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March 5th  
Noon and 6:30pm  
Worship with  
Holy Communion

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## From Pastor's Pen:

*Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel." (Mark 1:14b-15)*

Dear Family in Christ,

This month, we begin another season of Lent. It is a holy season of prayerful and penitential reflection, when our attention is especially directed to the holy sufferings and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Over the years I have had a number of people share that they do not like this part of the Church year. With the "mournful" hymns, the emphasis on sin, the call to repentance, and all the stuff about Jesus' suffering, they would rather just fast-forward to Easter.

The problem is that without Lent and Good Friday the message of Easter is pointless. It is necessary for us to consider the reason and necessity of Christ's self-sacrifice, and for us to journey with Him to the cross if we want to fully celebrate the Paschal Feast. The resurrection victory is made sweeter when we remember the struggles of the battle.

So do not be put off by the somber tone of the season. Take it in, experience it, and let it take you where you need to go – to the cross. And when you get there remember that the cross has two messages. One is painful and bitter: God hates your sin and rebellion so much that the only thing that could turn away His anger was the rejection, suffering and agonizing death of Jesus. The other message is comforting and sweet: God loves you so much that He sent His Only-begotten Son to be tortured and killed so that you could be forgiven and belong to Him for eternity.

This year in our mid-week and holy week services our theme will be "Reflections on Repentance." In this series we will be looking at both messages; the painful and bitter and the comforting and sweet. After all, repentance is much more than beating ourselves up over our spiritual failures and living in constant sadness over our sin. As Lutherans we confess: *"Now, repentance consists properly of these two parts: One is contrition, that is, terrors smiting the conscience through the knowledge of sin; the other is faith, which is born of the Gospel, or of absolution, and believes that for Christ's sake, sins are forgiven, comforts the conscience, and delivers it from terrors. Then good works are bound to follow, which are the fruits of repentance. (AC XII)*

This is what our Lenten repentance is all about - the smiting of our conscience in the knowledge of our sin and the comfort of our conscience through faith in the forgiveness we have in Christ. So, I hope that you will attend all of the services during Lent, as Jesus declares to you: ***"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."***

See you in worship!

*Pastor Umbarger*

## Deaconess' Desk

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

When you look around in any given crowd of people, you are likely to see at least a few with noticeable sicknesses or injuries. Maybe it is the girl sitting on the bench of the soccer field with her leg in a cast. Maybe you notice the elderly gentleman stooped over and unable to take more than a few steps without pausing to catch his breath. Maybe the woman battling cancer has lost her hair and looks completely different than how you once remembered her. These are all outward signs of disorder in the body.

What if it isn't always that noticeable? There are many physical struggles that people have that we cannot detect with our eyes. Even more common are the cases of mental illness that mark the lives of many people. Though unseen, mental illness can be deadly, and more than 1 in 5 adults struggle with some variety of a diagnosable mental illness and many more suffer emotional distress which does not meet diagnosable criteria. The more prevalent illnesses, which account for 80% of cases, are anxiety disorders, major depression, substance use disorders and trauma-based disorders.

Not only are these struggles invisible to others, but there has been a history of stigma surrounding mental health issues, which can lead those who struggle to keep their pain hidden for fear of criticism or judgment. This often leads to further isolation of these individuals from the community that could be playing a vital role in their support. So then, what is our role in caring for those struggling with mental illness? You may ask, if I can't notice it, what am I supposed to do about it?

First, the importance of making genuine connections with the people sitting in the pews around you cannot be understated. This group who gathers here for worship is more than a random collection of people going to the same event. This is your family, other members of the body of Christ gathered to receive His Word and Sacrament in communion with you. As familiarity is gained among the congregation, it is more likely that people will feel comfortable opening up to their neighbors about their struggles.

Second, don't be afraid to ask someone how they are doing. If you know of someone who has recently gone through a hard time, or you notice that someone seems off in how they interact with you or others, make it a point to have a conversation with them where there is time and opportunity to talk about what is bothering them. It is important to note that this conversation should not be attempted in passing as it should not be rushed.

Third, focus on listening. This may seem obvious, but it is important not to jump into trying to find a solution right away. There are many good resources that may need to be suggested down the road such as counseling or visiting a doctor, but it is most helpful to listen. Let people tell their story and describe their struggle.

