

# February newsletter 2022

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*"...the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."*

Galatians 5:22-23a

During the past year, I have taken the opportunity to watch some movies released during the last ten years that had been on my "to-do" list. One of those movies was "Inside Out." It tells the story of an eleven-year-old girl who moves across the country with her family. The loss of routines and friends throws her emotions into overdrive. Animated characters named Sadness, Joy, Disgust, Anger, and Fear all struggle with each other as they try to gain control of her actions.

While she doesn't have control over the things that have happened to her, her family tries to help her control how she responds. Like her, we have all kinds of things happen to us that we cannot control. But we do have a moment between feeling our initial emotional reaction and responding to our circumstances. Emotions are gifts. They inform us that something has happened that we need to pay attention to. In that sense, individual emotions are neither bad or good. They simply are. How powerful they are when they try to tell us something, depends on our overall emotional well-being.

This month, in this column and in my weekly video messages, I am inviting you to focus on your stewardship of your emotional well-being. While many scripture passages encourage self-control, seeing that fruit of the Spirit grow in our lives requires us to tend to our emotional well-being. Furthermore, we do not do that in a vacuum. The emotions of our family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, and the general emotional tone of our culture all interact with our personal feelings. Like highly charged particles in an electrical field, those external forces can either ramp up our emotional state of being or bring it down a notch or two. Not only do we have our own emotions that try to guide us in our actions, we also live in an emotional field. So, as we start this month where the cultural focus is on the emotion of love, here are three things that can help you become a better steward of your emotional well-being:

- 1) Ask God to help you better understand your emotions.
- 2) Imitate someone whose emotional well-being you admire and respect.
- 3) Reflect on what gives you joy and take the time to participate in one or more of those joyful activities.

*-Pastor Darla Ann*



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# FEBRUARY SERVICES

## *Sundays after the Epiphany & the Transfiguration*

Celebrating the Incarnation doesn't end with the feast of the Epiphany. In the time after Epiphany, we continue to reflect on the presence of Jesus becoming manifest among us. Jesus brings abundant signs of God's love: fish that tear the nets and grace so radical it is scandalous. As we hear the stories, we keep discovering what the incarnation of God means for us.

Transfiguration Sunday concludes the Incarnation cycle, making a bridge into the season of Lent. We bid farewell to the alleluia on this day.

*-Sundays & Seasons*

**Saturday Services | 5:00 PM**  
**Sunday Services | 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM**

5 pm and 10:45 am services will be livestreamed and available to view on Our Lord's YouTube channel. Outdoor services and 8 am services will not be livestreamed. Not all scriptures listed to the right will be used for Saturday services.

## *Scriptures for Weekend Worship:*

### **February 5 & 6**

5th Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13]

Psalm 138

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Luke 5:1-11

"Emotions in God's Presence"

### **February 12 & 13**

6th Sunday after the Epiphany

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Psalm 1

Luke 6:17-26

"Rooted"

### **February 19 & 20**

7th Sunday after the Epiphany

Genesis 45:3-11,15

Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40

Luke 6:27-39

Guest Pastor S. Blake Duncan

### **February 26 & 27**

Transfiguration of Our Lord

Exodus 34:29-35;

2nd Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Luke 9:28-36

"Stunned Speechless"

# BOUNDLESS! YOUTH GATHERING

## *High School Sunday School & Youth Group*

February High School Sunday School Class Schedule: We meet weekly at 9:30 am in Harry's Hangout.

The 2022 ELCA National Youth Gathering: **Boundless!** will take place in July of 2022 in Minneapolis, MN. OLLC has four of our young women preparing to attend the July gathering in Minnesota. They will be traveling with two of the youth of St Mark, Belleville. Melanie Robison and Pastor Kratzer will serve as chaperones. Good preparation is the key to having a life-changing experience at the National Youth Gathering. So, we ask you as a congregation to pray for our youth. You might focus your prayers on the themes they will be exploring on the 4th Sunday of every month from 3:00 - 5:00 pm as listed below.

