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Through Jesus Christ, we
proclaim God's Word,
encourage one another in faith,
witness to God's love and
serve all people.



St. John's News

March 2018

Message from Pastor James

.We're now well into Lent, and quickly heading toward the wonders of Easter. Throughout the Lenten season we'll be hearing about the "People of the Passion" in the mid-week services. We'll hear about Judas, Mary, Pilate, Simon of Cyrene, the Centurion at the cross, and Peter.

We will also be holding the Maundy Thursday Seder meal where we will see how Jesus took the Passover meal, instituted by God at the time of Moses and the Exodus from Egypt, and changed it from a promise of the Messiah to come, to the fulfillment of Messiah who has come, Jesus Christ our Lord.

By the time you read this we will have celebrated Ash Wednesday and we will be full-on into the new season of Lent. Lent is a somber time. It is a time to remember that Jesus came to die for us. He did that, not because we had earned anything, or done anything, to deserve it. Quite the contrary what we deserved was Him abandoning us, turning us over to Satan, and just walking away.

Lent is about remembering that it is we who brought sin into God's perfect creation. That sin is far more than just the bad stuff we do. It is also the good stuff we don't do. More than that it is the condition of everything in the world. It is the reason for every disease, ailment, and discomfort. It is the reason for life's stresses and strains. Sin wears us down. St. Paul wrote in Romans 8:22, All creation groans under the burden of sin.

Sin is what wears things down, and eventually brings them to an end. Sin is what will wear us down, and finally bring us to our end. All of this seems very depressing and sad. This leaves us with little hope and no joy. That is, in part, what Lent is about, remembering our failures. Lent, however, is not the highest celebration of the Church year. Easter is.

The somber season of Lent brings us to the glorious joys of Easter and the wonder of our risen Savior. It is the same with our lives. Our lives are the 'lent' that brings us to the joy and wonder of our resurrection to eternal life with our God forever.

I would encourage all of you to use our mid-week services and the Easter season to invite friends and neighbors and even long lost members of our church family to come. The sermons, like Advent and Christmas, will be shorter in length and very purposeful and direct messages of sins affect and God's salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord, and the joy we all have in that knowledge.

God's blessings to all of you during this Lent and Easter season.

Pastor James.

Book Report



People of all ages need to be studying God's Word in addition to worship.

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"Martin Luther had a Wife" written by William J. Petersen is found in our own church library. The book contains only 5 chapters—each chapter dealing with the marriage of extraordinary men and their wives.

Martin and Katie Luther met when nine nuns were delivered to his doorstep. It was his job to either find a job for them or a husband. He found a few eligible candidates, but Katie still wasn't married. She suggested to a friend Martin would be someone she would marry. He had visited with his parents and his father encouraged him to marry to carry on the Luther name. "As he thought about it, his marriage would 'please his father, rile the Pope, make angels laugh and devils weep, and would seal his testimony' ". And the story continued.

John and Molly Wesley—John was the father of the Methodist movement. To us some of his ideas seem unbiblical—he preached personal holiness. Yet he was a remarkable man and God used him mightily. Yet his marriage was a miserable failure. Read on to find out why it was such a failure.

Jonathan and Sarah Edwards had a happy household which was a model others wanted to emulate. Jonathon was the pastor known for his fire and brimstone sermon titled "Sinner in the Hand of an an angry God". Both Jonathon and Sarah spent time making their marriage work. This was Jonathon's philosophy of family: "Every family ought to be a little church, consecrated to Christ and wholly influenced and governed by His rules. And family education and order are some of the chief means of grace. If these fail, all other means are likely to prove ineffectual.

Dwight and Emma Moody—Dwight is often thought of as the Billy Graham of the eighteenth century. Their marriage was very good and she was a behind-the scenes worker for her husband. They founded the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago in the 1890's and it is still operating today.

Our last couple is William and Catherine Booth founders of the Salvation Army. April 10th, 1852, Catherine accepted an invitation for William to walk her home. At the end of the walk they both felt they had known and loved each others for years. In a short while they became engaged, but it took three years before they were able to be married. Their life long adventure together took them many places to spread the Gospel.

This is an interesting book on how God led the men to spread the Gospel with all but one wife standing behind their husbands helping them emotionally, physically and spiritually. It is an easy book to read and I found it very interesting. Thanks be to God for leading these people in the work of the Gospel.



ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN WOMEN//LWML NEWS



Your LWML board has been working on a little reorganization this past month. We want to put some things in place that we have done in the past.

One item is making sure our new members of the church feel welcomed to our LWML. In the new member packets they will find our LWML booklet, plus a welcome letter explaining a little bit about our group.

The next thing we will be initiating is assigning the Christian service committee's an area of the kitchen to clean once or twice a year. We have noticed things are getting to look not the best. The list will be posted on the refrigerator in the kitchen. Committee chairperson please look at the notice and schedule a time for your committee to get together to keep our kitchen looking its best.

LWML will be promoting the mite boxes more than we have in the past. If anyone already has their mite box full please turn the mites into Ellen Petersen, our treasurer or any officer. Thank You. This is for all in the congregation. There are mite boxes on the usher stands in the back of the church.

March and April will be a busy month for our service committees. We will be serving for the Seder meal on Maundy Thursday, Pastors conference on April 10. On May 7, we are planning on a gathering of all women of the church for a fun evening of fellowship. More info will be coming next month.

Our donation this month will be sent to Adopt a Seminary student. Happy Valentine's Day to all. It is an extra special day at Lent will start Feb. 14.

Yours in Christ,
Francine Strouf

March Birthdays

- 1 John Schleicher
- 2 Rachel Sippel
- 5 Jerry Anderson
- 5 Maxine Bracken
- 6 Lincoln Arthur
Wradislavsky
- 11 Jane Ruhnke
- 13 Midge Priester
- 14 Angela Grant
- 15 Pam Reistad
- 17 Randi Lynn
Strouf
- 18 Sue Wollenburg
- 20 Karla Muller
- 20 Dave Watkins
- 22 Alex Thorson
- 24 Danielle Maas
- 24 Barb McAlister
- 26 Nathan Graff
- 26 Marvin Moe
- 27 Levi Flerlage
- 27 Derek Prantner
- 30 Lois Auringer
- 31 Jeane Ogilla

Anniversaries

- 15 Larry & Pam
Waters
- 25 Butch & Helen
Grabau

Youth

Sunday, March 11th at 5:30 the youth will be bowling at Echo Lanes bowling alley. Please come join the fun and fellowship. Junior high/high school students are encouraged to attend and bring your friends.



FROGS (Faithful Retired Old Guys) Calling all retired guys! Join us at the church on **Tuesday, March 6th**. FROGS offers both a social component and a volunteer component. Come the first Tuesday of each month for coffee and fellowship. We will also be looking for ideas to serve, doing general maintenance or upkeep activities or other creative ways to serve the Lord here at St. John's. Volunteer to serve if you want. If not, just come for the fellowship. All are welcome... just show up!

Together in the Word



People of all
ages need to be
studying God's
Word in addition
to worship.

LifeLight

Sunday Adult Bible Class at 10:25 a.m. led by Pastor James "Stuff They Didn't Teach Me In Sunday School" is very interesting. Plan on coming.

Monday morning Bible class at 9:30 a.m., led by Pastor James is studying the lessons that will be read in the services the following weekend. Come and join us! Bring a friend.

Monday -Albert Lea Home Bible Studies at the Baileys They live at 435 East 3rd Street (corner of Frank Hall Drive & East 3rd street). The subject is The Story of Angels **Everyone is welcome to come - 6:30 p.m..**

Tuesday - Women's Bible study at 1:00 p.m *Revelation*

Thursday - LifeLight is starting 2nd Corinthians on March 8, 2018

Thursday -Men's Bible Study at 5:00 p.m. Going with the theme these last several weeks of studying about the Bible we have looked at *How We Got the Bible*, and have just finished looking at *The Lost Book?*. Next, and finally, we are going to study *The Bible On Trial: Beyond A Reasonable Doubt*.

Biblical criticism, ancient historical voices, the illumination of archaeology, the testimony of first-century followers of Jesus Christ -- all these come to bear on the examination of the reliability of the Scriptures in this video based Bible study - *The Bible On Trial: Beyond A Reasonable Doubt*.

Please join us for this new four session Bible study starting at 5:00 pm, Thursday, February 8th, in the Council Room, as we view and discuss this video series. And bring a friend.