Finally, it takes a lot of courage to open up about mental health challenges. If someone trusts you enough to talk to you, don't betray that trust by spreading their story around. Unless someone is planning to hurt themselves or others, the only one you need to talk to about their pain is God. Pray for your fellow members and especially those who are in pain, but refrain from using prayer as an excuse to gossip about the hardships of others.

May God grant us all wisdom and strength to support those around us who are struggling and courage to reach out to others for help when we are burdened.

Blessings in Christ,  
Deaconess

## Serving the Lord This Month:

### Ushers

**Mar 1:** Greg Burke, Todd Miller, Rick Newlon, & Larry Ripka  
**Mar 2:** The Mattly Family  
**Mar 8:** Greg Burke, Todd Miller, Rick Newlon, & Larry Ripka  
**Mar 9:** Glen McMillin  
**Mar 15:** Greg Burke, Todd Miller, Rick Newlon, & Larry Ripka  
**Mar 16:** The Mattly Family  
**Mar 22:** Greg Burke, Todd Miller, Rick Newlon, & Larry Ripka  
**Mar 23:** Rod Hopkins  
**Mar 29:** Greg Burke, Todd Miller, Rick Newlon, & Larry Ripka  
**Mar 30:** The Mattly Family

### Greeters

**Mar 1:** Chuck Brokaw  
**Mar 2:** Kathy McDowell  
**Mar 8:** Chuck Brokaw  
**Mar 9:** Kathy McDowell  
**Mar 15:** Chuck Brokaw  
**Mar 16:** Lucille Perley  
**Mar 22:** Chuck Brokaw  
**Mar 23:** Lucille Perley  
**Mar 29:** Chuck Brokaw  
**Mar 30:** Marsha Boarts

### Acolytes

**Mar 2:** Sloane Churchill  
**Mar 9:** Joel Duffy  
**Mar 16:** John Kjera  
**Mar 23:** Nathan Duffy  
**Mar 30:** Briella Churchill



### Communion Assistants

**Mar 2:** Dennis Boarts & Jonathan Schmidt  
**Mar 5, Ash Wednesday:** Dennis Boarts  
**Mar 16:** Glen McMillin & Jim Homann  
**Mar 30:** Kevin McAnally & Jonathan Schmidt

### Altar Guild

Diana Lackey, Flo Moore, and Margie Schaefer

Ash Wednesday:  
 Noon: Marsha Boarts  
 6:30pm: Dawn Antolik



### Eternal Candle

**Mar 2:** Lucille Perley  
**Mar 9:** In honor of Alyssa McAnally's 12th baptismal birthday  
**Mar 16:** Lucille Perley  
**Mar 23:** OPEN  
**Mar 30:** In honor of Elizabeth Antolik's baptismal birthday



### Flower Chart

*Since Ash Wednesday until Easter is a solemn time of contemplation and not a time of celebration, we will refrain from decorating the Chancel until Easter, at which time it will be decorated with Easter lilies.*



## Church News

### Birthdays this Month:

<b>2nd</b> Gabrielle May	<b>19th</b> Stacey Roman	<b>29th</b> Mary Ann Eckert, Russell Kosche, & Megan Weathers
<b>3rd</b> Ruth Poole-Mayerhofer & Earl Schaefer	<b>21st</b> Carmae Kern & Jaxon McKay	<b>30th</b> George Fellows, Cassie Johnson, & Ruby Pancrazio
<b>4th</b> Torin Fauser	<b>22nd</b> Chris Caldwell & Savanna Kern	
<b>6th</b> Colin Scheer	<b>23rd</b> Susan Bowman & Janet Wachs	
<b>7th</b> Elizabeth Antolik, Diana Johnson & David Pratt	<b>25th</b> Hallie & Zoe Flaugh, Jackson Merritt, & Carla Umbarger	
<b>9th</b> Robert Coon & Chris Higgins	<b>26th</b> Jeff Belan & Jacob Ryan	
<b>10th</b> Nikki Chellew	<b>28th</b> Ronda Little & Nancy Williams	
<b>12th</b> Steve Sullivan		
<b>15th</b> Keri Pena		
<b>16th</b> Kevin Rossmiller		
<b>17th</b> Brian Kelly		



### Weekly Attendance

<u>Date:</u>	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
1/26	119	134
2/2	139	153
2/09	131	127
2/16	112	122

Average monthly attendance: 25%

### Easter Lilies

We will be purchasing Lilies to adorn the altar at Easter soon. The cost is unknown as of yet. Watch the Bulletin for more information! We need a total of 44 plants to fill our crosses.