**February 27**, from 3-5 pm at St. Mark in Belleville, 105 East D Street, Belleville, IL 62220 (my church). Our theme is LOVE! We'll be doing a servant event that day also at the church.

**March 27** from 3-5 pm at Gethsemane in St. Louis, 3600 Hampton Ave, St. Louis, MO 63109. Our theme is CREATION!

**April 24** from 3-5 pm at Christ Community in Columbia, IL, 1 Christchurch Way, Columbia, IL. Our theme is FORGIVENESS!

**May 22** from 3-5 pm location still to be determined. Our theme is INVITATION!

**June 26** from 3-5 pm location still to be determined. Our theme is PROMISE!

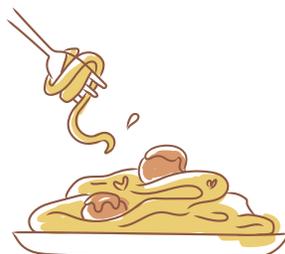
**July 24** - The National Gathering in Minneapolis begins

All youth in this congregation are invited to attend the get togethers. They are being designed for all teens, not just those going to the National Youth Gathering.



## SPAGHETTI

Due to the ongoing generosity of this congregation and a recent successful greenery fundraiser that totaled **\$610** in profits, Our Lord's Youth will not be holding our annual Spaghetti Dinner or selling quarts of Ginger's Famous Spaghetti Sauce this year. The youth of this congregation scheduled to attend the 2022 National Youth Gathering thank you for your greenery purchases!



We look forward to tasting Ginger's Sauce next year and a full program on Valentine's Day in 2023.

# GIVING EMPHASIS - SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

This is the 32nd year for the Souper Bowl of Caring program to fight hunger and poverty in our local communities. Our Lord's Confirmation Class is collecting food and monetary donations to help benefit the Spirit of Sharing (SOS) Soup Kitchen in Collinsville and the Maryville Food Pantry. We will be accepting donations the weekends of February 5-6 and 12-13 in the narthex. Please make checks out to Our Lord's Lutheran Church and put "Souper Bowl of Caring" in the memo line. Please drop off your donations at the display in the narthex or in the collection basket at church, or scan the bar code on the screen that will direct you to the Our Lord's website where you can donate online. Please indicate Souper Bowl Of Caring for your donation.



## SOS SOUP KITCHEN



Thanks to everyone who provided food, volunteered time, and prayed for the SoS mission - the January Meal was a success! Our next opportunity to support the Collinsville Spirit of Sharing (SoS) is **February 8** at **First United Presbyterian**. We will again be preparing a Taco Casserole and salad for take out. We will gather at OLLC kitchen on Monday late afternoon/evening, **February 7**, to assemble the casseroles. The ingredients needed to prepare the casseroles needs be at the Church kitchen by 3:00 pm, February 7. A sign up sheet for food and volunteers is posted in the narthex.

Thanks! -Gail J

## THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

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4. Choose the organization to which you want to direct Choice Dollars. Enter keywords(s) like Our Lords Lutheran Church, Maryville or other organization. You may also click on "View activity history." Then, you may scroll down and click on the name of the desired organization.
5. Choose "Direct All" or enter a specific number and click "Direct Now." Follow the prompts on the confirmation page to direct Choice Dollars.

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1. Call 800-847-4836 and when prompted, say "Thrivent Choice."
2. Press 1 to direct Choice Dollars or 2 to hear Thrivent Choice Dollars® program Terms and Conditions.

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# FAIR TRADE

Think for a moment or two. Our Lord's - a loving, caring & sharing community of people. Fair Trade - to help small farmers & artisans ALL over the world get their FAIR SHARE. A ministry - work done by a Christian charity is an example of a Christian ministry. Our Lord's Fair Trade Ministry says A LOT.

Our shop helps do so much for so many. No matter how small a purchase, no matter how insignificant it might seem, to someone, IT IS SIGNIFICANT.

Visit the Fair Trade Shop & please visit often. It's like rereading a book. There is always a chance something was missed or something NEW has appeared. We have MANY ornaments. They are not just for Christmas or a specific holiday. We have MANY nativities. They can accent & inspire your home at any time. Always beautiful jewelry & scarves to be found. Serving & accent pieces for almost any room.

