

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Cinnamon rolls served between services

LA GRANDE — The First Baptist Church of La Grande will have a 9 a.m. service on Easter Sunday, followed by cinnamon rolls at 10:15 a.m. and a second service at 10:45 a.m. A children's program will be offered during both services.

### Congregants contribute to 'blooming cross'

LA GRANDE — La Grande's First Presbyterian Church will worship at 9:30 a.m. Easter Sunday. Those who attend are asked to bring a flower for the "blooming cross."

### St. Peter's and Zion Lutheran worship together on Easter

LA GRANDE — St. Peter's Episcopal Church of La Grande will have an Easter Holy Eucharistic Service Sunday at 11 a.m. The congregants of Zion Lutheran Church will be joining them. The Rev. Richard Thew will officiate. Coffee and fellowship will follow.

St. Peter's will offer Cen-

tering Prayer at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Chapel.

### Celebrate Christ's resurrection in Imbler

IMBLER — The Imbler Christian Church will celebrate Christ's resurrection at 10 a.m. Sunday. The service will feature special praise music and an uplifting Easter message.

### Special flower service included in Easter worship

COVE — The Cove United Methodist Church will have an Easter service at 9 a.m. Sunday. Mary Cloutier will be sharing the message, "Easter Is About New Beginnings," based on Colossians 3:1-4 and Acts 10:24-43. A special flower service will be held during the worship time. Fellowship with Easter treats, coffee and juice will follow.

The church hosts the Cove Food Pantry from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. April 27. The Cove Fresh Alliance, offering free perishable food to the community, is open at the church from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Tuesdays.

### Son Rise Service held at Elgin Opera House

ELGIN — There will be a community-wide Easter Son Rise service on Sunday at the Elgin Opera House. The service, which is open to all, begins at 7 a.m.

### Tenebrae service held this evening

LA GRANDE — Faith Lutheran Church in La Grande will hold a Tenebrae service at 6:30 p.m. today. The service will focus upon the last seven phrases Jesus spoke while on the cross. On Easter Sunday, there will be a Sunrise service at 7 a.m. A breakfast will be served at 7:45 a.m., followed by Sunday school and a 10 a.m. Divine service. The sermon will explore the details of Jesus's death and resurrection.

### ZLCW Bible study meets Tuesday

LA GRANDE — Members of Zion Lutheran Church in La Grande are invited to attend the 7 p.m. Good Friday service at the La Grande United Methodist Church tonight, and

congregants will worship at St. Peter's Episcopal Church at 11 a.m. on Easter Sunday.

On Tuesday, the ZLCW Bible study will meet at 9 a.m. at Zion.

### Easter celebration includes breakfast, kids activities

SUMMERVILLE — The Summerville Baptist Church will begin its Easter celebration with a full breakfast at 9:45 a.m. Worship will begin at 11 a.m., and there will be a special service for the children with games, an interactive lesson and more. There will also be a bounce castle, and a hunt will begin as soon as the service is over.

### Experience the first Easter through Peter's eyes

LA GRANDE — Members of the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of La Grande will observe Good Friday at a 7 p.m. ecumenical service at the United Methodist Church. Sunday's special Easter service begins at 10 a.m. and

will feature "The Rock," a monologue from Peter's perspective, presented by Pastor Ray Smith.

### Three opportunities to worship Sunday at Faith Center

ISLAND CITY — The Faith Center Foursquare Church in Island City will have three services on Easter Sunday. Morning services will be held at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., and an evening service begins at 6:30 p.m.

### Methodists host service tonight

LA GRANDE — The La Grande United Methodist Church is hosting an ecumenical Good Friday service at 7 p.m. today. On Sunday, there will be a 10 a.m. Easter service. Easter bonnets are encouraged.

### Good Friday service offered in Union

UNION — A Good Friday service begins at 7 p.m. today at the United Methodist Church in Union. On Easter Sunday, Grace Community Church and Union Meth-

odist Church invite the community to join them for a free breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A traditional Easter service with Communion will follow at 10 a.m. Pastor Carl's sermon title will be "The Tomb Is Empty," taken from Luke 24. Transportation is available for all church activities.

### WORDS OF THE BUDDHA

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Exalted in mind & heedful, the sage trained in sagacity's ways: One has no sorrows, one who is calmed & ever mindful. (Udana 4.37)

Hasten to do good; restrain your mind from evil.