Thank you!!

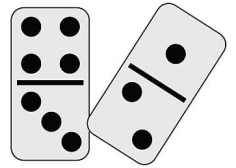


## Church News

All Boards meet on  
Thursday, March 6th at 6:30pm.  
Parish Planning meets on March 13th at 6:30pm.  
There is a Voter's meeting on March 16th after worship service

### Games in the Activities Room

Dominoes is dominating the game room on Mondays and Wednesdays. All are welcome to join in the fun. We meet from 1:30-3:30pm in the activities room. Beat the winter blahs with fun, fellowship, and snacks!



There is also a puzzle table open to anyone anytime during office hours:  
(Mon-Wed 8:30am-2:00pm, and Thursday 8:30am-noon)

### 2nd Friday Fellowship

All are welcome for fun and fellowship on **Friday, March 14th at 6:30pm**. We will play games and eat snacks. The more the merrier – please join us!

### Crafting Monday

On **Monday, March 17th at 1:30pm** we will be making mosaic crosses. We start with a wooden cross base, then glue colorful tiles for a result that looks like stained glass! There is an example and a sign-up sheet at the Sign-Up Station. All 13 spaces are taken, but you may add your name to the wait list in case a spot opens up!

### Ladies Luncheon

The Ladies of St. John's invite you to lunch on **Thursday, March 20th at 11:30am** at the Deerfield Restaurant. We hope you will join us!

### Altar Guild

Spring cleaning is scheduled for April 4th and 5th. Please put this on your calendars – many hands make for light work!





## Church News

### LWML



**Lutheran Women's Missionary League** is an auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

The next meeting will be Thursday, March 20 at 1:00 pm in the Janssen rooms. We will be working on Easter Baskets. If you are able please bring one bag of candy to fill the baskets. ALL ladies are welcome!

***This month we are spotlighting two of the organizations receiving national LWML grants.***

#### **2023–2025 Mission Grant No. 11 LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION FINISH THE JOB Ministry in Mission, Haiti | \$85,000**

Ministry in Mission is working with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Haiti to complete repairs to churches that were damaged by an earthquake in 2021. The \$85,000 LWML Mission Grant will allow the Lutheran church in Haiti to purchase the final items needed so their members can worship in a safe structure. Natural and manmade disasters test the Haitians, but the love of God gives them strength and confidence.

To learn more, visit [www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-11](http://www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-11).

#### **2023–2025 Mission Grant No. 12 SHARING CHRIST CRUCIFIED WITH HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH Lutheran High School of Greater New Orleans | \$35,000**

Lutheran High School of Greater New Orleans is the recipient of a \$35,000 LWML mission grant. The school exists by God's grace as an extension of Lutheran congregations to provide a quality physical, intellectual, and spiritual education to its students, enabling them to go to college, to be exemplary citizens, and to be equipped to make disciples for Christ.

To learn more, visit [www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-12](http://www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-12).

## Church News

### Notes from the Balcony

The season of Lent begins shortly with Ash Wednesday on March 5. What is the significance of Lent? Various denominations observe Lent in quite different ways from those who have many and specific rules about prayer, church attendance, fasting, and charity to those who don't even seem to acknowledge its existence. When I was young, with a dad who was a pastor at a couple of country churches, our family practice of Lent consisted of attendance at Wednesday services and devotions from Lenten booklets at the supper table.

What is the significance of Lent in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod? According to the LCMS website,

"Early in the Church's history, the major events in Christ's life were observed with special observances...As these observances developed, a period of time was set aside prior to the major events of Jesus' birth and resurrection as a time of preparation. During Lent, the Church's worship assumes a more penitential character. The color for the season is purple, a color often associated with penitence. The "Hymn of Praise" is omitted from the liturgy. The word "Alleluia" is usually omitted as well...In the ancient Church, the weeks leading up to Easter were a time of intensive preparation of the candidates who were to be baptized at the Easter vigil on Holy Saturday...This focus would suggest that the season of Lent serves not only as a time to meditate on the suffering that Christ endured on our behalf but also as an opportunity to reflect upon our own Baptism and what it means to live as a child of God."

