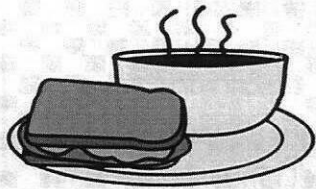


CHRIST LINE

March & April Newsletter

Lenten Season Schedule

Wednesdays from February 25th - March 25th



5:30pm - 6:30pm Soup & Sandwich Supper

6:45pm Lent Service

All Are Welcome!

You and the public are invited to the suppers between 5:30pm and 6:30pm.

The suppers are free, but free will donations are welcomed.

Remember to thank the cooks!

Holy Week

You are invited to our Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday - March 29th - 9:00am

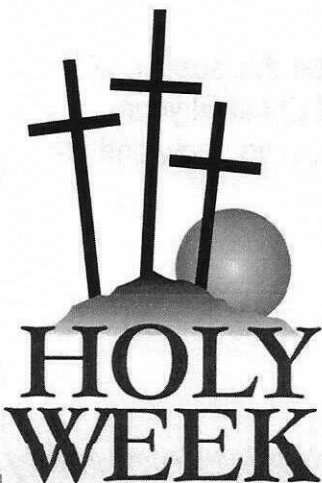
Maundy Thursday - April 2nd - 6:45pm

The "Living Last Supper"

First Communion for Cayson Olson

Good Friday - April 3rd - 1:00pm

Easter Sunday - April 5th - 9:00am



Pastor's Message

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“Jesus said to her, I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die.” John 11:25

As we enter the months of March and April, we step into the heart of the church year: a season filled with depth, reflection, prayer, hope, Lent Services and Soup and Sandwich Suppers. These holy weeks invite us to journey with Jesus once again: from the joyful procession of Palm Sunday to the quiet of Maundy Thursday, from Good Friday to the victory of Easter morning. Each moment draws us deeper into the love of God and the saving work of Christ.

Palm Sunday reminds us that Jesus comes not with force, but with humility and grace. The crowds welcomed Him with palm branches, yet many did not understand the true nature of His kingship. He came not to topple earthly powers, but to conquer sin, death, and the grave. As we lift our palms this year, may we welcome Christ not only with our voices but with our hearts, inviting Him to reign in our homes, our relationships and our daily lives.

On Maundy Thursday, Jesus gathers His disciples for a final meal and gives them a new commandment: “Love one another as I have loved you.” He kneels to wash their feet, showing us that true greatness is found in humble service. As we gather at the Lord's Table, watch the Living Last Supper and celebration of First Communion, we remember that Christ still meets us in bread and wine, offering forgiveness, fellowship and strength for the journey. May this renew our desire to love and serve as He has loved us.

Good Friday brings us to the foot of the cross, where the fullness of God's mercy is revealed. Jesus willingly bears our sin, our shame, and our brokenness. His suffering is not defeat but victory and an act of love that opens the way to life. As we reflect on the cross, may we find comfort in knowing that no darkness is too deep and no burden too heavy for the grace of Christ.

Easter—the day that transforms every other day. The stone is rolled away. The tomb is empty. Christ is risen! His resurrection is not only a moment in history; it is the foundation of our hope, the promise of new life, and the assurance that death does not have the final word. Because He lives, we can face tomorrow. Because He lives, we have purpose today. Because He lives, we will one day rise with Him in glory.

May these sacred days draw us closer to Christ and to one another. Let us enter this season with open hearts and be renewed by the power of our risen Lord. May the peace of Christ fill your homes, strengthen your faith, guide your steps and His resurrection hope sustain you now and always in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Peace, *Pr. Rufus*

February Council Minutes

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THESE MINUTES HAVE NOT BEEN COUNCIL APPROVED!

Christ Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Tuesday February 17th @ 6:00p

Present: Karen Mullikin Marv Rodvold Pastor Rufus Kudee Julie Lisowski Renee Schank
Pamela Weltzien Linda George June Sendelbach Bernard Ziegeweid Kevin Mayzek

Youth Representative: None

Pastor Rufus Kudee called the meeting to order at 6:00 and Pamela Weltzien brought a devotion.

Approval of January minutes: Approved by Julie Lisowski and 2 nd by Renee Schank

Secretary's Report: Julie Lisowski moved/ Karen Mullikin seconded to accept the January secretary report.
Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Linda George moved/ Renee Schank seconded to record the January financial report as a faithful accounting.

Motion Passed.

Visitors: No visitors were present.

