

Lent

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Friendship	God	Growth	Healing
Holy	Hope	Jerusalem	Jesus
Lent	Luke	Mercy	Prayer
Spirit	Worship		

Shepherd's Notes

Greeting, Sisters & Brothers!!

By the time you receive this newsletter, we will have begun and we will, once again, embark on our 40-day journey that is Lent. As we have done for many years, once again, we will join with our brothers and sisters from Bethel, Canaan, and Goshen Moravian Churches for a Midweek Lenten Worship series. This year our theme is called, *Bread for the Journey*.

“In *Bread for the Journey*, author, Rolf Svancoe, has sought to attract our other senses, enhancing our encounter with God. This Lenten worship series offers sermons for Ash Wednesday, each week in Lent, and services for Holy Week and Easter. Whether it is the sweetness of Welcome Bread or the bitterness of Betrayer's Bread, each bread takes us on a journey through the season of Lent, culminating in the death and resurrection of Jesus.”¹

The topics for the services as are follows:

- Wed., Mar 4: "Welcome Bread"—SOTP and Goshen
- Wed., Mar. 11: "Unleavened Bread"—SOTP and Bethel
- Wed., Mar 18: "Daily Bread"—SOTP and Canaan
- Wed., Mar 25: "More Than Bread"—SOTP and Goshen
- Wed., Apr 1: "Abundant Bread"—SOTP and Bethel

I hope that you will join the journey this year!!

Pastor Eric



¹ *Bread for the Journey*, Rolf Svancoe, CSS Publishing Co., back cover.



2020 Easter Lilies



Name _____

Number of plants: _____ @ 8.00 ea. = _____

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

Checks payable to Shepherd of the Prairie Orders due by April 5.

Prayers for the Community & the World

Lynn Dixon, Jacob Brown, Connie Asquith,
Fern Softling, Grace Hansen, Rich Ellsworth,
Judy Roark, Sarah Fries, Gavin Maus,
Dorothy Scilley, Barb Hans, Barbara Giesler,
Loretta Bernhoft, Allen Marquardt, Kent Jensen,
Mary Gross, Pete Lindstrom, Steve McNutt

We remember all of our servicemen and servicewomen.

We remember all those affected by
terrorism and violence.

We lift up the bereaved family of Luella Laske.

We lift up all those affected by illnesses of all kinds.

Lord, hear our prayer...

*This world needs to remember you and return to you, God:
when we use force to bend others to our will; when we abuse and
harm others because they are different; when we forget that you
love them, too; we need you to remind us and heal us.*

*This world needs to remember you and return to you, God:
when we get so caught up in our own dreams and wants; that we
allow others to live in hunger and need; when we forget that we
are all connected ; we need you to remind us and heal us.*

*This world needs to remember you and return to you, God.
when we lose our ability to care for those who are sick and
grieving; to comfort those who are alone and rejected; to stand
up for those who are treated unjustly; we need you to remind us
and heal us.*

*Make us part of the healing of the world, Jesus, through our
prayers, through lives lived in worship and service, through these
hearts that we give to you. Amen.*

<https://sacredise.com/prayers/season/lent/remembering-and-returning/>



Women's News

Church Women United will meet at Gethsemane Cathedral, 3600 25th St., S., Fargo, on Friday, March 6.

Bible studies are on hiatus, but will resume shortly.



Saturday night, March 7, don't forget to "Spring Forward" as Daylight Savings Time begins.

MARCH LECTIONARY READINGS

Sunday, March 1

First Sunday in Lent

Founding of the ancient Unity, 1457
Prayer Day for Moravian Unity Work
Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Psalm 32
Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

Sunday, March 8

Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

Sunday, March 15

Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95
Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

Sunday, March 22

Fourth Sunday in Lent

1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23
Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-14

Sunday, March 29

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45





The Bulletin Board

2020 CONGREGATIONAL WATCHWORD

“God desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.”—1 Timothy 2:4

Sunday, March 1 is the anniversary of the **founding of the Ancient Unity, or Unity of the Brethren**, the forebearer of what we know as the Moravian Church today.

We will celebrate the **Sacrament of Holy Communion for the First Sunday in Lent** during worship on Sunday, March 1.

Mary Kay will not be meeting in the month of March.

Cub Scout Pack 200 will meet on Tuesdays at 6:30PM.

Lectionary Bible Study will be held on Mondays in March at 1:00PM.

Confirmation Classes will be held after worship on Sunday, March 1 and Sunday, March 15.

Church Women United will meet at Gethsemane Cathedral on Friday, March 6 at 9:30AM

Video Studies will be held on Wednesday, March 4, and Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00PM.

Monthly Breakfast Opportunities!!

SOTP Women's Breakfast
Saturday, March 21—1:00PM
Fargo Fryn' Pan

ND Men's Breakfast
Saturday, March 29—8:00AM
Goshen Moravian Church



Joyful Noise Offering — We take this loose change offering on the first Sunday of every month helps to defray costs for our Youth Camping Program.

The Food Collection basket—Please bring food items to feed the homeless. The Lord says, “What you do for the least of these my brothers and sisters, you do unto me.” We collect them on the last Sunday of the month and deliver it to the Fargo Emergency Food Pantry.

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We are entering that time of year again when it might be possible that worship service or other church events may be cancelled due to weather conditions. If inclement weather causes a cancellation, an announcement will be sent to all local radio and television stations. An announcement will also be posted to Shepherd of the Prairie's Facebook page as well.

Having trouble getting to church on Sundays?

If there is a Sunday where you need assistance making it to worship and are in need a ride, please call the church office, and we may be able to connect you with someone in your area.



Pastor Eric's Office Hours

*Monday, Tuesday,
and Wednesday,
9:00—2:00 pm*

Please Note: There may be times when Pastor Eric is not at the church due to pastoral visits, clergy meetings, etc.

Please call the church or Pastor Eric directly at 701-318-7150, prior to coming to make sure that he is available.