How can the music of the church be a part of a member's Lenten life? Meditation on the hymns of Lent and Holy Week might be a start. There are about forty of them in the hymnal. If the hymn on the seven last words of Christ on the cross is divided into seven different days there will be enough for each of the days of Lent. The Sundays in Lent could focus on a hymn from the Baptismal Life section, each of which references the work of Christ on the cross for our redemption. Don't own a hymnal? Our hymnal is loaded with devotional resources and is worth owning in each home. I would recommend looking into getting one.

A blessed Lent to all.

Christine Engebrecht

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### Lenten Devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries- available now on the Information Table

In Jesus Christ, God Himself enters our human condition. In *Servant of the Lord*, we see Jesus as God's Son and our Redeemer. He has made the Heavenly Father known to us. Proclaiming the kingdom of God, Jesus served us—lovingly, patiently, compassionately—as He died for our sins and rose three days later in Easter victory.

We have in Jesus the supreme example of devoted service. His teachings defined the lives we are to live—both in praise and honor to God and in love and peace toward one another. All this Jesus did as God's chosen Servant, sent from heaven to earth to be our King, Savior, and trusted Friend.

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## From the CID

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

LCMS Stewardship Ministry – [lcms.org/stewardship](https://lcms.org/stewardship) Newsletter Article – March 2025

### God's Instruments, God's Stewards

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. (Eph. 2:10)

Some pastors refer to these words as “the most forgotten words in the Scriptures.” They are forgotten because they follow the familiar and critical words before it. The preceding two verses that overshadow Ephesians 2:10 are words of justification: “For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast” (Eph. 2:8–9). These are words preached regularly. They are assigned as confirmation verses. They carry with them the very heart of what it means to be a redeemed child of God!

Precisely because the previous verses are so central to salvation, they often overpower our practice of stewardship! We have been saved by grace. This is certain and sure because of Jesus. Works play no role in our salvation. No credit taking for us! Grace is freely given. Faith is miraculously created by the Spirit and joyously received. This truth is so wonderful and so encompassing that we often miss out on WHY we are redeemed.

The grace of God revealed in Jesus calls us to faith. But St. Paul doesn't stop with grace and faith. He continues to the logical conclusion. Just like the creation declares the handiwork of God, the redemption of sinners like you and me declares His greatest handiwork! Redeemed stewards are created to reflect the grace and mercy God showers on us to others.

As Lutherans, we understand that good works flow from faith in Jesus Christ. They are the fruit of the tree of salvation into which we have been grafted by grace. Sanctification and stewardship are both on-going and active confessions of what the Lord has done in us. These works are not always spectacular. Many times, they are simply parents showing Jesus to their children. They are compassionate actions that live out the truth of the Gospel to co-workers and even complete strangers. While they can be grand endeavors, more likely they are simple, beautiful works which highlight what Jesus has done in us.

These works aren't random either. They have been planned by God. God planned to use you as a faithful steward as you walk the road that leads you through your daily life. There are no chance encounters or coincidences. They have been planned by the Lord of the universe for the benefit of His creation. Good works are what point to God's greatest work: Jesus!

He calls you and me to walk in this faith, which flows from this grace, which has been poured out on us in Jesus. But even this is not to our credit. We are simply called to be faithful stewards of God's grace so that we may share it with those who need it as much as we do. God's Spirit carries us along in this. We are just the steward — the instrument in His hand to accomplish His plan and glorify Him!



## From the CID

*As you come to Him, the living Stone – rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to Him – you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices to God through Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 2:4-5*

Have you ever noticed the pattern in which bricks or cement blocks are arranged on a wall? In the middle of the wall each one is touching six others. The church of Christ is to be like that. Each one of us is touching others that we may support one another. Of course, we are not limited to supporting six people and we ourselves may be supported by more than six.

Have you ever watched a small child build a tower with wooden or plastic blocks? They tend to place each one directly on top of the others. Even if the blocks snap together, the wall easily falls. In business or in church that is what we call “silo thinking.” Departments or families “stack” themselves together without giving any real support to other families or departments. Just like the small child’s block tower, such an arrangement is doomed to fall or to function at much less than its potential.