Thursday - 7:30 p.m. Gray Matters meets at Perkins Restaurant. Join us in a free-flowing discussion.

Attention, Men: St. John's Breakfast Club meets the 3rd Saturday of every month **at 7:30 a.m.** They meet at Barley's Family Restaurant (in the back room), 1207 Main St. N. in Austin. Why?... for food and fellowship... connect with other men at St. John's.

Prayer Ministry . . . will be right after worship service by the organ. We pray for others... we pray for you. All remains confidential. Bring your special needs or hurts and we will petition the Lord with you. Questions? Feel free to call Carol Schleicher at 396-8420.

Prayer is a powerful tool. If you have a care, concern, or a joy, make use of the St. John's Prayer Chain. If you have a prayer request, contact Miriam Luehmann (437-7619 or Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com). If you would be willing to be part of our Prayer Chain team, please let Miriam know. We can always use more people in prayer at St. John's

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Thought of the Month

Hudson Taylor, a Nineteenth Century British missionary to China, is reported to have said, "God's work, done in God's way, will not lack God's supply." To know God's way, we need to know His Holy Word. Or to say it another way: you need to know your Bible.

St. Paul, before he spends two chapters on giving, wrote that every thought is to be taken captive to the obedience of Christ (2 Cor. 10:5).

Doctrine matters. And doctrine matters because the Scriptures matter. And the Scriptures matter because this is where we learn the teaching of Christ. Our thoughts must be brought into line with the teaching of Scripture so that our work is what God wants done and so that we do this work in His way.

A good tree bears good fruit. A bad tree bears bad fruit. We have been made good trees in holy baptism. We are fertilized and pruned for bearing good fruit by constantly hearing God's Word preached and taught in sermon and Bible Class and in receiving the life-giving, faith-sustaining food of the Lord's Supper. Remember your doctrine, hold on to the Lord's teaching, and your thoughts will be taken captive to the obedience of Christ.

Bringing every thought captive to the obedience of Christ is recognizing that God does provide. The Lord's Prayer teaches us to pray for daily bread. Praying this day in and day out reminds us that the Lord is the giver of our daily bread, and that we are to give thanks for His daily provision of it.

God is rarely early and never late in His work, as Abraham learned, "on the mount of the Lord it will be provided" (Gen. 22:14). The Lord's generosity forms our generosity in return. Thus, we set aside for the work of God a generous, first-fruits, proportion of the daily bread that God has given to us. This act of trust in the Lord's provision is the working out of our faith in Him.

When budgetary discussions pop up, our natural reaction is to point fingers. But remember your doctrine, and what your mother taught about pointing fingers. Our first natural reaction is not always right. In fact, when our thoughts are brought into captivity of Christ, our first reaction should be repentance.

It should raise questions in our own lives. As good trees in Christ who are to bear good fruit, we should ask whether our thoughts are taken captive by obedience to Christ. Have we given generously? Have we given our first-fruits? You know. And God knows. "For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is loyal to Him" (2 Chron. 16:9).

God will provide. He always has and He always will. He gives His meat in due season. He has not left you as orphans, but has grafted you into His own family. You belong to Him. Remember this, letting this thought dwell in you richly. And you will then be rich toward others

To sponsor a radio broadcast, contact Ellen Petersen at 433-6626 or 440-8070. The cost is \$142.00.



If you would like to sponsor a month of St. John's weekly church services over the internet/Live Streaming (\$109 a month), please contact Dave Watkins at 507-4588-5018 or Dale Siegfried at 507-437-7394.

Fat Tuesday: Also known as “Shrove Tuesday” is traditionally the last day you could eat meat or fatty foods, before the Lenten time of fasting. The word ‘shrove’ is an ancient English word that means confession. This was the day when Christians would traditionally go to church, for private confession and absolution, in preparation for the somber season of Lent. In the French language “Fat Tuesday” is pronounced “Mardi Gras” which is the name of the celebration generally associated with New Orleans, Louisiana that occurs at this time.

Ash Wednesday: Is the first day of the 40 days of Lent. Traditionally this day was marked with a somber service including the “Imposition of ashes.” The palms from the previous year's Palm Sunday celebration were brought in by the congregation. The pastor would burn them and use the ashes to mark the heads of the members with the sign of the cross. This tradition began because in much of the Biblical era it was the custom to cover one's self with ashes as a sign of repentance or sorrow.

