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PASTOR'S LENTEN MESSAGE



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What Makes Good Friday "Good"?

*The criminal said:
Jesus, remember me,
when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus said to the criminal:
Amen, I say to you,
today you will be with me in paradise.
Luke 23:42-43*

One of my topics when I prepare young people for their First Communion is the relationship between Holy Communion, and the Old Testament Meal of the Passover.

In order to have a context for Maundy Thursday, we discuss its relationship to Good Friday and Easter Sunday. During that discussion, I make reference to the fact that Good Friday was not "Good" for Jesus (he died), but the day was indeed truly "Good" for us, because Jesus' death on the cross is the phenomenal gift that assures us of our own personal victories over death.

I have been blessed to have this discussion at several of my interims. In one of those congregations, one of the young students said: *I always wondered about the name of that day.* What a wonderful insight for a young man in second grade.

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What makes Good Friday "Good" is Jesus' amazing gift to us of his death on the cross. Jesus' true glory is not so much on Easter Sunday (nothing against the holiest of days); but rather, on the cross of Good Friday. Jesus' true kingly throne is the cross. As a result, he can declare to the criminal: *today you will be with me in paradise*. Easter Sunday only makes sense in the context of Good Friday. The empty tomb is a powerful image, not of and in itself, but in the context of the cross of Good Friday.

When young people receive their First Holy Communion, they experience (taste) for the first time the "Good" in Good Friday. As we receive Holy Communion we experience (taste) many things, but the one thing we always experience is the "Good" of Jesus' permanent and gracious forgiveness. As we eat the bread and drink the wine, we are in paradise with Jesus. We experience (taste) the "Good" of Good Friday.

Easter Sunday is an amazing celebration of our lives in Christ. However, Easter Sunday only makes sense, in the context of Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday. Please join in the celebration of Maundy Thursday (April 18 at 7 PM), as we experience (taste) the "Good" of Jesus on the cross.

Come and hear Jesus once again clearly proclaim:

"Today you will be with me in paradise."

Pastor Park



REGULAR WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Contemporary Worship: Saturdays at 5 pm with Fellowship after Worship

Traditional Worship: Regular schedule of two services:
Sunday: 8 am and 10:45 am. Fellowship will be at 9:15 am in the Commons Area.

CHANCEL & BELL CHOIRS continue in April.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal Change: Sundays at 10 am through Lent. There will be ***NO*** rehearsals in April on Wednesday until **April 17** from 6:30-8:30 pm, which will be a joint Bell Choir and Chancel Choir Rehearsal. There will be an additional joint Rehearsal on **April 20** from 10 am – 12 pm (noon). Bell Choir Rehearsal: Thursdays at 6:30 pm on Thursdays of **April 4 & 11**, the rest of the Rehearsals will be the joint ones shared with the Chancel Choir above.



The Great and Holy Week ***Including the Triduum***

The greatest and most powerful week in the lives of Christians is Holy Week. It is the week beyond all other weeks. It is an eight-day week (in the case of Our Lord's, nine days). It begins on Palm /Passion Weekend (April 13 / 14), and concludes eight / nine days later on Easter Sunday. Within this amazing 8 / 9-day week, there is a very unique three days called in Latin, The Triduum (three days).

On the Saturday evening before Easter Sunday, there is a wonderful worship experience called the Easter Vigil. In its fullest version, it begins in near darkness around 11 PM, with almost a full hour of powerful Old Testament Readings, at midnight the cry goes out "Christ is Risen," then follows a festive celebration of Holy Communion. At Our Lord's we do an abbreviated Easter Vigil in the context of the 5 PM Praise Service. Our 5 PM Saturday Easter Vigil (April 20) is the completion of a trio of services called the Triduum. The other two services are on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Thus, the three days of Thursday, Friday, and Saturday are known in Latin as the Triduum. Even though the Triduum spans three days, the three services are designed to be celebrated as one worship experience.

As we begin worship on Maundy Thursday evening (7 PM on April 18), the service will begin with the traditional Invocation, but that evening there will be no Benediction. At the Good Friday service (7 PM on April 19), there will be neither Invocation or Benediction. At the Easter Vigil (5 PM on April 20) there will still not be an Invocation, but the service will end with the traditional Benediction. What is Invoked (started) on Maundy Thursday is not completed until the Benediction is proclaimed at the Easter Vigil on Saturday evening. The three services (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil) are designed to be one whole. It would be my fervent hope and prayer, that each of you would avail yourselves of the wonderful opportunity to celebrate the fullness of the Triduum. I realize that some work and family schedules will not permit this, but it is a profound experience to worship at the Easter Vigil on Saturday or at one of the Easter Sunday Services in the context of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

In addition to the Triduum, please join the People of God at Our Lord's for the entire Holy Week experience. There is true blessing in the power of the nine days. We are blessed this year, that the Confirmation age youth will present a drama based on the Stations of the Cross at the Saturday, April 13 (5 PM) Praise Service. The service will include the traditional blessing of the palms and their bearers. The Palm / Passion Sunday Services (8 AM & 10:45 AM on April 14) will feature the traditional Palm Procession.

