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MARCH 2017



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Sunday Morning Worship

8:00 am & 10:30 am

Sunday School

9:15 am

Adult Bible Classes

9:30 am

Cristo Para Todos Worship Service

10:30 am

March Activities

Lent

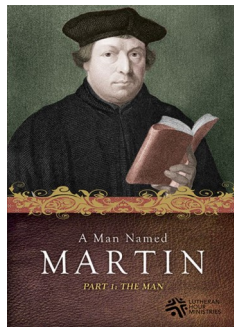


The Lenten season officially began with **Ash Wednesday, March 1**. A meal will be served each Wednesday evening beginning at 5:30pm. Look for a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board and please sign up. We need someone for March 29 and April 5.

Lent services (English and Spanish) continue on March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5 at 7:00pm.

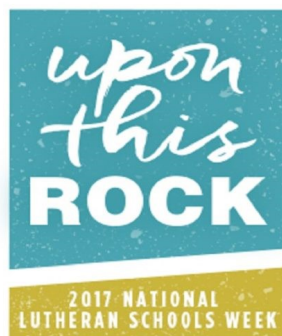
New Bible Study

A Man Named Martin - Part One - The Man



2017 marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation when an unknown monk from a backwater town in Germany set in motion a movement that would literally transform Western Civilization. The impact Martin Luther had on the growth and development of Christianity is enormous. But how did this unknown miner's son change the world? In this video Lutheran Hour Ministries Bible study, we will examine the life and times of this reformer. From his humble beginnings in Germany to his tireless work to understand Scripture and share the truths of the Bible, Martin Luther inspired a Reformation that reverberates throughout Christendom to this day. Come for 5 Tuesday evenings beginning March 7th in the Fellowship Hall from 7:00-8:00. The study will be led by Bryan Gordley and Ron Knapp. Please call the church office (751-9359) to inform of your intentions to attend. Also, let us know if babysitting is needed.

National Lutheran Schools Week



March 6-10

Teacher Appreciation Week



Scholastic Book Fair



Also...

ESL Classes every Monday and Thursday night—7:00—8:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.





Dear Friends in Christ,

It has been the tradition of the church during Lent to offer mid-week worship services that follow a theological theme. This year we will be taking a look at the Ten Commandments. Though many in our culture may think the Ten Commandments are old fashioned and no longer relevant to modern society, I would say the commandments are still God's gift to us to help keep order in a chaotic world (fence), reveal our need for Jesus (mirror), and to provide a way to live our lives that will help us live in a positive relationship with God and with our neighbors (guide).

The Ten Commandments were given to the people of Israel following God's miraculous rescue from Egyptian slavery through a series of plagues. Out in the wilderness, the Lord descended on Mount Sinai and called Moses to climb up to the top to meet with Him. On the mountain God first spoke these words: "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery." (Exodus 20:1, 2) By His grace, His unmerited love, God reminded the people that He rescued them from slavery so that they could now be His chosen people. The Ten Commandments followed this proclamation which explained how the people were to live as God's children. The way they lived was to be a witness to the world around them that they were children of the Lord God Almighty.

God's gracious rescue of Israel is a picture of God's gracious rescue of the whole world from the slavery of sin through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. God's law, which demands perfection, convicts us of our sin as a mirror which reflects our sinfulness. For it was never the intent of the law to save us. "But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus." (Ephesians 2:4-7)

As children of grace we now see the Ten Commandments as God's gift to us. "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:8-10) Knowing who we are as children of grace, we now see the Ten Commandments as God's way to live, not to save us, but to reflect who we are as children of God.

It is my prayer, as we work through the Ten Commandments this Lenten season, that we will all better understand why God's way of living is the best way to live our lives.

In Christ's love,
Pastor Mark

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Adult Bible Studies

Sunday Morning Bible Study begins at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Studies led by Pastor Krause and Dan Bierwagen, meeting in the Fellowship Hall and a classroom.

Children's Sunday School Classes begin at 9:15am.

The **Tuesday Morning Bible Study Group** meets at 9:30am and is studying the **Book of Mark**.

The **Men's Bible Study Group** meets on Wednesday mornings at 7:30 in the Meeting Room. They are studying the **Book of Romans**. Led by Pastor Krause.

The **Women's Bible Study Group** is studying "Living a **Chocolate Life**". They meet on Wednesday mornings at 9:15 in the Meeting Room.

Our Neighbor's Faith will meet on March 19th at 5:00pm. Place TBA.