Interesting fact: Ash Wednesday is really 46 days before Easter, but we say the 40 days of Lent. The reason is that Sunday, the day of Christian worship, is always a celebration of Easter. Even during Lent Sundays are a reminder to us that Christ our Lord has risen from the dead and so we too will rise on the Last Day at His call. The six Sundays of Lent are meant to be a reminder to us that although we are approaching the day of our Lord's death Christ is arisen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The earliest possible date Ash Wednesday can occur is February 4. The latest is March 10. The date of Ash Wednesday is based on the date of Easter.

Maundy

Thursday: The word “Maundy” is a Latin word which means command, or mandate. Maundy Thursday is so named because it is the Thursday upon which Jesus gave the command, “A new **command** I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.” (*John 13:34*) In Latin: “**Mandatum novum do vobis ut diligatis invicem sicut dilexi vos.**”

Good Friday: At first this may seem to be a poor choice for the name of the day on which Jesus was brutally executed suffering for the sins of the whole world. However we must see this day through the eyes of a Christian. It was on this day that Jesus pronounced the words of victory, “It is finished!” In so doing He declared all, who believe in Him, to be perfect in the eyes of our heavenly Father making this day truly good indeed.

When is Easter: The date of Easter is calculated as the first Sunday, after the 14th day, after the first full moon, after March 21. The reason for this convoluted equation has to do with the different calendars that are used. Easter is set to fall on the weekend of Passover. In modern times we use a solar (*or Sun*) calendar. In the Bible the Jewish people used a lunar (*or Moon*) calendar. So to get Easter to fall on the correct date of Passover each year this system is required.



March Birthdays for Shut-ins

26 Marvin Moe Primrose, #203, 1701 22nd Ave SW, Austin 55912

Our shut-ins would truly appreciate a card, phone call or visit during the month. A list of all the shut-ins is on the bulletin boards.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: February 13, 2018

The February 13, 2018, meeting was called to order by President Vance Oelkers at 7:06 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pastor James Groleau, Vance Oelkers, David Ruhnke, Donna Bailey, Adam Meyer, Lori Siegfroid, Dale Siegfroid, Darrel Bahn, Kathy Carlson, Sharry Watkins, Pam Reistad

OPENING DEVOTION: Pastor Groleau

SECRETARY'S REPORT: M/S/P to accept the secretary's report for January 9, 2018, as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Net Operating Loss: \$(1,115.03). Net Increase in Designated Assets: \$1,372.39. M/S/P to accept the Treasurer's report, as written.

ELDERS' REPORT: M/S/P to grant a request for transfer out of membership to Aaron and Michelle Asmus and family, Adam Downey and Teri Harbets. M/S/P to approve the transfer into membership to Wayne Wollenberg and to Connie Loudon. Blessings are extended to Pastor Bailey for his willingness to assist Pastor James with shut-in visits. M/S/P to compensate Pastor Bailey \$10.00 per visit and mileage to be paid for 50 miles per round trip to Austin. The two pastors will split the list of shut-ins such that Pastor James can personally see each shut-in at least every other month or more often as desired. The last policy or guideline that remains to be adopted is the Church Facility Use Guidelines. It has been reviewed by the Board of Trustees and with the changes that were made it is now ready for consideration for adoption by the Church Council. M/S/P to adopt the Church Facility Use Guidelines.

TRUSTEES' REPORT: A review of the Church Facility Use Guidelines was done with notes of proposed changes or additions made and forwarded to Dave Ruhnke. Mouse traps have been placed in the church facility with several mice caught so the problem seems to be controlled. The padded folding chairs samples are expected to be here soon. Once a chair has been picked out, the LWML wants to order 200 chairs. The bathroom signs are here and will be installed soon. Carpet cleaning will be delayed until after Easter. The broken and clouded windows will be replaced when the temperature gets warmer. Installing of handrails in the east hall will be at a later date. Set menu and coordinator, Albie, for the Lenten supper on March 7. They spent time in discussion of the storage problem with a view for recommendation at the spring voters meeting. The boiler heat exchanger problem was discussed and they met with Harty Mechanical on February 8 about it. It will be covered under warranty but to prevent the problem from happening again, it is recommended to install a water filter system and safety alarm and lockout. The approximate cost those items plus the capacity test and glycol is \$4,892. M/S/P to approve the purchase of the water filter system, safety alarm and lockout, capacity test and glycol to be paid out of the building fund.