Holy Week will conclude with the three Easter Sunday Morning Services on April 21. 6:15 AM in the Chapel of the Pines, and 8 AM and 10:45 AM in the Worship Center. Both of those services will include an amazing brass ensemble.

On the next page is the Chronological List of the Holy Week Services at Our Lord's. I look forward to worshipping with you during the most profound week of the entire year.



SPECIAL HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES



STATIONS of the CROSS

Sat., April 13, 5 pm
Palm/Passion Saturday
Stations of the Cross Drama

Sun., April 14, 8 & 10:45 am
Palm/Passion Sunday
Including Procession with Palms

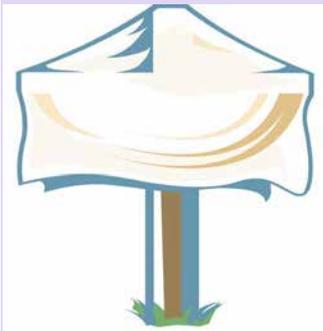


Procession of the Palms



Thurs., April 18, 7 pm
Maundy Thursday Worship
Stripping of Chancel

Fri., April 19, 7 pm
Good Friday Tenebrae Worship
Including Powerful Special Music



Sat., April 20, 5 pm
Easter Vigil Contemporary Worship
Including Dressing of Chancel

Sun., April 21, 6:15 am – Easter Sunrise Worship
(Chapel in the Pines, weather permitting)



Sun., April 21, 8 & 10:45 am
Festive Resurrection Eucharist
Including Brass Ensemble



LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS



Through **April 10**, soup suppers will be held every Wednesday night before the weekly Lenten Service.

TIME: 5:30 – 6:30 PM (Service will follow starting at 6:45 pm)

DATES/SOUP

April 3 – Chili (Linda Eakin)

April 10 – Chicken Noodle (Debby Gunderson/Cindy Pugh)

In order to get an estimate as to the quantity of soup needed, signup sheets will be available on the table in the Narthex.

Anyone wishing to bring dessert(s), please sign up on the "Dessert Signup" sheet for the date that you are able to provide a dessert.

Kitchen Team: Ginger Trucano 973-4805 or **Cindy Pugh** 334-1046

Coffee, Tea, Water, Juices

LENTEN VESPERS

The Transforming Power of Christ

Soup Supper: 5:30 – 6:30 PM

Holden Evening Prayer: 6:45 – 7:30 PM

Our Lenten Series is based on Rembrandt's powerful Painting *The Raising of Lazarus*. Rembrandt's intriguing use of light and dark (chiaroscuro) draws us as viewers into the drama and the theology of his biblical paintings.



The Hand of Christ

Wednesday, April 3 (John 11:33-46)
From Doubt to Faith: Christ and the Crowd

Wednesday, April 10 (John 11:38-53)
From Death to Life: Christ and Lazarus



Conversation with Pastoral Candidate

The Our Lord's Church Council is pleased to announce two opportunities for the People of Our Lord's to meet and greet our Pastoral Candidate, Pastor Darla Ann Kratzer.

Opportunity One will be on **Thursday, April 11 from 6 to 8:30 PM.**

The Reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall of the Worship Center.

Opportunity Two will be on **Friday, April 12 from 1 to 3:30 PM.**

The Reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall of the Worship Center.

Mark your calendars now for these two important times of conversation.

Two Days – One Meeting

The Our Lord's Church Council is pleased to announce three opportunities for the People of Our Lord's to cast their vote for our Pastoral Candidate, Pastor Darla Ann Kratzer.

Opportunity One will be on **Saturday, April 27 at 6:15 PM.**

The Special Congregational Call Meeting will be held in the Worship Center Sanctuary. President Tom Steinmann will call the meeting to order. Paper Ballots will be filled out and collected. President Steinmann will then suspend the meeting until 9:15 AM on Sunday, April 28.

Opportunity Two will be on **Sunday, April 28 at 9:15 AM.**

The Special Congregational Call Meeting will be held in the Worship Center Sanctuary. President Steinmann will reconvene the meeting. Paper Ballots will be filled out and collected. President Steinmann will then suspend the meeting a second time until 12 Noon on Sunday, April 28.

Opportunity Three will be on **Sunday, April 28 at 12 Noon.**

The Special Congregational Call Meeting will be held in the Worship Center Sanctuary. President Steinmann will reconvene the meeting. Paper Ballots will be filled out and collected. President Steinmann will then adjourn the meeting which had been called to order on Saturday. Following the third opportunity to vote, the ballots will be tabulated, and the congregation will be notified by email of the results.





FAIR TRADE

The New Year continues to be heartwarming for the Fair Trade Ministry. For the fiscal year (May-April), as well as since the reboot in May 2016, we are averaging almost \$100 a week. For an old retail guy, it is energizing to see the excitement of people shopping the NEW Fair Trade space. Please shop often, because with each new shipment there may be something new to see and shop for.

Watch for *NEWEST* Items on the display table in the middle of the shop. If the building is open, the shop is open. Whether the door is open or closed, the room may be dark. Still come on in. The lights come on automatically when you enter and go off minutes after you leave. Cash & check shopping can be done at any time with the marked drop box. If I am on sight, I will gladly handle Charge purchases for you with the Square system or offer change if needed. In the near future I hope to have a few good people interested in helping with the shop by becoming familiar with the Square program.