One who is slow in doing good, that one's mind delights in evil. (Dhammapada 9.116)

## Approach every Sunday as if it were 'Resurrection Sunday'

Although the holiday of Easter is based on the first Sunday after the first full moon following the Spring equinox (which is why it moves around so much in our calendar), the real Resurrection Sunday of Jesus Christ is a more fixed point on the Jewish calendar. It is based on the Jewish Spring Feast of Passover, which, according to Exodus 12, is on the 14th day of the first month of the year when the Passover Lamb was to be killed, cooked and eaten. On the 10th day of the first month the lamb was to be chosen from the flock and brought into the home to be cared for and made sure that it was without any flaw. The Jewish day begins in the evening as stated in the beginning with creation in the



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book of Genesis. So, it was in the evening that Jesus sat to eat with his disciples that final Passover meal — the "Last Supper" before his death on the cross just hours away.

After Jesus celebrated this final Passover with his disciples, they went out into the garden of Gethsemane on the Mount of Olives, where Jesus was arrested. Throughout that night he was tried for blasphemy and beaten, and later the next day he was crucified on the cross just outside of the city walls.

Because the Jewish day begins on the previous evening, it was still technically the same day on which the Passover lamb would have been killed, cooked and eaten.

In the middle of the daylight hours of the same day, the sun was obscured completely and darkness fell on the earth when our sins were put upon Jesus as our sacrificial lamb to pay the debt of our sins. He suffered our separation from the father due to our sin; he suffered our death on the cross, which is the curse of sin. He was buried before the evening, which was the beginning of the next day. As Jesus stated himself in Matthew 12:40, he was in the grave for three nights and three days. On the first day of the new

week, according to Matthew 28:1, when Sabbath had ended and Sunday began, Christ arose alive out of the grave to declare his own victory over death, sin and the grave that he secured to offer to all those who would believe in him by faith.

Later that morning Jesus revealed himself as the risen savior to his followers beginning with Mary Magdalene in the garden near the tomb, according to Matthew 28:1-10. This is why I worship on Sunday, the first day of the week, which is the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ — the fulfillment of prophecies, his completion of our Salvation, and the eternal life we can receive from him. Jesus also revealed himself to his disciples on

the first day of the week, according to John 20:19.

Resurrection Sunday is what we celebrate every "Lord's Day" as we gather in worship as believers in Jesus Christ. This is what we see also with the followers of Jesus in the New Testament after Jesus' fulfillment of the Old Covenant and His institution of the New Covenant in His death, burial, and resurrection: They are seen gathering for worship on the first day of the week, the Lord's Day of worship. In Acts 20:7 and I Corinthians 16:2, we see the gathering of followers of Jesus Christ for the preaching of the word and the giving of offerings in worship on the first day of the week.

