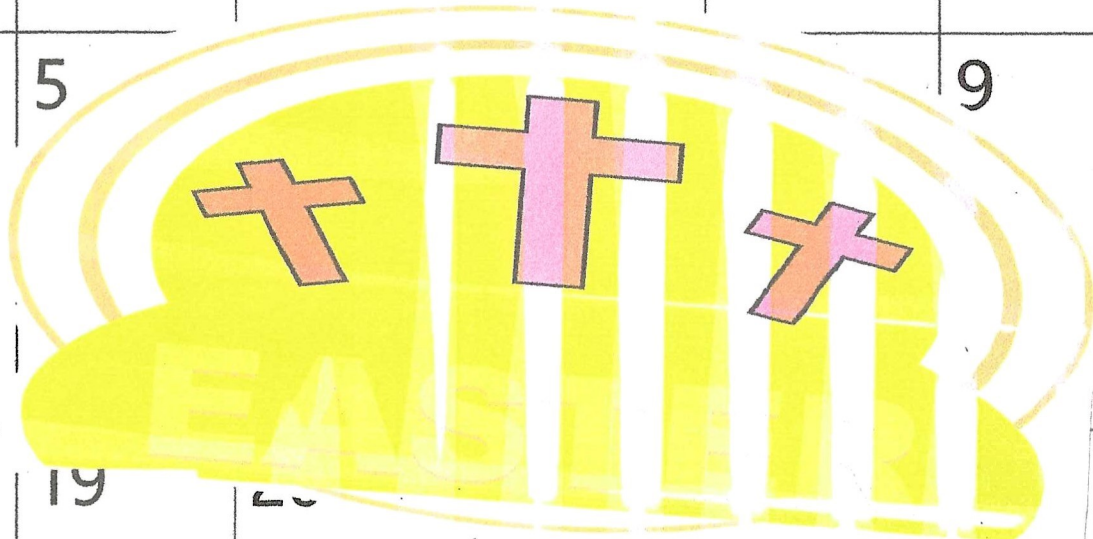


March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 6 PM worship service	4	5				9
10 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 worship Potluck	11					
17 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 worship	18	19	20			
24 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 worship	25	26	27	28 7 pm Seder meal	29	30
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Altar Guild- volunteer
 Cleaning- Bolstad's
 Potluck- Cheryl Bolstad, Cindy Lechleitner, Jessica Wisocky

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Up Coming Events

1st Sunday of the month
Worship with Communion at 6 PM

Other Sunday's
Sunday School at 9:30 AM
Services at 10:30 AM

March 3
Worship with Communion at 6 PM

March 10
Worship at 10:30am
Sunday School 9:30am
Potluck

March 17
Sunday School at 9:30am
Worship at 10:30am

March 24
Sunday School at 9:30am
Worship at 10:30am

March 28
7 pm Seder meal

March 31
No Sunday School
Worship at 10:30am

Shut In's

Please remember our shut-in's n prayer with a note or visit. Days are long for them, they love to hear from you. Those that are shut-ins: Tom Lechleitner, Laura Weber-Meyers (Howard & Bonnie's daughter), Gary Weber (Howard & Bonnie's Son), Pete Skille, Jacob Skille, Carol Bolstad, Al Meyer. If I have forgotten or missed someone please let me know.

Finances

In order to keep the congregation better informed the council decided to publish the finances each month. We need \$300 per Sunday to meet our budget. This Figure is arrived at by dividing the budget by 52 Sundays.

Income for August (Last Month Available to be Published)

November 5 \$395.00	November 19 \$160.00
November 12 \$66.30	November 26 \$96.65

Communion

We will have communion on the Sunday's/Other Services when we have an ordained minster with us. On other Sunday's Jason Meyer or Richard Pulcher will be serving us, no communion on these Sunday's. Those serving us and communion dates are subject to change.

Visitation

At this time we do not have a full time pastor. If you would like a visit from a pastor or are in need of other services, Jason Meyer has agreed to be the primary contact at this time. His home phone s 715-644-0382, cell 715-703-9071. He will make arrangements for you.

Seder Meal

The Seder meal will be held March 28 at 7pm. If you plan to attend please sign up at Church or let Cheryl Bolstad know at 715-447-5428.

Learn What Lent Means to Christians

Lent is the Christian season of spiritual preparation before Easter. In Western churches, it begins on Ash Wednesday. During Lent, many Christians observe a period of fasting, repentance, moderation, self-denial, and spiritual discipline. The purpose of the Lenten season is to set aside time for reflection on Jesus Christ—to consider his suffering and his sacrifice, his life, death, burial, and resurrection.

During the six weeks of self-examination and reflection, Christians who observe Lent typically make a commitment to fast, or to give up something—a habit, like smoking, watching TV, swearing, or a food or drink, such as sweets, chocolate, or coffee. Some Christians also take on a Lenten discipline, like reading the Bible and spending more time in prayer to draw nearer to God.

Strict observers of Lent do not eat meat on Fridays, often opting for fish instead. The goal of these spiritual disciplines is to strengthen the faith of the observer and develop a closer relationship with God.

The Significance of 40 Days

The 40-day period of Lent is based on two episodes of spiritual testing in the Bible: the 40 years of wilderness wanderings by the Israelites after the exodus from Egypt (Numbers 33:38 and Deuteronomy 1:3) and the Temptation of Jesus after he spent 40 days fasting in the wilderness (Matthew 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13).

In the Bible, the number 40 holds special significance in the measurement of time, and many other important events revolve around it. During the flood, it rained for 40 days and 40 nights (Genesis 7:4, 12, 17; 8:6). Moses fasted on the mountain for 40 days and nights before God gave the Ten Commandments (Exodus 24:18; 34:28; Deuteronomy 9). The spies spent 40 days in the land of Canaan (Numbers 13:25; 14:34). The prophet Elijah traveled for 40 days and nights to reach the mountain of God in Sinai (1 Kings 19:8).



Anniversary's, Birthday's, Baptism's, Confirmation's March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 Birthday Courtney Myren	4 Birthday Clarice Gabryel	5 Baptism Masen Fredrickson	6	7 Birthday Merideth Westaby	8 Baptism Amber Lodahl	9
10 Baptism Blake Wisocky	11	12	13 Baptism Vonda Kinas Samantha Kinas A.J. Kinas	14	15	16 Birthday Tucker Lane Hulle
17 Birthday Carter Wisocky	1		20	21 Birthday Brian Bolstad	22	23 Baptism Jade Fredrickson
24 Birthday Joel Alcantara Sr.	25	26 Baptism Carol Bolstad	27	28	29	30 Birthday Spencer Bratsven Mya Grace Hayes Baptism Marcus Meyer
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