Announcements:

Election of officers took place. New officers are as follows:

President: Marv Rodvold

Vice President: Renee Schank

Secretary: Linda George

Treasurer: Julie Lisowski

The meeting was taken over by Marv as the new president.

Pastor's Report: Pastor highlighted some of his points in his report. Welcoming new Council members.

Old Business:

New Business:

New Committee Assignments:

Youth and Family: Renee Schank and Karen Mullikin

Property and Management: Kevin Mayzek and Bernard Ziegeweid

Stewardship: June Sendelbach

Worship and Music: Pamela Weltzien and Julie Lisowski

IT: Marv Rodvold

Membership: Linda George

Executive Committee: Marv Rodvold, Renee Schank, Linda George, Julie Lisowski

New Check signers:

Marv Rodvold, Julie Lisowski, Renee Schank, Karen Mullikin, Ella Dorn

We decided to keep our meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m.

We went through how to do worship checker for our new members. We have a list at the back of the church to refer to.

The new council members will be installed at the worship service on March 1 st .

Pastor Rufus highlighted some pastoral plans for 2026.

We are trying to have a council committee retreat, a guest speaker to come or some kind of social event.

JoDeen Forsyth wants council to read the Living Lutheran. There are many good articles in them. She then wants them brought back to church so many more people can use them.

February Council Minutes Continued...

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Committee Reports:**Youth & Family Ministry:**

A game night was held, where about 20 people were present. Fun was had by all.

Property and Management:

Nothing new to report.

Membership:

Church list needs to be updated.

Stewardship:

Nothing new to report.

Worship and Music:

Nothing new to report.

Trust Fund:

Nothing new to report.

IT Committee:

Nothing new to report.

Receiving Treasurer/Worship Checker:

| | | |
|---------|------------------------------|----------------|
| 2/22/26 | Sunday 9:00 am | Julie Lisowski |
| 2/25/26 | Wednesday 6:45 pm | Linda George |
| 3/1/26 | Sunday 9:00 am | Renee Schank |
| 3/4/26 | Wednesday 6:45 pm | Renee Schank |
| 3/8/26 | Sunday 9:00 am | Pat Rohn |
| 3/11/26 | Wednesday 6:45 pm | Linda George |
| 3/15/26 | Sunday 9:00 am | Linda George |
| 3/18/26 | Wednesday 6:45 pm | Julie Lisowski |
| 3/22/26 | Sunday 9:00 am | Karen Mullikin |
| 3/25/26 | Wednesday 6:45 pm | |
| 3/29/26 | Palm Sunday-Sunday 9:00am | |

Next Regular Meeting: _____ March 10th @ 6:00 pm.

Cause of the Month: March _____ Arcadia/Glencoe Fire Department

Devotions at the next meeting: _____ Pastor Rufus Kudee

Linda moved to adjourn the meeting and Pamela 2nd it.
We closed with the Lord's prayer.

Amen

Linda George, Council Secretary.

March & April Birthdays

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| | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Andrew Rohn-3/2 | Joselyn Lockington-3/12 | Emily Wiemer-4/1 | Carol Weltzien-4/11 |
| Cary Thewis-3/2 | Treyton Mullikin-3/16 | Joshua Wiemer-4/1 | Gavin Instenes-4/11 |
| Dan White-3/2 | Danielle Hanson-3/17 | Julie Lisowski-4/2 | Chloe Schlosstein-4/13 |
| Scott Doenier-3/3 | Dawn Frahm-3/18 | Renee Schank-4/2 | Shawn Haines-4/14 |
| Robert Forsyth-3/3 | Gage Instenes-3/18 | Nicholas Axness-4/3 | Dale Fink-4/15 |
| Ben Olson-3/3 | Treyton Axness-3/21 | Tami Tayson-4/4 | Miranda Konkel-4/20 |
| Rheana Thewis-3/3 | Heidi Hughes-3/21 | Landon Bremer-4/6 | Daniel Sampson-4/21 |
| Henry Hilmanowski-3/5 | Jennifer Knutson-3/21 | Nolan Bremer-4/6 | Robin Bergum-4/25 |
| Abigail Kramer-3/6 | Raelyn Rossa-3/21 | Susan Ehrat-Glenzinski-4/8 | Marlys Schultz-4/25 |
| Rhenee Thewis-3/7 | Darrell Berg-3/23 | Naveah Scow-4/8 | Ben Weltzien-4/26 |
| Sawyer Myers-3/9 | Ellie Konkel-3/23 | Nick Weaver-4/9 | Kaitlyn Rossa-4/27 |
| Charlie Reit-3/9 | Western Mercer-3/28 | andy Frahm-4/10 | Jay Stecha-4/27 |
| Ciara Doenier-3/11 | Randy Scow-3/28 | Cindi Flury-4/11 | Tom Weaver-4/27 |
| Frances Ryan-3/11 | Brad Ceaglske-3/29 | Nancy Slaby-4/11 | Gale Thewis-4/29 |
| Marlys Kolstad-3/11 | Carmen Buss-3/31 | | Cory Buss-4/30 |
| Matilda Konkel-3/12 | Jennifer Rotering-3/21 | | |

