Please fill out the visitor's card and put it in the offering plate. Thank you!

PASSION WEEK – please see the timings under “Dates to Remember”.
 For the Sunday morning breakfast, the men will be preparing pancakes, scrambled eggs and coffee; there is a signup sheet for other things you can bring. [There is no Sunday School or ABF on the 5th]

Bethanna & Food Drive: March is our food drive month – so please bring in what you can donate. Questions – see Michelle Corbett

May 2nd Carnival – Volunteers needed, please contact Michelle Corbett

This Week

Sunday	9:00 am	Sunday School & ABF
	10:00 am	WORSHIP
	7:00 pm	Youth Group
Tuesday	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study (Goetz' Home)
	6:30 & 7:30 pm	Karate for Christ
	7:00 pm	Small Group (Corbetts)
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Women's AA mtg
	7:00 pm	Deacon's Meeting
Thursday	7:00 pm	Small Group (Grants)
Friday	7:00 pm	Good Friday – Tenebrae Service

Dates To Remember

April 5th (Sun)	7:30 am	SonRise Service
	8:30 am	Church Family Breakfast (see Signup Sheet)
May 2 nd (Sat)	11-2:00 pm	Carnival for Families affected by Disabilities
June 22-26 th		Art & Science Camp

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