

EMMANUEL C.S.I CHURCH OF PHILADELPHIA

Worshiping at

St. Andrews Episcopal Church
500 Somerton Avenue,
Philadelphia, PA, 19116

Worship Services at 11:00 AM
Sunday School at 09:45 AM

Malayalam Holy Communion
1st & 3rd Sundays

English Contemporary Service with H. C.
2nd Sunday

English Holy Communion
4th Sunday

Malayalam Matins Service
5th Sundays

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APRIL 2018

Motto of the Year: Year of Discipleship

*“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...
and remember, I am with you always,
to the end of the age”*

Matthew 28: 19, 20b



Mr. M. George Koshy, 78, Meenchirackel Joy Bhavan, Mezhuveli, PTA (B/L of Mrs. Annamma Cherian), who passed away on January 29, 2018

**THE FIRST
C.S.I. WOMEN'S
CONFERENCE IN
NORTH AMERICA**

July 6 - 8, 2018

Venue:

**Fairbridge Inn & Conference Center,
130 Route 10 West, East Hanover,
New Jersey 07936**

Theme:

*"Pilgrim Journey Towards
Forgiveness and Reconciliation"*

Hosted by the
Council of CSI Congregations in North America
Women's Fellowship
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How the Apostles died ?

Simon Peter: Simon-Peter was martyred in Rome during the reign of the emperor Nero. As the story goes, Peter asked to be crucified upside down, so that his death would not be the equal of Jesus and the Romans supposedly obliged.

Andrew: Andrew went to Greece in 69 AD, where the Roman proconsul Aegeates tried to convince Andrew to forsake Christianity, so that he would not have to torture and execute him. But when that didn't work, Andrew was scourged, and then tied rather than nailed to a cross, so that he would suffer for a longer time before dying. Andrew lived for two days, during which he preached to passersby.

James (son of Zebedee): Acts 12:1-19 says that James was killed with a sword. When James was arrested and led to place of execution, his unnamed accuser was moved by his courage. He not only repented and converted on the spot, but asked to be executed alongside James. The Roman executioners obliged, and both men were beheaded simultaneously.

John: John was the only one of the original disciples not to die a violent death. Instead, he passed away peacefully in Patmos in his old age, sometime around 100 AD.

• **Philip:** Philip, the first of Jesus' disciples, became a missionary in Asia.

Eventually, he traveled to the Egyptian city of Heliopolis, where he was scourged, thrown into prison, and crucified in 54 AD.

• **Bartholomew:** Bartholomew supposedly preached in several countries, including India, where he translated the Gospel of Matthew for believers. In one account, "impatient idolaters" beat Bartholomew and then crucified him, while in another, he was skinned alive and then beheaded.

• **Thomas:** Apparently Thomas preached the gospel in Greece and India, where he angered local religious authorities, who martyred him by running him through with a spear.

• **Matthew:** According to legend, the former tax collector turned missionary was martyred in Ethiopia, where he was supposedly stabbed in the back by a swordsman sent by King Hertacus.

• **James (son of Alphaeus, AKA James the Less):** According to Foxe, James, who was elected by his fellow believers to head the churches of Jerusalem, was one of the longest-lived apostles, perhaps exceeded only by John. At the age of 94, he was beaten and stoned by persecutors, and then killed him by hitting him in the head with a club.

• **Judas or Jude:** According to several stories, he was crucified at Edessa (the name of cities in both Turkey and Greece) in 72 AD.

• **Simon the Canaanite AKA the Zealot:** Simon preached in Mauritania on the west coast of Africa, and then went to England, where he was crucified in 74 AD.

• **Judas Iscariot:** According to Matthew 27:3-6, the treacherous apostle quickly felt remorse over his betrayal of Jesus and went to the Temple to recant. When the high priests ignored his plea, he threw down the 30 pieces of silver that he had been paid and went off and hanged himself. But Acts 1:15-20, gives a different and even grislier version of Judas' demise. He says that Judas used the blood money to purchase a piece of land and then fell headlong from a high place there, so that "he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out." Jerusalem residents subsequently named the place Acedama, which means "the field of blood."