BOARD OF EDUCATION: Sunday, February 18 they will give "Read With Me Bible" books to 3-4 year olds and "Faith Alive Student Bible" to 3rd graders. Vacation Bible School will be held June 25-29 (Monday-Friday). Kerri Groleau will be in charge of it. The Board of Ed will serve the Lenten meal on Wednesday, February 21. Our next meeting will be Tuesday March 13 at Groleau's house.

STEWARDSHIP BOARD: The Scrip gift card distribution schedule is set for February. The "Thought of the Month" stewardship message in the monthly newsletter continues.

YOUTH & FAMILY BOARD: The Youth Board met on Sunday, January 28th, at 5:00 p.m. At this time we hosted a youth get together to make Valentines for the shut-ins which was followed by pizza. We had 3 junior high/high school students and 3 elementary students in attendance along with four adults. After creating Valentine cards for all the shut-ins we served pizza. The Youth Board members met briefly while baking the pizzas for the youth. Upcoming events include: Film viewing on February 11th at St. John's; March 11th – Planning a bowling event at 5:30; Also in

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March – having the youth help prepare for the Easter egg hunt. The Youth and Family Board along with the Stewardship Board will be serving supper on Wednesday, February 28. We are planning to serve soup and sandwiches along with carrots, pickles and chips. Joann and Kristi are checking on prices for the soup. Each member of the Boards will be asked to bring a pan of bars to serve for dessert. Next meeting for the Board will be Monday, March 6th at 4:15 p.m. at St. John's.

SOCIAL MINISTRY: They discussed Back Pack needs. They filled 98 bags last week. The Salvation Army provides food every three weeks and Hormel is now providing food on a random basis. We have not purchased a lot, however we are filling in with things like graham and ritz crackers. The last delivery for Shoe Away Hunger was 57 pairs recycled shoes and 52 saleable shoes. The Salvation Army Rice and Pasta Shelf could use more rice and also beans as they are good staples. March is Food Share month so tables will be set out to collect bags of food. Bags will be handed out on March 4. Ash Wednesday they will serve the meal prior to church service. There are extra boxes of scalloped potatoes if anyone needs to use them. They discussed having an Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday. Donation boxes for candy will be located in both foyers.

EVANGELISM: They approved the church ad for the Herald Progress Edition. Work has begun on updating the time and talent form. Our board thinks that it would be beneficial for all members to complete the form as it has been a number of years since we have done that. They will provide the form in both paper and electronic format when we get it updated. Discussion was held on putting together a packet for visitors who come to St. John's. They will be working on that in the next month. As part of that they would like to update the church brochure. They looked at the changes that have been made to the church website and added comments and suggestions. They discussed having a "Friendship Sunday" where all members would be encouraged to invite a friend to the service. Details need to be worked out. Prior to that, Pastor James may offer a Bible Study on evangelism. We are also encouraging members to invite friends, family and neighbors to the Lenten meals and services. They will be serving the Lenten meal on March 14 and decided on our menu.

PASTOR'S REPORT: *Shut-in calls:* 16. *Classes Taught:* Sunday mornings – Stuff They Didn't Teach in Sunday School; Monday mornings – Lectionary Readings; Wednesdays – CASE & Confirmation; Thursday evenings – Grey Matters. *Worship Services:* Saturday & Sunday; *Funerals:* 1 for Carol King; *Other:* Scout Sunday was February 4; Meeting about Holy Cross to discuss mission ministry opportunities; Vacation/Conference February 19-25.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: M/S/P to allow the Mower County 4-H Clothing Project to use the church fellowship hall to hold sewing instruction class for approximately four hours once a month for five months. The fee for the hall use will be waived in return for them cleaning the hall afterwards. Dale Siegfried presented three used laptop PC's to the church that were donated by Clifton Larson Allen.

ADJOURNMENT: M/S/P to adjourn @ 8:24 p.m.

CLOSING PRAYER: The Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted: Pamela Reistad, Council Secretary

Special services during Lent

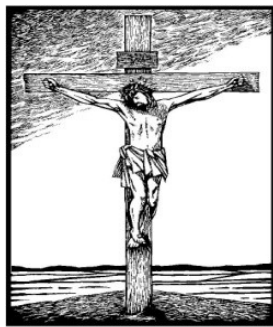
Please note that Lenten mid-week services are also being held at Holy Cross at 11:45 am

Join us for dinner before the Lenten services 5:30 – 6:15 p.m.

