



# LIVING HOPE

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**April 2018 Newsletter**

As I write this, it is only a couple more days until we come to Easter. It seems ages ago that we started planning for this day with the beginning of Lent, Ash Wednesday, and changing up our worship service in a few small ways. And so, on Sunday, we will come to the great day of celebration because of God's victory over death in Jesus' resurrection. One big day, and those six and a half weeks of preparation are all done. It's over... or is it?

When you look at the liturgical calendar, often times it seems like Lent and Easter are like Advent and Christmas. All this time of preparation leading up to one event, and then you move right into the regular routine, into Ordinary Time. But that's not the case with Easter. We have 40 days (plus six Sundays) to prepare for Easter and then Easter hangs around for another seven weeks until we come to the day of Pentecost. During that time, we are invited to reflect on the resurrection of Jesus and what difference it makes in our lives and how we are going to respond to this wondrous news.

We are supposed to be an Easter people, folks who live in the power of the resurrection, but unfortunately it is hard when we are living in a time that witnesses (and sometimes worships) death and the power of darkness all around us. We want to believe that death does not have the final word, but there is so much evidence that it does, that not giving in to that mindset is difficult. But the good news is that the first disciples didn't really get it at first either. They lived with doubt and made many missteps that did not witness to the power of the resurrection. And during the season of Easter, we get to relive these stories with the disciples. We get to compare our lives with those first believers, see how they got to the place that they lived out hope in God's promises, and maybe even find some courage from their stories in order to experiment with new ways of living hope in the world around us.

So I would invite you to join us at worship (and maybe even Bible study) over the coming weeks to hear how the first Christians lived into being Easter people and see how we might do the same. Lent was long, but Easter is longer, and it invites us to live in the power of the resurrection every day of our lives. See you at worship!

In Christ,

*Will*

<b>FINANCIAL UPDATE - As of February 28, 2018</b>				<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Fav/(Unfav) Variance</b>
Total Income - YTD				\$ 17,992.98	\$ 19,424.00	\$ (1,431.02)
Total Expense - YTD				\$ 22,780.02	\$ 22,828.00	\$ 47.98
Net Loss - YTD February 28, 2018				\$ (4,787.04)	\$ (3,404.00)	\$ (1,383.04)
Unrestricted Funds as of February 28, 2018				\$ 202,274.32		

**The Care and Concern of the Congregation is with:**



# April Family Prayer Calendar

We are a connectional church... connected in faith to God – Father, Son, Holy Spirit. Jesus taught us that prayer connects us to the Divine... and to each other.

Each month we list our faith community. Every family has a date when we ask you to hold them in prayer.

## April Calendar

1. Joan Junek
2. Peter and Harriet Kirchhoff
3. Amanda and Paul Lavoe, Ziva, Zion, and Zach
4. Curtis MacDonald
5. Kathy Mathews
6. Char Mattson
7. Ginny Maurer
8. Anne Melvin-Rood, Kip Rood, Catherine and James
9. Pat Mitschrich
10. Nancy Molstad
11. Paula Moore
12. Don Olson
13. Jim and Bette Olson
14. Bruce and Kris Parker
15. Mike & Jenni, John, Sam, and Scott Parnon
16. Monica Partenfelder, Olivia Campbell and Mack Partenfelder
17. Scott Partenfelder
18. Bill and Pat Perkins
19. Ray and Arlene Petersen
20. Keith and Eileen Pierce
21. Nancy Pyeatt
22. Mahala Rankin
23. John and Carole Riedmaier
24. Dottie Russon
25. Jeane Satola
26. Lee Selig
27. AJ Sinner
28. Steve and Marcia Sinner
29. Todd, Lora and Fritz Stangler
30. David and Karen Stephan