March & April Anniversaries

Jay & Virgie Stecha-3/7

John & June Sendelbach - 4/9

Darrell & Nancy Berg-3/30

Bob & Diane Konkel - 4/27

Homebound

Lets put a smile on our church family friends who are homebound or living in care centers. Send them a note or card or give them a friendly phone call and keep them in prayer. Let them know that they are still a part of the Christ Lutheran family and that we have not forgotten them. Start with those on our Homebound list and then add others that you know of.

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| Brad Ceaglske | TCHCC W20298 State Rd. 121, Whitehall | Room 127 | 608-864-0104 |
| Cheryl Hannon | Heritage Lakeside Nursing Home | 1016 Lakeshore Dr Rice Lake WI 548/68 | 715-234-9101 |
| Frances Ryan | Hope Stays Assisted Living, | 3908 Circle Dr, Holmen, WI 54636 | 608-790-9080 |

Stewardship

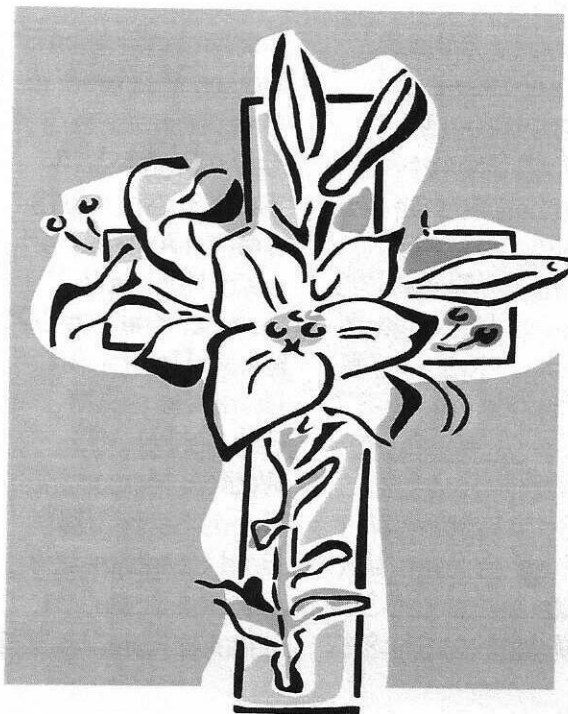
Thank you to everyone who continues to help support the Buddy Bag program. We appreciate the donations, the time you dedicate, and you commitment to helping us to keep this program going. The next Buddy Bag packing event is after worship on 3/22/2026.

Easter Lilies and Special Gifts

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Help Christ Lutheran Church welcome the Risen Christ on Easter Sunday by decorating our sanctuary with flowers!

This year you can order either an Easter Lily or any other blooming plant in honor or in memory of a loved one. All you have to do is call Liberty Floral in Independence (715-985-3314) to place the order. They will deliver the flower to church and record the person or persons that you would like to remember or honor. Please contact the church office at 323-3572 if you have any questions.



Give a Gift to a Special Fund

Another option for Easter, instead of donating a plant to Christ Lutheran, is to donate a monetary gift in honor or memory of someone to one of our special funds. Please fill out the form on this page and designate which fund you would like the donation to go to, or whom you are honoring or remembering, and your name. **Return the form and donation to the church office.**

EASTER SPECIAL FUND GIFT

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Special Fund:

- General Fund
- World Hunger
- Music
- Youth
- Trust Fund
- Other: _____

Given by: _____

Offering

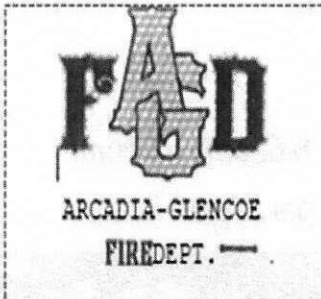
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| <u>General Fund Giving</u> | |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| 2/1/26—\$1255.99 | 3/1/26—\$3003.00 |
| 2/8/26—\$1395.00 | 3/8/26—\$1173.00 |
| 2/15/26—\$4163.00 | |
| 2/22/26—\$1529.00 | |