A few words to ponder:

Holidays - there are many.

Gifts - many reasons to give them.

You like it - self-explanatory.

Just because - seems like a good enough reason.

You're hungry or thirsty - coffee, tea, chocolate, nuts.



*Nativity candle holders*



*Timeless natural ornaments*

## EDUCATION MINISTRY

*Questions Bible Study*

*Mondays at 10:00 am*

This study explores the topic of "Thinking About Religion And Violence." It looks at the factors involved in the increase in religious violence, including the history of religious violence, its multiple manifestations, its scriptural justifications, and how its perpetrators perceive the world.

# EDUCATION MINISTRY CONT.

## *Bible Crunchers*

*Wednesdays at 5:00 pm*

At the present time, Bible Crunchers is taking a thematic approach to the scriptures. It is a lot of fun to trace images and themes through the many books of the Bible. Furthermore, many of these images are a part of our worship music for both Saturdays and Sundays. Popular songs and art also enrich our understanding. We usually spend three to four weeks on a theme. "Rock" is the image we are currently studying. During the month of February we plan to meet on Zoom.

Please use this link to study with us at 5 pm on Wednesdays:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82788289974?pwd=UVBkTzU3MEpaVTVLK2lqNkhqd3dzZz09>

Meeting ID: 827 8828 9974      Passcode: 560098

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## *Morning Glories Bible Study*      *2nd & 4th Thursday of the month at 10:00 am*

**"The kingdom of God: What does it mean for God to be in charge?"**

*by the Rev. Mark Allan Powell*

New Testament scholar Mark Allan Powell looks at a widely used biblical image and invites us into a discussion of what it might mean for Lutheran women today. The phrase "kingdom of God" and similar expressions turn up repeatedly in sayings of Jesus, so understanding what that expression means helps us to make sense of numerous parables and popular Bible passages (including the Lord's Prayer). Powell is author of the world's best-selling New Testament textbook and editor of the Harper-Collins Bible Dictionary.

**February:** Mysteries of the kingdom: Parables, banquets and children – This month we will consider "kingdom parables" and ask how the kingdom of God is like a net or a treasure or a pearl or whatever. We will also look at an "acted parable" in which Jesus dramatizes the "kingdom" as a banquet where honored guests include misfits and outcasts. And then we will discover (or recall) who we should regard as the greatest in the kingdom and the most important members of any church.

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## *Confirmation*

*Sundays at 9:15 am*

Our February Schedule (we will be meeting on Zoom for the near future):

**February 6:** Epiphany 5 - The Passion & Souper Bowl Of Caring (Ed Foppe) (Zoom)

**February 13:** Epiphany 6 - The Resurrection & Youth Spaghetti Dinner (Ed Foppe) (Zoom)

**February 20:** Epiphany 7 - New Testament Overview (Ed Foppe) (Zoom)

**February 27:** The Transfiguration Of Our Lord - Peter And The Early Church (Ed Foppe) (Zoom)

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## *Adult Bible Study*

*Sundays at 9:15 am*

This study addresses the question of "How Jesus Became God." The course covers the transformation of Jesus from Jewish preacher to Lord God within its historical context, looks at the focal points of Jesus's ministry and whether he considered himself divine, examines the key event that promoted the idea that Jesus was God, and will study the Christian theological persuasions of the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th centuries.

# EDUCATION MINISTRY CONT.

## *Elementary Sunday School*

*Sundays at 9:30 am*

Elementary Sunday School (Pre-K – 5th grade) will be meeting on Zoom weekly at 9:30 am. Weekly kits are available to pick up at the Life Center during the week. We are currently looking for donations of individually pre-packaged snacks (cookies, crackers, etc.), construction paper, glue sticks, and other miscellaneous craft supplies.