Rockies (Campus Ministry) They meet each Wednesday evening at 6:30pm at the Rockhouse in Fayetteville.

Twice Fed
Twice Fed will meet on Tuesday, March 21st, at 9:30am to watch the movie, "**Miracles from Heaven**". They meet in the FLC.

Bible Studies and Other Topics

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study



They meet on Wednesdays at 9:15am in the meeting room. They are studying "**Living a Chocolate Life**" by Deb Burma.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study



The **Tuesday Morning Bible Study Group** meets at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Their study is based on the **Book of Mark**. Contact Bert Neely if questions.

Twice Fed—"Miracles from Heaven"



Anna Beam (Kylie Rogers) lives with a rare, incurable disorder that leaves her unable to digest food. Despite the dire diagnosis, devoted mom Christy (Jennifer Garner) relentlessly searches for a way to save her beloved daughter.

Everything changes in an instant when Anna tells an amazing story of a visit to heaven after surviving a headlong tumble into a tree. Her family and doctors become even more baffled when the young girl begins to show signs of recovering from her fatal condition.

Plan to come and watch this movie on Tuesday, March 21, at 9:30am in the Family Life Center.

Rockhouse—Campus Ministry



College students meet every Wednesday evening at the Rockhouse on the U of A campus. They begin with a meal and then enjoy fellowship and Bible Study.

We are trying to fill dates for meals at the Rockhouse for the remainder of the Spring semester.

We need meals for: March 15
 March 29
 April 5, 12, 19, and 26

If you would like more information about Campus Ministry or would like to supply a

meal, please contact Lori Smith at 841-7934 or look for a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the church lobby.

MissionU Course—Lutheran Hour Ministries - Course MU-202/301 – Equipping to Share: A Culture of Outreach



Everyone is invited to attend this course on Saturday, March

11, 2017, 8:30am to 1:30pm at First Lutheran Church – Ministries Building, 1115 North "D" St., Fort Smith, AR. Cost is free. Breakfast provided by the First Lutheran Men's Bible Group. Childcare will be provided.

Participants will examine the secular culture that defines present-day North America and how the church is often perceived as irrelevant. They will learn specific ways their congregations can build a culture of outreach that identifies and addresses the needs in their community.

Check out the poster on the bulletin board for more information, contact person and online registration.

Thrivent Choice Dollars Reminder: 2016 Choice Dollars expire on March 31, 2017!

Don't miss this opportunity to recommend where your Thrivent Choice Dollars should be distributed. Two great places are our church and school! If questions, contact Jonathon Lindeman—jonathon.lindeman@gmail.com.



Other News

LWML NEWS AND NOTES FOR MARCH 2017



The LWML will be serving the meal on March 8, 2017 before the Lenten Service. Meal service will begin at 5:30. The menu will be Chicken Spaghetti with all the trimmings - salad, French bread and assorted desserts. Consider coming for supper and fellowship before the service starts.

All Women are invited to join us on March 14, 2017 at 5:30 for a salad supper social and preparing EASTER MORNING TRAY FAVORS for area Nursing Home residents. Hope you can come!

On **Sunday April 2, 2017** the LWML will be having a **BAKE SALE!!!** Baked items will be offered after each worship service. This is a benefit for the **Updating of the Church Nursery.**

Our regular meeting date has been changed just for the month of **April** from the second Tuesday (which would be during Holy Week) to the first Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 5:30. As always, all women are invited!

The Northwest Arkansas Zone Spring Rally, on April 22, 2017, will be hosted by Bella Vista Lutheran LWML. Watch for more details in the April Newsletter.

If you don't have this recipe for Chocolate Wacky Cake in your **easy and delicious cake file**, you will want to include it after you give it a try. This is a favorite for birthday cakes, picnics and potlucks.

CHOCOLATE WACKY CAKE

Sift into a mixing bowl and set aside:

Flour

3 cups all purpose flour (14.3 oz.)

Or

3 ¼ cup cake flour (14.7 oz.)

2 cups sugar

1 teaspoon salt

6 tablespoons cocoa

2 teaspoons baking soda

Combine:

2 cups liquid – cold water or cold coffee

2 tablespoon vinegar

¾ cup oil

2 teaspoon vanilla

Mix liquid ingredients into dry ingredients until batter is smooth.

Pour into 9X13 inch pan & bake for 1 hour at 350 degrees or until a toothpick inserted in the middle comes out clean.

Or

Can make 24 cupcakes. Bake for 25 minutes in a 350 degree oven until center springs back when tested.