- Ways to give:**
- Mail in your Offering
 - Vanco

| <u>Church</u> | <u>FB</u> |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| <u>Attendance:</u> | |
| 2/1/26-51 | |
| 2/8/26-72 | |
| 2/15/26-62 | |
| Ash Wed.-30 | 2/22=514 |
| 2/22/26-68 | |
| 2/25/26 Lent-52 | 3/1=396 |
| 3/1/26-61 | 3/8=351 |
| 3/4/26 Lent-46 | 3/15=679 |
| 3/8/26-53 | |
| 3/15 Lent-31 | |

March Cause of the Month



Arcadia/Glencoe Fire Department



The Arcadia-Glencoe Fire Department (AGFD) established in 1891 is an all-volunteer organization. It serves a unique joint jurisdiction, providing fire protection and emergency services to the City of Arcadia, the Town of Arcadia, and the Town of Glencoe. The department is a cornerstone of the local community, known for a high level of dedication despite its volunteer status. The roster is typically limited to 30 members. Because of the high interest and limited equipment/PPE space, there is often a waiting list to join. The diverse background of members include city council representatives, local business employees, and City staff. Volunteers undergo professional schooling and training to ensure they are ready for immediate deployment when vacancies on the roster open up. The AGFD maintains modern equipment to handle both municipal and rural fire emergencies. Some of the types of fire call incidents that we respond to are vehicle accidents, search & rescue, structure fires, brush/grass fires, and many others. We have responded to as many as 149 calls a year. We are here to help serve and protect our beautiful community and visitors.

Updates & Events

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We look forward to welcoming Jesse Klosterboer, Executive Director of Sugar Creek Bible Camp, as our guest preacher and presenter on March 29, 2026. He will share updates about the ministry of Sugar Creek and we invite you to come and join us.

April 18, 2026

Hello Wonderful Women of the ELCA,

Are you ready for winter to be gone and spring to be here? I sure am! And, our Spring Convention on April 18, 2026, at Coon Valley Lutheran will be a great time to celebrate spring!

Our keynote speaker will be Bishop Emerita, The Reverend Dr. April Ulring Larson! See you next month!

Peace & Love, Mona Van Riper, Crosswinds Editor

La Crosse Area Synod W-ELCA Spring Convention @ Coon Valley Lutheran Church, 1005 Central Avenue, Coon Valley WI 54623. 608-452-3772. 8:00am Registration & Fellowship, 9:00am Worship, 2:30pm Closing of Convention

April 19, 2026

All Synod Caucus Meeting for Assembly Voting Members

June 6, 2026

Synod Assembly Stoney Creek Hotel Onalaska WI. Saturday, June 6, 2026, 8:00am –6:00pm.

Free childcare will be offered for all voting members to ensure everyone can participate fully.

Heart for Luther Park



Live Quilt Auction • Online Auction • Raffle
Silent Auction • Common Thread Maker's Market
Concessions • Crafts • Canteen

Saturday August 1 2026

Learn more at lutherpark.org/heart-for-luther-park

- How to Donate Items
- Purchase Raffle Tickets
- Schedule of the Day



Updates & Events

AHS Masquers Proudly Present

THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG

by Henry Lewis, Jonathan Sayer, and and Henry Shields

March 27 & 28, 2026

7:30 p.m.

Arcadia High School
Auditorium

Tickets: \$5 Adults
& \$3 Students

ADRC News

We have officially moved into our new space @

18600 Hobson Street, Whitehall WI 54773

www.co.trempealeau.wi.uw/adrc

Facebook: [adrcoftrempealeaucounty](https://www.facebook.com/adrcoftrempealeaucounty)

Mission Store

Have you ever shopped at the Mission store? You definitely should! They could use the support! There are some very nice items and there is truly something for everyone! Come check it out and be impressed with the quality items and the reasonable prices. All proceeds go to those who need help. There is a short interview per each recipient and background checks are done for larger amounts and for those given help more frequently. Counseling and or assistance in finding other sources of help are provided as needed. Anyone who would be interested in volunteering, please stop in or call Cyndy Jacoby at 715-530-0949.