Zoom meeting link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2271303578?pwd=ZXR5N2lsYTFhdkVBbkRCYm1yNytkQT09>

Meeting ID: 227 130 3578 Passcode: MWSVd2

## FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### *Serendipity Book Club*

Our next meeting will be **Monday, February 21 at 11:30 am** in the Life Center conference room. Bringing your lunch is optional. We will be reading "The Personal Librarian" by Marie Benedict. The meeting will also be available on zoom for anyone who may find that more convenient.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86728416039?pwd=NVI2VGh2QmU5NVJ2czZFd24xUjVMUT09>

Meeting ID: 867 2841 6039 Passcode: 388782

### *Tuesday Tea*



**Time:** 3:00 PM Central Time - every week on Tuesday. All are welcome to join us for conversation.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86839398550?pwd=cTZUVi8ycjNJS296ZnZ4U3ErTGtwQT09>

Meeting ID: 868 3939 8550 Passcode: 511171



## MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES

### *Grand View Choir Concert*

**Time:** Friday, March 18, 7:00 pm

**Location:** Our Lord's Lutheran Church

Touring by the Grand View Choir fulfills several purposes, including providing a musical experience of the highest order and giving an opportunity for the Lutheran community, high school students, alumni, and friends of the university to attend a concert that exemplifies the quality and vitality of our Lutheran heritage in music and higher education.

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### *OLLC Handbell Choir*

**Time:** Thursdays 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Performances:** Monthly on the 3rd Sunday

**Location:** Worship Center

### *OLLC Chancel Choir*

**Time:** Thursdays 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**Performances:** 2 Sundays a month

**Location:** Worship Center

# COUNCIL BRIEFS

Your Church Council held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 10. Much of the discussion continued to focus on budget plans for 2022. This discussion continued on in the days following our meeting. In an effort to present a balanced budget to the congregation, the following items represent some of the more important decisions made. A link to the approved minutes for this meeting will be in next month's newsletter.

- With the blessing of the Harry Thiel Estate Gift Team members, monies from this gift will be used to support the salary of a new Director of Youth, Emerging Adult, and Family Ministries, assuming this position is filled in 2022.
- The proposed salary for a Director of Member Ministries position was not included in the 2022 budget. Filling this position, however, will become a priority if the appropriate funds become available.
- Property expenses will need to be closely monitored in 2022. Our original proposed budget of \$25,000 was trimmed down to \$20,000. (Property expenses in 2021 were \$23,312.) Utility costs in 2021 were high as well (\$18,134). Our proposed 2022 budget for utilities is \$16,000.

The next Council meeting will be held on Monday, February 21. Please contact any of the Council members (Pastor Darla Ann, Laura Schoenecker, Linda Hester, Max Eakin, or Dana Callahan) if you have any concerns that need to be addressed.

A link to the approved minutes from the previous month's Council meeting is provided below.

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1z6-pRPlzs\\_xN05Rk91Dls27VbgZcff5t?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1z6-pRPlzs_xN05Rk91Dls27VbgZcff5t?usp=sharing)

## WORKER BEES

*Worker  
Bees*

Worker Bees will meet on **Saturday, February 5th** at the Red Apple. If you plan on attending, please confirm by email or text to Steve Hoelscher.



## BUILDING USE POLICIES

Masks are currently required during indoor worship services, meetings, and other gatherings. You may sit wherever you want during worship services. Spaces in the Worship Center and Life Center Buildings may be reserved for group meetings by contacting our Administrative Assistant, Olivia, via phone or email (listed below) and we ask that you continue to disinfect the space after your group has used it. We will continue to update building usage policies in accordance with national and local safety guidelines regarding COVID-19.

Reserve your space: (618) 345-5692

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or [love2haveu@ourlords.org](mailto:love2haveu@ourlords.org)



# FAITH IN ACTION

## Partner Church Newsletter Article for February 2022 January 14, 2021

1. Support CFIA and celebrate Valentine's Day 2022! With a minimum \$5 cash or credit card donation, CFIA volunteers will deliver a flower and personalized note from you to your pastors, church secretaries, friends, family, and neighbors on February 14. Supplies are limited, so call your orders in now. Orders accepted until Friday, February 11 at 5PM. Call 618-344-8080 to place your order.