Frost with your favorite frosting or dust with powdered sugar.

LOOKING AHEAD:

Lenten Meal – March 8, 2017, 5:30

Next Meeting – March 14, 2017, 5:30, Salad Supper and Preparing Easter Tray Favors

Bake Sale – April 2, 2017, after each Worship Service

April meeting - April 4, 2017, 5:30 (changes from April 11, 2017)

Northwest Arkansas Zone Spring Rally - April 22, 2017 at Bella Vista Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church Extension Fund

Investing in a strong LCMS community



LCEF empowers LCMS ministries with every dollar invested. And with nearly 60,000 investors,

we've been able to make a difference for thousands of ministries. We provide customized loans and support services to new and growing ministries as well as loans for Rostered Church Workers who dedicate their lives to sharing the Gospel.

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LCEF offers secure, 24/7 online access to investments and loans through *MyAccount*. View balances and statements, complete transactions and even receive alerts when payments are due. Communicate directly with dedicated LCEF staff members who share your faith and values to ensure your stewardship efforts are always well-informed and free of stress.

How you can become a part of the LCEF

For a minimum of \$25 you can start an LCEF account for your children or grandchildren entitled "Young Investors Club". For a minimum of \$100 you can start an account for yourself entitled "StewardAccount". If you already have an account and have just transferred to Salem from another LCMS church, please make sure your LCEF account is transferred too. We need at least 40—45 child or adult applications to lower our interest rate on our mortgage. If interested in enrollment, see forms on the desk in the lobby area, or on the table in the FLC, or contact Jon Lindeman, Chris Clark or the church office.

Pictures from February Events

Cristo Marriage Retreat



Valentine's Dinner/Dance

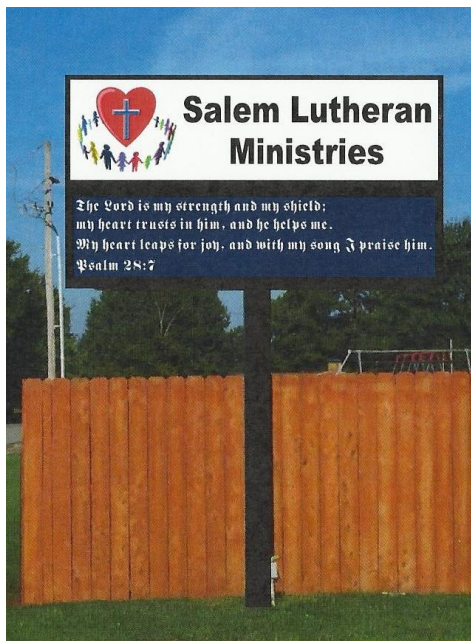


Ellyana's first Valentine's Dinner/Dance

Moving Forward on the Purchase of New Signs



It has been a long process, but I hope we can now move forward with our sign purchase. Thanks to Jim Fougner's help, we have been working with another sign company to receive a second estimate. New signage is expensive, but I believe



it is time to present to our community a more contemporary image of our ministry. The monument sign will help brighten the corner and serve to advertise our ministry and the three worship services. The digital sign will allow us to present a variety of messages that can be changed wirelessly through a computer. You may have noticed a number of churches in our area using digital sign technology.

The Four Monument Signs will cost \$10,840.00 and the Digital Sign will cost \$21,192.00. Over \$18,000 has been given for the sign project. Thanks to all who have given towards this project. I'm sorry it has taken so long. At the congregational meeting in August it was approved to go ahead and buy the new signs using reserve funds. It would be great if we could all help fund this project. A copy of the contract can be seen in the church office if you would like to take a closer look. It would be great if we could complete this project before Easter.

Stewardship Corner



But how much are we to give to this local congregation? His instructions are these: to give regularly (1 Cor 6:1–2), proportionally (1 Cor 16:1–2; 2 Cor 8:12), and generously (2 Cor 8:20) of our first fruits (Gen 4:4; Prov 3:9; Lev 27:30) with a spirit of eagerness (2 Cor 9:2), earnestness (2 Cor 8:7), cheerfulness (2 Cor 9:7), and love (2 Cor 8:23).