Christ is our solid Rock upon whom we are securely founded and supported. If things fall apart in a congregation, we cannot blame God. Rather, we must look at ourselves and assess how we are built together and upon whom are we founded. Lack of members or money are symptoms and not the cause of a fall. In rural areas where the number of members may decline because the area population is declining, the congregation can serve God and members can grow in faith as they support one another. Remember, Jesus called twelve apostles, not twelve hundred. And as far as we know, none of them was rich. Yet those few people made a huge difference in the world as God blessed them, supported them, and used them.

– Rev Jeff Harter

**Join us for the 2025 Martin+Katie Conference at University Lutheran Church in Champaign, IL on Saturday, March 29, 2025.**

At this free conference, grow as Christian men and women, meet new friends, get to know each other, and have fun. The conference is open to ages 18–30. Married or single are welcome.

Registration is required, as capacity is limited. Please register no later than Friday, March 21st. Info and registration are available at <http://martinpluskatie.org>.

*Plus:* Extra bonus activities planned for Friday night, March 28, and Saturday night, March 29! All are invited to stay for Sunday Bible Class, Divine Service, and lunch on Sunday, March 30.



## From the CID

### Enough

We learn valuable lessons in life, sometimes in the most unexpected places. One of the great life lessons I learned was in the Chicago Bus Terminal one Friday night after midnight. While there, I began conversing with an old-order Amish man. He said he was a farmer. I asked how big a farm he farmed and he said it was "big enough." I asked how much land he farmed. He said "enough". I asked him how many acres he farmed and he said "enough." I saw that he was a wise man, content with what he had. For him, it was "enough." It became apparent to me that I wasn't as content as this man but

prayed that God would change my heart, so like this gentleman and the apostle Paul, I would be content in any and every situation. Contentment is about faith, knowing that God created and sustains every atom and molecule of this world, believing that He loves us so much that God sent Jesus to suffer and die for our sins, and understanding that He will never leave us or forsake us. Therefore, we can trust that, whether living or dying, He will always give each and every believer "enough."

Rev. Charles Olander

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Pray For Our Central Illinois District Missions supported by your church's contributions to the District. "Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the Word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honored." Please remember in your prayers all our CID campus ministries, especially Immanuel Lutheran Church in Charleston, serving students, faculty, and staff at Eastern Illinois University. And pray for the "Keeping Christ on Campus campaign," building endowments to help CID support our campus ministries.

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### Items of Interest to Share:

**Save the Date** – Everyone is invited to attend the Central Illinois District Lutheran Laymen's District Convention on March 1st. It will be at Camp CILCA in the new dining hall room. Doors open at 9:00 AM. Lunch will be served. The guest speaker will be past Lutheran Hour Speaker and retired Concordia Seminary President – Dr. Dale Meyer. Registration deadline is Feb 23. Register by emailing Deloris Blessman at [delorisblessman@yahoo.com](mailto:delorisblessman@yahoo.com)

### CID Convention Reminders:

- Convention Date July 13-15, 2025- Springfield, IL
  - Floor Committee meeting date: March 15th
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### Dollars for Missions

The current Dollar for Missions project is \$25,000 for masonry work and repointing at University Lutheran Church in Champaign. The church and student center building serves as an outpost of the Gospel to the 60,000 students annually at the University of Illinois. Portions of the brick and concrete structure are showing their age and are in need of repair. This project will fund targeted work at repairing and repointing sections of the building exterior, so that the Lord's Word and Sacraments can continue to be given out for many decades to come!

## From the CID

### 2025 Illinois Pro-Life March

On March 25, 2025, concerned citizens from all over Illinois will gather in Springfield for the annual state Pro-Life March. Appropriately, March 25 is the festival of the Annunciation.

The Annunciation was when the angel Gabriel went to a young virgin named Mary and told her that she would be the mother of the Christ. Quite likely, Jesus was “conceived by the Holy Spirit” right at that time.

This event in Nazareth, not His subsequent birth at Bethlehem, was when the Word became flesh. The church has historically observed the event exactly nine months before Christmas, which of course we celebrate on December 25.

