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Our mission is to: Come alongside senior adults in a dynamic season of life to provide friendship, laughter, and a great lunch spiritual care



HE IS RISEN CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION

When I was guite small, Easter was about dressing up. I remember getting a new dress, shoes, and even gloves! I had a sweet little white basket. As I got older, maybe even the next year, Easter became about eggs and candy. We used to go to this enormous outdoor party with a family we knew who had 23 kids. They were mostly grandparents by the time I was little, but it was such a fun and beautiful time. Easter was competing with my brother to see who had more chocolate and elaborate meals during a beautiful spring. I decided to follow Jesus when I was 12 and Easter took on completely new hues. The celebration of the resurrected Lord! What a reality that we no longer have to live bound to our sins and we have a hope beyond what we know here. Easter became about worshipping God with meaningful music and liturgy as we watched the sun rise. I don't know what Easter means to you, but I hope we are all growing in the understanding of who Jesus is and why it matters. May we know the great love of the Risen Christ this year in a new way and may we find great hope as we celebrate.

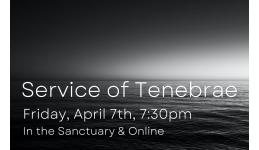
"He humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." PHILIPPIANS 2:8



I AM THE Resurrection AND THE LIFE. JOHN 11:25

~Pastor Colleen







Thursday, April 6th:

It's our Easter celebration! **Pastor Colleen** will be talking today about the fruit of PEACE. What a perfect day to think about this incredible gift Christ intentionally gives us. There will be a short homily and then we are hoping you will come prepared to share about how the resurrection of Jesus gives you peace. Come with a short story or an example of why you have peace because of Easter.

For lunch, we will be serving a delicious glazed ham, scalloped potatoes, fresh peas, yeasty rolls, and a lovely (or whimsical) dessert. Please consider inviting a friend to join you. He is Risen!

Thursday, April 20th:

Today, we welcome our dear friend **Ernestine De Soto**, who is coming to talk to us about her background and family. Ernestine is a 6th generation Santa Barbara Chumash who became involved in studying her heritage while enrolled in the nursing program at SBCC. Taking an elective in Native American Studies led her to do research with anthropologists and to help others know more about her history and ours. We are excited to hear Ernestine's story! **For lunch**, we will serve BBQ chicken with delightful sides, such as macaroni and cheese. You will want to invite a friend to join you, won't you? **Easter Egg Hunt** Saturday | April 8th | 9:00am La Mesa Park Bring a basket and 12 candy-filled eggs for the hunt!





Parking:

In an increased effort to help all our seniors and those with mobility issues, we want to let you know we are here if you need help parking or walking. We will be having a person outside now to help you park or cross the street, between 10:30am and 11:00am. You don't need to call or let us know. Just know someone will be out there to help you!

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March 22, 1839: One newspaper editor made a joke to another and changed our language forever-

The slang dialect OK might be the most widely recognized word in the world (along with Amen) and its entry into our common use was literally a joke. However, the enterprise that endorses the progression of language wasn't having anything to do with it. When Noah Webster completed the first major American dictionary in 1828, he hoped it would unite the young republic culturally and politically. His very clear intent was to help our new country stick with the proper King's English. With the spread of basic literacy in the nineteenth century, Mr. Webster wanted his dictionary to help educate the ignorant and cultivate the uncultured. He worked to establish a brand as the "supreme authority" on everything worth knowing. As such, his allowance of slang was nonexistent, no exceptions. As our nation forged our own identity, this model became hopelessly out of date. Worse, the 1820's and 1830's shared a linguistic fad with today- an appreciation for deliberate misspellings and abbreviations of words, like todays LOL. This trend, which had humorists adopting all kinds of loose interpretations of words and young people everywhere were saying 'oll wright' to indicate they were well, which then became 'oll korrect' when everything was in order.

On March 23, 1839, the initials "O.K." were first published in The Boston Morning Post as an abbreviation for 'oll korrect' when the editor of the Post was making a little jab that his colleague in Providence, Rhode Island, should sponsor a party for some boisterous Boston lads who might be stopping by his town. The Providence editor replied back in his newspaper the next day with another O.K. that continued the playful rivalry. Of all the abbreviations used during that time, O.K. was propelled into the limelight when it was picked up by contemporary politicians. When the incumbent president Martin Van Buren was up for reelection, his Democratic supporters organized a band of influencers (thugs) to inspire voters. This group was formally called the "O.K. Club," which referred both to Van Buren's nickname "Old Kinderhook" (based on his hometown of Kinderhook, New York), and to the term recently made popular in the papers. At the same time, the opposing Whig Party made use of "OK" to denigrate Van Buren's political mentor Andrew Jackson. According to the Whigs, former President Jackson invented the abbreviation "OK" to cover up his own inability to spell.

The man responsible for unraveling the mystery behind "OK" was an American linguist named Allen Walker Read. An English professor at Columbia University. Mr. Read dispelled a host of erroneous theories on the origins of "OK," ranging from the name of a popular Army biscuit (Orrin Kendall) to the name of a Haitian port famed for its rum (Aux Cayes) to the signature of a Choctaw chief named Old Keokuk. Whatever its origins, "OK" has become one of the most ubiquitous terms in the world, and certainly one of America's most prolific lingual exports. EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST

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