

ANNOUNCEMENTS – MARCH 18, 2018

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: 1:00PM Ladies Mission Project
Tuesday: 8:00AM Men's Bible Breakfast - Rescheduled
Wednesday: 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:00PM Lenten Midweek Worship
7:45PM Choir
Saturday: 12:30PM Youth Event: Shoreview Community Center Waterpark
Next Sunday: Palm Sunday
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship
11:00AM Palm Sunday Brunch
3:00PM St. Matthew's Passion, Red Wing Singers

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today - Sue Domagala
Monday - Logan Dicke
Tuesday - Brian Augustin, Dan Langhans
Wednesday - Marshall & Kari Benedict
Thursday - Kevin Holm, Mason Stumpf
Friday - Karen Stemmann
Saturday - Vera Carlson

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jeanette Falkner, Melissa Barbey, Pat Banitt (struggling with Disembarkment Syndrome), Bob Langhans, Burnetta Dicke, and Craig Remus (recovering from surgery).

?? QUESTIONS FOR LENT ??

The final Wednesday midweek worship service of Lent will be held this week, March 21, at 7:00 PM. This week we will consider the sensitive and painful issue of suicide. What kind of hope can we offer in such cases? Join us for answers from the Holy Scriptures. Thank you to everyone who has participated in making these services special! On the whole, attendance has improved from previous years and people have found these worship experiences to be very engaging! Thank you to all participants!

ST. MATTHEW'S PASSION

You are invited to hear a program from Johann Sebastian Bach's St. Matthew Passion, as re-imagined by Felix Mendelssohn and conducted by Dr. John A. Schultz. In 1829, Mendelssohn presented Bach's masterwork to a Berlin audience after almost one hundred years of silence. Mendelssohn's performance ideas about presenting the Passion have been used to re-create the accessibility of Bach's work, without losing its original impact and narrative. The Red Wing Singers will perform in this concert. The program will be presented on Sunday, March 25, at 3:00 PM at Christ Episcopal Church, [321 West Avenue, Red Wing](#). Dr. Schultz will present a pre-concert talk at 2:30 PM. Pastor Sorenson will sing in this program.

EASTER EGG HUNT

An Easter Egg Hunt will be held again this year on Holy Saturday, March 31, at 10:00 AM. Children who are second grade and younger are invited to attend. Many thanks to Leslie Germann-Hutter and Nikki Scheele for organizing this fun activity for our children! In case of poor weather, all activities will be inside the church building.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Remember that many worship experiences are available to you as we come to the culmination of Lent! Next Sunday is Palm Sunday; our Sunday morning schedule is the same for Palm Sunday, except that we will have a special brunch following the service. Later in the week, the Maundy Thursday service will be held at 7:00 PM on March 28th. Good Friday service will be at 7:00 PM on March 30th. Easter Sunday is on April 1st. No Sunday School or Bible Class will be held that morning. Service will be at 10:00 AM, our usual time.

LENTEN PROJECT: PERSONAL CARE KITS

Our congregation will partner with Lutheran World Relief to collect Personal Care Kits for people who have lost everything from a natural disaster or life-threatening violence. Give hope through a bar of soap! Here's how it works. Every week of Lent, bring in an item to donate to a personal care kit. Each week will feature a specific item, but you may collect them all at once, if you wish. If you plan on participating, please don't just pick and choose certain items, because we then end up with mismatched kits that cannot be used. Pastor Sorenson still has a church closet full of extra toothbrushes from last time we did this project! Here is the schedule and items:

By February 25: one bath towel (dark recommended, min. size 20" x 40" - max. size 52" x 27")

By March 4: two bars of soap, regular sized (must be in original boxes)

By March 11: one adult size toothbrush (must be in original packaging)

March 18: one sturdy comb

March 25: one nail-clipper

No items with patriotic symbols, flags, or camouflage will be accepted. Used items will be thrown away. If you have additional questions, please speak with Pastor Sorenson.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, March 25, 2018

6:05AM on WCCO-AM (830), Minneapolis

6:00PM on KDHL-AM (920), Faribault

"And They Crucified Him"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

We mourn the unjust murder of the Savior by considering the text: "And they crucified Him."
(Mark 14:24a)

LIFE QUOTE

"Ultimately abortions are antithetical to the Gospel message the church proclaims, as we marvel over the fact that Jesus says to undeserving sinners: 'I will lay my life down for my sheep,' and so He did, taking on our sin and shame and the debt that stood against us and nailing it to the cross. Abortion instead demands of an innocent life, 'You will lay your life down for me.'" *Pastor Gunnar Ingi Gunnarsson, Loftstofan Baptistakirkja, Iceland – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life •*

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CATECHISM REVIEW

The Apostles' Creed: The Third Article

Sanctification

How do you know that the Holy Spirit is God?

Because the Scriptures clearly call Him God, teaching that

- A) the Holy Spirit has divine names (Acts 5:3-4; 1 Cor. 3:16);
- B) the Holy Spirit possesses divine attributes (Ps. 139:7-10; 1 Cor. 2:10; Heb. 9:14);
- C) the Holy Spirit does divine works, which only God can do (Gen. 1:2; Tit. 3:5);
- D) the Holy Spirit receives divine honor and glory (1 Pet. 4:14).