

## Eastered

Grace and Peace to you Siblings in Christ! As I write this we are finally experiencing spring; the sun is making more appearances and those mountains of snow have melted away. Just as the winter is coming to an end so too is our Lenten journey. We have spent the past weeks exploring different ways of practicing our faith and being spiritually well with God. Throughout this time of Lent we have been in the process of being Eastered; a new way of being in the world, freed from the conventional thinking of this world where the law rules and opened to a life in the Spirit, where we are open to the Spirits movement in us, we live by grace and see all people as beloved of God.

That is what it means to be Eastered; we are not only saved but we are transformed and empowered to live in the world in a new way. As we turn our eyes and hearts toward Holy Week, let us be aware of our Eastering that we may truly rejoice when we emerge new and renewed in Christ.

In Christ's Peace

*Pastor Jess*

## LENTEN SERVICES

Wednesdays during Lent  
(April 3rd & 10th)

4:00 pm - 5:45 pm: Exercise Your Spirit

6:00 pm - 6:45 pm: Soup Supper

6:45 pm - 7:15 pm: Holden Evening Prayer and  
Healing Service



Please Join us during Lent for **Exercise Your Spirit**--a time to come and experience different spiritual practices like Labyrinth, Spiritual Journaling, Spiritual/Sacred Artwork and Yoga (in 15 minute increments).



Please take a look at our **sign-up for the Lenten Soup Suppers** out in the fellowship area. These suppers are simple, nourishing and meant to provide time for fellowship and community before our evening prayer services.

**Lenten Service offerings** are designated for Community Action House.

## BODY BACK CLASSES FOR APRIL

New Body Back Session Forming

Preview class: Tues., April 2, 2019

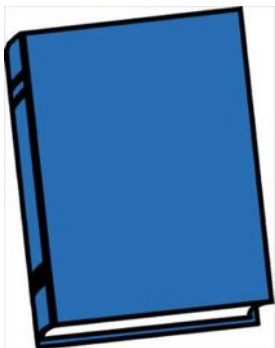
5:15 am - 6:15 am

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:15 am

April 9 & 11, April 16 & 18,  
April 23 & 25



## BOOK GROUP NEWS



Please join us at the church on April 17, 2019, 5:00 pm for a book group discussion of *Legacy of Mercy* by Lynn Austin. This novel is set in Chicago and Holland, MI, in the late 19th century. A young Chicago socialite is torn between her developing Christian faith and the values and demands of the society in which she was raised.

The local references in this book make it a very fun read, but it is also thought-provoking and will inspire some interesting conversations about our own modern world and God's plan for each of our lives.

## SPRING CLEAN-UP

**It's Spring Clean-up Time!**

Join us Saturday, April 6, 2019, 8:30 am - ???

Bring: Gloves, pruners, rakes, brooms, shovels, etc.

Please sign up on the sheet in the Commons Area.



# WHO WE ARE & WHAT WE DO: THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE



One of the main reasons Good Shepherd Lutheran Church exists is to worship God. The Worship Committee exists to assist the Pastor and Music Director in planning worship services. At each meeting, the committee considers the upcoming seasons of the Church Year and discusses the worship folders, hymns, and other materials to be used in the Sunday services and any special services. If time permits, the committee also discusses other issues pertaining to the worship life of the congregation.

Worship Committee meetings are open to all members of the congregation. During the past year, the following members attended one or more of our meetings: Eve Andrus, Corinne Becker, Terry Grossman, Tom Ludwig, Lynda Parrott, Pastor Jessica Walker, Tammy Walters, Sharon Wendt, Carolyn Willaman, and Dennis Willaman. If you are interested in attending a meeting, speak with one of these members about the date of the next meeting.

The Worship Committee generally meets four times a year: in January to plan the seasons of Lent and Easter; In April to plan the first half of the Pentecost season; in August to plan the second half of the Pentecost season and do initial planning for the Advent and Christmas seasons; and in November to plan the seasons of Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany.

## Welcome to our newest and final council member, Sharon Wendt.

Sharon has graciously agreed to serve a one year term in order to give us a full roster.