2. During the recent resurgence of Covid, CFIA has continued to adapt services to keep our volunteers, client, and staff safe. All volunteer drivers have been restocked with Personal Protective Equipment and reminded of how to implement best practices when transporting clients. Clients have also been contacted by mail to remind them of our Covid-safe practices. All clients are called no more than 2 days before a scheduled ride to complete a 3-question Covid Screening provided by the Illinois Department on Aging. Our offices have remained open, but the number of people in the building is limited, all visitors must sign in and complete a screening, and we have enacted curbside service for clients who are bringing in documentation for their various government benefits applications.

In gratitude,  
Lisa C. Brennan

## FINANCIAL NEWS

Total receipts for December 2021	\$40,060 (anticipated budget amount of \$30,121)
Total expenditures for December 2021	\$34,692 (anticipated budget amount of \$30,987)
Total receipts for 2021 as of 12/31/2021	\$386,026 (anticipated budget amount of \$361,400)
Total expenditures for 2021 as of 12/31/2021	\$452,033 (anticipated budget amount of \$371,740)
Mortgage principal paid in December 2021	\$1,224
Total mortgage paid in 2021	\$35,208
Remaining principal on mortgage	\$40,223
Cash - Unrestricted	\$33,651 (CD \$25,000 matures in December 2021)
Cash - Designated	\$54,531

*The above receipts and expenditures includes the Restoring Our Lord's House campaign, VIF/BOOM, and designated "pass-through" gifts.*

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**As of December 31, 2021**

**Submitted by Max Eakin**  
**1/6/2022**

# REMINDERS

**PRAYER LIST** - Please let Olivia know if you would like to add a new person, remove a current person, or change the status of anyone on our prayer list.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE** - Reminder: Newsletter Deadline (to submit articles for March's Newsletter): Tuesday, February 15.

**WHEN YOU HAVE CHANGES** - Please let the church office know of changes to e-mail address, mail/resident addresses, telephone numbers, job, college, graduations etc.

**PRAYER VENTURES** - Two pages of monthly prayer support for ELCA ministries are available in printed copy in our Worship Center and Life Center or accessed at [www.elca.org/prayerventures](http://www.elca.org/prayerventures)

**CENTRAL SOUTHERN ILLINOIS SYNOD (CSIS) WEB SITE:** [www.csis-elca.org](http://www.csis-elca.org)

**ELCA WEB SITE:** [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org)

If you would like to receive text message updates regarding outdoor services, special events, and emergency notifications such as cancellations, you can now sign up for Remind. Simply follow the instructions below to be added to our list.

To sign up for updates regarding Saturday services, text **@ollcsat** to **81010**.

To sign up for updates regarding Sunday services, text **@ollcsun** to **81010**.



## ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS



Ron Blotevogel  
David Kassing  
Lynn Kempf  
Sean Rimar  
Mari Short  
Greg Fremder  
Lisa Micnheimer  
Georgeann Smithies  
Claire Maue  
Brad Bush  
Kendyll Pugh  
Kennedi Pugh  
Emily Truckenbrod

Sawyer Blotevogel  
Tim Schoenecker  
Fred Tatjenhorst  
Terry Menz  
Maren Noga  
Kathy Nehrt  
Megan Kolosieke  
Carole Callahan  
Marian Steinmann  
Chris Comrie  
Carli Orr  
Brooke Wieser  
Darrell Bruhn

Barb Sparks  
Joyce Tatjenhorst  
Erin Morris  
Samuel Huster  
Vicki Schorr  
Bradley Bush  
Kathy Hoelscher  
Anita Steinmann



Chuck & Cindy Pugh  
Eric Sutton & Peggy Pick-Sutton  
Steve Perry & Deb Hatfield



# YOUR DOLLARS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Since 2012, Christ Kiswahili Lutheran Mission (CKLM) in Nashville, Tenn., has served the growing population of Kiswahili-speaking refugees resettling in middle Tennessee from countries primarily in eastern Africa. As the COVID-19 pandemic closed schools and colleges everywhere, CKLM had to shift how they served their community, especially new refugees.

