

Faith Lutheran Church

MARCH/APRIL 2026

“As loving servants of God, fed by Word and Sacrament, we will reach out, welcome, and provide a safe haven for all.”

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PASTOR'S PAGE



God chooses life

One of the classic philosophical questions is this: Why is there something rather than nothing? Using reason alone, an answer is not immediately obvious. Why does anything at all exist? Why not a pristine void instead of booming, buzzing profusion? Why not eternal silence instead of song? In the physical world, everything tends towards entropy; things fall apart. Bodies that age and break down and return to dust—that's just entropy on the human scale. It is easier to explain death and decay than the unpredictable surprise of life.

Why is there something rather than nothing? I suppose the short answer is love. God loves the cosmos into existence. God seems to enjoy the company and the interaction. I'm thinking it would have been simpler to stick with rocks and quasars and gravitational forces. Instead, God creates an infinite variety of interdependent living creatures and is willing to give them some space to breathe or photosynthesize and reproduce and adapt, and in some cases, even to think and imagine and create on their own. Frankly, introducing the variable of life seems like a lot more work for the one in charge. But God doesn't seem to mind. God takes delight in diversity and complexity and relationship.

Even though God permitted death and decay to enter into the world and become part of the lasting structure of things, God refuses to let the story end in the dark silence of the tomb. God chooses life—life that is irrepressible and abundant and eternal, life that is stronger even than the terrible power of death. I admit that it can be hard to trust this sometimes, especially when we're feeling sad or helpless or alone.

So God keeps surprising us with life—a green blade rising, hope that comes beyond hope; an empty tomb; a familiar voice in the garden that calls us by name; bread broken and wine outpoured. Why does God keep going to so much trouble to open our hearts and call us back to life again? The only answer I can think of is love. And love is the greatest mystery of all.

*“When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again.
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.”
(Now the green blade rises, St. 4, ELW 379)*

In hope,
Pastor Jean

Worship Schedule

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am

Sunday 10:15 am

**Holy Communion is offered at
all services*

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Worship at Faith

Midweek Lenten Worship: Conversations with Jesus—Services of Word and Song Wednesdays of Lent, Mar. 4--Mar. 25, 6:00 p.m.

Each week will include both Taizé songs and traditional hymnody, as well as guided conversation on the previous Sunday's gospel reading. These evening prayer services will be quiet and contemplative in mood. All are welcome.

Healing Liturgy, March 21-22—All three services for this Fifth Weekend in Lent will include the opportunity to receive healing prayer through laying on of hands and anointing. All are welcome to participate.

Holy Week Worship:



Palm Sunday—March 29, 10:00 a.m.—Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord! We will celebrate Palm Sunday with one combined service for the weekend. (No Saturday service March 28th). Worship will include a Procession with Palms, a joyful retelling of the Palm Sunday gospel, and a dramatic reading of the Passion of our Lord according to St. Luke. *A signup sheet for readers for the Passion will be available in the narthex by early March.*

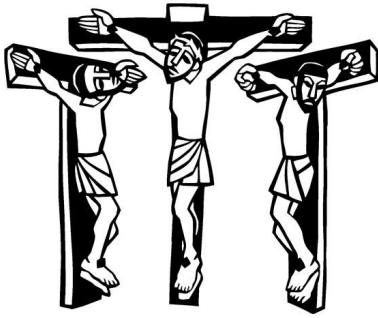
Maundy Thursday—April 2, 6:00 p.m. Stripping of the Altar

Service of Holy Communion with Rite of Foot (or Hand) Washing &



This night begins the Triduum, the Three Great Days at the center of our liturgical year and at the core of our faith. The word “Maundy” refers to the new commandment Christ has given us, to love one another as he has loved us. In the gospel reading for this day, Christ shows that love by washing the feet of his friends, and commands us to do likewise. Our worship will include the opportunity to follow that command by participating in the rite of foot washing. (We will also have a station for hand washing, for those who prefer not to kneel or deal with feet). The service will conclude with stripping the altar (symbolizing Christ's betrayal and abandonment) and a reading of Psalm 22, which begins “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

Good Friday—April 3: Prayer at the Cross--12 noon and Tenebrae—6:00 p.m.



