

Melbourne Heights Baptist Church
 3728 Taylorsville Rd.
 Louisville, KY 40220



Upcoming Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 9:15 Sun School 10:30 Worship 11:45 Greeter Training 11:45 Handbells 6p Chili Cook-off 7p Young Adult Study	27 10:30 Mission Monday 11 Sermon Discussion 1p Art Ministry 4:15p TOPS 6:30p Deacon's Mtg	28 10 Staff Mtg. 6:30p Private Event	29 6p Sermon Discussion 7p Choir	30 8:45 S.E.A.M. Volunteers 6:30p Private Event	31	Apr 1
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From the Pastor

by Adam Schell

If you were to sit down and talk with a group of pastors, I suspect that you'd learn we have conflicting feelings when it comes to Easter. Easter is, of course, the most important day on the church calendar each year - the day when we celebrate that Christ is risen! But that means Easter is an exceptionally busy time of year.

From the pressure to write a great sermon for Easter Sunday, to the rigors of planning special services and activities, to attending and leading those events...it's safe to say that Easter can take its toll.

But Easter is also the greatest time of the year. It's the chance to truly celebrate the good news that we proclaim throughout the year. It's the opportunity to see new faces, and share that good news with them.

So, if you were to ask me, "What does Easter mean to you?" my answer might depend on the day. But above all else, Easter means one thing to me: new life.

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From the Pastor

by Adam Schell

There is a new life that is brought forth when Christ comes out of the tomb; a new life where death is defeated and sin is conquered. But this new life doesn't just exist on some grand scale...it's also a new life that exists in each of us.

Easter reminds us that everyday we are to die to our old self - to take up our cross - to follow, and become more like, Jesus. And that's not just something we face one Sunday a year...it's something we face every single day of our life.

Everyday we have the chance to walk in the new life that Christ brought forth when he rose from the tomb. We have the chance to walk in the ways of hope, peace, joy, and love. We have the chance to shine God's light in the darkness around us. We have the chance to become more of who God created us to be.

So as Easter passes for another year, my prayer is that you won't let it pass without impacting you. May you be reminded that because of Easter you have the opportunity for a new life, and may you choose to walk in the newness of the life we find

Sermon Discussion Group



At Melbourne Heights, we want to help you think through who God wants you to be, what God wants you to do, and where God wants you to do

it. We're doing this by giving you the chance to discuss Sunday's sermon with our pastor, and to take a closer look at the scripture passage he preached on Mondays at 11:00am or Wednesdays at 6:00pm.

To help you prepare for this discussion, and to get you thinking a little more about each sermon, we have a Discussion Guide available on Sundays. These questions will serve as the starting point for the discussion, but you'll have plenty of time to ask your own questions as well.

We meet in Rogers Hall, and we'd love for you to be part of the discussion.

April's Sermon Series

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There are a few fundamental questions that we all ask at various stages of our life. Our goal at Melbourne Heights is to help you answer three of these questions: Who am I created to be? What am I created to do? Where can I do it best?

After Easter, we will turn our attention to that first question: Who am I created to be? But before you can discover your God given identity, you have to know who you are not.

Join us on Sunday morning at 10:30am for worship, as we seek to find our true identity.

Lenten Collection



In 2013 we began a new tradition at Melbourne Heights during the season of Lent. For this six week period, we collect an offering of tangible items to donate to a local non-profit organization.

This year, our Lenten Collection will benefit the Cabbage Patch Settlement House, and their work with over 1,000 at risk kids and their families in our own community.

During the first three weeks of this year's collection, we have received 288 cans of chicken noodle soup, 360 cans of fruit and vegetables, and 92 boxes of cereal.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this year's collection so far. Your donations will help countless children and their families in the coming months.

Just don't forget that our collection isn't over yet. We will continue our collection through April 9.

