



Lighthouse Presbyterian Church

To grow in Christ, becoming like Him, to the glory of God.

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Worship: Sunday 10:00am



Lent

The season of **Lent**, the 40 days that precede **Easter**, can be a time of deep, personal reflection before the Light of God's Word and Holy Spirit.

In the Bible the number "40" is important. God's flooding rain of judgment fell on the earth 40 days and nights as Noah and his family took shelter in the Ark. The Israelites, by their disobedience, were forced to wander 40 years before their children could enter the Promised Land. Jesus fasted 40 days and 40 nights before his temptation by Satan.

Thus "40" can represent a period of **preparation or repentance, judgment and cleansing**. Traditionally, we Christians have used the season of **Lent** as a time of spiritual pilgrimage, asking God's Spirit to reveal to us how we are doing in

our new life with Christ. **Are we becoming more like Him or less?** Are their areas of rebellion, a spirit of unforgiveness or idolatry in us? Have we become softer or more hard to the life of Christ? Do our lives display the Love of God and neighbor? Are we more generous and more led by Christ's Spirit or have we fallen backwards toward things of the flesh? (Gal. 5:16-26)

How you ask these questions and seek God's presence are varied but could include, personal worship, prayer, fasting, service, giving, contemplation and repentance. You may find God calling you to lay some idol down at his feet. You may find yourself called to take up a task or a new calling. (Look inside for a nice reminder that Lent should be more than what we stop doing) **Seek the face of God in honesty and sincerity and you will find need and refreshment.**

We began the season with Ash Wednesday services on the 2nd. We used **ashes** as a sign of sorrow and repentance as well as an admission of our mortality; that from dust we were made and to dust we will

return. It is sobering to remember much of what we adore, strive for, fuss and fight about will one day, again be ashes – but our Spirits will live forever. Often, the best way to understand the triumph of Easter in Christ is to walk a path of preparation and repentance; remembering, that by the work of Christ, we are promised beauty from ashes (Isaiah 61).

Pastor Kirk

Galatians 5: ¹³ You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. ¹⁴ For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."¹⁵ If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other. ¹⁶ So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want.



NewsLetter DEADLine

The next Beacon newsletter will be published on Thursday, March 24, 2022

Deadline for all articles will be Friday, Mar. 18th.

Thank you in advance for your help.



Our prayers and sympathies go out to the family and friends of:

- **Ron Eastwood** (Darla Jenkins' cousin)
- **Luke Holscher** (Emily Holscher's cousin)
- **Lola McKnight** (Shelly Thomas' aunt)
- **Ron Mendel** (Pat & Edie Hewitt)
- **Rita Richards** (Joe & Merilee Baughman)
- **Bill Winters, Sr.** (Jessica Meade's grandfather)

Pickleball Fellowship



When: Every Thursday - January 6th to March 31st

Time: 6:30PM to 8:30PM

Who: Anyone High school age or older

All playing levels are welcomed!

Equipment will be provided for those who are new or don't have their own paddle.

Please contact Tom Wolf with any questions.

wzit2u@gmail.com

INCLEMENT WEATHER INFORMATION



If we cancel worship or church activities then go to:

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You may fill out a prayer request:

SIGN-UP:

Welcome Table

CALL:

913.294.2400

EMAIL:

rebecca@paolalighthouse.com

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Don't forget to set your clocks one hour ahead when you go to bed on Saturday, March 12th!



Paola Schools are out for Spring Break from March 10-18th. Please check the calendar at www.paolalighthouse.com to see changes.

Easter Schedule

Spring is here and Easter is right on its heels. As we watch new life burst from the soil, it reminds us of the new life that was given to us through the crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let's celebrate Holy Week!

Sunday, April 10: Palm Sunday

(Children will do a palm processional)

The first day of Holy Week is known as Palm Sunday. In Jesus' time, when Romans were victorious in battle, citizens traditionally threw palm branches in the returning hero's path. So when Jesus rode into Jerusalem, it was appropriate that he receive a hero's welcome.

Thursday, April 14: Maundy Thursday Service

7:00pm - Service of Holy Communion *(Nursery will be provided)*

On Maundy Thursday we commemorate Jesus' "Last Supper" with his disciples in the Upper Room. "Maundy" is Latin for Mandate. It was this Passover night that Jesus gave the Mandate to "Love one another as I have loved you."

Sunday, April 17: Easter Sunday

8:00am - Worship Service @ Lighthouse Church (outside)

10:00am - Worship Service @ Lighthouse Church (inside)

On Easter we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. We rejoice that he was raised from death and that he is alive today, tomorrow and forever.

On Easter morning, (if you are an early riser) come and join us at 8:00am. This is held in an outdoor setting at Lighthouse Church. With this beautiful setting we will have singing, acoustic music and a simple worship. Bring a lawn chair and a blanket. *No nursery provided.* If weather acts up, we will move inside to the sanctuary.

At **10:00am** at Lighthouse Church we will have our traditional Easter service. *No nursery provided and no Children's Church.*

Everyone is invited. Spread the good news and ask family and friends to worship with us.