We call this Friday “good” because Jesus’ death on the cross has brought life and salvation to the world. “We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, for by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.” **This year we will observe Good Friday with Prayer at the Cross at 12 noon and a Tenebrae Service at 6:00.** The **Prayer at the Cross** service will be a spoken liturgy with scripture readings and prayers that focus on the life-giving mystery of the Cross, along with harp arrangements of traditional hymns. The **Tenebrae Service** will feature a reading of the Passion according to St. John, punctuated by musical reflections, prayers, and extinguishing of candles. The service will end with a dramatic procession and meditation on the cross.

Easter Vigil—Saturday, April 4, 8:00 p.m.



We gather on this holy night to celebrate the great mystery of the Resurrection. The Vigil service begins outdoors, with the lighting of the paschal fire, then moves into the darkened sanctuary with the ancient Easter hymn known as the Exsultet. The liturgy continues with a service of several readings that proclaim the great events of salvation history, followed by a service of Holy Baptism or an affirmation of baptism. Then the lights are lit, the chancel is decorated, and we celebrate the first Holy Communion of Easter. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

We will need readers and acolytes for this service, as well as volunteers to participate in the pick-up sound effects orchestra, Nebuchadnezzar’s Lonely Hearts Club Band. Speak with Pastor Jean if you can help. Thanks!

Easter Sunday—April 5, 8:00 and 10:15 a.m.



God leads us from bondage into freedom, from sorrow into joy, and from death into life. With joy and wonder, we celebrate that Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! We are forgiven and free. Death does not get the last word. Life wins. Love wins. Alleluia!

I Will: Nine Traits of the Outwardly Focused Christian, by Thom S. Rainer Book Study continues —Tuesdays in Lent, 1:00-2:00 p.m., March 3, 10, and 17

This year, Faith is serving as a pilot site for Go Tell it in the Mountains, an initiative to raise up, support, and encourage preachers in three Lutheran synods. One part of the project is to help folks in the pews to deepen their discipleship and become more engaged hearers of the Word. One way that we are doing this is by having as many of us as possible read and discuss this little book:

“Now is the time to stand up and say I will! Could you be the answer to the problems you see? Every day we are faced with the needs of those around us. Emotional. Physical. Spiritual. What are we to do about it? Are these problems for our pastors to address or is there also a way for the church members to make an impact that will last? Best-selling author Thom S. Rainer answers these questions by offering nine simple traits that all church members can incorporate into your life no matter your background, stage of life, or sense of capability. You can do it! Now is the time to just stand up and say you will!”

Everyone is welcome at this book discussion group. Council members have already read **I Will** and enthusiastically recommend it to the rest of the congregation. Copies of the book are available in advance for all participants. Each short chapter includes several questions for reflection and conversation.

Irish Dinner and Concert—Friday, March 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m.



This popular event is becoming an annual tradition at Faith! Enjoy a dinner of corned beef and vegetables, shepherd’s pie, and other Irish favorites, with traditional Irish music performed by our own Brian Gray and friends. A free-will offering will be taken. RSVP by Monday, March 9th by signing up in the narthex or calling the church office at 814-899-9653.

Wondrous Monarchs--Monday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Erie Country Master Gardener and Monarch Specialist Sue Scholz will share information on the fascinating Monarch migration journey. In addition, she will provide helpful information on life cycle, habitat and how we can help Monarchs survive and thrive.





Confirmation Corner

Here is the class schedule for March and April. Most weeks, we meet on Sunday mornings from 9-10:00 in the choir room. Please let Pastor Jean in advance if you are not able to attend on any given week.

March 1—Holy Baptism

March 8—Baptized we live, Ch. 3 at Luther Memorial, 12:00-2:00

March 15—Holy Communion

March 22—Holy Communion

March 29—**no class**; participate in Palm Sunday worship, one combined service 10:00

Holy Week: Attend at least one of the following services: Maundy Thursday, April 2, 6:00; Good Friday, April 3, 6:00; Easter Vigil, April 4, 8:00.