Thus, giving to the church is not to be an afterthought, given after everything else is spent. In this way, it is deliberate. We give it regularly, whenever we have income. We set it aside beforehand, before anything else is spent. From those first fruits, we set aside a proportionate and generous amount. Ten percent was the standard for the Israelites. Tithing was a command for them. St. Paul never mentions a tithe. Since a tithe was the bare minimum for the people of Israel in the Old Testament, perhaps St. Paul had more in mind. That aside, however, ten percent is an easy way to figure out an amount. You simply move your weekly, bi-weekly, bi-monthly, monthly, or yearly income one decimal point to the left. And that's it. That's what you put in the offering plate to support your local congregation so that you may continue to be a hearer of God's word by sharing all good things with those who teach it to you.

And how are we to give it? We give it with eagerness and earnestness. We give it cheerfully and with love, not out of compulsion. For through the preaching of the gospel and the administration of the sacraments, God has made us His children, forgiven us all our sins, given us grace upon grace, promised us life everlasting with Him in His kingdom, and filled us with His own Spirit, the Holy Spirit. This makes giving a joy. For it is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts 20:35).

Worship Themes for March



First Sunday in Lent—March 5, 2017—“*Christ the Conqueror*”

Jesus does it all for us! The Sundays in Lent, the most reflective and penitential season of the Church Year, still reflect the glory and the truth of the resurrection promise of Easter. Jesus has overcome sin, death, and the devil. He successfully dealt with the temptations of Satan—a major accomplishment that signals greater things yet to come. We joyfully celebrate our Lord’s victory.

Old Testament Reading—*Genesis 3:1–21*—(The disastrous fall of mankind into sin)

Epistle—*Romans 5:12–19*—(The life-giving work of Christ is for our justification.)

Holy Gospel—*Matthew 4:1–11*—(Jesus is led into the wilderness by the Spirit.)

Second Sunday in Lent—March 12, 2017—“*The Gift of the Redeemer*”

Today we hear the wonderfully familiar “Gospel in a nutshell” from John 3. The first words of the passage say it well: “God so loved.” God is loving even when we are less than lovable. In the season of Lent, we see God’s love at work in the cross of Jesus. Here in worship, we receive God’s wonderful gifts that demonstrate His amazing love.

Old Testament Reading—*Genesis 12:1–9*—(The promise of God is made to Abram.)

Epistle—*Romans 4:1–8, 13–17*—(The faith of Abraham, who believed God)

Holy Gospel—*John 3:1–17*—(Jesus teaches Nicodemus by night on being born again.)

Third Sunday in Lent—March 19, 2017—“*Satisfaction Guaranteed*”

“O refresh us, Trav’ling through this wilderness” (*LSB* 924:3). The well-known hymn stanza reminds us that we live amid challenges and dangers each day. As we gather for worship, we come to a place where our gracious God does refresh us. We are sustained by Word and Sacrament. We are encouraged by the fellowship of the faithful. Our cups run over with living water. We are renewed and satisfied and made ready to journey further in the name of the Lord.

Old Testament Reading—*Exodus 17:1–7*—(God provides water from a rock at Rephidim.)

Epistle—*Romans 5:1–8*—(Christ died for us while we were still sinners.)

Holy Gospel—*John 4:5–26 (27–30, 39–42)* - (Jesus meets with the Samaritan woman at the well.)

Fourth Sunday in Lent—March 26, 2017—“*Karma? I’ll Take Grace*”

God has a plan for each of us. He has an amazing and surprising plan individually crafted. It may not follow the pattern that we or those around feel it should be. But it is God’s plan, shaped by His grace. We joyfully put our trust in the graciousness of the God who created, redeemed, and sanctifies us.

Old Testament Reading—*Isaiah 42:14–21*—(The Lord will turn darkness into light.)

Epistle—*Ephesians 5:8–14*—(Walking as children of the light)

Holy Gospel—*John 9:1–41*—Jesus heals a man who was born blind.)

Lenten Service Themes



Ash Wednesday—March 1, 2017—“*Return to the Lord*”

“Return to the LORD, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love” (Joel 2:13). With these words, our dear Father tenderly calls all humans, who by nature have turned away from the face-to-face relationship of love for which He has created us. Don’t be afraid! He tenderly invites us to return to His fatherly embrace. Jesus on the cross—the shape placed with ashes on your forehead—this Jesus is proof that God is good, and that He loves all people, eagerly awaiting our return to face-to-face communion with Him.

Old Testament Reading—*Joel 2:12–19*—(Return to the Lord your God!)

Epistle—*2 Corinthians 5:20b–6:10*—(Be reconciled to God.)

Holy Gospel—*Matthew 6:1–6*—(Your Father who sees in secret will reward you.)