### Church Council:

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## SERVANTS OF THE DAY: LEADERS AND HELPERS FOR WORSHIP

Date	April 7	April 14 Palm Sunday	April 18 Maundy Thurs.	April 19 Good Friday	April 21 Easter	April 28
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Dennis Willaman	***	Tom Ludwig (guitar)	***	Carolyn Willaman	Dennis Willaman
<b>Wine Servers</b>	Parrotts	Beckers	<b>Needed</b>	***	Russells	Manzo & Buggeln
<b>Reader(s)</b>	Tammy Walters	1.Ellie Buggeln 2.C. Willaman 3.Sharon Wendt 4. <b>Needed</b>	1. Deb Ludwig 2. Sharon Wendt	1. Kris Norvell 2. Floyd Norvell	Sharon Wendt	Carolyn Willaman
<b>Ushers</b>	Elliott Eisaman Jim Dyke	Andy Rohrer Dennis Willaman	***	***	Jon Hurt Steve Johnson	Stan Kleinjans Duane Schuldt
<b>Comm. Prep/ Clean-up</b>	Jessica Underhill	Kris Norvell	Deb Ludwig	***	Deb Ludwig	Tammy Walters
<b>Bread Baker</b>	***	Julia Wentz	***	***	***	Jessica Underhill
<b>Nursery</b>	Vicki Russell	Hurts	***	***	Laurie Schuldt	Underhills

## NOISY OFFERING - COMMUNITY ACTION HOUSE

The noisy offering for March and April will be collected for the benefit of Community Action House. Community Action House has programs addressing both food insecurity and homelessness in the Holland area and they have highlighted some specific needs for both programs. We will collect items to respond to these needs in addition to our collection of coins during the noisy offering each Sunday.

Community Action House recently opened a shower facility to serve the homeless community. To support this program, we will collect the following items:

- Shampoo
- Body wash
- Deodorant
- Laundry detergent (needed to launder towels at the shower facility)

Keeping food with high nutritional value on the shelves at the pantry is an area of focus. We will support this effort by collecting the following items:

- Canned tomatoes (low-sodium or no salt added)
- Canned vegetables (low sodium or no salt added)
- Canned fruit (in 100% juice)
- Refried beans
- Canned chicken (140mg sodium per serving or less)
- Whole grain cereal (no added sugar)
- Brown rice
- Whole grain pasta
- Low-sodium broth

**We will deliver all of the donated items on Thursday, May 2 at 4:30pm. Community Action House personnel will be available to give us a tour of the food pantry as well. Please meet at the Community Action House (345 West 14th Street) to assist with the delivery and tour the facility. Everyone is welcome. The tour is a great way to help our littlest ones see the result of the noisy offering!**

### BIRTHDAYS

**Nevaeh Marie McCaughan**

**Don Burmeister**

**Tom Ludwig**

**Ellie Buggeln**

**Elizabeth Rohrer**

**Sharon Wendt**

**Rob Sauer**

**Kaitlin Zylstra**

**Eve Andrus**

**Duane Schuldt**

# April



**Merle Malmquist**

**Emma Rohrer**

**Laura Kinne**

**Shane Wagner**

**Shaina Underhill**

**Elmer Martinson**

**Joan Lamb**

### Anniversaries

**Brian & Jessica Underhill**

**Gary & Marilynn Wickens**

**Ken & Cathy Kelly**

## EASTER EGG HUNT

Our Easter egg hunt will be held on April 13th from 10:00am until noon. It is open to the community. We are looking for volunteers to donate candy/toys/coins and fill the eggs (we do not need eggs) and for volunteers at the event. Watch for the event on our GSLC website and Facebook and share with your friends and family. Volunteers, please contact Sally or Kris.



## PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVING

Dear Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,

At our staff meeting today, we lifted you up in prayer. May almighty God bless you and keep you always.

Peace, blessings, prayers and thank you for your prayer partnership.

Delaware Maryland Synod

Received March 4, 2019

Dear Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,

Thank you very much for your continuing ministry partnership with Samaritas. Your support empowered all of us to transform 16,000 lives for the better in 2018. (read rest of letter on bulletin board.)