*LifeLines*

Shifting to remote learning was hard for many families. Families and caregivers wanted to provide the support the children needed, but the virtual learning experience was new, stressful, and intimidating for many of them. Teachers also struggled with students who might show up to class tired and hungry. Supported by gifts to ELCA World Hunger, CKLM bridged that gap; as the pandemic reminded us, it takes a village to raise a child. CKLM also held meetings with parents and students to ensure that home would be a conducive environment for learning. They trained students to use a computer: how to start it, how to log in and join classes, access homework assignments, and how to submit their completed work.

As a welcoming ministry, CKLM has opened its doors to the immigrant and refugee community across the Nashville area, offering much needed support for the integration of the whole family by addressing the socio-emotional, physical, and educational needs of each resettled neighbor.



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## *People In A Pickle*

Thanks to your continued giving, Our Lord's was able to assist a couple and their 3 young daughters with temporary housing who had to leave their home after a fire. They had future housing planned, but needed assistance before that began. It is thanks to your generosity that we are able to help those "in a pickle." Thank you!

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## *Lutheran Disaster Relief*

On the night of Dec. 10, 2021, a devastating outbreak of more than 30 tornadoes swept through six states. Kentucky was impacted the most, with more than 70 people reported dead. Homes and businesses were destroyed, including a candle factory in Mayfield, KY. More than 330,000 people were without electricity across multiple states. The full extent of the damage continued to unfold as more destruction was discovered.



Lutheran Disaster Response has been engaging with partners in the affected areas, including the Indiana-Kentucky Synod, to respond to immediate needs. Given the initial damage assessments, recovery will likely take years, and Lutheran Disaster Response is prepared to accompany survivors until the response is complete.

# PRAYER CONCERNS

## FAMILY & FRIENDS

Harleigh Johnson  
KC Jensen  
Angel Lipham  
Ron Mueller  
Bonnie Isom  
Luella Meyer  
Dylana Carlson  
Warren Carlson  
Matthew

Mary  
Mark Wollin  
Nel Kennedy  
Darrell, Sandy,  
& Theresa Wollin  
Stuart Sticksel  
Billie Koch  
Ben Mentock  
Rod & Sharon Summers

Pastor Amy Thoren  
Jeff Menz  
Jake  
Tabitha Asbury  
Tammy Brady  
Diane Stofer  
Debbie Coan

## CONGREGATION MEMBERS

Kim Payne  
Dan Homes  
Linda Spencer  
Jim Lemke  
Bill Davidson  
Dean Lackey  
Lisa White

Brian Kassing  
Matt Gross  
Nancy Lutz  
Dave Gocken  
Mary Olsen  
Don Simonson  
Terry Menz  
Don Klingsick

## THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING

*Family and friends of:*

*Georgia Rinkel Robert Carlson Dennis Lukaszewski  
Larry Hussli Arline Strong*

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

Lance Cpl. Clayton Campbell  
Major James Carmichael  
Capt. Blake Crosby  
Airborne Ranger Keegan Crosby  
Staff Sgt. Tyson Crosby  
SPC Bill Homes  
Charles Homes  
Zach Huff  
SrA Lucas Maue  
John Meyer  
Zachary Neubauer  
Amador Ochoa  
Josh Pace  
Scott Prengel  
Jake Randall  
Jack Scoles  
PFC Eric Shelton  
Staff Sgt. Skipper Smith  
Sgt. Matthew Spencer (Ret.)  
Staff Sgt. Stephan Spencer  
Erica Webb, US Private E-3

## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

We are so thankful for Ed Foppe, Laura Foppe, and Lyn Kampwerth as they conclude their terms on the Ministry Support Team. Thank you, Ed, Laura, and Lyn for your gifts of time, energy, and faithful service during your time on the Ministry Support Team!



