

#### **NEWS AND EVENTS**

# **Welcome to Mountain Springs Community Church**

We warmly welcome you here today. We are very informal, so grab a cup of coffee and join us as we celebrate God's grace in Jesus Christ. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship following the worship service.

### Today's Message

Earlier this week I was reading a blog, when two words stopped me in my tracks. The writer, Nancy J Knol gave it as her testimony at her church this past Easter Sunday. She talked about things we long to make whole or right again-a marriage, a reputation, a damaged relationship. At the end she quoted the poet Wendell Berry, "Plant sequoias. Say that your main crop is the forest that you did not plant that you will not live to harvest...Laugh...Be joyful...Practice resurrection."

What more important thing could we do after Easter than practice resurrection?--Practice Resurrection.

#### Communion

This morning we celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion. We welcome all who confess that Jesus Christ is their Savior and Lord to join us for the celebration.

## **Benevolence Offering**

We give Benevolence offerings whenever we celebrate Holy Communion. The pattern of Benevolence offerings on Communion Sundays goes all the way back to the early church. It is a way for us to remember and reflect the sacrificial love of Jesus Christ, by giving for the care of those in need.

### **IMPACT**

The IMPACT youth group will meet today at 11:45am.

#### **Council Meeting**

The church council will meet this Thursday, April 12, at 7:00pm.

### Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study group will meet Wednesday, April 11 from 7-8 pm in the ministry house. Please prepare lesson 5. Contact Holly DeVries if you have any questions.

#### **Nominations for Council**

Our church is accepting nominations for Council. The church council is a very important part of our congregational life. We invite you to submit nominations of persons you believe would be able to serve as spiritual leaders of the congregation. We are seeking one elder and one deacon. Nomination forms are posted on the website. We thank you for your help and encouragement.

# **Church Clean Up Day**

Spring clean up day at church will be THIS Saturday, April 14 starting at 9:00am. There will be a list of to-do items for all ages. Hope to see everyone there.

## April 8, 2018

Bible Reading Ephesians 1:1-2

Message The Church of Ephesus
Series Practice Resurrection

#### Calendar

Today

10:00 am Worship
11:45 am IMPACT

Wednesday
7:00 pm Women's Bible Study-Lesson 5

Thursday
7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Next Sunday
10:00 am Worship

Please check the web calendar for the extended schedule.

### **Today's Helpers**

Prayer Team Clair & Hildred Abee

Nursery Moe Veurink & Ben Gutzwiller

KOTK 3yr-1<sup>st</sup> grade Lorna Sprik KOTK 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade No Class

Worship Readers Will & Lynn Gutzwiller

## **Next Week's Helpers**

Prayer Team Claudia Travis & Michelle Veurink
Nursery David & Heather Lloyd
KOTK 3yr-1<sup>st</sup> grade Lyndsay Anderson
KOTK 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade Lynn Gutzwiller
Worship Readers Cole & Brian Lunde

#### **Birthdays**

\*Bette Hysong

April 14

Childcare is available in the Nursery on the lower level. Children ages 3 years through 6<sup>th</sup> grade will be dismissed to the Kids of the Kingdom program before the message.

Please forward bulletin announcements to Lorna Sprik <a href="mailto:office@mountainspringscommunitychurch.org">office@mountainspringscommunitychurch.org</a> by Thursday noon.

Use this QR code to sign our guestbook or to ask a question.

