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March 29-April 2 – Holy Week Community Services at Noon at Trinity Lutheran Church at noon each day.

**April 1** – Maundy Thursday **7pm** In-person Worship and
Facebook Live

**April 2** – Good Friday **7pm** In-Person Worship and
Facebook Live

April 4 – Easter
In-person worship
at 9:30am in sanctuary
No Sunday School



... for **Scott VanVelsor** and for his caregivers and medical staff.

...for **Christina Griswold**, undergoing chemotherapy.

... for **Jim Eager**, for health and wellbeing. Receiving treatments for a form of blood cancer

... for victims and families of the recent shootings in Georgia and Colorado.

... for an end to the pandemic

... the crisis at the border

#### COMMUNION SERVING SCHEDULE

DATE	DEACONS	MEDITATION
APRIL	David &	Pastor Greg
4	Leslie Wilt	
APRIL	Renee &	Steve Spicher
11	Erik Galvin	
APRIL	Jake Runge	Hope Nelson
18	Marnie	
	Herring	
APRIL	Chris &	Pastor Greg
25	Marla Wood	



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#### HOLY VESSELS Broken into Beauty April 4, 2021

Message by Pastor Martha-Jean Fitch "Holy Vessels: Risen!"
Scripture: John 20:11-29

#### April 11, 2021 Message by Renee Galvin

"This is Love: Love That Forgives Our Sin" Scripture: John 21

Worship will be in-person at 9:30am and on Facebook Live at 9:30am and later on Sunday morning on our webpage and YouTube.



# MAUNDY THURSDAY

#### **HOLY WEEK WORSHIP**

#### MAUNDY THURSDAY April 1 – 7pm

Please bring your beach glass for service.

GOOD FRIDAY – April 2 – 7pm



#### **BLESSING BOX**

#### Our current needs:

Toothpaste	Body Wash
Deodorant	Warm Socks
Toilet Paper	Disposable Razors
Sanitary Products	Dish Soap
Shampoo	Laundry Detergent
Bath Soap	Non-perishable food



Items can be placed in the barrel near the Pastor M.J's office.

Contact Pastor MJ or Steph Line to arrange a drop-off or pick-up as needed. Take what you need. Bring what you can. Be blessed.



#### **JOY (BLESSING) BOX DEDICATION**

As we try to get our church back to some form of normalcy, we ask our congregation to be patient with us as we try to bring back some of the projects we did in 2019. One of those projects was our personal Joy Boxes (aka our Blessing Boxes) which we dropped coins in each day when we felt blessed by God. It could be a penny, a nickel, a dime or whatever we felt in our heart to give. It was thanking

God for all the blessings he bestowed upon us for the year. We will have a dedication of our Joy Boxes at worship on **Sunday April 25th**, then the money will be sent to the Disciples Mission Fund for the ongoing work of the church and Disciples Women.

We realize not everyone is coming to worship at this time, so if you are, there will be a basket on the front pew of the sanctuary on **April 25th** that you can drop your coins in. You can give them to Earlene Crouse or Carolyn Spratt at any time. Also you can call *Earlene Crouse at 343-6445* and she will be glad to pick them up if you are not attending church at this time. Thank you for participating in this project of love and gratitude to God.

Pastor Greg and Pastor MJ will be on vacation April 5 - 11. Please call your shepherding elder for any pastoral concerns.



#### **EASTER OFFERING 2021**

A Special Day Offering of the Disciples Mission Fund -Supporting the General Ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) helping share ministries of:

- ➤ Global ministry partners who work for justice, reconciliation, and peace
- ➤ colleges, universities, and theological institutions that nurture Christian leaders who are transforming church, society, and world
- > volunteers who help in the aftermath of disasters
- > new congregations who worship in a variety of languages and worship styles
- > ministry grants for congregational service
- ministries that serve hungry neighbors

#### THIS IS LOVE - NEW SERMON SERIES

What is Love? The answer may seem obvious – that God demonstrated his love for us; that we when were still sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8). What might not be as obvious is how this love has power today to transform every aspect of our lives.

This season, you're invited to join us for a special three-week series. Our own Renee Galvin will begin the series on **April 11**, with the topic: *Love that Forgives Our Sin*. Pastor Greg will continue on **April 18**, with the topic: *Love that Conquers Death*. And on **April 25**, Pastor MJ will end the series with the topic: *Love that Makes All Things New*.

Bring a friend or neighbor, and we'll discover together that the resurrection still changes everything.