Dear Lighthouse Family,

Thank you for all the wonderful memories of Bev from the cookies, songs, flowers, sermon and friends. We appreciate it so much. I'm sure she loved the "I'll Fly Away" as she entered heaven.

Thanks again,

Sum Dumcum



The Family of Brenda Grandon would like to thank everyone at Lighthouse who offered prayers, cards, or brought food during this most difficult time. It is deeply appreciated.

God Bless



Continued Activities on Wednesday Evenings!

When: Starting back on Wednesday, March 23rd
 Time: 5:00-5:45pm Meals for everyone attending
 5:30pm Middle School Youth
 6:00pm Adult Bible Study Class on "The Chosen"

Kingdom Kids may have ended for the 2022 Spring Semester, but the Adult Bible Study Class and the Middle School Youth are continuing on through May.

There will be a free will donation for the meal. Middle School activities will start at 5:30 pm in the Harbor and the Chosen Bible class will start at 6:00 pm in the Shelter Room. All are encouraged to attend.

Please pray for our Mission Team as they travel to and from New Mexico. They will be traveling between March 8th and 21st.

Also pray that they will plant seeds of the message of Jesus to the Navajo.



Generosity Corner

The Genius of Generosity

Kansas pastor Jack Wellman has been credited with the insight that “there is a certain genius in generosity.” He explains that when we open our hands - figuratively speaking - to allow something to pass through our fingers, rather than holding it with tightly clenched fists, God can give us new blessings.



“God cannot pour more into hands that are already clinging tightly to what they hold,” says Wellman. Whether material goods or time, ideas or talents, money or energy, the gifts God has given us so generously are to be shared just as freely with others. With our hands continually open to receive, give and receive again, God’s genius cycle of generosity goes on and on.

MARCH ACTS OF KINDNESS

		Help someone in need	Pick up trash at a local park	Draw a picture for someone	Make someone smile	Give someone you love a hug
Buy ice cream for a friend	<i>Leave a great review for your favorite restaurant</i>	<i>Pay it forward at a drive-thru</i>	Give a stranger a compliment	Give flowers to someone	Read to a child	Donate food to a food pantry
Buy donuts for someone	Donate books to a library	Leave a generous tip for waitstaff	<i>Give a treat to your mail carrier</i>	<i>Buy a homeless person a meal</i>	<i>Write a poem for someone</i>	Make & deliver cards to a Nursing Home
Do a positive Social Media “shout-out”	Hold the door for someone	Tell someone they did a good job	Make a handmade gift	Say “I Love You”	Tell a joke and make people laugh	Thank someone in the military for their service
Surprise someone with chocolate	<i>Make homemade dog treats and deliver to a shelter</i>	Volunteer	<i>Hold the door open for others.</i>	Tell someone they’re awesome!		

Children's Ministry

Our Vision



- ♦ To grow in Christ and become like Him.
- ♦ To teach and demonstrate the Gospel each time we gather with children.
- ♦ To pray that children may be light in their world that grows brighter each day with the help of the Holy Spirit.
- ♦ To support the family unit as primary teachers of the faith and the conduit through which God shows His love and reveals His character.

Sunday Mornings:

- ♦ **Nursery** is available for ages **0-3** during worship.
- ♦ **Children's Church** is offered during worship for children age **Preschool-5th** grade. At a designated time during the service (usually following the Children's Talk), children are dismissed to meet their adult leaders in the back of the sanctuary. Following worship, children may be picked up in the children's educational wing. *There is no Children's Church on 5th Sundays.*

Midweek:

- ♦ Twice a year (Fall & Spring), a mid-week **Family Night and Kingdom Kids** is offered on Wednesday evenings that includes a meal, family worship, and Bible study activities for all ages. *Dates, times, and other necessary information will be provided in the weeks prior to each session.*

Special Events:

- ♦ **Vacation Bible School** for ages **Pre-school-5th** grade is offered each Summer. *VBS is scheduled for June 6-10, 2022.*
- ♦ **Seasonal Family Events** (onsite, online, or at-home) occur throughout the year. *Info is provided in the weeks prior to each event.*



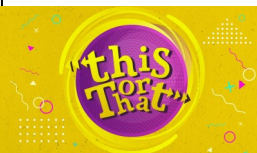
**Sunday,
March 13, 2022**
Daylight Savings(Spring forward)

Sunday, April 10, 2022
Palm Sunday (KIDS WAVE PALMS!)
10:00am

Sunday, April 17, 2022
Easter Sunday (No Children's Church)
8am Sunrise Service (outside);
10am Easter Service (inside)

coming up in CHILDREN'S CHURCH!

During our preschool series, children will learn about some of Jesus' most well known miracles as have fun trying to figure what happens next, is it **THIS OR THAT???**



March 13 Jesus Walks on Water

Big Idea: Jesus helps me when I'm scared.

Key Verse: Psalm 56:3

March 20 Jesus Makes a Blind Man See

Big Idea: Jesus can do anything.

Key Verse: Matthew 19:26

March 27 Lazarus, Wake Up!

Big Idea: Jesus can do anything.

