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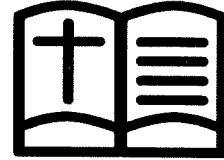
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GOOD HOPE WOMEN OF THE ELCA



CIRCLE	WHEN	WHERE	STUDY LEADER	HOSTESS
Morning Circle	Thurs., March 14 9:15 a.m.	Church	Joyce Welsh	Avon Rurup

ALTAR FLOWERS

March 3 & 10

Gail Hamilton

March 17, 24 & 31

Laura Phelps



COMMUNION SET-UP

FOR MARCH

Daryl & Jeannette Chapin

COMMUNION CLEANUP

March 24 (Palm Sunday)

Rob & Carolyn Brandt

March 31 (Easter Sunday)

Merle & Margaret Phelps

MARCH USHERS: Brad Bengtson,
Rob & Jeff Brandt and Daryl Chapin

USHER FOR LENTEN SERVICE

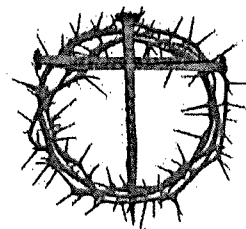
March 20: Rowan Welhousen

MARCH KITCHEN DUTIES :

Laurie Lee

MARCH ACOLYTES:

Karly Lium & Lane Boekelman



March greetings,

There's a great old hymn that I catch myself humming and singing at surprising times, *I Love to Tell the Story*. The words are so very familiar—I've been singing them for decades now. As I was humming about the telling story I got to thinking—what is the story that matters most? What is the story that we Jesus' people love to tell and need keep on hearing ourselves.

There are so many stories people tell about church and Jesus.

He was a great teacher who understood the kingdom of God and announce that the kingdom was coming close to us.

Jesus spoke truth that changes how people seem themselves and their neighbors and the whole world.

Jesus was a true friend and people could spend a whole lot of time just remembering Jesus' friends.

People love to remember and celebrate Jesus' miracles.

There really are some great stories to tell about Jesus; but what's the story that changes everything for us Jesus' people?

I think about it as a two part story and we need to have both parts to have the whole story—and the hope they bring to this world.

The Good News—the story we love to tell is that our savior, Jesus, came to earth and that he died and he rose from the dead. People can rightly argue there's so much more to Jesus' story than the cross and the empty tomb. But deep down what happened in 3 days in Jerusalem is the story that changes everything.

This month we will tell the heart of our story as Jesus' people—

Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024 we will remember the joy as Jesus arrived in Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday, March 28, 2024 we will tell the story of the last supper and Jesus' promise to be with us in the bread and wine of Communion.

Good Friday, March 29, 2024 we will remember the cross and how Jesus died at a community service.

Easter Sunday, March 31 2024 we will hear the news that Jesus tomb is empty—that he has risen from them the dead.

Hope you can make it to hear the story that changes everything.

Pastor John Heille

10 Minute Bible Study
Philippians 2

There's a part of Paul's letter to the church in Philippi that some scholars think was originally a hymn of the early church. It's a great poem/lyric to think about as we come closer to Easter. There's something about this poem—that helps us see who Jesus really and what the cross and Easter is all about.

Read Philippians 2:1-2

Paul was inviting a young church to see how their lives were meant to fit together.

What does it mean to have fellowship with other people in the church and to have fellowship with God?

Read Philippians 2:5

Paul invites us to follow Jesus starting with our thoughts and attitudes.

What does it mean to have a mind/attitude like Jesus?

Read Philippians 2:6-7

Jesus was God and on this earth he was a man.

What does it mean to say that Jesus emptied himself/made himself nothing?

Reading Philippians 2:8

Jesus is God—with all power—but he humbled himself and obeyed God the Father's great plan.

How does remembering Jesus power help you understand his humility?

Read Philippians 2:9-11

Jesus was exalted—he was God's son—but the real glory came after his suffering.

What does Jesus suffering, death, and resurrection teach us about our future as God's people?

Read Philippians 2:12-13

Paul is talking about living in faith—how we follow Jesus as both church and as individuals.

How is it Good News to know we stand before God in the light of Jesus' cross and resurrection?

LENT SERVICES

MARCH 6-Lenten Service
7:00 p.m. Worship @ Immanuel

MARCH 13-Lenten Service
7:00 p.m. Worship @ St. John's

MARCH 20-Lenten Service
7:00 p.m. Worship @ Good
Hope

MARCH 28-Maundy Thursday Service
7:00 p.m. Worship @ Immanuel

MARCH 29-Good Friday Service
7:00 p.m. Worship @ Ramsey

Palm Sunday

March 24th
9:00 a.m. @ St. John's
with
Holy Communion

10:30 a.m. @ Good Hope
With Holy Communion

Easter Sunday

March 31st
7:00 a.m. @ St. John's
9:00 a.m. @ Immanuel
10:30 a.m. @ Good Hope

THE MEN'S PORK LOIN DINNER

Sunday, March 17th
from 11:30-1:00 p.m.
in the Fellowship Hall.
A free will donation will be
collected with proceeds given
to the Titonka Care Center.

Menu includes Pork loin,
mashed potatoes & gravy,
green beans, corn,
dessert, and drink.
Please come and help us
support the Care Center!



Remember
To set your
clocks AHEAD
one hour at
bedtime on
Saturday night,
March 9th for
Daylight
Savings Time!!



BIBLE EASTER

WORD SEARCH



K C T E K A M S R H T O A Q T L T J T S H P
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ROMANS
 RISEN
 SACRIFICE
 THREE DAYS
 ANGELS
 SAVIOR

GOLGOTHA
 BLOOD
 SIMON OF CYRENE
 JESUS
 ROBE
 LAMB

SON OF GOD
 TOMB
 APOSTLES
 CALVARY
 CROSS
 NAILS

MARY
 CRUCIFIXION
 PILATE
 HIGH PRIEST
 PASSOVER
 SUNDAY

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Return Service Requested

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My Lenten Prayer

I pray to you Lord Jesus.
And thank you with my heart.
You died for me Lord Jesus.
From this world you did depart.
To me, you're still alive Lord Jesus.
Though you're not in sight.
You live on in my heart Lord Jesus.
And protect me through the night.
You were so brave Lord Jesus.
When they made you carry the cross of wood.
They knew not what they did Lord Jesus.
They never quite understood.
They hung you on a cross Lord Jesus.
And left you there to die.
They buried your body Lord Jesus.
So now I sit and ask why?
You could have lived Lord Jesus.
But you didn't want it that way.
You died like you were supposed to Lord Jesus.
And rose up on the third day.
You forgave them of their sins Lord Jesus.
When you were never forced to.
There's one thing I want to tell you Lord Jesus.
And it's that I LOVE YOU!

by Jessica Metzger