From Achen's Desk

Greetings to you all in the matchless name of our lord and savior Jesus Christ. I wish a very happy and prosperous Easter to everyone. Our Lord and savior Jesus Christ through His death and resurrection has set a model for us to lead a new life and this new life we find in Christ and His resurrection. Easter is celebration of salvation. Easter is commemoration of salvation that the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ has brought to humanity. Resurrection of Jesus is the foundation of Christian faith and points to the hope that we have in Jesus Christ. Cross represents the suffering and resurrection represents the triumphal victory and life in Jesus Christ. The central message of Easter is 'Christ is risen'. By dying Jesus destroyed death and by His resurrection Jesus restored life and brought salvation. Our enemies were nailed on the cross and we are set free from sin, death, sickness, from all that enslaves us.

We are a people who celebrate this restoration of life. Salvation that the death of Christ has brought is once for all. So, we say boldly that we are children of God, redeemed and we are no more under bondage, we are set free. Christ saved us, and He is our salvation. Hence resurrection of Jesus Christ is indeed a celebration of salvation. According to Elisabeth Schussler Florenza "*Resurrection does not simply spell the survival of the soul but requires the transformation of the world as we know It*".

As we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ, let us be thankful to God for sending His son Jesus Christ to redeem and set us free. Let us lead a life that is transformed and reframed after Christ's mind, which transcended all barriers. Let us be enriched by being in the new community inaugurated in Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

Yours Loving,

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LECTIONARY FOR APRIL 2018

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| April 1 | Easter Sunday <i>Resurrection: Celebrating the Joy of Salvation</i> | OT Psalm Epistle Gospel | Exo.14:5-31 Psalm 118:14-29 Col. 3: 1 - 11 Matt. 28: 1 - 10 | Lay Ministry Mathew Abraham & Family |
| April 8 | 1st Sunday after Easter <i>Encounter with the Risen Lord</i> | OT Psalm Epistle Gospel | Genesis 32: 22 - 32 Psalm 40 Acts. 9: 1 - 18 John 20: 24 - 29 | Lay Ministry Rays John Koshy & Family |
| April 15 | 2nd Sunday after Easter <i>Identifying Risen Lord in the Work Place</i> | OT Psalm Epistle Gospel | Ruth 2: 1-18 Psalm 15 Acts 9: 36 - 43 John 21: 1 - 14 | Lay Ministry Jacob Korah & Family |
| April 22 | 3rd Sunday after Easter <i>Community Formation around Resurrection Experience</i> | OT Psalm Epistle Gospel | Isaiah 25: 1 - 9 Psalm 126 Acts 4: 32 -37 Luke 24: 13 -35 | Lay Ministry Youth Fellowship |
| April 29 | 4th Sunday after Easter <i>Believing in Christ: The Resurrection</i> | OT Psalm Epistle Gospel | 2Kings 4: 27 -37 Psalm 90 Acts 26: 12-23 John 11:17 - 28 | Lay Ministry Shaji P.Oommen & Family |



ചിക്കൻ കുർകുറെ

- 1 .ചിക്കൻ - അര കിലോ
- 2 .വറ്റൽ മുളക് -10 എണ്ണം
- 3 .ഇഞ്ചി - ഒരു വലിയ കഷണം
- 4 . ഉപ്പ് - ആവശ്യത്തിന്
- 5 . മല്ലിപൊടി -ആവശ്യത്തിന്
- 6 .എണ്ണ - വറുക്കാൻ ആവശ്യത്തിന്
- 7 . തേങ്ങാപ്പീര - അര മുറി തേങ്ങാ