April 5—**no class**; Easter Sunday

April 12—Lord, teach us to pray

April 19—Lord's Prayer

April 26—Lord's Prayer

Register now for Summer Camp at the Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center at

[Summer Camp | Lclcenter!](#) This year there is no dedicated week of confirmation camp, but it is still a requirement of our confirmation program to participate in at least one week of church camp at LCLC. There are great options for junior and senior high, upper elementary, and family camp. Faith is committed to offering camperships to cover 50% of the cost of attending summer camp. If you need additional assistance, speak with Pastor Jean, and we will get you there.

**LCLC
SUMMER
SCHEDULE**

- 1 JUNE 28 - JULY 3
Family Camp & Alumni
- 2 JULY 5 - 10 (5 - 8 for Minis)
Classic I & Mini Camp
- 3 JULY 12 - 17
Classic II & RATS
- 4 JULY 19 - 24
Classic III & RATS
- 5 JULY 26 - 31
Senior High Week
- 6 AUGUST 2 - 7
Night Owls

Upcoming Youth Group Activities:

Saturday-Sunday, March 28-29—Movie (Tangled) night and sleepover

We'll gather at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday night for movie night and a sleepover at the church, followed by breakfast and 10:00 a.m. worship on Palm Sunday morning. Bring your sleeping bag and pillow and any personal items, as well as a snack to share. Friends are welcome. This will be a girls-only night.

Sunday, April 26—Help with meal at the Upper Room

On Sunday afternoon we'll help the social ministry committee prepare and serve a meal for clients at the Upper Room of Erie, at St. Paul's UCC Church, 1024 Peach Street. Some of our youth participated last year in this ministry and really appreciated the opportunity to serve.

Sunday, May 26—Pentecost Youth Sunday

Our youth group and other children and youth will help lead worship at the 10:15 service on the Day of Pentecost. We'll need readers, skit participants, assisting minister, communion assistant, acolyte and crucifer, bell ringers and greeters, and more. Speak with Pastor Jean if you have ideas or would like to participate.

Sunday, June 28—Cookout and chilling at Shades Beach

We'll have a picnic lunch and spend the afternoon at the beach. Friends are welcome.

Go Tell it IN the Mountains Weekend at Faith—April 18-19



The Rev. John Kratz, Director of the Go Tell it IN the Mountains Preaching Initiative, will be our guest preacher for all three services on April 18-19, 2026, the third weekend of the Easter season. Everyone is invited to a meal following the 10:15 service to welcome Pastor Kratz and to learn more about the good work of the Preaching Initiative.

The Go Tell It IN the Mountains Initiative is a ministry of the Upper Susquehanna, Northwest Pennsylvania, and Allegheny Synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. This Initiative is the first tri-synod cooperation in our region and is funded by a grant from the Lilly Endowment "Compelling Preaching" Initiative. Pastor Jean serves on the steering committee for the Initiative and Faith is serving as one of three pilot sites in our tri-synod region. Pastor Kratz received his M.Div. from Gettysburg Lutheran Seminary and is ordained in the United Methodist Church. In his role as Initiative Director, he brings years of pastoral and administrative experience, a passion for recognizing and encouraging the gifts of lay leaders, and a commitment to excellence in preaching.

Nar-Anon Family Group

Are you affected by someone else's addiction? Nar-Anon offers hope! A new Nar-Anon Family Group, "Together We Heal" meets at Faith on Thursdays from 1:00-2:00 p.m. Nar-Anon is a worldwide fellowship for those affected by someone else's addiction. As a twelve-step program, they offer confidential help by sharing experience, strength, and hope. For more information, please contact lakeerie23456@gmail.com or call 814-897-5900.