On Sunday, March 17th, Loretta and I were blessed to be at St. John UCC for their Lenten Fair/Fair Trade event. Dana Callahan had invited us to participate. We were more than pleased with the reception we received. In the 45 minute period we did over \$600. For that old retail guy, it was mind blowing at their interest and brought back the love I have always had at helping people smile. We also had some people interested in coming to visit the Fair Trade Shop at Our Lord's. Once again, we spread the word of Our Lord's Fair Trade Ministry. Thanks to all of you for helping to make it happen.

Yours in Christ,

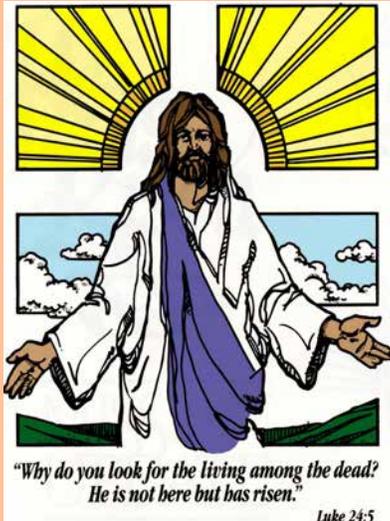
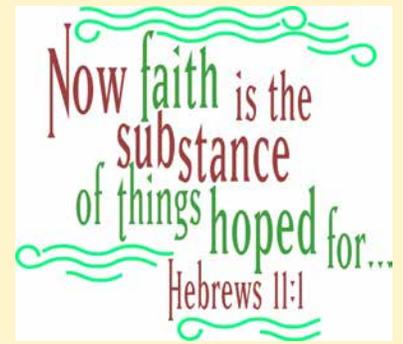
Mike Williams & Fair Trade

EASTER FLOWERS

We are currently taking orders for flowers for Easter Weekend. We will be ordering a mix of spring flowers and Easter Lilies. These flowers will be used in the church, then planted on the grounds of the church if they haven't been taken home by the donors. You may contribute towards the purchase of these flowers in honor or in memory of loved ones. A pot of flowers will be \$10 each. Please make the check out to **Our Lord's Lutheran Church** and designate "***Easter Flowers***" in the memo line by **April 14**.

BIBLE CRUNCHERS STUDY

Bible Crunchers **will not** be held on Wednesdays in April due to Lenten activities. We will restart the Study on May 1 and continue until we complete the New Testament book "Hebrews".
Leader: **Pastor Park.**



MORNING GLORIES BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays, **April 11 & 25**, (2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month) **10 am** in the Life Center Conference Room. The new 2019 Winter study is from the Gather magazine – The "Gospel of John: Meetings with Jesus" by the **Rev. Julie A. Kanarr**. Rev. Kanarr is the pastor of Christ Lutheran Church in Belfair, Washington and is an avid outdoorsperson, enjoying sea kayaking, bicycling, hiking and camping. All through John's

Gospel, Jesus engages people in honest and sometimes difficult conversations that lead to faith, renewal and transformation. You will meet Jesus through his interactions with various characters within the gospel. The April Session is "Seeing the risen Christ" in which we encounter the Risen Christ through his appearances to Mary Magdalene, Peter, the Beloved Disciple, and Thomas. We reflect on how the risen Christ remains present among us, blessing us and inviting us to come and see and to lie in his name. All women welcome.

Leader: **Debby Gunderson.**

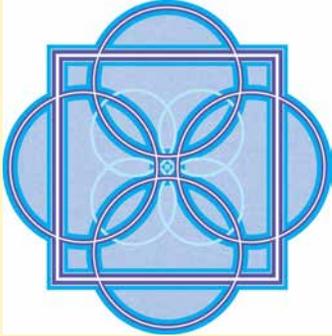
QUESTIONS BIBLE STUDY

The DVD Course from The Great Courses Series: "Death, Dying, and the Afterlife-Lessons from World Cultures" by Professor Mark Berkson of Hamline University was completed in March. The Questions Bible Study is now on hiatus until September, when a new study will begin.

Leader: **Dona Racich.**

(For more information and details, see our "Adult Education Opportunities" and "Children & Youth" brochures or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY



Sundays, 9:15 am in the Worship Center Conference Room. The DVD Course from The Great Courses Series: "Jesus and the Gospels" is by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson of Emory University. The series covers the Four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke & John). All are welcome. Leader: **Dona Racich**.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES for ages 3 – 5th GRADE

Sundays, 9:30 am in the Worship Center Fellowship Hall

We are using the Whirl curriculum.

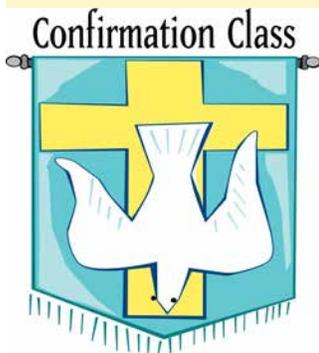
April 7 - Mary Anoints Jesus; John 12:1-8

April 14 - Luke's Holy Week; Luke 22:14-23:56

April 21 - **JESUS is RISEN!** Easter Sunday—NO CLASS

April 28 - Alpha and Omega; Revelation 1:4-8

CONFIRMATION (Grades 6, 7 & 8)



Sundays, 9:15 am (usually) using the "Faith Inkubators" curriculum. Lead Teacher: **Ed Foppe**.