# LOOKING AHEAD

## March

- First Day of Women's History Month, Mar 1
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner, Mar 1
- Ash Wednesday, Mar 2
- Holden Evening Prayer, Mar 9, Mar 16, Mar 23, Mar 30
- Daylight Savings Time Starts, Mar 13
- Newsletter Deadline, Mar 15
- St. Patrick's Day, Mar 17

## April

- Holden Evening Prayer, Apr 6
- Palm Sunday, Apr 10
- Maundy Thursday, Apr 14
- Good Friday, Apr 15
- Easter Eve, Apr 16
- Easter Sunday, Apr 17
- Easter Monday - Church Office Closed, Apr 18
- Newsletter Deadline, Apr 19

## May

- First Day of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, May 1
- Cinco de Mayo, May 5
- Mother's Day, May 8
- Newsletter Deadline, May 16
- Memorial Day (Church Office Closed), May 30

*Mark your calendars for these upcoming events and special observances.  
All events are subject to change due to COVID-19.*

## OUR MINISTRY TEAM

### *OLLC Staff*

**The Rev. Dr. Darla Ann Kratzer**, Pastor

**Olivia Cross**, Administrative Assistant

**Joseph Lama**, Director of Non-Traditional Music

**Cady Thomas**, Director of Worship Music for Sundays and Special Services

**Dr. Rhonda Comrie**, Organist

**Matt Gross**, Streaming Tech

**Jenna Lathrom**, Sound

### *Church Council*

**Tom Steinmann**, President

**Dana Callahan**, Vice President

**Dr. Laura Schoenecker**, Secretary

**Dr. Max Eakin**, Treasurer

**Linda Hester**, At Large

**The Rev. Dr. Darla Ann R. Kratzer**, Pastor

### *Ministry Support Team*

**Vacant**, Steering Team Coordinators

**Vacant** (Education)

**Dr. Rhonda Comrie** (Fellowship)

**Matt Blind** (IT)

**Carol Orr** (Service)

**Kalonny Short** (Worship)

*Please note:*

*Names of Church Council & Ministry Support Team members are subject to change due to upcoming elections at the Annual Meeting on January 30. Names will be updated accordingly in next month's newsletter.*

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# PUZZLE

## A measure of love

Jesus says one golden rule sums up the law.

**Directions:** Match the word parts from the ruler to the incomplete words in the first three Bible verses. Then add the bolded letters (in order) to Matthew 7:12 to complete that verse.

Do not seek **re** \_\_\_\_\_ or bear a grudge against anyone among your \_\_\_\_\_ople, but **love** your **neig** \_\_\_\_\_ as yourself.

LEVITICUS 19:18, NIV

Learn to do **right**; seek jus \_\_\_\_\_. Defend the \_\_\_\_\_pressed. Take up the cause of the \_\_\_\_\_less; plead the \_\_\_\_\_e of the widow.

ISAIAH 1:17, NIV

He has shown **you**, O mortal, what is good. . . .

To act **justly** and to love me \_\_\_\_\_ and to walk \_\_\_\_\_ly with your God.

MICAH 6:8, NIV

So in \_\_\_\_\_ything, do to ot \_\_\_\_\_ what you would \_\_\_\_\_ve them d \_\_\_\_\_to you, for this s \_\_\_\_\_ms up the \_\_\_\_\_w and the Proph \_\_\_\_\_s.

MATTHEW 7:12, NIV



sending you  
**Warm  
Wishes**



# FEBRUARY CALENDAR

*Sunday*

*Monday*

*Tuesday*

*Wednesday*

*Thursday*

*Friday*

*Saturday*

MONTHLY  
GIVING  
EMPHASIS:

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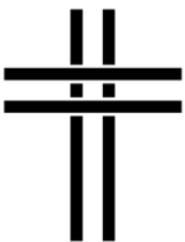
		<p><b>1</b> <b>First Day of Black History Month</b> <b>3:00 PM</b> Tuesday Tea - Zoom <b>4:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC <b>7:00 PM</b> NAR-ANON - LC Conference Room <b>7:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon - LC Basement</p>	<p><b>2</b> <b>Present-ation of Our Lord</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Bible Crunchers</p>	<p><b>3</b> <b>4:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC <b>6:00 PM</b> Chancel Choir Rehearsal <b>7:00 PM</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>4</b> <b>Pastor's Sabbath</b> <b>3:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC</p>	<p><b>5</b> <b>Epiphany 5</b> <b>7:00 AM</b> Worker Bees <b>3:45 PM</b> Praise Band Practice <b>5:00 PM</b> Worship: In-Building Praise Service</p>
<p><b>6</b> <b>Epiphany 5</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Worship: In-Building Traditional Service <b>9:15 AM</b> Confirmation Class - Zoom <b>9:15 AM</b> Adult Bible Study <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday School (Pre-K - 5th grade) - Zoom <b>9:30 AM</b> High School Sunday School Class <b>10:45 AM</b> Worship: In-Building Traditional Service</p>	<p><b>7</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Questions Bible Study <b>3:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC <b>3:00 PM</b> SOS Soup Kitchen Assembly <b>6:30 PM</b> Education Summit Meeting</p>	<p><b>8</b> <b>3:00 PM</b> Tuesday Tea - Zoom <b>4:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC <b>7:00 PM</b> NAR-ANON - LC Conference Room <b>7:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon - LC Basement</p>	<p><b>9</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Bible Crunchers <b>7:00 PM</b> Lakeview Garden Club Meeting</p>	<p><b>10</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Morning Glories <b>4:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC <b>6:00 PM</b> Chancel Choir Rehearsal <b>7:00 PM</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>11</b> <b>Pastor's Sabbath</b> <b>3:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC</p>	<p><b>12</b> <b>Epiphany 6</b> <b>3:45 PM</b> Praise Band Practice <b>5:00 PM</b> Worship: In-Building Praise Service</p>
<p><b>13</b> <b>Epiphany 6</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Worship: In-Building Traditional Service <b>9:15 AM</b> Confirmation Class - Zoom <b>9:15 AM</b> Adult Bible Study <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday School (Pre-K - 5th grade) - Zoom <b>9:30 AM</b> High School Sunday School Class <b>10:45 AM</b> Worship: In-Building Traditional Service</p>	<p><b>14</b> <b>Valentine's Day</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Questions Bible Study <b>1:00 PM</b> Giving Emphasis Team Meeting - LC <b>3:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC <b>6:30 PM</b> Ministry Support Team Meeting</p>	<p><b>15</b> <b>Pastor Kratzer On Vacation Through Feb 21</b> <b>Newsletter Deadline</b> <b>3:00 PM</b> Tuesday Tea - Zoom <b>4:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC <b>7:00 PM</b> NAR - ANON - LC Conference Room <b>7:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon - LC Basement</p>	<p><b>16</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Bible Crunchers</p>	<p><b>17</b> <b>4:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC <b>6:00 PM</b> Chancel Choir Rehearsal <b>7:00 PM</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>18</b> <b>Pastor's Sabbath</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> Book Club <b>3:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC</p>	<p><b>19</b> <b>Epiphany 7</b> <b>3:45 PM</b> Praise Band Practice <b>5:00 PM</b> Worship: In-Building Praise Service</p>
<p><b>20</b> <b>Epiphany 7</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Worship: In-Building Traditional Service <b>9:15 AM</b> Confirmation Class - Zoom <b>9:15 AM</b> Adult Bible Study <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday School (Pre-K - 5th grade) - Zoom <b>9:30 AM</b> High School Sunday School Class <b>10:45 AM</b> Worship: In-Building Traditional Service</p>	<p><b>21</b> <b>Presidents' Day</b> <b>Office Closed</b> <b>3:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC</p>	<p><b>22</b> <b>4:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC <b>6:30 PM</b> Church Council Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> NAR - ANON - LC Conference Room <b>7:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon - LC Basement</p>	<p><b>23</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Bible Crunchers</p>	<p><b>24</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Morning Glories <b>4:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC <b>6:00 PM</b> Chancel Choir Rehearsal <b>7:00 PM</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>25</b> <b>Pastor's Sabbath</b> <b>3:00 PM</b> Music Lessons, C. Thomas - WC</p>	<p><b>26</b> <b>Trans-figuration of Our Lord</b> <b>3:45 PM</b> Praise Band Practice <b>5:00 PM</b> Worship: In-Building Praise Service</p>
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