# APRIL 2018

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>1 April</b> <b>Easter Sunday</b>  <b>10 AM Worship w/ Communion</b> 11 AM Fellowship	<b>2</b> 9:30 AM Bible Study	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 11 AM Morning Prayers	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>  8:45 AM Sunday School <b>10 AM Worship</b> 11 AM Fellowship 11:15 Deacon Mtg	<b>9</b> 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:00 Naomi Circle at J Juneke's  4:30 Visioning Team	<b>10</b> 12:30 Martha Circle at LHPC—Ann Tennyson host	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 7:00 Finance	<b>13</b> 11 AM Morning Prayers	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> <b>10 AM Worship with Barb Jordan</b> 11 AM Fellowship	<b>16</b> 9:30 AM Bible Study	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 11 AM Morning Prayers	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>  8:45 AM Sunday School <b>10 AM Worship</b> 11 AM Fellowship 11:30 Session 11:30 LUTB	<b>23</b> 9:30 AM Bible Study	<b>24</b>  <i>May Newsletter Deadline</i>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 9:00 AM Collaboration Mtg w DH 11 AM Morning Prayers	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> <b>10 AM Worship</b> 11 AM Fellowship	<b>30</b> 9:30 AM Bible Study	<b>1 May</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 11 AM Morning Prayers	<b>5</b>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: yellow; padding: 10px; margin: 0 auto; width: 80%;"> <p><b>Office Hours</b>  <b>M—8:30-3 Tu &amp; F— 8:30-1</b></p> </div>						

	April 1	April 8	April 15	April 22	April 29
Communion Servers	Kathryn Fresch* Curtis MacDonald Joe Fresch Ken DeBoer Michael Brady				
Liturgist	Judy Bauer	Bruce Parker	Nancy Molstad	Ken De Boer	Ken DeBoer
Fellowship Hosts	Mike and Jenni Parnon	Bruce and Kris Parker	Bill and Pat Perkins	Keith and Eileen Pierce	Steve and Marcia Sinner
Counters	Dan Brankle Dave Stephan	Don Waterman Judy Bauer	Marge Gauen Mike & Jenni Parnon	Joan Junek Ginny Maurer	Kathy Mathews Steve Sinner
Sunday School		Marcia Sinner		Marcia Sinner	
Welcome Host/ Lock up	Joe Fresch	Joe Fresch	Kathryn	Kathryn	Curtis
Ushers	Keith Pierce Karl Bertram Barry James	Ken DeBoer Diane DeBoer Don Waterman	Ken DeBoer Diane DeBoer Don Waterman	Ken DeBoer Diane DeBoer Don Olson	Ken DeBoer Diane DeBoer Don Olson



## MONDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Bible Study meets Monday mornings at 9:30 AM in the Brookfield Room *You are invited to join us!!* The passages we study are the scripture passages for each upcoming Sunday. Even if you cannot attend our study group, you are invited to read through the passages prior to worship on Sunday.

### Lesson Date and Passages:

4/2 Acts 4:32-35; John 20:19-31  
 4/9 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48  
 4/16 1 John 3:16-24; Psalm 23  
 4/23 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8  
 4/30 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17

### For Sunday:

4/8  
 4/15  
 4/22  
 4/29  
 5/6

# MISSION



End hunger. Start here.



**Falls Area**  
FOOD PANTRY

Please continue to give canned and boxed goods for the two food pantries we support. Donations are taken year round.

## Larry Under the Bridge

Please mark your calendars for the next 4 dates for Larry meal packing – we have been moved to fourth Sundays:

April 22

May 27 (Memorial day Weekend)

June 24

July 22



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### Session Members

Judy Bauer, Dorothy Dieter, Joe Fresch, Kathryn Fresch, Curtis MacDonald, Nancy Molstad, Keith Pierce, Eileen Pierce, Marcia Sinner

### Deacon Members (designated last names)

(A-B) - Julie Courtney

(G-K) - Mike Brady

(P-R) - Peggy Waterman- Moderator

(C-F) - Karen Stephan

(L-O) - Ann Tennyson

(S-Z) - Ken DeBoer