Prayer Chain

The church women maintain a phone prayer chain that all members are welcome to call whenever there is an urgent or private need for prayers. These prayer requests are kept private. It is not the prayer list that appears in the Sunday bulletins. Anytime you have a prayer need, you can call Nancy Schultz at 323-7322 and she will put the prayer chain into action. (or the church office 608-323-3572).

Christ Lutheran Women's Bible Study

The Mary Circle meets at 2:00 pm on the second Wednesday of each month. New members are welcome to join us for Bible study, a snack, and good fellowship. We meet in the church lounge and there is no obligation to be present every month. Come as often as you can. Our April meeting will be on April 10. We would love to have you join us.

Keeping in Touch

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with Christ Lutheran Church Arcadia, the La Crosse Area Synod, and the ELCA

Pastor: Rufus Kudee

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00am to 3:00pm
Cell Phone: 651-353-7492 / Church Phone: 608-323-3572
E-mail: pastorclcrkd@gmail.com

Church Office Administrator: Ella Dorn

In Office: Monday - Thursday: 9:00am- 2:00pm
Church Phone: 608- 323-3572 E-mail: christlutheran@trivest.net

Bookkeeper: Kay Wiemer

Leave a message on church phone or cell phone: 608-606-4819

Custodian: Becky Weisenberger: Leave a message on the church phone

FOOD PANTRIES

Arcadia COMMUNITY Pantry - Bethel Lutheran

Arcadia Food Pantry hours are the **4th Thursday of the month**. The pantry is at the Bethel Lutheran Church in Arcadia from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Any Questions? 608-323-7116. We appreciate your support in spreading the word about this resource in our community.

Trempealeau County Food Pantry

Held on the 3rd Saturday, 9-5 p.m. at the Trempealeau County Health Care Center in Whitehall. A form of ID for each household member, proof of address and self-declared income within eligibility guidelines. Open to all residents in Trempealeau County. Please bring boxes or baskets.

Ruby's Pantry Pop-up Pantry

Held every 3rd Thursday 4:30pm -5:30pm at the Mondovi County Shop, 360 South Eau Claire St, Mondovi WI . \$25.00 donation.

All are welcome to attend.

Please go to the following website

<https://co.trempealeau.wi.us/community/services/index.php>
for the most updated Food Pantry list

Web Sites:

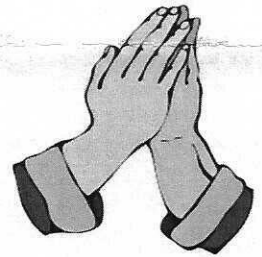
www.christlutheran-church.org
www.lacrosseareasynd.org
www.elca.org

2026 Council Members

- Marv Rodvold - President.....507-450-4305
- Renee Schank - Vice President.....608-863-2345
- Linda George- Secretary..... 608-797-1924
- Julie Lisowski - Treasurer.....608-797-2491
- Kevin Mayzek.....608-323-0021
- Karen Mullikin608-863-2449
- Pamela Weltzien.608-484-1448
- Bernard Ziegeweid..... 507-452-1475
- June Sendelbach.....608-797-3502

Prayer List

- Brad Ceaglske
- Cheryl Hannon
- Carol Janka
- Frances Ryan
- Addison Hughes
- Todd Fetsch
- Lavonne Puchalla
- Rollie Slaby



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Arcadia, WI "LIKE" OUR PAGE FOR
INFORMATION, EVENTS AND UPDATES!

Dial 211 Free/Confidential 24 / 7

Help with: Domestic Violence, Child Abuse, Sexual Assault, Suicidal Thoughts, Other Crisis Situations
Information about: Support Groups, Drug/Alcohol Abuse, Food Resources, Housing, Many other needs.

The OLPH Mission/Thrift Store

419 South Washington St.
(the former convent on OLPH grounds)
Volunteers needed at the OLPH Mission-Thrift Store
contact Cyndy Jacoby at 715-530-0949
Thrift Store Hours:
Mon: 9:00 to noon Wed: 1:00 to 4:00
Fri: 3:00 to 6:00 Sat: 10:00 to 1:00

Lutheran Social Services:

Free assessment and referral
— For on-going care they accept insurance billing or, if you have no insurance, a sliding scale is available.
La Crosse 608-788-5092



