## MCC NEWS



A Monthly Newsletter brought to you by Medina Community Church.

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### Resurrection Hope

by Pastor Don

The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said." Matthew 28:5-6

On the first Easter Sunday morning, two women were in for the surprise of their lives. Instead of finding a closed tomb, they found an open grave, and an angel greeting them with the words "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said." For them and for every follower of the Lord Jesus, life would never be the same. The resurrection of Jesus from the dead changed the course of history.

The resurrection is God's way of announcing that our life does not have to be a one-way journey to the cemetery. God is saying we don't have to be stuck in our past. The risen Savior has hit the delete button on our sins. We don't have to wonder who's in charge, because this Savior has been given all authority in heaven and on earth. And we don't have to wonder what's ahead, because nothing "will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:28)

Easter will be here soon. As a church may we with one voice celebrate the resurrection. May we praise the one who rose from the dead and who provides the abundant life for us today. He is risen! He has risen indeed!



### Worship Schedule

Sundays • 9:30 & 11:00 am

Medina Community Church exists to help people begin and grow in their relationship with God. Our relaxed, contemporary style provides an enjoyable atmosphere where you can investigate the claims of Christ, deepen your faith and meet some great friends along the way.

**SERIES: I Am Jesus** 

- March 3 —
  I Am The Resurrection And The Life
- March 10 I Am The Bread Of Life
- March 17 —
   I Am The Vine
- March 24 (Palm Sunday) I Am The Light Of The World
- March 31 (Easter) —
   I Am The Good Shepherd

#### Contact Us

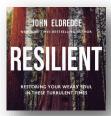
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### Community Nights 2024

Join us as we continue our six-week Community Nights journey. We meet every Wednesday evening leading up to Easter. We'll have dinner together at 6:00 pm followed by an adult Bible study, a teen study, and Kids Blast. Great food, community-building time, and spiritual growth is on the agenda each week.



This year's adult study is based on New York Times bestselling author John Eldredge's book **Resilient**. Mr. Eldredge gives readers drained from the madness of modern life the tools they need to follow Jesus' path of supernatural resilience so they can recover their joy, strengthen their hearts, and thrive through the storm.



### MCC's Summer Mission Trip



Please pray for our mission team heading to the Bahamas June 15-21. They need our prayers and financial suport. The team will serve with Praying Pelicans Missions doing a service project, children's ministry, and food distribution. They will tie in with Pastor Sterling's church during the week. The team is led by Teresea Medley and Justin Boughter. Also serving on the mission are Rob and Deanna Saba, Eva Saba, Erin and Alli Pagel, Brittany Tosatto, Xiamara Glover, Beth Davis, Jack Medley, Arlan Gerig, Maddie Boughter, Pam Castle, and Kathy Summers. Look for a mailing in March to commit to financial and prayer support for this trip.

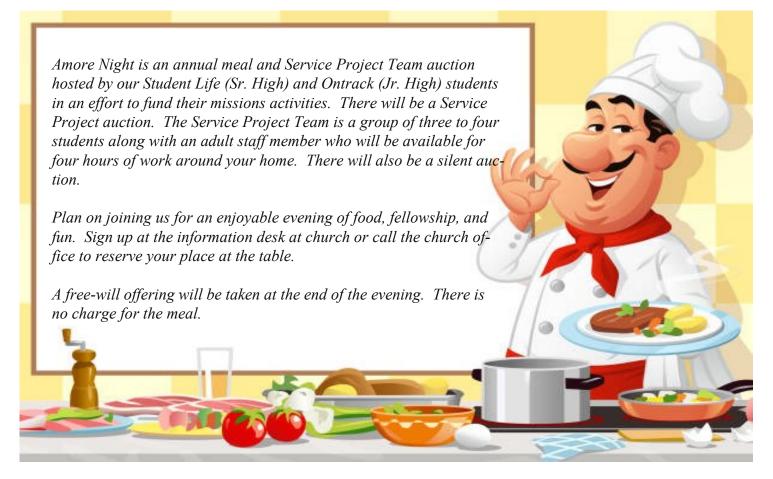




We are pleased to announce that MCC will be hosting drive-thru Community meals on **Saturday, March 16**<sup>th</sup> from 6-7 pm for those in need. Meals will be handed out in a drive-thru lane. Volunteers will help guide guests to the meal pickup area. (All guests will be asked to remain in their vehicles.) We can always use drivers for meal deliveries at 5:00 pm and others to help with the drive through. Please consider how you could serve in this ministry.

For more information or to sign up please call or text Emily Winans at (240)405-4003.

# Amore' Night — March 1, 2024



Dinner begins at 6:00 pm (Pasta Bar) Silent Auction during dinner (winners at 7:15 pm) Service Project Team Auction begins at 7:15 pm



#### **Upcoming Events:**

- •On April 18th we'll resume our Thursday evening ladies *Bible study*. We meet at the church at 6:30 p.m.
- First Wednesday dinners will start back up in May.
- •Please watch Pastor Doug's weekly email for other news regarding the women's ministry.

The women's ministry coordinator is Kathy Summers. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions please contact her at (330) 461-1081 or kathyksummers@gmail.com.

### MEN'S MINISTRY

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- •Join us on Saturday, March 10th for a *men's breakfast*. We'll meet at 8:30 a.m. at the church for a time of fellowship and a little archery for fun.
- •In April we'll resume the Thursday evening men's **Bible study** at the church (7:00 p.m.).

The men's ministry coordinator is Dave Arron. If you have any questions, or need to reach him, his number is (330) 242-4231.