April Lessons:

April 7 - Stations of the Cross Practice

April 13 - Stations of the Cross Drama (**No Class** on April 14)

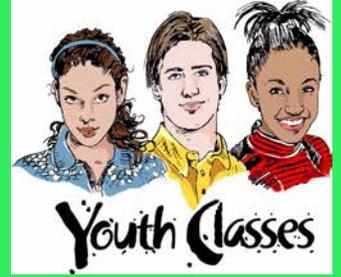
April 21 - EASTER SUNDAY! (**No Class**)

April 28 - Revelation to John

HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

(Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12)

Sundays, 9:30 am in the Youth Room in the
Worship Center



NEW Curriculum: re:form from Augsburg Fortress.

This new curriculum for teens is intended to engage them to explore their faith. Each session has a three-part sequence to encounter, engage and respond. Youth will watch an animated video, join in creative activities, and share thoughts and ideas about the session's questions.

April Lessons:

April 7 & 14 – Can it be proven that God exists?

April 21 – Easter Sunday/**NO** Class

April 28 & May 5 – Is God male?

Teachers: **Debby Gunderson & Scott Comrie.**



HIGH SCHOOL OUR LORD'S YOUTH (OLY)

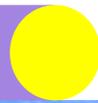
The High School Youth will meet on **Sundays, April 14 & 28**, 4 pm at the Hoelscher's home. Refreshments available. Friends welcome!

The youth group will be going to **Pieces** in St. Louis on **Wed. April 17** leaving the church by **6:00 p.m.** No school on Thursday for any of the schools in our districts, so after the youth meeting on Sunday, we thought it best to reschedule this event for then.

We will be eating dinner and playing games and should be back by 10:00 p.m. at the latest.



(For more information and details, see our "Youth Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)



LATE BOOMERS IN APRIL

The Boomers will be meeting in April at a place to be determined soon by Tom & Lori Messina! Watch for more details soon!

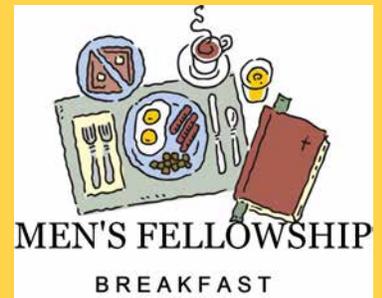
SERENDIPITY BOOK CLUB

The Book Club meets on **Monday, April 15 at 11:30 am**. In April, you are invited to read **The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society** by Mary Ann Shaffer. Bring a drink and a brown bag lunch to enjoy as the book is discussed. The book club meets in the Life Center Conference Room. All welcome!



MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP

Saturday, April 20th, 8 am at the St. Louis Bread Company in Collinsville on Hwy. 157. Come out to discuss how to handle today's life challenges in a more Christ-like manner. All men welcome. Leaders: **Steve Hoelscher & Pastor Park**



EASTER BRUNCH

Easter Sunday, April 21, 9:15 – 10:30 am
Menu: Breakfast Egg Casseroles, Fruit, Yogurt, Hard Boiled Eggs, Rolls, Coffee, Tea, Juice, Milk

Anyone willing to help with set up, clean up or preparation, or is willing to provide Breakfast Casseroles, please contact Ginger Trucano or Cindy Pugh.



(For more information and details, see our "Fellowship Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)



MEN'S CLUB

Our Lord's Men's Club meets on Saturday, **April 6**, 7 am. April's chefs are Jim Trucano and Fred Tatjenhorst. Come out for food, fellowship & chores around the inside and outside of the church.

Our Lord's Mowing & Trimmer Team Schedule

It is time to begin our mowing and trimming around Our Lord's. We are blessed with a whole list of people who volunteer to mow and trim our huge lawn every week. This helps to keep our expenses down. If you would like to help with this worthy ministry, please contact, **Brian Hartke, Chuck Pugh, or Ted Nemsy** to be put on the list of back up mowers and trimmers.

Mowers and Trimmers for (March) and April

<u>Date</u>	<u>Riding Mower</u>	<u>Trimmers</u>
March 28-30	Chuck Pugh	Brian Hartke
April 4-6	Ben McGuire	Rod Orr
April 11-13	Ted Nemsy	Mike Hester
April 18-20	Scott Comrie	Darrell Bruhn
April 25-27	Don Baden	Steve Hoelscher

TREASURER'S REPORT

as of February 28th, 2019

Monthly receipts exceeded expenditures by	3,487.57
YTD receipts exceeded expenditures by	10,386.57

Cash - Unrestricted	37,890
Cash - Restricted for Pastoral Moving Expenses	18,680
Cash - Designated for specific purposes	25,745
Venturing In Faith contributions	4,290
Cumulative since campaign inception	812,360
Total Principal Paid on Mortgage	2,531
Remaining Principal balance on Mortgage	162,012

Submitted by Max Eakin 03/18/19

**For where your
treasure is,**



**there your heart
will be also.**

Matthew 6:21, NRSV



MARYVILLE OUTREACH CENTER



Open to residents of Maryville, and members of Maryville churches or schools.

