

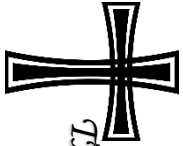
**Education Hour .....9:00 AM**

**Worship..... 10:00 AM**

**Lent Worship ..... 7:00 PM Wednesdays**

**East Park Villa..... 6:30 PM**

**Holy Communion.... 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays**



*THE HOME VISITOR II*

*THE PASTOR NEWS*

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**MARCH 2019**

*The Real St. Patrick:*

As I stated last month, only two saints—Valentine and Patrick—have their feast days listed on ordinary calendars. On *St. Patrick's Day* (March 17<sup>th</sup>) everyone, no matter what their heritage, can be a little bit Irish. People in the U.S. traditionally celebrate by wearing green clothing, eating corned beef and cabbage, and drinking a mug of their favorite “green-colored BEvERage.” But who was the real St. Patrick and why is his feast day now celebrated as a national holiday?

Patrick is one of the best-known of the missionary saints. Born to a Christian family in Britain around the year 389 AD he was captured as a teenager by raiders, taken to Ireland, and forced to serve as a herdsman. After six years, he escaped and found his way to a monastery community in France. Ordained a bishop, it is believed Patrick made his way back to Ireland in the summer of 433 AD, and there spent the rest of his long life spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ and organizing Christian communities. He strongly defended the doctrine of the Holy Trinity (God the Father, God the Son, & God the Holy Spirit) in a time when it wasn't popular to do so. His literary legacy includes his autobiography, *Confession*, and several prayers and hymns still used in the Church today (*LSB #604, I Bind unto Myself Today*). At least one tradition states that Patrick died in Ireland on March 17<sup>th</sup> around the year 466 AD.

Because Patrick is considered the principal missionary and champion of Irish Christianity, his life and death have been celebrated in the Church as an official feast day since the early 17<sup>th</sup> century. His breastplate contains the following passage:

“I bind unto myself the name,  
The strong name of the Trinity,  
By invocation of the same,  
The Three in One and One in Three.  
By whom all nature hath creation,  
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word:  
Praise to the Lord of my salvation,  
Salvation is of Christ the Lord.”

March Blessings!

Pastor David A. Feddern



**THIS IS THE DAY THAT  
THE LORD HAS MADE; LET US REJOICE  
AND BE GLAD IN IT.**

*Psalms 118:24*



*March Acolytes*

**March 3 – Lillian Dose & Taryn Stettner**  
**March 6 - Aleah Vinkenberg & Jessica Schleichardt**  
**March 10 – Wyatt Panko & Weston Ohrt**  
**March 13 – Kinleigh Ekhoﬀ & Kiersten Joseph**  
**March 17 – Evan Pankoke & Zachary Miller**  
**March 20 – Nick Schleichardt & Bryce Joseph**  
**March 24 – Jacob Regier & Thane Wetjen**  
**March 27- Eli Arndt & Weston Ohrt**  
**March 31- Aleah Vinkenberg & Jessica Schleichardt**

\*If you are unable to light candles on the Sunday or midweek service you are scheduled, please switch with a classmate or contact one of the Elders for assistance. The Pastor and Elders ask that you be in the vestry at least 10 minutes before the start of the worship service you are scheduled to Acolyte.

## March Greeters

**March 3: Bev Smith**

**March 10: Roger and Judy Werth**

**March 17: Maynard and Lila Senff- Miller**

**March 24: Jean Carnoali**

**March 31: Dan and Shawna Vinkenberg**

\*New Greeters are always welcomed, appreciated and needed. If your name is not on the greeter list and you would like to be, please volunteer by replying to Sharon Goertzen. If the date that you are scheduled to greet does not work for you, please trade with someone and also let Sharon know so we get the right name in the bulletin and on E-News. Thank you so much for your help at Zion.



**Christian Sympathy** is extended to the **family of Ervin Schulze**, who was called to his eternal glory on **Wednesday, February 6th**. Jesus said, "25b "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, 26a and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die." (John 11:25b-26a)



**Gatlin Jess Michael Bamesberger**, son of Levi & Micaela Bamesberger, was born on Friday, February 22nd in Aurora. Gatlin weighed 8 lbs. 14 oz. and is 20 ½ inches long. Grandparents are **Ryan & Tammie Bamesberger** and great-grandparents **Gene & Petra Bamesberger**, all of Hampton.

## *2019 Fellowship Hall Reservations*

February 22 – Kurt & Nancy Troester (Card Club)

March 2 – Gary Schleichardt (Birthday party)

March 24 – LWML *Blessed Birthday Bash*

March 31 - LWML *Spring Rally* (weather date April 7, 2019)\*

April 7 - Levi & Micaela Bamesberger (Baptismal dinner) \*; Voter's Assembly later that day

April 21 - Rev. David & Deanna Feddern (Easter Dinner)

April 28 – Lacey Panko (Youth Group fund raiser)

May 3-4 - Mary Lou Andrews (Wedding Rehearsal & Wedding)

July 7 – Quarterly Voter's meeting

July 14 - Mark Klute (Family Reunion)

July 26-27 - Dietrich Driewer (Wedding Rehearsal & Wedding)

August 4 – Diana Schulze (Family Reunion)

August 24 – Deanna Feddern (LWML EC Meeting)

August 30-31 - Stephanie Stamp (Wedding Rehearsal & Wedding)

September 13-14 - Brittany Dose (Wedding Rehearsal & Wedding)

October 6 – Quarterly Voter's meeting

December 8 – Congregational Christmas Dinner

\*Snow date for LWML *Spring Rally*

\*If you have an upcoming event that you know you will need to rent the Parish Hall, please contact Diana Schulze so she can get you a rental form to fill out.