Lenten Service Themes continued...

Second Mid-Week Lenten Service—March 8, 2017—**Catechetical Series: The Ten Commandments—
Commandment Eight**

When Jesus came into the world, He not only took all of our sin upon Himself, but He also experienced what it's like to be sinned against. Bearing in His body the brokenness of the world, our Lord was broken by the deceitfulness and the lies of wicked men. As we focus on the Ten Commandments during our midweek worship services, let us ponder the depth of Christ's sacrifice for us as He placed Himself under the curse of the Law. Despised and rejected by the leaders of His own people, Jesus willingly went to the cross so that we may be accepted into His Father's family. Let us rejoice in His saving work!

Old Testament Reading—*Psalms 15:1–5*—(The blameless speak truth.)

Holy Gospel—*Matthew 26:57–68*—(Jesus appears before Caiaphas and the council.)

Third Mid-Week Lenten Service—March 15, 2017—**Catechetical Series: The Ten Commandments—
Commandment Seven**

Subjected to the thievery of mankind, Jesus was robbed of His life when He was nailed to the cross. Yet in the greatest reversal our world has ever known, Christ took back His life on the third day and now gives it to all who trust in Him! As we stand before Him in worship, we repent of the many ways in which we steal from others, ways that show we do not always fear, love, and trust in God above all things. By His Word and Spirit, our Savior will once again renew us in His forgiveness and restore us in His righteousness. May He open our eyes to see the many opportunities we have to love and help others as we review the Seventh Commandment!

Epistle—*1 John 3:16–18*—(Let us love in deed and in truth.)

Holy Gospel—*John 12:1–8*—(Jesus is anointed by Mary at Bethany.)

Fourth Mid-Week Lenten Service—March 22, 2017—**Catechetical Series: The Ten Commandments—
Commandment Six**

The Bible says King David was a man after God's own heart, and yet he fell into the temptations of lust and the sin of adultery. God gave us His Sixth Commandment to protect us and to bless us. When the Sixth Commandment, or any commandment, is broken, lives can be ruined, as we learn from David's story. In worship, we will see how Christ alone is the source of healing and forgiveness for all who break God's commands. Only in Christ Jesus do we learn to see our own body as a temple of the Holy Spirit and sex as a good gift to be enjoyed between a man and a woman in holy marriage. As we worship the One who remains faithful to us, may we honor Him with lives of purity.

Old Testament Reading—*2 Samuel 11:1–5*—(King David commits adultery.)

Epistle—*1 Corinthians 6:12–20*—(The body is a temple of the Holy Spirit.)

Fifth Mid-Week Lenten Service—March 29, 2017—**Catechetical Series: The Ten Commandments—
Commandment Five**

In his attempt to cover up his sin of adultery, King David committed ruthless murder. Such a heinous crime is certainly deserving of God's wrath, but so are the angry thoughts of our minds, which Jesus says make us liable to judgment. As we compare our lives to the Fifth Commandment, we see that we are all guilty. Only in Christ can this guilt be removed. He who forbids us to murder was Himself murdered for us by His Good Friday death on the cross. Bearing in His body all the sins of the world, Jesus suffered God's wrath in David's place, in my place, in your place, so that we can now live in His forgiveness—and learn to value the life He gives!

Old Testament Reading—*2 Samuel 11:1–27*—(David covers up his adultery with ruthless murder.)

Epistle—*1 John 3:11–16*—(We ought to lay down our lives for the brothers.)

Daylight Saving Time



Daylight Saving Time (Spring forward one hour) begins on Sunday, March 12th, at 2:00am. So, don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour.

Camp Petit Jean...



The Lutheran Camp on Petit Jean Mountain is a year-round camp and retreat center sandwiched between the scenic Petit Jean State Park and the Winthrop Rockefeller Institute, a world-class educational conference center.



The Lutheran Camp on Petit Jean is looking for a head cook for summer camp. The ideal candidate is a school cafeteria cook who is looking for an opportunity to put her/his skills to using serving others this summer. The cook can also join in other camp activities. The employment period is May

30-Aug. 1. The cook will have assistance from two summer staffers every week along with high school junior staff some weeks. The cook may stay on site but this is not required; however the cook does need to live within easy commuting time of the camp. Contact Camp Director David Cox if you are interested or know of a candidate who might be: director@lutherancamp.org.

Ash Wednesday at the Rockhouse



Thank you, Vicar Mauricio and Gladys Franco for your message about Lent and the Imposition of Ashes, and Lori Smith for our delicious meal.