## Northeast Oregon Directory of Churches

### Services This Week

<p><b>IMBLER CHRISTIAN CHURCH</b> 440 RUCKMAN, IMBLER 534-2201 www.imblerchristianchurch.org</p> <p><b>Sunday Services</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service</p>	<p><b>First Christian Church</b> (Disciples of Christ) 901 Penn Avenue 963-2623 lgdisciples@gmail.com</p> <p><b>Worship 10:00 a.m.</b></p> <p>~Join us at The Lord's Table~</p>	<p><b>SUMMERVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH</b></p> <p>Sunday Services: Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible Classes 9:45AM Children's Church &amp; Worship Service 11:00AM Family Worship Service 6:00PM</p> <p>Wednesdays: Prayer Mtg, Children's Bible Club, Youth Group 7:00PM</p> <p>A church for your whole family Visit us at <a href="http://summervillebaptistchurch.org">summervillebaptistchurch.org</a></p>		
<p><b>COVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> 1708 Jasper St., Cove, OR</p> <p><b>NORTH POWDER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> 390 E. St., North Powder, OR</p> <p>JOIN US... Catch the Spirit! Worship: 9:00 a.m. Cove Worship: 10:00 a.m. N. Powder</p>	<p><b>ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICES</b> La Grande - Our Lady of the Valley 1002 L Avenue Saturday 5:30 pm Mass Sunday 10:00 am Mass Weekdays 8:00 am Mass</p> <p><b>Union - Sacred Heart</b> 340 South 10th Avenue Sunday 8:00 am Mass No Weekdays</p> <p><b>Elgin - Saint Mary's</b> 12th and Alder Sunday 12:30 pm Mass No Weekdays</p>	<p><b>VALLEY FELLOWSHIP</b> 963-0340 507 Palmer Ave (just east of city pool) Sunday Worship 10:02 am Come and share in a time of worship, prayer and the study of God's word with us. Worship includes communion on Sunday. <a href="http://www.valleyfellowship.church">www.valleyfellowship.church</a> Email: <a href="mailto:vfchurch2@gmail.com">vfchurch2@gmail.com</a></p>		
<p><b>La Grande Seventh-day Adventist Church</b> A Place where hope is found in Jesus Join us in Fellowship &amp; Worship Every Saturday 9:30 a.m. - Bible Study/Fellowship 10:45 a.m. - Worship Service 2702 Adams Avenue, La Grande • 963-4018 Pastor: Mike Armayor <a href="http://www.lagrande22adventistchurchconnect.org">www.lagrande22adventistchurchconnect.org</a> Learning for Today and Eternity</p> <p><b>Little Friends</b> Christian Preschool/Childcare 963-6390 <b>La Grande Adventist Christian School</b> Christian Education K-8th Grade 963-6203</p>	<p><b>FIRST LANDMARK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 1812 1st St. La Grande Pastor Dave Tierce • 541-605-0215 We use the King James Version Bible Sunday School - 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Sunday Evening Bible Study - 3:00 pm (Effective June 10) Wednesday Evening - 6:30 pm "Where you can find TRUTH according to the scriptures" <a href="http://www.flmbclagrande.com">www.flmbclagrande.com</a></p>	<p><b>Zion Lutheran Church</b> (an ELCA church) 902 Fourth Street, La Grande, OR (541) 963-5998</p> <p>9:00 am - Worship 10:00 am - Fellowship &amp; Refreshments 10:30 am - Classes Pastor: <a href="http://www.zionlagrande.org">www.zionlagrande.org</a></p>	<p><b>Union Baptist Church</b> 1531 S. Main St., Union 541-562-5531 <a href="http://www.unionbaptistoregon.org">www.unionbaptistoregon.org</a> Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Worship 11:00 am Sunday Night 6:30 pm Thursday AWANA 6:30 pm Knowing, Loving and Proclaiming Jesus Christ</p>	<p><b>First Baptist Church</b> SIXTH &amp; SPRING, LA GRANDE 541-963-3911 Building Together On Christ Alone</p> <p><b>Easter Worship, Sunday, April 21st</b> 1st service: 9:00 am- 10:15 am Cinnamon rolls: 10:15 am- 10:45 am 2nd service: 10:45 am- 12:00 pm Kids program both services</p>
<p><b>CALVARY CHAPEL</b> 1433 Jefferson Ave. 963-5884</p> <p>Contemporary Worship Expositional Teaching</p> <p>Sunday Service - 10:30 a.m. Studying The Book of Romans Wednesday Service - 7:00 p.m. Studying The Book of Revelation Wednesday Night Youth - 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Tune in to Calvary Radio 88.1 CSN</p>	<p><b>Amazing Grace Fellowship</b> 1316 T St., La Grande, OR 541-568-4567 Sunday 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>2 Cor 12:9 My Grace is sufficient for you. IS 40:31</p>	<p><b>GRACE COMMUNITY LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> LCMC 667 N. Main in Union "We are called to Serve" Sunday School for all ages - 9:00 am Sunday Worship 10:00 am Pastor Carl Seelhoff Phone: 541-786-0447 <a href="mailto:grace.lutherancove@gmail.com">grace.lutherancove@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>La Grande Nazarene</b> CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 109 18th Street • 963-3402 Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p><b>LA GRANDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> "OPEN HEARTS, OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS" 1612 4th Street - 963-2498 Pastor Al Trachsel lgumc@eoni.com <a href="http://www.lgumchurch.org">www.lgumchurch.org</a> Office Hours: Mon-Thur 9am-Noon <b>Worship 10:00 am</b> Fellowship Coffee Hour 11:00 am Nursery provided</p>