

# HORIZON

## Together:

Our Mission is to glorify God as we make, nurture and send forth teenage disciples of Jesus Christ.



## CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY! ALLELUIA!!

SOAR WE NOW WHERE CHRIST HATH LED, FOLLOWING OUR EXALTED HEAD, MADE LIKE HIM, LIKE HIM WE RISE, OURS THE CROSS, THE GRAVE, THE SKIES, ALLELUIA!

**“The angel spoke to the women: There is nothing to fear here. I know you're looking for Jesus, the One they nailed to the cross. He is not here. He was raised, just as he said.” (Matt. 28:6)**

I am drawn to the tomb. Somewhere deep down inside of me, I want to believe. There is this speck of hope that I cling to. But it is so hard! The cynical and skeptical fabric of our society often is at odds with what I WANT to believe. Yet, I still...want to believe – no I NEED to believe. And so, like you, I make my way to the tomb - and I hope - and I believe.

(Pause to reflect in prayer):

Loving God, I believe – but help my unbelief.

He came to the rejected, and they welcomed Him! ... Am I ready to welcome Him?

He came to restore the broken, and they worshipped Him! Am I prepared to give Him all of my praise?

He came to bring us Peace... but they wounded Him... Just like me...

He came to show us what REAL love is... and what did they do? They crucified Him!

So here I am, here we are... on our way to the tomb, again. Will we be surprised at what we find?

I shouldn't be; because Jesus continues to fuel my speck of hope, no matter how big or small it is. I live not with an empty heart, but with an empty tomb! The living Christ restores me, renews me, and claims me! Yes, even me! This morning, as I approach the tomb, I remember the story of that first Easter:

(written by Rob Hutchinson & Dave Melton)

**You don't have to wait for the End. I am, right now, Resurrection and Life. The one who believes in me, even though he or she dies, will live. And everyone who lives believing in me does not ultimately die at all. Do you believe this?" (John 11:25, the MSG)**



### Confirmation Retreat 2009

We grew closer to one another & God at our retreat. Please pray for our crew: Mason Billings, Kyle, Jeremy Vernon, Chris Shields, Nick Clontz, Jeff Peck, Charlie Betts, Jeremy Evans, Tommy Rapp, Oliver Martin, Hunter Pool

It is absolutely clear that God has called you to a free life. Just make sure that you don't use this freedom as an excuse to do whatever you want to do and destroy your freedom. Rather, use your freedom to serve one another in love; that's how freedom grows. For everything we know about God's Word is summed up in a single sentence: Love others as you love yourself. That's an act of true freedom. (Galatians 5:13-14)



"Be Still and Know that I Am God." (Psalm 46:10)



Passover Seder Meal

**Glimpses of what God is doing in our midst: Bring your friends & check it out...**



Passover Seder Meal



Friendship!



"Love People" Worship Gathering

SUNDAY APRIL 5	SUNDAY, APRIL 12	SUNDAY, APRIL 19	SUNDAY, APRIL 26	COMING IN MAY:
<p><b>UMYF "Passover Seder"</b> 5:30- 7:30 p.m. Tonight we welcome Wendy Lavine to lead us in an experiential Passover Seder Meal. We will learn alot about unique streams of faith, the symbols and story which the meal represents.</p>	<p><b>NO UMYF tonight! (Easter Sunday)</b>  Celebrate the gift of resurrection and our hope in Jesus Christ with your family and friends!</p>	<p><b>UMYF "Up on the Roof" (cookout party)</b> 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. You don't want to miss this huge celebration as we celebrate Jesus and use balloons to discover more about our faith.</p>	<p><b>UMYF "Prayer Portals" (chalk wall)</b> 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. We have a special surprise planned for tonight. Bring your friends as we learn more about the gift of prayer.</p>	<p><b>May 3 - Easter People</b> <b>May 10 - Mother's Day (No UMYF)</b> <b>May 17 - Church Picnic (No UMYF)</b> <b>May 24 - Pizza in the Park (frisbees &amp; hula hoops)</b> <b>May 31 -Confirmation</b></p>