Ministries Include:

Resident Assistance Program (RAP): to help people in difficult financial situations. Office Hours: Tuesday from 5:30-7 pm

Food Pantry: helps families in food deficiencies twice a month. All food items, toiletries, paper products & cleaning supplies are needed. Also, food items easy for homeless people to eat, which does not require cooking and is easily opened.

Pantry Hours: Tuesdays 5:30-7 pm; Thursdays 10 am – noon; Saturdays 10 am – noon.

Grandma's Attic: Store offers super cheap clothing, shoes, accessories, household goods, small appliances. Donations accepted when Attic is open or can be placed in tubs under Worship Center mailboxes.

Attic Hours: Tuesdays 10 am-noon & 5:30 -7:30 pm;
Wednesdays 10 am – 1 pm,
Thursdays 10 am – 1 pm; and Saturdays 10 am – noon.

Our Lord's Liaison to Maryville Outreach Board: **Carol Orr**

CARING MINISTRY TEAM: Being God's Presence in Someone's Life

Provides care to church family as needed. Tasks Include: Visit people in hospital or homes, take previously consecrated Communion to our homebound or sick, called on those experiencing a personal crisis, provide transportation to doctor appointments or grocery shopping, sitting with someone who is ill while the regular caregiver gets some "me" time for rest, shopping, etc. If you need assistance, or can help provide needs, call Mary Olsen or the church office. Team members: **Mary Olsen, Carol Gocken, Kathie & Terry Brady, and Carol and Rod Orr.**

(For more information and details, see our "Service Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

SOS SOUP KITCHEN

Tuesday, April 9th, 3:30 - 7 pm

1st Presbyterian, Collinsville

Menu: Tacos!

Sign-ups in the Narthex for food and volunteers.

Need all hands on deck since we are the only church involved at First Presbyterian!

Questions: **Gail Jorgenson**



**S.O.S.
SOUP KITCHEN**

CASSEROLE TEAM

Provides meals for members experiencing an illness, a birth or other circumstance when meals would be helpful. Volunteers are needed. If interested in volunteering, as a meal preparer or deliverer, or have questions, please contact Team Leader:

Debby Gunderson



**Casserole
Ministry
Team**



**Office
Angels**

OFFICE ANGELS

Thursdays at 10:30 am in the Life Center Conference Room

Purpose: to help assemble bulletins & visit with church friends.

Questions: **Contact Church Office.**

NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY ANGELS

Once a month at **9:30 am in the Life Center Conference Room** towards the end of each month. In April, we move it to **Thursday, April 25.**

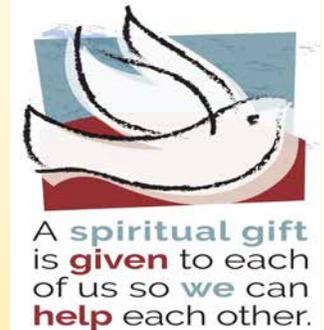
Purpose: to help assemble printed newsletters & visit with church friends.

Questions: **Contact Church Office.**

Just a side note: Deadline for **May's** Newsletter is **April 17.**

WORSHIP HELPERS MINISTRY!*(Of course, we can still use your help!)*

Volunteers are needed every week to help with worship! These servant spots include: acolytes, assisting ministers, lectors, assisting minister/lectors (Saturdays), greeters, ushers, greeter/ushers (Saturdays), altar guild, projectionist, ride givers, and fellowship.

**Two Ways to Sign Up:**

People Power on the www.ourlords.org website. Go to People Power, find the date you want to volunteer & sign up! **OR**

People Power Sign Up Sheets: will still be available for those electronically challenged.

ADMINISTRATION**WHEN YOU HAVE CHANGES**

Please let the church office know of changes to e-mail address, mail/resident addresses, telephone numbers, job, college, etc.

SYNOD WEB SITE: www.csis-elca.org

ELCA WEB SITE: www.elca.org

PRAYER VENTURES

Two pages of monthly prayer support for ELCA ministries, are available in printed copy in our Worship Center and Life Center or accessed at www.elca.org/prayventures.

VET CENTER

The VA has a community-based, free and confidential counseling center specializing in combat veterans. It is located at Hwy 157 & Church Lane in Belleville. For more information, call 618.397.6602.



(For more information and details, see our "Service Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

Donations Needed for *Faith in Action's* Flea Market

Are you cleaning out the house or garage this Spring?

Collinsville *Faith in Action* is hosting a Flea Market in August of this year. And we are looking for donations right now. Do you have jewelry, handbags, linens, tools, toys or games? We're also accepting items in the categories of holiday, sports, collectibles, small furniture, housewares, crafts, and décor. And we would welcome cookbooks! We are not accepting donations of clothing or large furniture. You can drop off items at the *Faith in Action* office at 233 N. Seminary in Collinsville between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Flea Market will be held on **August 23 and 24** at Meadow Heights Baptist Church in Collinsville. All proceeds go toward supporting the programs of Collinsville *Faith in Action*. Remember the old saying "one person's trash is another's treasure." Something one person is tired of, or has set aside or discarded, is valuable to another. What you've rejected could be the perfect item for someone else. So as you're Spring cleaning, set aside a box of items for *Faith in Action*. And tell your family, friends and neighbors that we need item donations for the Flea Market. **Call 344-8080** if you have any questions.



