April Calendar

Apr 01 Subs In The Hub

Youth Zoom InTouch

Easter—Communion Apr 08

Easter Apr 09

Women's Retreat Apr 14

Apr 14 Youth Zoom In Touch

Youth Zoom InTouch

Apr 28 Youth Zoom InTouch



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Good News... **April Fools...**

By Pastor Ken Studer

April is known for many things. April 1 is April Fool's Day. It is also International Tatting Day (Tatting is the craft of making lace with loops and knots). In April Major League Baseball begins another season. Often Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday occur in April. The beginning of this question, I looked up in the Passover is often in April. Spring flowers begin blooming in April. The 1st Friday in April is National Walk To Work Day. Federal taxes are due in April.

Recently I discovered that April 1st is not only April Fool's Day, it is also National Atheist Day. Every religion around the world, from the smallest to the largest, has its share of special or holy days.

Well, what about Atheists? Is there a holy day for them to celebrate....no religion? Yes there is. The date of April 1 for this holiday was dictated by a court in Florida. The ACLU represented an atheist and complained that there was no holiday for an atheist client. The judge disagreed - April 1 was cited.

There are almost 8 billion people on the planet. There are about 142 million atheists. It is estimated that 4% of the U.S. population is atheist. That is

over 5 million people. Perhaps you know one of them.

Atheists can be good honest and moral people. They just don't believe there is a God. The Bible has a name for these people— FOOLS.

At one time or another I think we all have wondered if there is really a God. When I pondered night sky and decided that it just couldn't be an accident. And that's Good News.

The fool has said in his heart. "There is no God." They are corrupt, they have committed detestable acts; There is no one who does good. Psalms 14:1 NASB

Someone once asked Billy Graham "If Christianity is valid, why is there so much evil in the world?" To this the famous preacher replied, "With so much soap, why are there so many dirty people in the world? Christianly, like soap, must be personally applied if it is to make a difference in our lives."

April Events

Easter

The actual day of Christ's crucifixion and resurrection are unknown. But we do know that it was in the Spring because the Bible indicates that it was at the time of the Passover.

This year Orange Coast Church will celebrate Easter on Saturday, April 8, at 11 AM. This service will feature Easter themed songs, the Lord's Supper, foot washing and an Easter message.

The typical church service configuration for the sanctuary will be different. We will have tables and chairs throughout the sanctuary.

Our Saturday morning brunch in the HUB will be more elaborate than usual.

LNJA



On April 29, Laguna Niguel Junior Academy will bring us sacred musical selections during what is usually our sermon time. The program is under the direction of James Woods.

Orange Coast Church is one of several constituent churches who support this educational ministry. Orange Coast Church currently sends the school \$1,680 month.

April Worship Schedule

This month Jeff Horne will be our guest speaker on the 22nd and Laguna Niguel Junior Academy visits on the 29th.

04-01	Unlikely Heroes—Samson
04-08	Easter Program—Communion
04-15	Ask The Pastor
04-22	Guest Speaker: Jeff Horne
04-29	Laguna Niguel Junior Academy

April Birthdays

Helen Moore	April 01	Justin Horning	April 19
Michael Hiersche	April 02	Huan Nguyen	April 19
Jay Shank	April 03	Alan Riffel	April 19
Rob Freytag	April 04	Madaleine Bumbesti	April 21
Paul Dompas	April 05	Rachel Breuklander	April 22
Karen Jo Custodio	April 06	Laura Castillo	April 22
Keenan Park	April 06	James Page	April 22
Mia Pai	April 07	Desiree Blanco	April 23
Rosa Pantigoso	April 07	Don Komorous	April 23
Brett Roberts	April 08	Tenealle Porsana	April 23
Susan Cornforth	April 09	Juan Pantigoso	April 24
Eugene Mensah	April 09	Karla Wheeler	April 24
Amber Richardson	April 09	Cristina Chin	April 25
Brendan Hong	April 11	Kai Espiritu	April 25
Madison Page	April 11	Leah Smith	April 25
Dian Thunig	April 11	Jiewen Zhu	April 25
Becky Buhrke	April 12	DeAnna Cordis	April 26
Abel Marica	April 12	Adrianna Holness	April 26
John Chrispens	April 14	Fernando Giles	April 27
Isabel Withmory	April 14	Skyler Smith	April 27
Rachael Conrad	April 15	Rick Grubbs	April 28
Karla Rivas	April 15	Terry Weathers	April 28
Bita Borrowdale	April 16	Jane Hutapea	April 29
Seth Carlson	April 16	Tjeb Jabonillo	April 29
Lucy Lee	April 16	Maria Lima	April 29
Amber Respo	April 17	Michael Tamura	April 29
Tina Costello	April 18	Tyler Collins	April 30
Curtis Ghelfi	April 18	Lahoma Schulze	April 30
Mirtha Jones	April 18		