On April 2 we will be collecting toilet paper and toothpaste. On April 9 we will be collecting

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April Birthdays



April 1 | Regina Fowler
April 2 | Bob Romine
April 5 | Gail Cecil
April 5 | Lola Eberenz
April 6 | Sherry Talbot
April 7 | Adam Schell
April 8 | Nella Blount
April 10 | Elizabeth Noland
April 12 | Matthew Brockelsby
April 12 | Wayne Cornet
April 12 | Linda Wood
April 14 | Hannah Schell
April 15 | Gene Thompson
April 25 | Joe Noland
April 29 | Jean Rucker

If you would like your birthday published in our church newsletter, please contact our church

Never Miss A Sermon



Since we want to help you take your faith to new heights this year, we want to make sure you never miss a sermon.

You can now subscribe to our sermon podcast through iTunes or on Stitcher. Just search for Melbourne Heights and we'll be the only result.

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Senior Adult News



In March, our Senior Adults enjoyed a special morning with our staff. Each member of our staff shared stories about some of their most humorous and challenging moments in ministry. Then our staff and Senior Adults enjoyed lunch together afterwards.

In April, our Senior Adults will change things up a bit. Instead of meeting the first Tuesday of the month, we will be meeting on Thursday, April 6 to go to the Young Heart Theater to enjoy their latest production *The Travel Bug*.

The Travel Bug is a fun musical presentation of stage and screen tunes from the Broadway and European stage productions and movie screen performances. The show is filled with beautiful show tunes, comedy skits and dance routines.

We will leave Melbourne Heights at 1:10pm and carpool to the theater, in order to claim good seats before the show starts at 2:00pm. Afterwards, we will go to Ditto's on Bardstown Road for a late lunch/early dinner.

We're also looking forward to Senior Adult Sunday coming up in May (we'll have more details in the coming weeks), a special guest speaker in June, and a trip on the Belle of Louisville in July or August. As always, we encour-

Youth News

By Joe Noland

A little while in the future
In a building not so far far away...
Mhbc youth Movie Marathon

Episode 1: star wars

The church is in a peaceful era and our youth have come together to watch one of the greatest Film franchises in existence. They gather On April 8 starting at 8:00am to enjoy the saga From Star Wars Episode II through Star Wars Episode VII, including the newest edition to the Saga: Rogue One. They are eagerly hoping That some of our adults will join them in an Effort to keep the event chaperoned Throughout the day. Their leader, Joe, will Work to recruit whoever is willing to join their Day of movie watching. The path will be wrought with popcorn, pizza, and drinks and Will continue throughout the day.

Kid's News



Easter is almost here, and we've got a lot planned to help our children at Melbourne Heights celebrate Jesus' resurrection.

On Palm Sunday, our children will wave palm branches to welcome and celebrate the King of kings. And during our Easter service, our kids will help decorate our blossoming cross.

But our biggest children's event each Easter is our Easter Egg Hunt. This year we're planning to hide around 1,500 eggs for dozens of children from our church, our preschool, and our community to find. But our children will receive more than a basket full of plastic eggs and candy, they'll also hear the good news of Jesus' resurrection before the hunt begins.

Of course, we can't pull off this kind of event without lots of help. You can help by bringing in candy, stuffing eggs, helping with crafts, or you can help hide eggs.

If you'd like to help us with this year's hunt, please contact Michelle Cloud.

Spotlight Event

On Sunday night, April 2 at 6:00pm, our choir will be presenting our annual Easter Cantata. This year's presentation, entitled *Jesus Saves*, retells the incredible story of God's plan of redemption.

Together we'll journey from the Garden of Eden, through the lives of men and women as they responded to God, ultimately arriving at Calvary. And we will be reminded from the beginning to the end of this journey of the matchless love that God has for everyone he created.

Make plans to join us for this year's Easter Cantata, as we celebrate the good news that *Jesus*

Looking Ahead



Spring has only just begun...but it's not too early to think about the unofficial start to summer each year at Melbourne Heights. And that's our annual Church Picnic.

We haven't nailed down all the details, but our annual Church Picnic will be happening in late May or early June. As always, there will be plenty of food—the church will take care of the main course, you just have to provide the sides and desserts. But that's not all. We're also planning plenty of special events and activities for all ages at this year's Church Picnic.

Make sure to keep an eye out for additional details, because you won't want to miss this summer tradition.