Your Partner in Mission

Kelli Dobner, Chief Advancement Officer

received March 29, 2019

Thank you to all who have expressed their sympathy for me and Al on the unexpected death of our daughter. Your love and prayers have supported us in this time of shock and pain.

Myra Kohsel

received March 22, 2019

### The Measure of Our Love

Total Sunday Attendance in March: 308  
Average Sunday Attendance in March: 61.6  
Contributions to date, Oper. & Mort.: \$27,813  
Expenses to date, Oper. & Mort.: \$29,497  
February Noisy Offering: \$198  
Noisy Offering thru February: \$364.18  
February ELCA World Hunger: \$100

### In Our Prayers...

- **Healing/peace:** Lucas Barton, Zach Bergland (Beckers' nephew), Karen Blank, Cassie, (friend of Chris Manzo), Carol Essig (Bret D'Agostino's aunt), Erlene Haskin, Cathy Kelly, Myra Kohsel, Joan Josie, Judy Lamphere (friend of the Parrotts), Allan Malan, (Eve's dad), Patty Pantano, Sue Norwick, Roland Rivera, Richard Russell (Mike's brother), Ana Lilia Salinas, Lucina Salinas, Katherine Slee (friend of Beckers), Som Vixayphone, Myariah Vixayphone, (Som's granddaughter), Roland Walters, (Father-in-law of Tammy) Myrlene Weishaar, Kyle Wolff, Bonita Zielke.
- **Assisted living/nursing home/homebound:** Ruth Bergan (relative of Corinne Becker)
- **Healthy Pregnancy:** Erin Peer (granddaughter of Kohsels), Ashley Visser (Norvell's granddaughter-in-law)
- **Serving our country:** John Bounthapanya (Som's nephew), Kody DeHaan, Steve Dyke, Ben Johnson (Parrotts' nephew), Cortney and Konstantin Ivanov (Gigi Howard's daughter and son-in-law), Eric Johnson (Steve & Kerry's son), Kayla Kleinjans (Stan & Debbie's granddaughter), Alec Lamb-Venecia (Joan Lamb's grandson), Alex Miller, Eli Norvell (Kris & Floyd's grandson), Torrey Ollermann (Carol & Craig's son), Andrew Wagner (Patricia Bradfield's grandson), Zachery Wiesner (Gigi Howard's son-in-law).
- **Prayer Partners:** Messiah Lutheran Church, Rev. Andreas Teich, Bay City; West Virginia-Western Maryland Synod, Bishop Matthew Riegel; Immanuel Lutheran Church, Rev. Dennis Smith, Big Rapids; St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Rev. Rheanna Goodrich, Bridgeport; Zion Lutheran Church, Rev. Scott Torkko, Cadillac; Peace Lutheran Church, Rev. David Keller, Charlotte.

# INVITATION TO ALL GSLC WOMEN, SPRING GATHERING

Tapestry  
Women's Group



Please come to the Spring Gathering,  
April 27, 2019, 10:00 am -3:00 pm.  
Trinity Lutheran Church,  
2700 Fulton St. E., Grand Rapids, MI  
616-949-2510, cost \$10.00

There will be opportunities for fellowship, Bible study, and worship.  
To reserve your spot call Angela Davis, 616-949-2510, ext. 129

Contact Ellie Buggeln for information and to set up a car pool

Please bring diapers and/or undies (all sizes) for their Mother's Day  
Ministry Outreach!

These will be donated to low income families in the greater Grand Rapids  
area.

## BOLD WOMEN'S DAY



Our Bold Women's day on March 2nd, focused on studying 5 fearless women in the Bible. Pastor Jess led the study of Sarah, Hannah, Mary Mother of Jesus, Mary Magdalene and Junia; strong leaders who were beloved by God and contributed greatly to Christianity. We learned how important they were to Christianity and discussed how their stories are still so relevant to our lives today. We were happy to welcome members of Peace Lutheran Church and My House Ministry to our event.

