

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

March 1st at 12:00 Noon and at 7:00 P.M.

THIS year St. Paul's will have two services just for Ash Wednesday.

We will meet at 12:00 noon and again at 7:00 p.m. The Noon time service is to accommodate people who do not drive at night or would like to come on their lunch break. Both will be the same service, with the imposition of ashes on the forehead as a reminder of our mortality. In Genesis 3:19 Adam and Eve were told "from dust you came and from dust you shall return." Ash Wednesday and all of Lent is a time of repentance and turning our heart towards the Lord.

PALM SUNDAY APRIL 9TH

This year on Palm Sunday our preschool kids will be singing during the service! Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place after the service, along with a light lunch. Be sure to come to church for Palm Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m. and stay for the celebrations.

LENTEN SERVICE DATES

Wed. March 8	5:30 P.M. Soup Dinner 6:30 P.M. Worship
Wed. March 15	5:30 P.M. Soup Dinner 6:30 P.M. Worship
Wed. March 22	5:30 P.M. Soup Dinner 6:30 P.M. Worship
Wed. March 29	5:30 P.M. Soup Dinner 6:30 P.M. Worship
Wed. April 5	5:30 P.M. Soup Dinner 6:30 P.M. Worship

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

April 9	Palm Sunday	10:30 A.M. Egg Hunt after
April 13	Maundy Thursday	12:00 (Noon service only) with Holy Communion
April 14	Good Friday	12:00 (Noon) & 6:30 P.M.
April 16	Easter Sunday	10:30 A.M.

SUNDAY TEXTS

In order to help you better prepare for the reception of the Word on Sunday morning, the Sunday texts are printed for your study.

March 5, 2017

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 3:1-21

Epistle: Romans 5:12-19

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 4:1-11

March 12, 2017

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 12:1-9

Epistle: Romans 4:1-8, 13-17

Gospel Lesson: John 3:1-17

March 19, 2017

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 17:1-7

Epistle: Romans 5:1-8

Gospel Lesson: John 4:5-26

March 26, 2017

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 42:14-21

Epistle: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel Lesson: John 9:1-41

PRESCHOOL HAPPENINGS

The preschoolers celebrated Love during the month of February. They learned Jesus loves them and how we are to love others.

They enjoyed a Valentine Exchange in their class and a special group lunch with the meal donated by their parents. The menu was heart shaped peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, strawberries, grapes, string cheese and crackers.

The 3 year old class (Bright Stars) made oatmeal chocolate chip cookies as their cooking

project and the letter "O". They also learned about the letters L, N, M and T. They also talked about making good choices and where their heart is located.

The 4 year old class (Sonshiners) enjoyed making Bagel Rabbits for the letter "R". They also learned the letters Q, S and T. They discussed basic concepts of counting by 10's and syllables.

We also have scheduled the Preschool Children to sing Palm Sunday during our Worship Service.

We look forward in March learning the Easter Story and all about Spring.

In His Service,
Laurie Stephens
Teacher/Administrator

EASTER EGG HUNT

SUNDAY, APRIL 9 – 12:00 P.M.

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be at 12:00 p.m. (after the 10:30 a.m. service) on Palm Sunday this year - April 9th. There will be treats and a light lunch. Bring your Easter basket!

ST. PATRICK'S DAY POTLUCK LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, MARCH 12TH
AFTER WORSHIP

Come join us for a St Patrick's Day potluck luncheon after Sunday church service March 12th in the Fellowship Hall.

Some suggested St Patrick's Day dishes include corned beef & cabbage, colcannon, Irish stew, Shamrock cookies, potato salad, stuffed cabbage, pretzels, green jello, etc. Or bring your favorite dish to share.

Add your name to the sign-up sheet in church, or contact Joy Van Camp at 406-0611 / dgvancamp@hotmail.com

LWML MITES

LWML collects donations the first Sunday of each month for various district and world-wide mission needs supported by LWML Mites. In February \$80.26 was collected for this project. Below is a list of the 2016 - 2018 Grants.

Mission Grant Recipients Current Biennium 2016-2018

1. St John's Valley of Faith, S.A.Y. Yes! Center, St John's Valley of Faith Lutheran Church, Arvin, CA - \$3,715 Paid
2. Bring Youth and Young Adults to Christ, Grace Lutheran Church, Grass Valley, CA - \$17,000 Paid
3. Operation Barnabas for Comfort Dog Congregations, LCMS Office of National Mission/Armed Forces - \$2,000 Paid
4. Solar Lanterns Brighten African Women's Lives, Lutheran Women in Mission, St. Peters, Lodi, CA - \$5,000 Paid
5. Hmong Bibles and Catechisms, Peace Lutheran Church, Fresno. CA - \$6,300
6. Community Café Rural Outreach: Nourishing Body and Soul, Our Savior's Lutheran LWML, Caruthers, CA - \$6,200
7. Creatively Sharing God's Word with People who have Intellectual and Developmental disabilities, Bethesda Auxiliary, CNH UNIT, Cupertino, CA (RSO) - \$9,000
8. Gospel Hands VBS for Deaf Children, Lutheran Friends of the Deaf (RSO) - \$3,000
9. Joy of Harvest Hmong Language School, Joy of Harvest Ministry, St Paul, Merced, CA - \$10,000
10. LINC Bay Area Theological Training, Zone 2, LINC Bay Area, Hayward, CA - \$20,000
11. Vacation Bible Experience with High Enrollment of Children from The Marshall Islands, Waikoloa Lutheran Church, HI and Our Savior Lutheran Church, Aiea, HI - \$2,084
12. Childcare Scholarships for High School Parents, St John's Lutheran Church, Fallon, NV - \$6,600
13. Mission Outreach to Children of N/A Single Mothers, First Lutheran Church, Yuba City, CA - \$3,120
14. Blessings from Heaven Preschool Roofing Project, Messiah Lutheran Church, Ewa Beach, HI - \$10,000

15. Bringing The Gospel to Muslim Seekers in California- Making Technology Personal, POBLO International (RSO) - \$8,900

16. The Lutheran Church of Nigeria Nursery/Primary School Project, L.W.G. of Lutheran Church of Our Savior, Cupertino CA (partial payment) - \$2,081

TOTAL GRANTS 2016-2018 \$115,000