Wednesday 03/07 Lenten Service 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday 03/14 Lenten Service 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday 03/21 Lenten Service 6:30 p.m.



Holy Week

Sunday 03/25 Palm Sunday Service w/communion 9:00 a.m.

Thursday 03/29 Maundy Thursday – Seder Meal 6:00 p.m.

Friday 03/30 Good Friday (Tenebrae) 6:30 p.m.

Saturday 03/31 Holy Saturday Vigil 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 04/01 Easter Service 9:00 a.m.



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- 3) If you have directed your Choice Dollars before online, it will bring up your past choices for you and click "Direct Now" next to the organization's name, or click on the "View activity history" link, scroll down and click on the name of the desired organization.
- 4) If you would like to direct your Choice Dollars to St. John's Lutheran Church it is in Thrivents system as St. John (no s) Lutheran Church, 1200 13th Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912
- 5) Choose "Direct All" or enter a specific number and click "Direct Now."

A dog had followed his owner to school.

His owner was a fourth grader at a public elementary school.

However, when the bell rang, the dog sidled inside the building and made it all the way to the child's classroom before a teacher noticed and shooed him outside, closing the door behind him.

The dog sat down, whimpered and stared at the closed doors.

Then God appeared beside the dog, patted his head, and said,

'Don't feel bad fella...they won't let ME in either!!

St. John's Lutheran Church Financial Recap
January 1, 2018 through January 31, 2018

<u>Undesignated Assets</u>	<u>Balance 1/1/18</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Balance 1/31/18</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Cash	\$215,476.91	\$202.96	\$215,679.87	Undesignated Assets represent the funds available for general operating purposes.
Prepays/Other Assets	15,487.93	-2,546.58	12,941.35	
Buildings & Land	3,015,781.00	0.00	3,015,781.00	
Liabilities	-4,640.42	<u>1,228.59</u>	-3,411.83	
Net Operating Income		<u>\$-1,115.03</u>		
<u>Designated Assets</u>	\$101,059.30			Designated Assets represent all of the various funds that can be contributed to for the designated purpose.
Building Fund	0.00	\$808.57	\$101,867.87	
Building Fund-Roof Repair	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Building Fund-Parking Lot	2,067.08	0.00	0.00	
Needy Family Fund	2,060.87	0.00	2,067.08	
Women's Ministry Fund	0.00	0.00	2,060.87	
Rachel's Hope Fund	283.68	0.00	0.00	
Musical Equipment Fund	513.38	0.00	283.68	
Library Books Fund	3,111.00	30.00	543.38	
Choir Robes Fund	70.00	0.00	3,111.00	
Sunday School Fund	15,303.80	-20.00	50.00	
Memorial Fund	3,135.40	470.00	15,773.80	
Praise Band Fund	11,225.81	0.00	3,135.40	
Youth Fund	700.00	-21.46	11,204.35	
Multimedia Fund	10,298.06	0.00	700.00	
Scrip Fund	12,173.92	105.28	10,403.34	
Sumner School Fund	43,883.12	0.00	12,173.92	
Endowment Fund		<u>0.00</u>	43,883.12	
Increase in Designated Assets		<u>\$1,372.39</u>		

***Thank you
to all of our
Volunteers,
who make
our worship
special.***



March Ushers

Head Usher: Randy Graff

Saturday evening: Gene Pfeifer, Clayton Petersen, Rocky Schammel

Sunday morning: Bruce Reistad, Robert Bos, Tim Carlson, Wayne Marquardt

March Communion Assistants

04 Dick Heuton, Nathan Wradislavsky, Dave Ruhnke
18

March Lectors

04 Donna Bailey
11 Dick Heuton
18 Larry Waters
25 Gloria Dirksen

March Acolytes

Kylea Rupe and Randi Lynn Strouf



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**March
NEWSLETTER**

Return Service Requested

Announcement!



Lenten Services are every Wednesday evening.

Afraid of the icy parking lot and walkway?

If you're the passenger, why don't you have your "driver" drop you off on the west side of the church under the canopy.