After our bible study, we decorated 30 picture frames for Samaritas foster children. These frames are given to children entering into foster care. It's so important for these kids to have a connection with their loved ones; whether it be their birth parents or grandparents, a favorite family member or a beloved pet. They will be able to place a picture of their loved one in their very own frame to carry with them on this journey. Working together on this project was truly an inspirational experience.

Afterwards, we enjoyed a light lunch together before heading back to our busy lives. A special thanks to our volunteers who helped make this day so special to the women of our congregation.





# April

# Good Shepherd

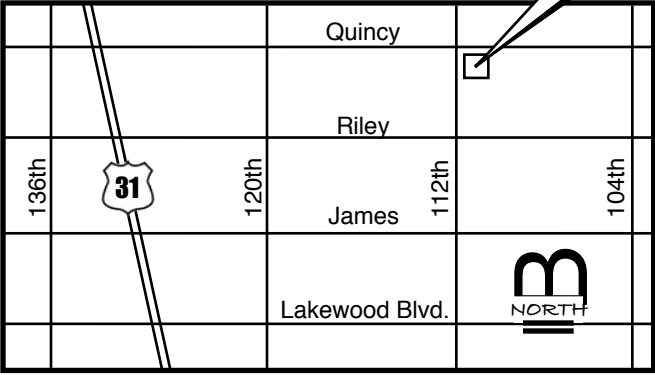
Lutheran Church, ELCA



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		5:15 am Fit4Mom, Body Back	9:30 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Stewardship mtg. 4:00 pm Faith Fitness 6:00 pm Soup Supper 6:45 pm Holden Evening Prayer and Healing Service	6:30 pm Scouts		8:30 am - ??? Spring Clean-up Day 1:00 pm Egg stuffing for hunt 6:00 - 9:00 pm Emanuel Asamble
5th Sunday, Lent 7	8	9	10	11	12	13
10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Coffee 11:20 am Sunday School 2:00 pm Emanuel Asamble de Dios	6:30 pm Choir	<i>Office Closed</i> 5:15 am Fit4Mom Body Back Class 10:30 am Quilting 7:00 pm Emanuel Asamble de Dios	9:30 am Women's Bible Study 4:00 pm Faith Fitness 6:00 pm Soup Supper 6:45 pm Holden Evening Prayer and	<i>Office Closed</i> 5:15 am Fit4Mom Body Back Class 6:30 pm Scouts	5:00 - 8:00 pm Emanuel Asamble de Dios	10:00 am -12:00 pm Easter Egg Hunt 
Passion/Palm Sunday 14	15	16	17	18	19	20
10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Coffee 11:20 am Sunday School 2:00 pm Emanuel Asamble de Dios	6:30 pm Choir	<i>Office Closed</i> 5:15 am Fit4Mom Body Back Class 10:30 am Quilting 7:00 pm Emanuel Asamble de Dios	9:30 am Women's Bible Study 5:00 pm Book Club	<i>Office Closed</i> 5:15 am Fit4Mom Body Back Class 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service	 7:00 Good Friday Service	Easter Vigil
Easter 21	22	23	24	25	26	27
8:30 am Youth Breakfast Fundraiser 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Coffee 11:20 am Sunday School 2:00 pm Emanuel Asamble de Dios	6:30 pm Choir	<i>Office Closed</i> 5:15 am Fit4Mom Body Back Class 10:30 am Quilting 11:00am Community Kitchen 7:00 pm Emanuel	9:30 am Women's Bible Study	<i>Office Closed</i> 5:15 am Fit4Mom Body Back Class 6:30 pm Scouts	Type to enter text	
2nd Sunday of Easter 28	29	30				
10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Coffee 11:20 am Sunday School 2:00 pm Emanuel Asamble de Dios	10:00 am Group Prayer 6:30 pm Choir	<i>Office Closed</i> 5:15 am Fit4Mom Body Back Class 10:30 am Quilting 7:00 pm Emanuel Asamble de Dios		<i>Office Closed</i>		

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 Holland Township

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 Holland, MI 49424



**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**  
 Worship & Celebration • 10:00 am  
 Coffee & Conversation • 11:15 am  
 Sunday School (September - May) • 11:20 am

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