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— FOND DU LAC —

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The gospels for March detail the last acts of Jesus as he travels to Jerusalem. Jesus seems more deeply passionate about events as He nears the time when He knows He will die on the cross. We can understand how focused He must have been, knowing that He had only a few more days to accomplish His work, to enlighten His disciples about God the Father and the kingdom of God. He needs to focus on what's really important and not be distracted.

I think we can all relate to some extent. As our loved ones approach death, we become highly sensitive to and focus on the things that are most important. Belief in salvation through Jesus Christ, love of God, and love of our family and friends often become central.

Our Sunday morning study, The Path of Discipleship, leads us to focus on these events in Jesus life and their relevance for our lives. Following are a few questions to consider from the study:

- Third Sunday in Lent, March 7 – Jesus cleanses the temple. We must ask, “Why would Jesus act so harshly? Is Jesus intentionally stirring us up? If so, for what purpose?”
- Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 14 – God desires the whole world to be saved and not condemned. We ask, “Why do some resist the goodness of God? Why do some people ‘love darkness?’ What is the most effective way to share God’s love?”
- Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 21 – Jesus explains the price of discipleship. We consider, “What does it mean to follow in the footsteps of Jesus?”
- Passion/Palm Sunday, March 28 – The Last Supper, the crucifixion and burial of Jesus. We ponder, “What does it mean to stand in the shadow of the cross? Have you known a time where you felt powerless and abandoned? How do you relate to Jesus?”

God gives us His Word through Jesus and the Scriptures to guide our lives. The study materials are available on our website. I invite you to consider how God is speaking to us through these passages by joining the Sunday morning study at 10:45 a.m. and/or reflecting on these passages privately.

Your sister in Christ,

Susan Schierstedt

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CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

The call committee met on February 18 to interview a pastoral candidate. They are happy to be making this kind of progress after months of preparation and anticipation.

WELCA NEWS

The WELCA Board meeting will be on March 1 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom. All women are invited to join the meeting. Just let Mary Arthur know so she can add your name to the email invitation.

TABITHA CIRCLE will meet on March 16 at 1:00 p.m. on Zoom. Please let Mary Arthur at maryarthur@charter.net know if you would like to join the group. They will be using the March "Living Lutheran" magazine for their study. Magazines are available at church.

LYDIA CIRCLE meets on March 23 at 1:30 p.m. on Zoom. Darlene Otte will be the Bible study leader for the study found in the March issue of "Gather" magazine.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILT KIT MATERIALS will be collected in March and April. We need cotton material, used sheets, blankets, mattress pads, cotton drapes or curtains. There are always packages of quilt squares ready for pick up at the top of the stairs at church for anyone who wishes to sew them into quilt tops at home. We are always eager to have new people join us on Tuesday mornings from 9 to noon in Stecker Hall to help assemble quilts. We need people to iron material, cut squares, sew back, middles and quilts, tie quilts and help box up the completed quilts. All supplies are at church so just come to join us.

FOR THE RECORD

BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE: John Talaska, February 21
REMOVED BY OWN REQUEST: David Bellows

Please call the office (920-922-0020) or Jill Bjornstad (920-922-1556) if in need of prayers. You can request them to be in the Prayers of the Church, Prayer Chain or both.



Conversations
10:30 AM
SUNDAY

BYOC HOUR
BRING YOUR OWN COFFEE

SUNDAY FORUM

10:30 A.M. - ROOM OPENS ON ZOOM

10:45 A.M. - FORUM FOLLOWED BY DISCUSSION

MARCH SCHEDULE-

During the month of March, we continue our 6-week Lenten study. "The Path of Discipleship" based on readings from the Gospel of Mark and John. Co-leaders are Jill Bjornstad, Mary Arthur, and Sue Schierstedt.

Feb. 28: Beyond Oneself

Mar. 7: Through the Maze

Mar. 14: Within the Light

Mar. 21: In the Footsteps

Mar. 28: Beneath the Cross

BOOK STUDY

Mondays • Noon – 1:30 p.m. on Zoom

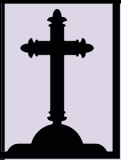
We are nearing the end of our reading of *Faith, A Journey for All* by former President Jimmy Carter. Our next book will be announced in eNews & Notes and the Sunday announcements. Newcomers are welcome! The Zoom link is included in eNews & Notes every weekend.

FINANCIAL REPORT - YR TO DATE (1/31/2021)

General Fund Income	\$21,462
General Fund Expenses:	\$22,755*
Loan Principal Payments:	\$ 1,582
Total Gen. Fund Expenditures:	<u>\$24,337</u>
Net Gain/Loss, YTD:	-\$2,875

Addl. Qtrly. Principal Payments: \$ 0
MIF Loan Balance as of 01/31/2021:
\$159,730

*Expenses include an additional \$10,000 transferred to Pastoral Contingency Fund for calling a new pastor. Total in fund: \$20,000.



WORSHIP AT CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

MARCH 3, 10, 17, 24

Holden Evening Prayer Liturgy at both services

12:00 p.m. Pastor Jerry Groth

5:30 p.m. Pastor Bruce Falksen

Holden Evening Prayer liturgy will be used at all worship services. The theme is "Created for Community." Using readings from Mark's gospel, this series invites the assembly to reflect on what it means to be in community with one another, the world, creation, and God.