Al-Anon Family Group

An Al-Anon group meets at Faith on Tuesdays from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Al-Anon Family Groups offer help and hope for families and friends of alcoholics. Al-Anon is a mutual support program for people whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking. By sharing common experiences and applying the Al-Anon principles, families and friends of alcoholics can bring positive changes to their individual situations, whether or not the alcoholic admits the existence of a drinking problem or seeks help.



Flowers and Eternal Light for March and April

March Eternal Light:	open
March 1:	Bunny and Dan McBride In Memory of Danny's Sister, Karen Deal
March 8:	Geoff VonBurg and Pastor Jean In Loving Memory of Delores VonBurg
March 15:	open
March 22:	Mary Jo Szewczyk In Memory of Her Sister, Cathy Cline
April Eternal Light:	open
April 5:	Mary Jo and Matt Szewczyk In Memory of Norma Schiefferle
April 12:	open
April 19:	open
April 26:	open



If you would like to give altar flowers, please sign up in the flower book in the narthex.

Easter Flower Garden 2026

Members and friends of Faith are invited to place a plant in the Easter Garden in memory of or in honor of a loved one or a special event in your life. Please fill out the following form; enclose it along with payment and either place in the offering plate or forward to the church office.

YOUR ORDER MUST BE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE BY SUNDAY, MARCH 22.

Flowers will be purchased from Stan's Garden Center

<u>Number of Plants</u>	<u>Price each</u>	<u>Total</u>
_____ Lily	\$12.25	_____
_____ Tulip	\$10.25	_____
_____ Daffodil	\$10.25	_____
_____ Mum	\$10.25	_____
_____ Hyacinth	\$10.25	_____
_____ Primrose	\$ 5.25	_____
_____ Total Plants		\$ _____

In honor of: _____

In memory of: _____

From: _____

Your plants may be picked up after the last worship service Easter Sunday, April 5.

Bingo Benefit – SOS 4 Kidz

**March 22nd at East Erie Moose Club
6060 Iroquois Ave**

Doors Open at Noon-Bingo Starts at 1 p.m.

You do not need to be a Moose Club member to play.
For more information, please call
Mary Jo at 814-240-8582

Needed items for Holy Trinity Lutheran's food and clothing ministries:

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Little Italy, with the help of Lutheran and ecumenical partners, provides free food at least four times a week (over 8000 meals in 2025) to neighbors in need. They also have a clothes closet that is open every Saturday, and at other times in the event of urgent needs. They are seeking donations of the following food and clothing items:

FOOD (any size cans, including large #10 cans):

whole kernel corn, spaghetti, diced tomatoes, cut green beans, wide egg noodles, tomato soup, cream of chicken soup, cream of mushroom soup, tomato sauce, canned tuna in water, and canned chicken

CLOTHING and PERSONAL ITEMS

Hats, gloves, blankets, scarves, coats, hoodies, thermal underwear, boots, mouthwash, toothpaste, shampoo and conditioner, deodorant, soap, razors, nail clippers, combs, hair brushes, reading glasses, chapstick, men's underwear, adult diapers, baby diapers, sleeping bags, men's pants, men's sweatpants, small hand sanitizers, small tissue packets, and thermal socks.

Our angel board will be collecting these items through the month of March. You can drop off your donations in the narthex. Thank you!

Mardi Gras Soup, Chili, and Dessert Cook-off

This year's soup, chili, dessert cook-off, sponsored by the Social Ministry Committee, was a big success. Those who attended were treated to delicious food and fellowship. The winners are:

Soup

1st place Mary Jo Szewczyk	Cheeseburger soup
2nd place Amber Warren	Taco soup
3rd place Lisa Zarger	Turkey Meatball soup

Chili

1st Char Ray	Chicken Chili
2nd Todd Eckroat	Little Spicy Chili
3rd Cindy Lee	Homemade Chili

Dessert

1st Megan Eckroat	Cola Cake
2nd Bunny McBride	Coconut Cake
3rd Lana Fortin	Little Green Dessert