The John Mohl Campership Fund

The goal of the **John Mohl Campership Fund** is to encourage children from Our Lord's Lutheran Church to go to a faith-based summer camp, which is often a life-shaping and faith-shaping experience. Checks may be made payable to "Our Lord's Lutheran Church," with "John Mohl Campership Fund" in the memo line.

(For more information and details, see our "Service Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)



**Glen Carbon Village Hall
151 North Main Street
Glen Carbon, IL**

**E-Waste Drop Off
Saturday, April 13, 2019
Saturday, April 20, 2019**

- Computers, monitors, printers, cables & peripherals (keyboards, mice, etc.)
- Fax Machines
- Scanners
- Satellite receivers
- DVD & VCR
- Stereos & Audio equipment
- Holiday lights and metal decorations
- Home Electronics such as blenders, toasters, irons, etc.
- Batteries

**For more information on what is accepted,
please contact
CJD E-Cycling at 618-659-9006.**



or

**5257 North St. Rt. 157
Edwardsville
Monday – Friday: 9 am – 4:30 pm
Saturday: 9 am – 1 pm**

Dear Friends in Christ -

I just wanted to take a moment to thank Our Lords for sending the newsletter every month. I enjoy reading whats going on and am amazed at all the effort your members put forth for our Lord. Thanks also for the Lenten packet I have it marked & ready for this holiest of seasons.

Although I am active at Holy Cross in Vandalia (choir, organist etc.) I do enjoy your beautiful services when I can.

Looking forward to celebrating that wonderful Day - Easter - at Our Lords
 Nancy Lange
 Vandalia
 (Jeremy Langes mama)



Mind the Gap – St. Louis
79 Huntleigh Woods Court
Foristell, MO 63348

January 25, 2019

Our Lords Lutheran Church
148 Wilma Drive
Maryville, IL 62062

Dear Congregants,

We are so thankful for your generous donation to Mind the Gap St. Louis! Your support has encouraged us greatly in this ministry. Each week the Mind the Gap Team looks for opportunities to bring Christ's love and show compassion to the homeless through prayer, hugs, food, clothing, blankets and other tangible needs. Through your giving, the doors have been opened to sponsor individuals and families into safe housing situations.

We are blessed through our relationships with our homeless friends and we experience their love and gratitude. Please know what a difference you have made through your support. We are humbled and honored to serve others and strive to use all of the resources entrusted to Mind the Gap wisely. Thank you so much for your faith in us and for taking action to change lives and care for others.

Please find a receipt for your donation enclosed with this letter.

We love and appreciate you!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ed and Jennifer Kallery".

Ed and Jennifer Kallery
Founders



"They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor." Psalms 112: 9

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PREVIEW OF COMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events and special observances.

MAY

- National Day of Prayer & Maryville Mayor's Prayer Dinner, May 2
- Men's Club Breakfast, May 4
- Youth Led Worship, May 4 & 5
- S.O.S. Soup Kitchen (St. John's Evan. UCC), May 9
- Mother's Day Weekend, May 11-12
- Newsletter Deadline, May 17
- Sunday School Celebration & Last Day of Sunday School, May 19
- Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation, May 19
- Confirmation Brunch, May 19
- Memorial Day Observed, Office Closed, May 27
- Newsletter Assembly, May 30
- Day of Ascension, May 30

JUNE

- Men's Club Breakfast, Jun 1
- Summer Sunday Schedule Begins, Jun 2 (9 am only)
- Central/Southern Illinois Synod Assembly, Jun 6-8
- Pentecost Weekend, Jun 8-9
- S.O.S. Soup Kitchen, (1st Presbyterian), Jun 11
- Holy Trinity Weekend, Jun 15-16
- Father's Day Weekend, Jun 15-16
- Newsletter Deadline, Jun 18
- Summer Begins, Jun 21

JULY

- Independence Day/Church Office Closed, Jul 4-5
- Men's Club Breakfast, Jul 6
- S.O.S. Soup Kitchen (St. John's Evan. UCC), Jul 11
- Newsletter Deadline, Jul 16
- Newsletter Assembly, Jul 30





IN SYMPATHY

Joanne Sullivan Family

(at the death of her husband Max on Mar. 6)

JoAnn Hartke's Family

(at the death of her aunt Velma Henkhaus on Feb. 23)

Zach & Abby Tiemann Family

(at their father Chris Tiemann's death on Feb. 28)

Ms Joanlee's Family

(at her death on March 1/Harvey Chiles' friend)

Sharon Janda's Family

(at her death/Robin Wellener's friend)

Laura Hughbanks Family

(at her death/Pastor Paul & Rosy Park's friends)

Massacre Victims at New Zealand Mosques

(March 15)

