# Fairview United Methodist Church Newsletter

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Loving God & Loving Others = worship + missions

#### Christ Is Risen. He Is Risen Indeed!"

In this way we greet each other on Easter Sunday and on the Sundays during the Easter Season. This greeting connects us to Christians over the years since Jesus' death and resurrection, reminding us of the surprise and joy that Christians will always experience at that thought.

It's easy to understand why the early Christians were absolutely astounded that, hope against hope, their Lord, Savior and friend was alive. Those early Christians were excited but they really didn't



understand what had just happened. Their Lord and Savior was alive and life as they knew it had changed. Things were ever going to be the same again. Change can sometimes be difficult to accept, and some will never accept something new, but that wonderful day the hope of God's children was renewed in a most unexpected, life and world changing way.

Today God's people aren't much different than we were 2000 years ago. Change is still very difficult to accept at times. While we may have to endure the loss or even death of something we hold dear, or while we may have to grow beyond what makes us comfortable, renewal comes to us in surprising ways as we follow the path Christ lays out for us. When we realize that our Lord and Savior truly is Risen and is among today and everyday we will change. Growth and change are natural and are surprising results of being touched by Resurrection. Things may not ever be the same again, but following Christ and experiencing the Surprise and Joy of His presence and guidance can be amazing.

Happy Easter

Pastor Joe Tomich

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## Havana Area Food Pantry

Central Christian Church 215 S. Broadway Open every Tuesday & Friday 9:00-11:00 a.m. Must live in

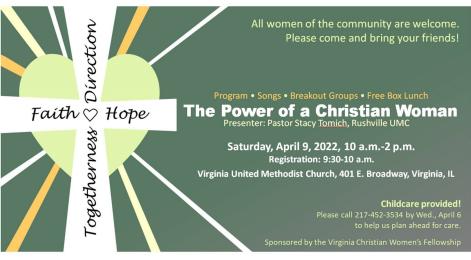
Havana School District
For more information, Call: 309-453-1703

### **Prayer Concerns**

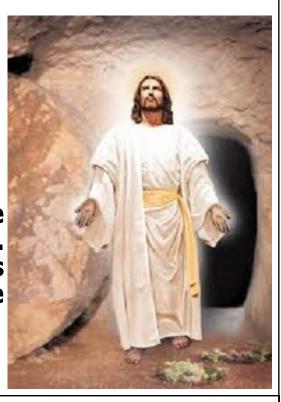
Morris Bell, Eva Blair, Rob Calder, Deanndre Gabor, Elaine Harper, Brian Ralston







He isn't here. He is risen from the dead just, as He said would happen. And now go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead.—Matthew 28:6-7 NLT



#### **OUR STAFF AND SERVICES AT A GLANCE**

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10:00 AM Fairview Sunday School 10:50 AM Fairview Worship Service

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