Key Verse: Matthew 19:26

During March, elementary children will get in touch with their inner "fast" artist as they learn about some of Jesus' parables and how He helped people **PICTURE THIS** and learn about the Kingdom of God!



March 13 The Good Samaritan

Big Idea: God is compassionate and wants us to show compassion to others if they're different from us.

Key Verse: Luke 10:27

March 20 The Rich Fool

Big Idea: God wants us to treasure our relationship with Him more than any of our possessions.

Key Verse: Matthew 16:21

March 27 Parable of the Lost

Big Idea: Jesus pursues the lost and rejoices when they turn to Him.

Key Verse: Luke 15:10

PALM SUNDAY



Children are invited to wave palms at the beginning of the worship service. Kids who want to participate should meet in the **back of the Sanctuary (by the Nursery)** at **9:50** to line up and receive palms.

If you would like to join our amazing team, contact Josh Simons, Director of Children's Ministry at 913.406.6137 (call or text) or email him at josh@paolalighthouse.com.

Lighthouse Youth



HARBOR YOUTH NEWSLETTER

High School Youth

High School students (Grades 9-12) will meet on Sundays:

High School Youth Group meet from 7:00pm-8:30pm. We will watch and discuss The Chosen series.

March 13th—No meeting due to Spring Break

Leader Contact Info:

youth@paolalighthouse.com
Jonathan Sterk: 913.244.6584
Lisa Weidman: 913.731.6312

Middle School Youth

Middle School students (Grades 6-8) will meet on Wednesdays:

Middle School Youth Group will meet from 5:30pm-7:00pm.

March 16th—No meeting due to Spring Break

Leader Contact Info:

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High School Leaders

Ryan Haupt
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Jonathan Sterk
Lisa Weidman

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Sara Gayley
Kirk Johnston
Maggie Koechner
Oliver Sparks
Elizabeth Sweeney-Reeder
Jennie Terflinger

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For the month of March 2022

Miscellaneous Issues

Dale Achey (Greta Achey)
David Achey (Greta Achey)
Mandy Achey (Greta Achey)
Virginia Ayers (Susan Hime)
Minnie Baldrige
Helen Blakeman
Stacie Boehm (Troy Collier)
Dorothy Boyd
Roberta Briley
Marjorie Brink
Troy Bruza
Pam Bryant
LaDonna Buchman
Joe Burke (Terry Robinson)
Lynn Caster (Rebecca Sutton)
Millie Sue Cox (Linda Gibson)
Kristen Cummings
Rosemary Cummings
Jean Driskell (Theresa Morrison)
April England
Sheri Evison
Jim Galemore (Cindy Walters)
Bill Gibson (Mike Gibson)
Jan Gillespie
Joe Gillespie
Zoe Harrington (Cummings)
LueAnn Hellyer
Amy Herron
Jan Hill (Joslin Beyer)
David Hime
Scott Hines
Fred Hyer

Isabelle (Tauna Connell)
Ted & Katie Jones (Susan Himes)
Julie & Andre
(Lyle & Marcia Scott)
Linda Kenny (Tresa Brandt)
Tim Knoche (Rebecca Sutton)
Rene Korsten (Janet Offutt)
Karen Lucas
Joey Mateos (Patti Mateos)
Kathleen McHenry
(Coram McHenry)
Tomas Mendoza (Christine Owens)
Karen Miller
Ruth Morrill
JoAnn Moss (Rebecca Sutton)
Janet Offutt
Anita Ohland (Terry Robinson)
Rev. Kermit Opprieht
(Mike Gibson)
Joel Owens
Clay Perina
William Petropulos
(Rebecca Sutton)
John Rhea
Verna Rhodes (Robin Motta)
Terry Robinson
Roger Servy
(Jacquee Hecker Servy)
Palmer Swafford (Tracey Hecker)
Eloise Teasley (Paula Armstrong)
Rita Tenpenny (Shelly Thomas)
Mary Ann Thornton
Michael Vohs (Tresa Brandt)
Gail Walter
Daniel Youngblood (Kay Phipps)

Military

Joshua Ales (Theresa Morrison)
Christina Behnke
Tony Newman (Bob Paulsen)
Nick Spencer (Alicia Spencer)

Cancer

John Ahlbrandt (Joel Ahlbrandt)
Lon Boyd
Carolyn Bulcock (Tauna Connell)
Vickie Campbell (Tammy Dowd)
Terrie Cole (Greg Cole)
Barb Daley
Patsy Gliem (Rebecca Sutton)
Brad Grandon
(Phyllis Hollinger)
Ashlee Guthrie (Roberta Briley)
Delores Herrs (Denise Reynolds)
Ginger Kelsey
Megan Knoche (Rebecca Sutton)
Mike McGuire (Kristal Sparks)
Cindy Morriaella
(Theresa Morrison)
Jim Moscript (Leon Briley)
Sabrina Thomley
(Denise Reynolds)
Donna Turner (Theresa Morrison)
Bob Ussery (Ruthie Gillen)

(Names in parentheses indicate the church family requesting prayer)

(Names will run for four weeks, so please notify the office if you would like to have a name left on this prayer list.)



Please PRAY for those
affected by COVID-19

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