January and February have flown by! We were so excited to return to school after winter break. We have continued to work on improving the room and curriculum to best meet the needs and interest of our learners. The students do a lot of playing and tons of hands-on learning. In January we focused on hibernation and arctic animals. We made the cutest winter scenes and penguins! The students were so proud of their artwork. We continued to work on letter recognition and formation, shapes, counting, numbers, and measurement in January and February. In February we created patterns and letters out of candy hearts! We made cards for our neighbors at Brevillier to brighten their Valentine's Day and helped the church to decorate bags for Valentine's cupcakes! We even had a party of our own filled with hearts, games, snacks, and laughter! We invited community helpers come in including dental hygienist Ms Marie, state trooper Mr. Kaschalk, and nurse practitioner Mr. Kaschalk. Students realized they do not have to be afraid of these community members because they are here to help!

Over the next two months we will be wrapping up our letters and sounds (and celebrating all that hard work with a letter movie day)! The students are beginning to read! It truly is amazing. We are also getting the PreK students ready for kindergarten by practicing things like packing up our backpack, putting on our backpack, and zipping! Additionally, we will continue to focus on social skills such as using kind words and playing nicely with peers. We are going to start practicing for our promotion and graduation to be held May 21 and 22. We have enjoyed every second of this school year!

Mrs. Goughnour and Mrs. Oshlick





THE FOLLOWING MEMORIALS WERE GIVEN TO THE ORGAN FUND

In memory of Roger Dale:

National Fuel Gas

In memory of Toni Brown:

Michelle Brown

In memory of Linda Reynolds:

Michelle Brown

Debbie Hackett

THE FOLLOWING MEMORIALS WERE GIVEN TO THE MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Linda Reynolds:

John and Karen Berry

PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES TO THE FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF:

Linda Reynolds, who died on December 21, 2025 at home, and whose services were conducted by Pastor Jean on December 26, 2025 at Dusckas Funeral Home. Internment will be in the spring at Wintergreen Gorge Cemetery.

Marnita "Marty" Johnson, who died on December 28, 2025 in Jacksonville, Florida. A celebration of life will be held in the spring at Faith Lutheran Church.

Darryl Bush, who died on February 3, 2026 at home, and whose services were conducted by Pastor Jean on February 15, 2026 at Faith Lutheran Church. Interment at Wintergreen Gorge Cemetery followed on February 16, 2025.

Dean Brink, who died on February 9, 2026 at home, and whose services were conducted by Pastor Jean on February 14, 2026 at Dusckas, Harborcreek, followed by interment at Wintergreen Gorge Cemetery.

Joyce Sopp (mother of Sharon Parks), who died on February 20, 2026 at home, and whose graveside service was conducted by Pastor Jean on February 21, 2026 at Wintergreen Gorge Cemetery.

Delores VonBurg, who died on February 25, 2026 and whose services will be held at Faith on Sunday, March 8, 2026 at 3:30, with visitation at 2:30. Interment of her ashes will be sometime this summer at Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis.

**Congregational
Council Mem-
bers**

Mary Jo Szewczyk
Jeff Warren
JJ Lee
Char Ray
Lana Fortin
Todd Eckroat
Bunny McBride
Dawn Danilov



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When Quality of Life Matters

From the Console

From the Console

Lent holds a deeply meaningful place in the Lutheran faith because it invites us to return—again and again—to the heart of the gospel: God’s grace in Jesus Christ. This season of reflection calls us to acknowledge our human brokenness, our need for forgiveness, and our dependence on God’s mercy. Through prayer, fasting, and acts of service, we are not trying to earn God’s love, but rather creating space to hear God’s promise more clearly. Lutherans understand repentance not as a one-time act, but as a daily turning back to God, grounded in the assurance that we are already claimed and forgiven through Christ.



As we walk through Lent, we journey with Jesus toward the cross, remembering that suffering and sacrifice are part of our story—but never the end of it. The disciplines of Lent help shape our faith, reminding us of our baptismal identity and calling us to live more intentionally as disciples. In a world that moves quickly and often avoids silence or self-examination, Lent gives us a holy pause: a time to listen, to repent, and to be renewed. By embracing this season, we prepare our hearts for the joy of Easter, trusting that even in the wilderness, God is at work bringing life, hope, and resurrection.