Salem Lutheran School News



March is always an exciting month for Lutheran schools. The first full week of March we always celebrate National Lutheran Schools Week. This year we get it started on March 6th and continue through March 10th. Pajama with favorite book day, Grandparents' Day, Mis-match day with moms, Rock Star day with dads, and a school spirit day along with special worship opportunities highlight the week. Lutheran schools have a long history, going back to the 1830's. We are proud of our heritage and look forward to a promising future of continuing to make a difference in the lives of children. We will also be hosting our spring Scholastic Book Fair, which will run along side this week.

The pre-k 4/5 classes are busy preparing for their spring circus production, which will happen April 4th in the Family Life Center.

We are presently enrolling students for next fall for all classes - pre-k 3/4 and 4/5 and our summer program for ages 3 years old - 5th grade. If you know of anyone looking for a wonderful Christian-based school, please tell them to call Kris Busch at the school. We appreciate all your continued support and prayers to this mission of the church. We are blessed to have the opportunity to share Christ's love each day with these children and their families.



Support our School!

Would you like to help Salem Lutheran School financially without giving any money? As an ongoing fund raiser for Salem Lutheran School, we continue to sell SCRIP cards on Sunday mornings. We offer \$25 and \$100 Wal-Mart cards and many other "over-the-counter" cards as well as provide a process to order other SCRIP cards to be delivered on the following Sunday. When you buy a SCRIP card, it is worth the exact amount you paid for it, but in addition the school gets a small percentage. It is a great way to support our school painlessly. There are hundreds of companies that participate in this program. You can find out which ones do by visiting the website, www.shopwithscrip.com and clicking on *SHOP*. You can also register to be a user on this website as well and then would be able to order SCRIP online (You would need to get a code number from me to get started). With plenty of consistent users of SCRIP in our congregation, Salem Lutheran School would indeed be blessed.

God's blessings,
Kris Busch, school administrator

Project Compassion



When it comes to showing our faith in Jesus—some get nervous and tongue-tied. We need to remember that God will work through us and give us the words, love and courage. This will be all we will need to plant a seed in someone's heart. Paul told Timothy in 2nd Timothy 1:7-8, "Do not be afraid to testify about our Lord." Not only does Project Compassion help with groceries, eviction notices, shut-off notices, gasoline for your car, and prescriptions for Springdale residents, but they also try to "plant that seed" each Wednesday morning from 9:00 to 11:30am.

This past month Project Compassion helped 11 people with gas, 5 people with utility shut-off notices, and 8 people with food. We get many calls from out of the Springdale area and from other organizations and churches. We wish we could help everyone. We thank you for your contribution of groceries for our food pantry and monetary gifts. It means so much.

God's blessings,
Our Project Compassion Team—Marion, Jill, Elizabeth and Billie

Serving Salem this Month

Altar

Altar Guild
8:00

Lois Douthit/Freda Piazza

10:30

5th—Trisha Grayson, 12th—Lisa McNeel,
19th—Star Iglesias, 26th—Cindy Mussen

Ushers

8:00: Tom Smith, Mike Wilson, Mike Cooper,
Bob Smith

Flowers

Stand 1 Stand #2 Piano

5th
12th
19th
26th

Financial Report—January 2017

General Fund

Beginning Balance	\$	1,793.29
Income	+	74,000.18
		<u>75,793.47</u>
Expenses	-	64,001.84
Ending Balance	\$	12,791.63

Special Accounts

Beginning Balance	\$	35,548.00
Income	+	5,387.80
		<u>40,935.80</u>
Expenses	-	11,307.95
Ending Balance	\$	29,627.85

LCEF Accounts (Investments)

Beginning Balance	\$	28,984.86
Income	+	0.28
		<u>28,985.14</u>
Expenses	-	14.53
Ending Balance	\$	28,970.61

Mortgage Principle Balance \$ 347,307.20
New Refinance balance

Greeters

8:00 Bob and Suzanne Ennis

Communion Assistants

8:00 Jim Atkinson and Jim Fougnie

Arise Service Helper

Team: Jason Hatton

Scripture Readers - 8:00am

5th Lois Douthit
12th Rick Meyer
19th Tom Brown
26th Charles Jones

LCEF Loan Principal Balance Closed 1/17

Wells Fargo Endowment Fund

Beginning Balance	\$	27,384.81
Income	+	0.00
		<u>\$ 27,384.81</u>
Transfer to GF	-	0.00
Ending Balance	\$	27,384.81

New Flower Policy



Since the passing of Julie Hoff, who made most of our flower arrangements for Sunday mornings, we have a new flower policy. Either you may bring your own flowers or we have made an arrangement with Springdale Flower Shop. You let me know if you want flowers ordered; then I will call the flower shop and order them. You will then pay the church. Total will be \$45. They may then be picked up by you on Saturday morning before noon and brought to the church on Sunday morning. There usually will not be anyone here at the Church on Saturdays for delivery. If questions, call me at the church office. Darlene

Salem Celebrates!

