

# Bulletin Board

April 2, 2023

**WELCOME!** We praise God for giving us the ability to worship in fellowship today! Please remember that if you wish to social distance there is room, if you want or need to wear a mask we will support you. Please sign the registration books that are in the pews, please pass them to the next person. If you are worshipping from home and watching on Facebook please leave a comment (even if it is just Hi), it would be appreciated.

**SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME** Join us in the Hillmer Center this week at 10:15 a.m. followed by Bible Class at 10:30. The Adult class is studying Galatians. No classes next week.

**BABY BOTTLE FOR ALTERNATIVES** Thank you for your generosity in filling the Baby Bottles. If you have not returned your bottle please get them to the office as soon as possible. The plan is to return them to Alternatives Pregnancy Center next Tuesday.

**THE LUTHERAN WITNESS RENEWAL** It is time to renew or order the Lutheran Witness for the next subscription which begins in July. The cost is \$19.20 for the year which is 11 issues because they combine the June/July issue. Please let the office know if you are interested in receiving this informative magazine by April 30<sup>th</sup> so we can get the information in on time.

**HOLY WEEK SERVICES** Please join us for Maundy Thursday service with Holy Communion April 6 at 11 am or 6:30 pm service. Also the Good Friday service on April 7 at 11 am or 6:30 pm. On Easter morning we will have a 9 am service only. Fellowship time will be from either 8:15 am to 8:45 am or 10:15 am to 10:45 am, there will be donuts and coffee for those that would like to join us.

**IOWA DISTRICT EAST LLL CONVENTION** is being held Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup> at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Doors will open at 9 am, convention starts at 10 am and will be finished by 4 pm. The cost is \$15 until April 22 and will be \$18 at the door. Guest speaker is Jeff Craig-Meyer LHM Senior VP, Chief Strategy Officer. Highlights include Gifted for More; Ministry Update on LHM's International Internship Program; Martha Hartwig, Iowa District East LWML President. Check the bulletin board for registration forms.

**A LIFE QUOTE** "As you travel with Jesus through Holy Week, don't lose heart. He is your Palm Sunday King. He will always come to you and give you the best of what He has to offer because of His humble attitude and His devotion to His mission. When you see this Savior who personally cares for you, you can't help but join the believers of old to give to the Lord your best and most precious treasures of your heart and life, and then to join with all believers saying, 'Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!'" Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org) Word of Hope can help. [word-of-hope.org](http://word-of-hope.org); 888.217.8679.



**BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES: Did You Know:** Listen to the news on any given evening and you will be inundated with accounts of terrible things happening, both locally and around the world. Hearing bad news every day can cause you to become anxious and hopeless. Consider taking a week-long "news holiday" by turning off the TV and computer. Use your new-found free time to read and memorize Scripture. When you commit Jesus' words to memory, you will be able to recall them whenever you hear bad news: "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." **Lutheran Family Service** - [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org). (515.573.3138 and LFSiowa.org)

**MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE** - This week the verse is:

**Ephesians 2:4-5**

God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved.

**CATECHESIS** – This week for those using the Catechism Study Guide you should be on the following page number according to what year you are on.

Year 1 is page 25;

Year 2 is page 84;

Year 3 is page 143;

**CREATION MUSEUM/ARK ENCOUNTER BUS TRIP** is planned for June 5-9. This is a wonderful experience and comes highly recommended. More details can be found on the bulletin board in the Narthex or across from the office if you are interested in this trip.

**"UNI – GO PANTHERS" GIFT BASKET** Grace will be sponsoring a gift basket for the silent auction at Valley Lutheran School's Crusader Night on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. We are collecting any Panther gear (cups, banners, posters, ect.) that you think Panther fans would enjoy. Items must be at church today. If you have any questions please call Nancy McHone 319-230-7608.

**SPRING CONCERT PRESENTED BY PROUD IMAGE CHORUS.** Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. when The Proud Image Chorus will join voices with River City Chorus from Mason City to present "WITH A SONG IN OUR HEARTS" in West High School's Kersenbrock Auditorium in Waterloo. This musical performance of a cappella four-part harmony will entertain you with inspirational, patriotic and all-time favorite songs. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door, \$5 students. Contact any Chorus member or call 515-979-9054 for tickets

**GRACE FOOD PANTRY**



Anyone wishing to donate to the Grace Food Pantry, these are the top items needed:

**Cold Cereal, soups, hamburger / tuna helper, 32 oz juices, spaghetti sauce, crackers, soda crackers, rice, pastas, mac n cheese, canned meat, Peanut Butter, canned fruit, tooth paste Shampoo/Conditioner, Body wash, dish soap, cleaning liquids, laundry soap, razors, deodorant and lotions.**

We can always use money too. The committee would like to thank all those who have given generously to the Grace Food Pantry!

Anyone needing assistance with the Grace Food Pantry please contact the church office or one of the following people: Anyone interested in helping with the food pantry please contact the office or people listed.



## VALLEY LUTHERAN

Join us as we commemorate the 20th anniversary of Valley Lutheran School on Saturday, April 22nd beginning at 5:00 pm! Our theme for the evening is *Proclaiming Christ: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow*.

Crusader Knight is always a fun night out! During the evening, we'll celebrate our school with a fun program emceed this year by alumni, John Stone, a yummy catered dinner, both silent and live auctions, and our "famous" dessert frenzy! This year, the event will be returning to Valley!

We hope you can join us in person for the event! Tickets are now on sale online: <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/crusaderknight2023/>. Individual tickets are \$35 each or reserve a table of 8 for \$250 and bring along a few friends or family members. Please contact our office if you wish to pay with cash or check. We look forward to having you celebrate with us!

Valley Lutheran Bottle/Can Drive  
The high school cross country team will be having a can and bottle drive Saturday, April 15th from 9-12 at Valley Lutheran. If you cannot make it on Saturday, you may drop off your cans and bottle in the school office from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm before the can drive.  
Thank you for your support!

**A REMINDER:** Members wishing to contribute to the recent loan for roofing and air conditioning may do so by marking the memo line on your check for the Properties Repair Loan and leaving your donation in the offering plate or office. All donations to the cause will be directly applied to the loan. Thank you for your generous heart.

**Matthew 21:3 – “If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.”** Did Jesus really *need* the donkey? If the man had refused to give the donkey, would the work of salvation have been derailed? Of course not. But what an honor for the man who owned this donkey and foal! Likewise, with us — the Lord needs none of us, but what an honor for God to choose to use our generosity in the work of His church.

### The Schedule this Week:

The following events have been planned for this week.

<b>TODAY:</b>	Palm Sunday
9:00 a.m.	Worship Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Fellowship Hillmer Center
10:30 a.m.	Bible Class/Sunday School Hillmer Center/Upper Level
<b>MONDAY:</b>	
6:00 p.m.	Exercise Library
7:00 p.m.	Board’s Meet Hillmer Center
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	
8:30 a.m.	Sewing Circle Rm 17
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	
9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study Hillmer Center
11:00 a.m.	Worship w/Holy Commun. Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Choir practice Choir room
6:30 p.m.	Worship w/Holy Commun. Sanctuary
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
11:00 a.m.	Worship Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Worship Sanctuary
<b>NEXT SUNDAY:</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Worship w/Holy Commun. Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Fellowship Hillmer Center

### Youth News

We are going to Get Air on Friday April 21 at 7 pm to try out the special lighting they have on Fridays and Saturdays. Check the Grace Greetings for details.