See you in church!

Brian



BOOK CLUB

Book Club Books for March 2026 through June 2026

The Faith book club meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome! Here are the books for the rest of the year:

March- *Wayward Girls* by Susan Wiggs is a compelling historical fiction novel based on the true story of survival, friendship and redemption. Set in the turbulent Vietnam era in Buffalo, NY, six girls are condemned to forced labor in the laundry of a Catholic reform school.

April- *Seven Perfect Things* by Catherine Ryan Hyde. It is a novel about a 13-year-old girl who rescues 7 puppies from a river. The novel explores themes of joy, courage and finding love in unexpected places. It also deals with domestic abuse and the strength it takes to escape it.

May- *The Midnight Bookshop* by Amanda James. *The Midnight Bookshop* is not easily visible by day and bathed in moonlight at night and appears to those that need it. The book is about finding courage, personal growth, and achieving visible dreams.

June- *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt. This novel is an exploration of friendship, reckoning and hope, tracing a widow’s unlikely connection with a giant Pacific octopus.



Those in retirement homes:

Lois Jordan--Barnabas South
Laure Smith—Ball Pavilion
Phyllis Moore—Ball Pavilion
Shirley O'Neil—Ball Pavilion
Don Rhodes—Barnabas North

Becky and Paul Anderson

Andy
Austin
Alexis B
Leo B
B & J
Barb
Shirley Bernatt
Elaine Billig
David Blanks
Melissa Bradley
Jim Braley
Tom Braley
Thed Brown
Florence Brower
Buffie
Family of Darryl Bush
Russ C
Carolyn
Mike Carey
Chuck
Mary Christie
Cindy
Joy Cline
Camilla Concilla
Connie
Mary D
Rich D
Dawn Danilov
Family of Dean Brink
Keagan Deimling
Ruth DePlatchett
Linda Deangelo
Maria DiGangi
Reagan Doty
Kevin Drohn
Martha Drohn
Karen E
Jeffery Eldridge
Lindsey Ellison

Emily
Micah Fails
Susan Fehl
Shelby Farrell
John Furman
George
George, Jr.
Steve Gula
Kathy Gustafson
Larry and Nancy Haynes
Joyce Herbon
Randy Herbon
Jan Haines
Tom Hansen
Sue Haynes
Gary Hoitinga
Rita Jandt
Jeanette Jenkins
Meghan Jenkins
Joann Jeske
Mary Johnson
Family of Marty Johnson
Gary Johnston
Mason
Michelle K
Joann Mineo
Ja-ne't Moske
Jim Mohnkern
Sue Mohnkern
Norval Moore
David Moore
Cameron Murphy
Karen Myers
Maureen Myers
Giovani Newsan
Nathaniel
Christy Osborn
Bishop Kristen Papson
Jean Pittman
Rob Plimpton
Penny Przybylski
John R
Family of Linda Reynolds
Sanders family
Sean
Deb Schirra
Keri Schmidt
Julie Sites
Donna Smith
Someone with breast cancer
Family of Joyce Sopp
Shannon Spiegel
Donna Stoczynski
Gaylan Unger
Donna Reed Vickey
Peggy Vickey
Scott Vickey
Family of Delores VonBurg

Roy Voshall
Carrie Waldron
Tom Walter
Jim Wenner
Bob Whitney
Cherri Wilder
Marilyn Wilmire
Bret Worden
Christine Wyrick
Lisa Zarger

And those in the military:

Emma Bablak
Willem Berry
Greg Concilla
Hannah Deutsch
Garrett Dolak
Michael Jackula
Zachary Jackula
Ryan Repoff

PLEASE NOTIFY THE OFFICE

A call or email to the office when you or a loved one is admitted to one of our local hospitals will ensure that we are aware of the admission and also ensure notification to the Prayer Team. If you wish to add yourself or another person to the Prayer List call or email the office to ensure the Prayer Team is notified in a timely manner. Each name is placed on the Prayer List for two months at a time. Thanks for your assistance with this.