Birthdays for March

Robyn Young	3/1
Sydney Clark	3/1
Kurt Pfitzinger	3/3
Ivy Platt	3/3
LaDonna White	3/3
Olivia Canada	3/5
Thomas Canada	3/5
Freda Piazza	3/5
Aubrey Harris	3/5
Charlotte Milligan	3/7
Aaron Bohannon	3/11
Avery Valdez	3/11
Reina Chavarria	3/11
Jaque Canada	3/13
Norma Rossow	3/13
Karen Hawes	3/14
Lorena Messina	3/14
Mike Cooper	3/15
Tim Young	3/15
Miguel Balderas	3/16
Ramona Norris	3/16
Mary Ann Adams	3/17
Jenna Clark	3/18
Andrea Ormeño	3/20
Cindy Mussen	3/20
Marion Piazza	3/20
Chris Clark	3/21
Rick Border	3/23
Maria Nava	3/24
Scott Atkinson	3/25
Carles Hernández	3/25
Destiny Brown	3/26
Pastor Brandon Martin	3/27
Lois Douthit	3/27
Darrell Smith	3/27
Helen Prinós	3/29
Mayra Olán	3/29
Linda Gordley	3/30
Brooke Moore	3/31

Baptism Birthdays for March

Mike Boness	3/1
Jenna Clark	3/1
Kellie Combs	3/1
Kelly Keyes	3/4
Matthew Gilbertson	3/6
Hudson Mueller	3/7
Cade Erickson	3/11
John Prinós	3/11
Richard Brown	3/11
Charlie Sutton	3/11
Lisa McNeel	3/15
Darlene Diercouff	3/15
Will Calhoun	3/16

Marvin Dandy	3/16
Mike Cooper	3/18
Wayne Hoff	3/19
Brian Owens	3/20
Kevin Taylor	3/26
Olivia Canada	3/27
Thomas Canada	3/27
Freda Piazza	3/28
Jaque Canada	3/29
Elke Goode	3/30

Wedding Anniversaries for March

Mike and Vivian Massaglia
3/1/97—20 years

Charles and Freda Piazza
3/2/91—26 years

Scottie and Robyn Porter
3/7/98—19 years

Richard and Kemram Olson
3/12/94—23 years

Gary and Kay Dandy
3/30/63—54 years

Jim and Kelly Fougny
3/30/02—15 years

Jim and Bea Estes
3/30/79—38 years

Our Church Family

Directory Changes

New Phone Number

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Death

Richard Duane Winters

Born: February 7, 1950, Fayetteville AR
Died: February 23, 2017, Springdale AR

Richard Duane Winters of Springdale, AR was the son of Darrel Winters and Welda Jean (Sohl) Winters. He is survived by his children, Amber Perrodin and Aaron King, their spouses, five grandchildren; one great-granddaughter and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held on Friday, March 3, 2017 at Salem Lutheran Ministries with private burial in Salem Lutheran Cemetery.



Armed Services List

The following members, friends, and family members continue to serve in Iraq, Afghanistan and other areas. We, as their church family, want to continue to uphold them and their families in prayer. As we pray for peace, please also remember all the service men and women serving throughout the world.

Aaron Bohannon—at Ft. Hood

Jesse Pointer—grandson of Nancy Allor—in Afghanistan

Trent Keyes—son-in-law of Mike and Kim Cooper—at home

Paul Ostrowski—brother of Diane Border—in Afghanistan

Prayer List

Each month, the Men's Bible Study prays for six Salem Lutheran Ministries families/friends. The families chosen for March are:

Rev. Roger and Debbie Schoolcraft
Louise Shawhan
Bill and Jill Simmons
Dana Simmons
Melissa and *Mike* Sipes
Blake, Landon Hatch,
Levi Sipes
Shirley Sletten

Please join the Men's Bible Study Group in saying prayers for these families.