Jenn Gavlin Family

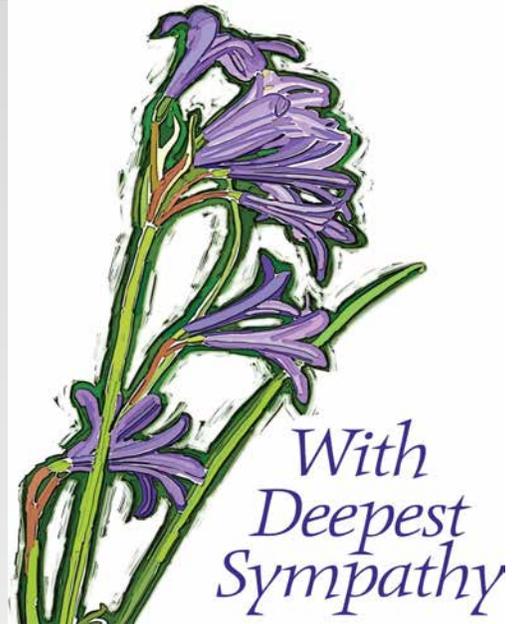
(at her death, Brian Gunderson's friend)

Tom Messina Family

(at the death of Tom's Mother, Lula Messina on Mar. 20)

Leona Doehler Family

(at her death on Mar. 23, Joann Hartke's Godmother)



Prayer List for Military Personnel

Lance Cpl. Clayton Campbell
 Major James Carmichael
 Capt. Blake Crosby
 Airborne Ranger Keegan Crosby
 Staff Sgt. Tyson Crosby
 SPC Bill Homes
 Charles Homes
 Zach Huff
 AB Luke Maue
 John Meyer



★ PRAY for THEM ★

Zachary Neubauer
 Amador Ochoa
 Josh Pace
 Scott Prengel
 Jack Scoles
 Staff Sgt. Skipper Smith
 Sgt. Matthew Spencer
 (Ret.)
 Staff Sgt. Stephan Spencer

Barb Erickson
Greg Fremder
Sue & Jim Green
Don Klingsick
Erick Larson
Claire Maue
Patrick Noga
Rosy Park
John Puricelli
Jeff Scheiter
Harry & Lynn Thiel
Karen Tilashalski
Joan Vail
Jean Weishaupt
Elizabeth White
Lisa White



Katie Noga
Rachel Schoenecker
Alison Kirk
Grace Hauch
Elaine Nemsy
Barbara Werne
Cathy Sanders
Jean Weishaupt
Brian Gunderson
Aidan Dollar
Steve Perry
Olivia Comrie
Randy Steele
Colin Hauch
Sean Crosby
Blake Trucano
Norma Klingsick

Denise Turner
Katelyn Foppe
Marcine Lemke
JoAnn Hartke
Wayne Eastby
Jake Scheiter
Julie Scheiter
Glenda Klingsick
Josie Steinmann
Joann Sullivan
Robert Valentine
Luke Huster
Meg Oberlag
Isabelle Mize
Mary Olsen
Debbie Young



Bill & Denise Turner
Robin & Lance* Wellener
Jeff & Terry Menz
Rob & Carol Hancock
Zach* & Maddie LaMar
Tony & Debbie Young
Neil & Lisa Micnheimer

Bill & Cindy Diggs
Tim & Connie Nyland
Ed & Laura Foppe
Fred & Joyce Tatjenhorst
Jim & Linda Spencer
Jordan & Kristie Wright

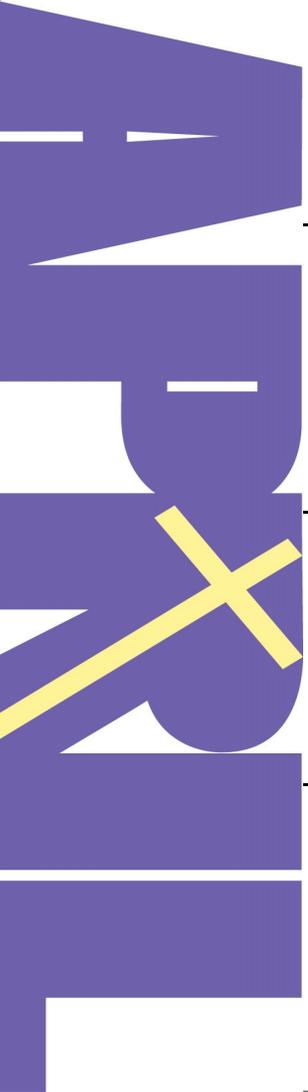
Prayers for Family and Friends of Church Members

Gladys Adams (Nicole Williams' friend)
Steve Anderson (Beth Giese's brother)
Timmy Axton (Rod & Carol Orr's friend)
Jeff Bombal (Comrie's nephew)
Estella Brock (Irene VanHooser's Friend)
Jeff C.
Pat C.
Jeff Callahan
Linda Carter
Claire (Holshouser's friend)
Lucian Cojucaru
Bill Cross (Mike Williams' friend's uncle)
Austin Cummings (Erick & Karen Larson's grandson)
Jeff Davitz (Carole Callahan's friend)
Joann Dennis (Brian Hartke's aunt)
Priscilla Donals
Judy Douglass (Karen Tilashalski's aunt)
Fred Edmonds
Bruce Fernie (Lori Fremder's friend)
Vickie Finan (Kassing's niece)
Louise Gibbons (Rhonda Comrie's Friend)
Kristi & Pr. David Glense
Glenda
Miranda Goes (Kassing's friend)
Penny Grimes (Hoelscher's friend)
Linda Gross (Carole Callahan's friend)