Note: In recent months, we have had some transitions in the prayer team ministry. Last December, we did a major update of the prayer list. If we have inadvertently omitted someone we should be praying for, please e-mail or call the office and let us know.

March						April			
Saturday 6:00 PM	2/28	3/7	3/14	3/21	3/28	4/4** 8:00	4/11	4/18	4/25
Assistant Minister/Lector	D.Klaproth	T. Eckroat	D. Hackett	C. Peterson	N/A- Combined Service	D. Klaproth	T. Eckroat	D. Hackett	C. Peterson
Sunday 8:00 AM	3/1	3/8	3/15	3/22	3/29	4/5	4/12	4/19	4/26
ASSISTANT MINISTER/ LECTOR	S. Repoff	B. Tackett	M. J. Szewczyk	S. Repoff	N/A- Combined Service	B. Tackett	MJ Szewczyk	S. Repoff	B. Tackett
LECTOR	A. Krahe	D. Danilov	A. Konkol	D. Rose		A. Krahe	D. Danilov	A. Konkol	D. Rose
GREETER/ USHER	N. Gardner		N. Gardner			N. Gardner		N. Gardner	
Sunday 10:15 AM	3/1	3/8	3/15	3/22	3/29* 10:00	4/5	4/12	4/19	4/26
ASSISTANT MINISTER/ LECTOR	R. Lee	J. Warren	T. Fortin	B. Noonan	C. Lee	R. Lee	J. Warren	T. Fortin	B. Noonan
LECTOR	B. McBride	C. Lee	E. Toskin	J. Warren	A. Warren	L. Zarger	B. McBride	C. Lee	E. Toskin
GREETER/ USHER	McBrides	Zargers	McBrides	Zargers	McBrides	Zargers	McBrides	Zargers	McBrides
TELLERS	Rodland/ Falkenberg	Lee/Maas	Zarger/Zarger	Maas/Davis		Rodland/ Falkenberg	Lee/Maas	Zarger/Zarger	Maas/Davis

* Palm Sunday - Combined Service - 10:00 a.m.

**Easter Vigil - 8:00 p.m.

ALTAR CARE – SUNDAY 8:00 AM:

1st Sunday Shari Repoff
 2nd Sunday Nancy Gardner
 3rd Sunday Cozella Eckroat
 4th Sunday Lin Tackett
 5th Sunday Shari Repoff

3rd Sunday Bev Braley Nancy Simmons
 4th Sunday Bunny McBride
 5th Sunday Bunny McBride Lisa Zarger

ALTAR CARE - SATURDAY 6:00 PM:

Alexis Peterson, Anne Slupski, Geoff VonBurg,
 Megan Eckroat, Kim Campbell

ALTAR CARE – SUNDAY 10:15 AM:

1st Sunday Cindy Lee Nancy Simmons
 2nd Sunday Lisa Zarger Nancy Simmons

March 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>8:00am Worship 9:00am SCS/ Confirmation 9:15am Choir 10:15am Worship</p>	<p>2</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study 5:00pm Worship & Music 6:00pm Social Ministry</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:00am Craft n Chat 1:00pm I Will Book Study 7:30pm AI-Anon</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8:30am Prayer Breakfast @ Bob Evans 1:00pm Yoga 6:00pm Mid- Week Lenten Service</p>	<p>5</p> <p>1:00pm Nar-Anon 5:00pm Girl Scouts</p>	<p>6</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>7</p> <p>6:00pm Worship</p>
<p>8</p> <p>8:00am Worship 9:00am SCS 9:15am Choir 10:15am Worship 12noon-2:00pm Confirmation Class at Luther Memorial</p>	<p>9</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study 5:30pm Book Club</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9:00am Craft n Chat 1:00pm I Will Book Study 5:30pm Ed Min 6:30pm Property 7:30pm AI-Anon</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:30am Prayer Breakfast @ Bob Evans 1:00pm Yoga 2:15pm Finance 6:00pm Mid- Week Lenten Service</p>	<p>12</p> <p>1:00pm Nar-Anon 6:00pm Brownies</p>	<p>13</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>5:30pm Irish Dinner & Music</p>	<p>14</p> <p>6:00pm Worship</p>
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<p>22</p> <p>8:00am Worship & Healing Liturgy* 9:00am SCS/ Confirmation 9:15am Choir 10:15am Worship & Healing Liturgy*</p> <p>*w/Offering for LAMP with Coffee Hour by Social Ministry</p>	<p>23</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study</p>	<p>24</p> <p>9:00am Craft n Chat 7:30pm AI-Anon</p>	<p>25</p> <p>8:30am Prayer Breakfast @ Bob Evans 1:00pm Yoga 6:00pm Mid- Week Lenten Service</p>	<p>26</p> <p>1:00pm Nar-Anon 6:30pm Outreach</p>	<p>27</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>28</p> <p>No Worship-- combined service on March 29th at 10:00am</p> <p>7:00pm Youth Movie Night and Sleepover</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Palm Sunday</p> <p>9:00am SCS 9:15am Choir 10:00am Combined Worship Service</p>	<p>30</p> <p>11:00am Bible Study</p>	<p>31</p> <p>9:00am Craft n Chat 7:30pm AI-Anon</p>				

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			1 8:30am Prayer Breakfast @ Bob Evans 1:00pm Yoga	2 1:00pm Nar-Anon 5:00pm Girl Scouts 6:00pm Maundy Thursday Ser- vice	3 OFFICE CLOSED 12:00noon Prayer at the Cross 6:00pm Tene- brae Service	4 6:00pm Worship 8:00pm Easter Vigil Service
5 Resurrection of our Lord 8:00am Worship 9:00am SCS 9:15am Choir 10:15am Worship	6 11:00am Bible Study 12:30pm FLP Board 5:00pm Worship and Music 6:00pm Social Ministry	7 9:00am Craft n Chat 6:30pm Property 7:30pm AI-Anon	8 8:30am Prayer Breakfast @ Bob Evans 1:00pm Yoga 2:15pm Finance	9 1:00pm Nar-Anon	10 OFFICE CLOSED	11 6:00pm Worship
12 8:00am Worship 9:00am SCS/ Confirmation 9:15am Choir 10:15am Worship	13 11:00am Bible Study 5:30pm Book Club 7:00pm Butterfly Presentation	14 9:00am Craft n Chat 5:30pm Ed Min 6:30pm Property 7:30pm AI-- Anon	15 8:30am Prayer Breakfast @ Bob Evans 1:00pm Yoga BEACON ARTI- CLES DUE	16 1:00pm Nar-Anon 5:00pm Girl Scouts 6:00pm Brownies	17 OFFICE CLOSED	18 6:00pm Worship* *Special Offering for ELCA Fund for Leaders with Coffee Hour by Outreach
19 8:00am Worship* 9:00am SCS/ Confirmation 9:15am Choir 10:15am Worship* 11:30am Luncheon with Pastor Kratz *Special Offering for ELCA Fund for Leaders with Coffee Hour by Outreach	20 11:00am Bible Study	21 9:00am Craft n Chat 6:00pm Council 7:30pm AI-Anon	22 8:30am Prayer Breakfast @ Bob Evans 1:00pm Yoga	23 1:00pm Nar-Anon 6:30pm Outreach Beacon Assem- bly	24 OFFICE CLOSED	25 6:00pm Worship PEO Luncheon
26 8:00am Worship 9:00am SCS/ Confirmation 9:15am Choir 10:15am Worship Meal for the Upper Room	27 11:00am Bible Study	28 9:00am Craft n Chat 6:00pm Council 7:30pm AI-Anon	29 8:30am Prayer Breakfast @ Bob Evans 1:00pm Yoga	30 1:00pm Nar-Anon 5:00pm Girl Scouts 6:00pm Brownies		