In biological terms familiar today, for us men and for our salvation God the Son became a Zygote, a Blastocyst, an Embryo, then a Fetus before He was born. Whatever technical word may be used at any stage of Mary’s pregnancy, our Savior was throughout fully human even as He was fully divine. Even before His birth, He was Lord. Elizabeth affirmed this in Luke 1:43: “But how does this happen to me that the mother of my Lord comes to me?”

The festival of the Annunciation marks the beginning of Christ’s Incarnation. It also provides a good reminder about the true beginnings of human life.

Annunciation Day will make a great occasion for the Pro-Life March.

Trinity Lutheran Church (220 S 2nd St, Springfield, IL, 62701), across the street from the state capitol building, will again conduct a Matins service on the day of the march at 11:00 a.m. Northern Illinois District President Allan Buss will preach.

Immediately thereafter, worshipers may walk to the ballroom of the State House Inn, one block north of the capitol building, to pick up a light lunch consisting of a four-inch ham or turkey sandwich, bag of chips, cookie, and bottle of water. Suggested donation is \$6.

The Pro-Life rally outside the capitol is scheduled to begin at 1:00 p.m. Actual marching should step off at about 2:00 p.m.

Worshipers may park in the State House Inn’s west parking lot at the corner of Adams and First Streets, across First Street from the hotel building. Watch for attendants in this lot wearing green LCMS Life Ministry vests. They will give you a parking pass to place in your vehicle. By all means, please carpool. We want to minimize the number of vehicles needing parking downtown.

For additional information, contact Ken Schurb at CID office, (217) 793-1802 or [kschurb@cidlcms.org](mailto:kschurb@cidlcms.org)



## Lenten and Holy Week Schedule

A Lenten supper will be served at 5:30pm

### “Reflections on Repentance...”

#### Ash Wednesday with Holy Communion

Mar. 5th @ Noon & 6:30 pm – “Recognizing Our Need”

#### Mid-week Services of Word and Prayer

Mar. 12th @ 6:30 pm – “Recognizing Against Whom We Sin”

Mar. 19th @ 6:30 pm – “Revealing Our Sinful Nature”

Mar. 26th @ 6:30 pm – “Remembering God's Perfect Demands”

Apr. 2nd @ 6:30 pm – “Relying on God's Grace”

Apr. 9th @ 6:30 pm – “Removing Our Guilt”

### Holy Week

#### Palm Sunday and the Rite of Confirmation

April 13th @ 9:00am

#### Holy Thursday with Holy Communion

Apr. 17th @ Noon & 6:30 pm – “Renewed Through the Gospel”

#### Good Friday

Apr. 18th from Noon until 3:00 pm – “Tre Ore Service”

Apr. 18th @ 6:30 pm – “Restored by His Sacrifice”

#### Easter Vigil Worship with Holy Communion

Apr. 19th @ 6:30 pm – “Rescued From Darkness”

#### Easter Sunrise Worship with Holy Communion

Apr. 20th @ 6:30 am – “Resurrection Triumph”

#### Easter Festival Worship with Holy Communion

Apr. 20th @ 9:00 am – “Rejoicing in Resurrection Hope”



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>23</div> <div>9am - Worship w/ 10:15am - Bible Study /</div>	<div>24</div> <div>1:30pm - Activities Room 5pm - Staff Meeting 6pm - Cherub Chimers 6:30pm - Confirmation 6:30pm - Heavenly Ringers</div>	<div>25</div> <div>10am - Food Pantry 6:30pm - Adult Instruction 6:30pm - Guitar Jam</div>	<div>26</div> <div>9am - TOPS 10am - Women's Bible Study 12pm - Ash Wednesday 1:30pm - Activities Room 5:30pm - Preservice Dinner 6:30pm - Ash Wednesday</div>	<div>27</div> <div>All Boards Meet in Prep for 6:30pm - Board Meetings</div>	<div>28</div> <div>8am - Men's Bible Study 9:30am - Choir Rehearsal 5pm - Worship w/</div>	<div>1</div> <div>8am - Men's Bible Study 9:30am - Choir Rehearsal 5pm - Worship w/</div>
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## Walking in the



## Light of Christ!



## Office Hours

Mon-Wed 8:30am-2:00pm

Thursday 8:30am- noon

## Worship Times

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 9:00am

Sunday School/ Bible Study 10:15am

*Inside our Sanctuary:*