MAUNDY THURS. › APRIL 1

12:00 p.m. Pastor Jerry Groth

6:30 p.m. Pastor Bryan Schmidt

On this day we will hear our Lord's commandment to love one another as he has loved us. Maundy is derived from the Latin word for "command" or "mandate." We who receive God's love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to be servants to each other as Jesus became our servant. Our commitment to this loving service is signified in the washing of feet, following the example our Lord gave us on the night before his death.

GOOD FRIDAY › APRIL 2

12:00 p.m. Pastor Jerry Groth

6:30 p.m. Pastor Bruce Falksen

These will be tenebrae worship services - meaning "darkness" and a gradual extinguishing of candles. The message will focus on the seven last words of Christ.

RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

EASTER SUNDAY › APRIL 4

8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Pastor Jerry Groth

Christ is risen! Jesus is alive, and God has swallowed up death forever.

IN PERSON WORSHIP REGISTRATION

All attending in-person worship are asked to pre-register via email or phone to the church office, no later than Thursday before Sunday service, and Sunday evening for the Wednesday services.

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is included during each Sunday in-person worship service. Drive thru communion is available on Sunday from 10:15 -10:45 a.m.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

begins on Sunday, Mar. 14. Remember to "spring forward" one hour on Saturday night!

FAMILY VOLUNTEERS!

Two or three family volunteers are being sought to participate in each of the foot washing services on April 1, Maundy Thursday. If interested, please contact Janet Radke at 920-979-3416 or music@oursavioursfdl.org.

YOUTH NEWS

Thank you to all the youth who collected items and those who donated! We collected 236 lbs. of items for the Fondy Food Pantry and their Food for Thought Kids Program!



The youth will be cleaning in the church following worship on Sunday, March 14 for their March service event. Confirmation students - please watch for an email regarding the March confirmation class schedule.



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2021 Lenten Reading Plan

This year for Lent, why not give up some time each day and read the Bible? Thanks to Pastor Matt Agee for sharing this plan with us.

		READING 1	READING 2
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wed 2/17	John 1:1-28	Romans 1:1-23
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thu 2/18	John 1:29-51	Romans 1:24-32
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri 2/19	John 2	Romans 2:1-11
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat 2/20	John 3:1-21	Romans 2:12-29
	Sun 2/21	Day of Rest	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mon 2/22	John 3:22-31	Romans 3:1-20
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tue 2/23	John 4:1-29	Romans 3:21-31
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wed 2/24	John 4:31-48	Romans 4:1-12
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thu 2/25	John 5:1-29	Romans 4:13-25
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri 2/26	John 5:30-46	Romans 5:1-11
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat 2/27	John 6:1-34	Romans 5:12-21
	Sun 2/28	Day of Rest	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mon 3/1	John 6:34-71	Romans 6:1-14
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tue 3/2	John 7:1-31	Romans 6:15-23
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wed 3/3	John 7:31-53	Romans 7:1-12
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thu 3/4	John 8:1-30	Romans 7:13-25
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri 3/5	John 8:31-58	Romans 8:1-30
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat 3/6	John 9	Romans 8:31-39
	Sun 3/7	Day of Rest	

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

WEDNESDAY 12 NOON (LIVESTREAM)

AND 5:30 P.M.

		READING 1	READING 2
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mon 3/8	John 10:1-21	Romans 9:1-18
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tue 3/9	John 10:22-42	Romans 9:19-33
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wed 3/10	John 11:1-27	Romans 10
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thu 3/11	John 11:28-56	Romans 11:1-24
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri 3/12	John 12:1-19	Romans 11:25-36
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat 3/13	John 12:20-50	Romans 12:1-8
	Sun 3/14	Day of Rest	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mon 3/15	John 13:1-20	Romans 12:9-21
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tue 3/16	John 13:21-38	Romans 13
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wed 3/17	John 14:1-14	Romans 14:1-12
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thu 3/18	John 14:15-30	Romans 14:13-23
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri 3/19	John 15:1-17	Romans 15:1-13
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat 3/20	John 15:18-27	Romans 15:14-33
	Sun 3/21	Day of Rest	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mon 3/22	John 16:1-14	Romans 16
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tue 3/23	John 16:15-33	Philippians 1:1-11
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wed 3/24	John 17:1-19	Philippians 1:12-30
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thu 3/25	John 17:20-26	Philippians 2
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri 3/26	John 18:1-27	Philippians 3
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat 3/27	John 18:28-39	Philippians 4:1-13
	Sun 3/28	Day of Rest	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mon 3/29	John 19:1-16	Philippians 4:14-23
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tue 3/30	John 19:17-42	Colossians 1:1-14
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wed 3/31	John 20:1-18	Colossians 1:14-28
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thu 4/1	John 20:19-30	Colossians 2
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri 4/2	John 21:1-14	Colossians 3
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat 4/3	John 21:15-25	Colossians 4

Palm Sunday

March 28

Maundy Thursday

April 1

Good Friday

April 2

Easter Sunday

April 4