Baptism

We rejoice with Jason and Kristin Hatton whose daughter, **Ellyana Grace**, was baptized this past month on February 5, 2017 by her grandfather, Rev. Ken Lampe. Sponsors are Matthew and Nikki Lampe and Rev. Tardelli and Diani Voss.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Each Sunday Traditional Service w/Communion 8:00 Praise Band Practice 8:00 Sunday School 9:15 Bible Classes 9:30 Arise Contemporary Service w/ Communion 10:30 Cristo Para Todos Service w/ Communion 10:30 Volleyball 6:00			Ash Wednesday Fresh Start 7:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30 Project Compassion 9:00 Women's Bible Study 9:15 Youth Night 5:30 Rockies 6:30 Service w/ Communion and Imposition of Ashes 12:00 and 7:00pm Cristo Service w/ Imposition of Ashes 7:00	1 2 Cristo Praise Band Practice 5:30 Soccer 6:00 ESL 7:00	3 Marriage Retreat 6:30	4 Keepers 8:00 Marriage Retreat Ends at 5:30	
First Sunday in Lent (Same as Each Sunday)		5 National Lutheran Schools Week Book Fair all week Teacher Appreciation Week Youth Soccer 6:00 ESL 7:00	6 Bible Study 9:30 Chapel 2:00 Soccer 6:00 Bible Study 7:00	7 Fresh Start 7:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30 Women's Bible Study 9:15 Project Compassion 9:00 Youth Night 5:30 Handbells 6:15 Rockies 6:30 Lent 2 7:00 Choir—after service	8 9 Cristo Praise Band Practice 5:30 Soccer 6:00 ESL 7:00	10 MissionU Course 8:30—1:30 Ft. Smith	11
Second Sunday in Lent Project Compassion Sunday Daylight Saving Time Begins 2:00am (Same as Each Sunday)		12 Youth Soccer 6:00 ESL 7:00	13 (Same as 7th) Lunch after Bible Study LWML Salad Supper 5:30 Bible Study 7:00	14 (Same as 8th) Lent 3 7:00	15 16 Cristo Praise Band Practice 5:30 Soccer 6:00 ESL 7:00	17 St. Patrick's Day (Wear green)	18
19 (Same as Each Sunday) Our Neighbor's Faith 5:00		20 Spring Begins Spring Break this week School Open for Childcare Youth Service Event Youth Soccer 6:00 NO ESL	21 Youth Servant Event Twice Fed 9:30 Circuit Pastor's Conference 9:30 Soccer 6:30 Bible Study 7:00 (Same as 7th)	22 (Same as 8th) Youth Servant Event Meal 5:30 No Youth Night No Rockies	23 (Same as 16th) NO ESL	24 Newsletter Deadline	25
26 (Same as Each Sunday)	27 Youth Soccer 6:00 Property Team 6:30 ESL 7:00	28 Elders 6:30 Bible Study 7:00	29 Lent 5 7:00 (Same as 8th)	30 (Same as 16th) ESL 7:00	31		

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March 2017

- March 1 Lent began with Ash Wednesday—12:00 and 7:00pm—Imposition of Ashes and Communion—Church
Cristo Service—7:00pm with Imposition of Ashes—FLC
- March 3, 4 Marriage Retreat—Cedar Lodge, Bella Vista—6:30pm Friday to 5:30pm Saturday
- March 6-10 National Lutheran Schools Week
Scholastic Book Fair
Teacher Appreciation Week
- March 7 New Bible Study begins—A Man Named Martin—Part 1: The Man—7:00 to 8:00pm—Fellowship Hall (continues each Tuesday night this month)
- March 8 Lent 2—Church—English—7:00pm; Service—mostly Spanish—FLC—7:00pm
- March 11 MissionU Course—First Lutheran, Ft. Smith—8:30am—1:30pm
- March 12 Project Compassion Sunday
Daylight Saving Time Begins—2:00am
- March 14 LWML Salad Supper and preparation of Easter morning tray favors—5:30pm—F. Hall
- March 15 Lent 3 Services—7:00pm—Church and FLC
- March 17 St. Patrick's Day
- March 20 Spring Begins
- March 20-24 Spring Break—Pre-School Open for Child Care
(No ESL, regular Youth Night, or Rockies)
- March 20-22 Spring Break Youth Activities
- March 22 Lent 4 Services—7:00pm—Church and FLC-with meal at 5:30pm (No regular youth night)
- March 24 Newsletter Deadline
- March 29 Lent 5 Services—7:00pm—Church and FLC