Shayna Hadley (Gocken's daughter)
Verda Hahnenkamp (Brian Hartke's aunt)
Sue Harris (Linda Spencer's close friend)
Ron Harrison
David Hendricks
Jane Hogg
Solane Hogg (Carole Callahan's friend)
Jean Huster (Dora Clawges' sister-in-law)
Sandra Ingram (Mike Williams sister)
**Iowa & Nebraska Flood
Victims**
Ann Joyce
Journey Kampton (Erick Larson's Friend's granddaughter)
Julane Kuy Kendall (Robin Wellner's great nephew)
Pr. Tim Kennedy (Loretta Williams' brother-in-law)
Brenda Kilgore (Carol Gocken's friend)
Larry Lambert
Vicki Lottes
David Lydick (Deanne Holshouser's cousin)
Kathryn Martin (Karen Larson's friend)
Maxine
Jerry McBride
Charlie McCord
Kathy McDaniels (Chuck & Cindy Pugh's friend)
Michael Meyer (Barb Erickson's grandson)
Don Muller (Terry Menz' brother)

Margaret Neubauer (White's sister-in-law)
Brantley Noble
Courtney Pearce (Mike Williams Friend)
Peggy (Caryl Kassing's friend)
Dwight Pugh (Chuck Pugh's father)
Rhonda Reuter (Sue Green's H.S. friend)
Lucas Wade Rodell (Carole Callahan's nephew)
Brenda Simmons (Irene VanHooser's friend)
Alex Spadich
Sarah Beth Stanley (Erick Larson's friend)
Ken Strong (Carole Callahan's brother)
Rod & Sharon Summer (Williams' neighbors)
Loralee Snyclair (Tim Nyland's aunt)
Steve Tatjenhorst (Fred & Joyce Tatjenhorst's son)
Theo (Jan Vinson's coworker's grandson)
Thelma Thompson (Carole Callahan's friend)
Sergio Vieira
Doug Wannan
Peggy Wells
Jean Wheeland (Beth Giese's mother)
Robert White (David White's father)
Diane Wooden

IN OUR
 Thoughts and Prayers

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>7 Lent 5 8 - Worship 9:15 - Confirmation; Adult Bible Study; Hospitality 9:30 - Sunday School; High School Class 10:00 - Chancel Choir 10:45 - Worship</p>	<p>1 3 - 8 - Kairos Academy</p>	<p>2 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Anon; Praise Band</p>	<p>3 5:30 - Soup Supper 6:45 - Lenten Worship</p>	<p>4 10:30 - Office Angels 2 - Amicidi Martino Studenti Italiani 6:30 - Bell Choir</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 Lent 5 7 - Men's Club Breakfast 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship; 6:30 - 1st of the Month Dinner Out</p>
<p>14 Palm Sunday 8 - Worship 9:15 - Adult Bible Study; Hospitality; Confirmation 9:30 - Sunday School; High School Class 10:00 - Chancel Choir 10:45 - Worship 4 - Youth Group Mtg</p>	<p>15 Tax Day 11:30 - Serendipity Book Club 3 - 8 - Kairos Academy 6:30 - Church Council</p>	<p>16 Newsletter Deadline 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Anon; Praise Band</p>	<p>17 6 - 8:30 - Hindu Worship 6:30 - Chancel & Bell Choir</p>	<p>18 Maundy Thursday 10:30 - Office Angels 2 - Amicidi Martino Studenti Italiani 7 - Maundy Thursday Worship 6:30 - Recovery 360- Family Support</p>	<p>19 Good Friday 7 - Good Friday Worship</p>	<p>20 Easter Vigil 8 - Men's Breakfast Fellowship 9 - Le Leche League 10 - Chancel & Bell Choir Practice 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Easter Vigil 6:15 - Fellowship</p>
<p>21 Easter Sunday 6:15 - Easter Sunrise Service 8 - Worship 9:30 - Easter Brunch 10:45 - Worship</p>	<p>22 Easter Monday Church Office Closed 8-11 Domestic Abuse Training for Hair Dressers 3 - 8 - Kairos Academy</p>	<p>23 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Anon;</p>	<p>24 Administrative Appreciation Day 6:30 - Chancel Choir</p>	<p>25 9:30 - Newsletter Assembly 10 - Morning Glories Bible Study 10:30 - Office Angels 2 - Amicidi Martino Studenti Italiani 6 - MOC Board 6:30 - MEHCCA</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 Easter 2 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship 6:15 - Congregational Meeting/Fellowship</p>
<p>28 Easter 2 8 - Worship 9:15 - Adult Bible Study; Hospitality; Confirmation; Congregational Meeting 9:30 - Sunday School; High School Class 10:45 - Worship Noon - Congregational Meeting 4 - Youth Group Mtg</p>	<p>29 3 - 8 - Kairos Academy</p>	<p>30 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Anon; Praise Band</p>				

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