വറ്റൽ മുളക് വെള്ളത്തിലിട്ട് മുപ്പതു മിനിറ്റ് കുതിർക്കുക . അത് നന്നായി അരച്ചെടുക്കുക . ഈ അരച്ച മുളകിൽ നിന്ന് മൂന്നു സ്പൂൺ എടുത്തു അതോടൊപ്പം ഇഞ്ചി ,മല്ലിപ്പൊടി ,ഉപ്പ് ഇവ ചേർത്ത് ചിക്കൻ മാറിനേറ്റു ചെയ്തു മൂന്ന് മണിക്കൂർ ശേഷം വറുത്തു കോരുക . മൂന്നു സ്പൂൺ അരച്ച മുളകിലേക്കു തേങ്ങാപ്പീര ,ഇഞ്ചി ,മല്ലിപ്പൊടി, ഉപ്പ് എന്നിവ നന്നായി ഞെരടി ഇളക്കി മാറ്റിവെക്കുക .ഈ കൂട്ട് നന്നായി പിടിച്ചശേഷം എണ്ണയിൽ നന്നായി വറുത്തെടുക്കുക . വറുത്തുവെച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന ചിക്കൻറെ മുകളിലേക്ക് ഈ വറുത്ത തേങ്ങാ മസാല ഇട്ടു വിളമ്പുക .ഒരു നല്ല സ്മാക്ക് ആയി ഇതു ഉപയോഗിക്കാവുന്നതാണ് .

കടപ്പാട്, കൊച്ചമ്മ, പാഴ്സനേജ്

Birthdays in April

The following members will be celebrating their Birthdays in the month of April. They are requested to attend the Thanksgiving prayer during the Service.



EMMANUEL FAMILY RETREAT

Blue Mountain Christ Retreat

1 Christian Ln, New Ringgold, PA 17960.

Dates: August 3-5 (Friday- Sunday), 2018.

Rates:

Adult: 150/-

Children (4yrs-12yrs.): 85/-

Children (13 yrs-17 yrs.): 120/-

Any Q?

Please contact Retreat Coordinator: Mr.Ivan

Tel.# (215) 616- 2189/ (215) 720-5058

Email: ivanreba@hotmail.com

Please reserve your seats!

Save the dates too!



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| | Mr. Sajo Joy |
| 04/04 | Master.Koshy John Thalakal |
| | Mr.Koshy Varghese |
| 04/11 | Mr.Joseph Cherian |
| 04/12 | Mr.Maxwell Gifford |
| | Mr.Shaji P.Oommen |
| 04/14 | Mrs.Annamma Cherian |
| 04/15 | Mr.Jenith K.Jacob |
| 04/22 | Miss.Tintu Merin Mathew |
| 04/22 | Mr.C.C.Cherian |
| 04/23 | Mrs.Anie Shaji Peedikayil |
| 04/24 | Master.Darius M.John |
| 04/28 | Mrs.Seeja Prasad |
| 04/29 | Mr.Sebin Jacob Easo |

WEEKLY PROGRAMS



* **Teleconference prayer meeting** will be held every Wednesday **from 9:00 PM**. Please join us with prayers by dialing **1-302-202-1116** and entering Conference **code 714031**



* **Weekly Prayer meeting** will be held at the Parsonage every Friday from 7 PM.



* **Bible study for Women's Fellowship** will be held on every **first and third Sundays**. All Women's fellowship members are requested to attend.



Wedding Anniversaries in April

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| 04/03 | Abraham Kunnel & Lizy Kunnel |
| 04/16 | Johnson John & Dhanya John |
| 04/25 | Shaji P.Oommen & Anie Shaji Peedikayil |

Cottage Prayer

At the residence of Mr. & Mrs. Shaji P. Oommen, 10221 Selmer Plaza, Philadelphia, PA 19115.
Tel.# (215)-676-5182.
On Saturday, April 14, 2018 @ 6:30 pm



CHURCH OF SOUTH INDIA

THE COUNCIL OF CSI CONGREGATIONS
IN NORTH AMERICA

Region 1 & 2

**LAITY & WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
ONE DAY RETREAT**

April 28, 2018 (Saturday) 9 A.M. – 3 P.M.

Guest Speaker: Rev. Saju B. John

(Vicar, Bethany Mar Thoma Church, Orangeburg, NY)

Venue: CSI Congregation of Hudson Valley

669 Albany Post Road, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510

Retreat starts at 9:00 a.m.

Bible Quiz based on Gospel of John

For more information, please contact

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914-941-3030

Rev. Joby Joy (Presbyter—in Charge of Laity & Women's Fellowship Region 1 & 2)

848-247-8005

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