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WHAT'S HAPPENING SUNDAY - APRIL 26, 2020

Sunday Worship Service
3rd Sunday of Easter
Available online beginning April 26th

Sermon
“We Can Find Him, Too”

Lesson
Luke 24:13-35

Minister: Rev. William S. Trump

*Go online on to the FCC home page —
firstchurchtosa.org — for the link to the service*



Saturday Under the Steeple

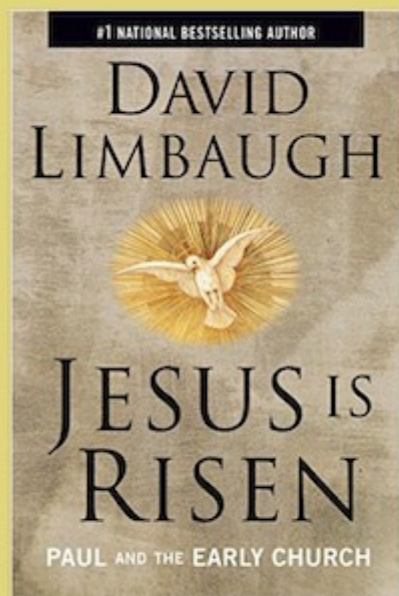
April 25th at 4 p.m.

Meditation: *God is Good* ~ Speaker: Tonia Wallner



To view the Saturday Service:

- 1) Go to firstchurchtosa.org home page
- 2) Scroll down to WORSHIP SERVICES
- 3) Click on "view on Facebook"



Adult Learning Resumes April 19th Sundays, 9 AM

You can join the meeting online
via zoom.us

Meeting ID: 621 562 4692

Password: 192256

The book is available for purchase at the Office,
Mon-Thur, 10 am - 2 pm. Cost is \$13

They Are Relying on Us!

Please return your 2020
Easter Offering in the
return envelope provided
in your Easter mailing.

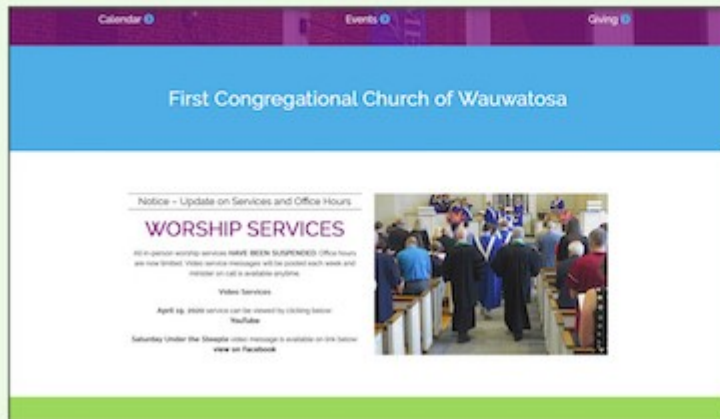
Many thanks!

Tosa Food Pantry



Congregational Christian Church of Myanmar





Participate in the
Worship Services
online!

Saturday 4pm
&
Sunday 10am

- 1) Go to firstchurchtosa.org.
- 2) Scroll down the page to WORSHIP SERVICES.
- 3) Click on YouTube for the Sunday service.
- 4) Click on Facebook for the Saturday Casual service.



Did you know
Increase Mather
was a
Congregationalist?

Increase Mather was considered the most brilliant Puritan clergyman and public figure of his day. He was born to a clergyman and his wife in the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1639. Unwilling to conform to the Church of England, they had come to America for religious freedom. Interested in studying religion, Increase Mather graduated from Harvard at 17 and gave his first sermon at 18. Moving to Ireland, he earned a master's degree from Trinity College. While a student he was licensed as a Commonwealth Minister to two Irish churches by Oliver Cromwell. Following graduation, he was chaplain to a garrison in the Channel Islands for a few years.

In 1660, when the Puritan Commonwealth in England was replaced by the restoration of the monarchy and a return to the preeminence of the Anglican Church, Mather returned home to become the pastor of Boston's North Church. While there, he also served as the president of Harvard College. Mather came of age as the leadership of the Bay Colony was passing to the second generation – a very tumultuous and challenging time. It was largely Increase Mather who shepherded the Colony through the upheaval, both spiritually and politically.

Mather was a prominent participant in the Reforming Synod of 1679-80. Its delegates called for Colony-wide repentance and rededication to Christian zeal and holiness in churches and society. The Colony faced its greatest political crisis in 1684 when the king revoked its Charter and imposed direct royal rule, which abruptly denied the colonists any voice in their governance. Edmund Andros was sent as the king's governor to enforce royal decrees which the colonists resisted as tyranny. Mather sailed to England to petition the king in time to witness the "Glorious Revolution" of 1688 in which James II was deposed. Mather was able to negotiate a new Charter that restored limited self-rule to the Bay Colony. Increase was also a voice of reason that helped bring an end to the Salem witchcraft trials.



