



MARCH NEWSLETTER 2019

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From the Pastor...

LENT 2019

The dates for Lent beginning and ending are dependent upon lunar activity. Easter is celebrated on the first Sunday after the first full moon in spring. This year Lent will begin later than usual and Easter will fall on April 21. Ash Wednesday will be March 6. There will be 7:00 pm service that evening with communion and the distribution of ashes.

Again this year the Lawrence Township Ministerial Association is scheduling weekly Lenten services each Wednesday during Lent. The services will begin at 11:30 am followed by a luncheon. The schedule is as follows:

March 13-----Bolivar United Methodist

March 20-----St. John UCC

March 27-----Holy Trinity Catholic Church

April 3-----Zoar UCC

April 10-----St. Paul Lutheran Church

April 17-----Bolivar Community Church

This Lent we are going to use a series entitled, "Overcomer." The narrator, David Jeremiah, will explore Ephesians 6: 10-18 in this six-part series. He will describe the spiritual armor that faith provides in the face of today's uncertain world. It promises to be an interesting and enlightening experience. I hope that you will encourage others to join us for worship during Lent.

In addition, we will welcome the Chancel Players from Malone University on Sunday, March 17 at the 10:30 am service. These energetic and faith-filled young men and women will share various contemporary vignettes on faith that will inspire and add a bit of humor to our lives.

In closing, I hope that you will discover in Lent the grace that enables us to proclaim the mercy of God and the joy that comes with Easter.

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Worship Ministers

DATE	TIME	ASSISTANTS	DATE	TIME	LECTORS
3/3	8:00 am	Steve Maurer	3/3	8:00 am	Steve Maurer
	10:30 am	Mark Cunningham		10:30 am	Skip Steward
3/6	7:00 pm	Marcia Howenstine	3/6	7:00pm	Cheryl Simers
3/10	8:00 am	Rose Harris	3/10	8:00 am	Jen Ward
	10:30 am	Randy Simers		10:30 am	Dee Garrison
3/17	8:00 am	Pam Ward	3/17	8:00 am	Sandy Ritter
	10:30 am	Marcia Howenstine		10:30 am	Byron Lautenschleger
3/24	8:00 am	Charlann Young	3/24	8:00 am	Pam Ward
	10:30 am	Dee Garrison		10:30 am	Cheryl Simers
3/31	10:30 am	Terry Tegtmeier	3/31	10:30 am	Marcia Howenstine
USHERS & GREETERS			ACOLYTES		
3/3	8:00 am	John & Sandy Bolitho	3/3	8:00 am	Tyra Hampton
	10:30 am	Dee Garrison		10:30 am	Michael Eberly
3/6	7:00 pm	Skip & Jeanie Steward	3/6	7:00 p.m.	
3/10	8:00 am	Greg & Julie Majors	3/10	8:00 am	Whitney Ward
	10:30 am	Byron & Marianne Lautenschleger		10:30 am	Logan Hornberger
3/17	8:00 am	Dave & Charlann Young	3/17	8:00 am	Shawntel Hafer
	10:30 am	Dave & Linda Clugston		10:30 am	Tripp Fabianich
3/24	8:00 am	Jim & Jen Ward	3/24	8:00 am	Kayla Majors
	10:30 am	Rick & Lori Caughey		10:30 am	Vivianne Eberly
3/31	10:30 am	Tom & Tammy Huggins	3/31		Izaak Matthews
		Gu Altar Guild Richard & Donna Dudash	Fellowship Tammy Huggins/Kim Cunningham		Community Meal Rose Harris & Jean Steward
Screen Monitor			Nursery		
3/3	8:00 am	Austin Ward	3/3	8:00 am	Linda Blazina
	10:30 am	Rick Caughey		10:30 am	Kim Pohovey
3/6	7:00 pm	Doug Dix	3/6	7:00 pm	
3/10	8:00 am	Cameron Majors	3/10	8:00 am	Wards or Majors Family
	10:30 am	Doug Dix		10:30 am	Karen Marlowe
3/17	8:00 am	Whitney Ward	3/17	8:00 am	Jim Ward Family
	10:30 am	Dee Garrison		10:30 am	Donna Dudash
3/24	8:00 am	Julie Majors	3/24	8:00 am	Majors Family
	10:30 am	Lisa Keane		10:30 am	Barb Shine
3/31	10:30 am	Rick Caughey	3/31	10:30 am	Hope Sears