Gods Work. Our Hands

March Serving Schedule - 9:00am Worship

| Date/ Time | ACOLYTE / PROJECTION | USHERS | READER | COUNCIL COMMUNION ASSISTANT / WORSHIP CHECKER | ALTAR CARE | MONEY COUNTERS | ACCOMPANIST |
|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 3/15/26 | Treyton Mullikin | Dan & Shanna White | Jen Rotering | Linda George | JoDeen Forsyth | Tony Myers Karen Gallagher | Sugar Creek Bible Camp |
| 3/22/26 | Hayden Hughes | Gene & Carmen Buss | Jeff Hulberg | Karen Mullikin | Julie Lisowski / Joan Fetting | Judy Borchert Diane Herrmann | Danielle Schock |
| 3/29/26 | Lexus White | Robert & Diane Konkel | Virgie Stecha | Bern Ziegeweid | Dori Wenger | Bern & Michele Ziegeweid | Emily Kamrowski |
| 4/05/26 | Tyler Rotering | Pat & Nancy Rohn | Nancy Schultz | Karen Mullikin Pamela Weltzien | Betty Schlessner | Pat & Nancy Rohn | Nancy Martinovici |
| 4/12/26 | Treyton Mullikin | Landon White Lexus White | Hayden Hughes | June Sendelbach | Dori Wenger | Karen Mullikin Hank Schultz | Danielle Schock |
| 4/19/26 | Landon White | Todd Fetsch Tim Putz | Dakota Tuma | Kevin Mayzek | JoDeen Forsyth | Bern & Michele Ziegeweid | Emily Kamrowski |

If you are on the schedule and are unable to serve, please find a replacement as soon as possible and **let Ella know of this change!** Thank you!
(christlutheran@trivest.net or 608-323-3572).

MARCH 2026

Cause of the Month: Fire Department

| Sunday | | Monday | | Tuesday | | Wednesday | | Thursday | | Friday | | Saturday | |
|--------|--|--------|------|--|------|---|------|---|------|-----------------------------------|------|-------------------------------------|--|
| 3/15 | 9:00am In Person Worship & FB Live 12:30pm Mt. Sinai Worship Service | 3/16 | 3/17 | Pastor Text Study 8:00am - 12:00pm 1 | 3/18 | Worship at Hope Stay 5:30pm Soup & Sandwich 6:45 pm Worship | 3/19 | | 3/20 | 6:00pm Mt. Sinai | 3/21 | 4pm - Mt. Sinai | |
| 3/22 | 9:00am In Person Worship & FB Live Buddy Bag Packing 12:30pm Mt. Sinai Worship Service | 3/23 | 24 | Pastor Text Study | | 3/25 | 3/26 | | 3/27 | | 3/28 | 4pm - Mt. Sinai | |
| 3/29 | 9:00am In Person Worship & FB Live 12:30pm Mt. Sinai Worship Service Palm / Passion Sunday | 3/30 | 3/31 | | 4/01 | 8:30am | 4/02 | Mauudy Thursday/ Living Last Supper First Communion at 6:45 pm | 4/03 | Good Friday Service at 1 pm | 4/04 | 9:00am to 5:00pm 4pm - Mt. Sinai | |
| 4/05 | 9:00am In Person Worship & FB Live 12:30pm Mt. Sinai Worship Service Easter Sunday | 4/06 | 4/07 | Pastor Text Study 8:00am - 12:00pm | | 4/08 | 4/09 | | 4/10 | | 4/11 | 4pm - Mt. Sinai | |
| 4/12 | 9:00am In Person Worship & FB Live 12:30pm Mt. Sinai Worship Service | 4/13 | 4/14 | Council Meeting at 6 pm | | 4/15 | 4/16 | Bible Study at 10 am | 4/17 | 6:00pm Mt. Sinai | 4/18 | 4pm - Mt. Sinai | |
| 4/19 | 9:00am In Person Worship & FB Live 12:30pm Mt. Sinai Worship Service | 4/20 | 4/21 | Pastor Text Study 8:00am - 12:00pm | 4/22 | Confirmation Class at 3:30 pm | 4/23 | 3:30pm - CommUNITY Pantry @ Bethel Lutheran | 4/24 | 6:00pm Mt. Sinai | 4/25 | 4pm - Mt. Sinai | |
| 4/26 | 9:00am In Person Worship & FB Live 12:30pm Mt. Sinai Worship Service | 4/27 | 4/28 | North Conference Area Pastors | 4/29 | Confirmation Class @ 3:30 pm | 4/30 | | 5/01 | 6:00pm Mt. Sinai | 5/02 | 4pm - Mt. Sinai | |





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Newsletter

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