Offering and Attendance

Date	2/3	2/10	2/17	2/24
Offering	\$3,837.00	\$3,817.50	\$2,014.00	\$3,276.00
Attendance	81	69	71	68

Readings:

3/3	3/6	3/10	3/17	3/24	3/31
Last Sunday after Epiphany	Ash Wednesday	First Sunday in Lent	Second Sunday in Lent	Third Sunday in Lent	Fourth Sunday in Lent
<u>Exodus 34:29-35</u>	<u>Isaiah 58:1-12</u>	<u>Deuteronomy 26:1-11</u>	<u>Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18</u>	<u>Isaiah 55:1-9</u>	<u>Joshua 5:9-12</u>
<u>Psalms 99</u>	<u>Psalms 51:1-17</u>	<u>Psalms 91: 1-2, 9-16</u>	<u>Psalms 27</u>	<u>Psalms 63:1-8</u>	<u>Psalms 32</u>
<u>2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2</u>	<u>2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10</u>	<u>Romans 10:8-13</u>	<u>Philippians 3:17-4:1</u>	<u>1 Corinthians 10:1-13</u>	<u>2 Corinthians 5:16-21</u>
<u>Luke 9:28-36</u>	<u>Matthew 6:1, 16-21</u>	<u>Luke 4:1-13</u>	<u>Luke 12:31-35</u>	<u>Luke 13:1-9</u>	<u>Luke 15:1-3, 11-32</u>

Prayer Chain - This week remember in your prayers: Nicky Rheah, Tony Whatting, Melisa Waller, Robert Leffler, Dorothy Garan, Arloene Howenstine, Jeffrey Strand, Walker Gonzalez, Dottie Eitel, Diane Clugston, Susan Tiller, Linda Beachy, Charles Brown, Pat Sundheimer, Louise Harris, Maddy Russell, Corinne Haney, Debbie Neorr, Peggy Keck, Paul Gosselin, Mary Pickens, Tom Bitticker, Dan Levesseur, Judy Berger, Herb Siefert, Molly Bauer, Kelly McDaniel, Jackson Kinsey, Jean Baker, Bill Tait, Ret Kendrick, Chuck Slaybaugh, Lauren Seifert, **Servicemen & Women-** Don Scholz, Rob Vitous, Camren Taylor, Scott Fout, Jeremy Warfield, Gray Ashworth, Trent Garver, Andrea Gibson, Andy Jones, David Ward, Jordan Ritter, Adam Pohovey, William Robishaw, Paul Roley, Kyle Greiving

Happy Birthday



Whitney Ward	3/1	Madelyn Reeves	3/15
Vaughn Sears	3/2	Walter Tidenberg	3/16
Joe Pozzuto	3/3	Jim Howell	3/19
Rick Simmons	3/4	Carol Richards	3/22
Lizzie Kienzle	3/5	Gabriel Woods	3/22
John Kienzle	3/6	Gary Pohovey	3/23
Brenda Tegtmeier	3/8	Jen Ward	3/24
Skip Steward	3/11	Meghan Woods	3/24
Linda Blazina	3/12	Joe Cline	3/28
		Jack Sanders	3/31



Pastor Mike & Kathy Pozzuto	3/31
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Ash Wednesday Service: March 6 2019 – 7:00 P.M.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Christian season known as Lent. Historically, Lent was a time when new Christians prepared themselves for baptism on Easter Sunday. Today, Lent more often is a time when Christians prepare themselves for Easter and are invited to **deeper faith, stronger community**, and a **closer connection to God**. This preparation happens through an emphasis on a few basic faith practices: worship, prayer, generosity, self-denial, and service to others.



Christian Book Club Our next book will be “Martin Luther: The Man Who Rediscovered God and Changed the World,” by Eric Metaxas. Though initially released in conjunction with the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, we’ve been waiting for a couple years until the price was more reasonable. Well, now is the time! With the weather in full winter mode, this is the perfect time to curl up with a good book. His books have not disappointed us in the past and I expect the string to continue. **We plan on discussing the book at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, March 26th.** The length of the book will make reading it the day before our meeting difficult, so I would recommend you start shortly. The cost for a paperback copy is \$12 and you can contact Terry Tegtmeier.



Youth News: *Saturday, March, 2nd Time – TBA - will meet for lunch and a viewing of the faith based movie **RUN THE RACE**. This PG rated movie tells the story of a rebellious football star Zach and his religious track athlete brother Dave who have an unbreakable bond despite struggling to provide for them and deal with their alcoholic father. After Zach gets injured, he ruins his chance at a scholarship. It's up to Dave to save their future and help his bitter brother find his way back to God. Please RSVP to me or sign up on the Youth Activities board to help in planning food / supplies. TADPOLES / FROGS / GROGS
***Friday, March 22nd 5 PM - ?** All youth and chaperones are invited to join us in a community service TOWPATH CLEAN UP from 5 - 6 PM. We will then travel as a group for dinner at Taco Bell. Please RSVP to me or sign up on the Youth Activities board to help in planning food / supplies.

Youth News Summer News:*The Community VBS Committee has started planning! VBS will be held this year at Holy Trinity Catholic Church Sunday, July 7th through Thursday, July 11th. The theme this year is IN THE WILD! - Amazing Encounters with Jesus. We are looking for individuals who are willing to work on at home craft projects to start ASAP. Please contact me if you are available. **Now is the time to plan for the summer mission trip! I invite all Middle School and High School families interested in attending our mission trip **SUNDAY, JUNE 23 - FRIDAY, JUNE 28****Now is the time to plan for the summer mission trip! I invite all Middle School and High School families interested in attending our mission trip SUNDAY, JUNE 23 - FRIDAY, JUNE 28 to join me for a planning meeting this coming Monday, 1-28-19 @ 7:00PM. If you are interested in attending the trip but unable to be at the meeting, please let me know ASAP. Spots are filling fast and the number of people attending and how quickly we reserve our spot will determine what our site options are.

Property News: Painting was done in parts of the Fellowship Hall and congregational areas in February and new blinds were installed. Plans include additional painting and carpet cleaning in the Spring.



Up Coming Events:

March 6 – Ash Wednesday

April 10 – Lenten Luncheon

April 14 – Palm Sunday

April 18 – Maundy Thursday

April 19 – Good Friday

April 21 - Easter

May 2 – National Day of Prayer

May 3 & 4 Rummage Sale

May – Lifetouch Congregational Pictures – May 14 & 15



Daylight Savings Time: Saturday **March 9**, don't forget to turn your clocks ahead 1 hour.



Birthright Annual Steak Dinner – Dennison Knights of Columbus Hall 122 Grant Street –
Saturday – March 9, 2019 – 5:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. - \$20.00 Per Meal – For Advanced Ticket Purchase Call
330-343-1855 or 330-874-3635

Prayer Chain and Newsletter updates due on update due March 19





Month of March 2019

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
					3/1	3/2
3/3	3/4	3/5	3/6	3/7	3/8	3/9
Worship & Communion 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School 9:15 a.m.	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m.		ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE 7:00 PM	Worship Committee 6:30 p.m.		Turn Clocks Forward 1 Hr. 
3/10	3/11	3/12	3/13	3/14	3/15	3/16
Worship & Communion 8 & 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School 9:15 a.m.	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m.		Property 9:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir 7:30 p.m. Bolivar UMC 11:30 a.m.			
3/17	3/18	3/19	3/20	3/21	3/22	3/23
St. Patrick's Day. Worship & Communion 8 & 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Chancel Players	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m. Council 7:00 p.m.	Prayer Chain update due Newsletter Deadline	First Day of Spring! Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir 7:30 p.m. St John UCC 11:30 a.m.	Community Meal 5-6:30 p.m. 		
3/24	3/25	3/26	3/27	3/28	3/29	3/30
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3/31						
Worship 10:30 a.m. only — Sunday School 9:15 a.m.						