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<u>This Week</u>

Mon. 18

Tue. 19 No Women's Bible Study

Wed. 20 12:00 Lent Service @ St. John's

Reinbeck 4:30 Soup Supper

6:00 Lent Service @ Immanuel

Thur. 21

Fri. 22

Sat. 23

Sun. 24 8:00 Sunday Worship PB

9:15 SS & Adult Bible Study 10:30 Sunday Worship PB

Readings for March 24

Zechariah 9:9–12 Philippians 2:5–11 John 12:20–43

NAMI Peer-to-Peer Class:

NAMI Peer-to-Peer is a free 8-week mental health and well ness class led by trained peers for people with mental health conditions to help with their recovery. It offers respect, understanding encouragement, and hope while building on the strength and resilience of participants. It will be every Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00 pm starting April 18 through June 6. The location is the First Congregational Church in Waterloo at 608 West 4th Street. Call Leslie Cohn, NAMI director, at 319-830-6448 if you have questions or want to register for the class. The deadline to register is April 3, 2024

PROUD IMAGE SPRING CONCERT

Enjoy an evening of musical harmony when Cedar Valley's Proud Image Chorus,

together with River City Chorus from Mason City, will present their Spring Concert, "LISTEN TO THE MUSIC" at Waterloo's West High School on Saturday, April 13th at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door, \$5 for students and available by contacting any Chorus member or calling 515-979-9054.



Our mission is to prepare people to know, follow, and share Christ.

Weekly News March 17, 2024

Prayers:

Deb Morrison – health Amanda L'Heureux – health Fran Melsh – health Betty Tyler - health Bob Sieglaff – health Joe Faust – health Rick Tyler - health

Sr. Youth Ministry:

No Youth Group - Spring Break

Lenten Service:

- 12:00 pm Service at St. Johns Reinbeck, lunch to follow.
- 4:30 pm Soup Supper at Immanuel
- 6:00 pm Lent Service
- The theme for the Lenten Season will be "Lord of Heaven and Earth: The Miracles of an Earthy Jesus"

Lenten Soup Suppers:

Soup Suppers each week starting at 4:30pm. Sign-up sheets for needed food items are on the Welcome Desk. Free will offering will support Dorcas's mission projects.

Easter Egg Hunt:

Immanuel will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23 at 9:00 am. There is a signup sheet in the sign – up binder on the Welcome Desk. We could use help as well as a variety of items for this event.

Easter Lilies:

Lilies for display on Easter Sunday can be ordered through Sunday, March 24. Cost will be \$15 per plant with proceeds going to the Immanuel Youth. Order forms are on the Welcome Desk – return with payment to the church office. Checks should be made to Immanuel Youth

Easter Breakfast:

There will be an Easter Breakfast this year hosted by the Mission Committee. The menu will include breakfast pizza, eggs, rolls, and more. The proceeds will benefit Mission Central. It will be served between our two services on March 31: 6:30 am and 9:00 am.

Preschool:

The preschool is looking for an aide to fill in for the remainder of the school year. This position would be a part time in the morning, to work with Teacher Jenny for up to 20 hours a week over a five-day period. Right now, we are open to splitting this up between a couple of individuals if we cannot find one person. If you are interested or would like more information, contact the office.

Reflection Garden:

With spring around the corner, we wanted to have one last push for bricks, we encourage you to purchase it soon. You can still purchase pavers after that, but they will have to be engraved on site. Again, our thanks as we continue to work on this project.

Small Groups:

Now is the time to sign up for small groups. There are a couple of different options to choose from. There will be two different groups at church, Sunday afternoon or Thursday evening. If you have not experienced our Small Group Ministry, we invite you to come try it out. Small groups will begin around April 23, signup sheets are available on the Welcome Desk.

Valley:

Plant Sale

The flowers will soon be blooming! It's time for the Annual Valley Lutheran Plant Sale! To order, you may contact a Valley student or teacher in your congregation or visit Mrs. Clement in the Valley office. You may also order online at <u>janetsjungle.com</u>, or there is a link to this website on the Valley Facebook page. The sale will run from March 4 - April 3. Questions about the Plant Sale?

Scrap Metal Drive

The Valley Lutheran Seniors and Push Iron & Metals will be hosting a Scrap Metal Drive on March 23rd from 9:00 am- 2:00 pm. Please bring in your scrap metal to help your Valley Seniors. More details will be sent as the date comes closer. We appreciate any form of help that our Valley Community gives us.

Crusader Knight at Valley Lutheran School is in the early stages of planning, and we are seeking items for our silent auction. If you would like to put together a basket, please contact Shaylene Scheele at Valley Lutheran. Baskets could be themed such as Family movie night with items such as popcorn and popcorn bucket, candy, and a family movie. A chocolate basket with different kinds of chocolates. Be creative! Feel free to contact me for more ideas. If you'd like to donate a few items but not do a whole basket that's fine too! Thank you for your continued support!

Need Service Hours?:

There are many ways to get service hours at church. We need help every Sunday for technology, acolytes, ushers, greeters, and more. Help is needed for the Easter Egg hunt on March 23. The second Sunday of each month, there is need for helpers in the kitchen to

make pancakes. Vacation Bible School is right around the corner, there are different areas that need to be filled. May 19th we need help at Palmers Park - watch for more details. Family Life Ministry is need of some help with watching the children while the parents attend to the meeting. If you can help out on Monday, March 18 at 5:30 or other future dates, call the office or Pastor Kevin.

Thrivent Choice:

Thrivent Choice® can have a tremendous impact on organizations like ours. Eligible Thrivent clients with membership: Don't forget to direct 2023 Choice Dollars® before March 31, 2024. And, please consider directing Choice Dollars® to us. For more info or to direct Choice Dollars, call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice." Or thrivent.com/thriventchoice

Issues:

GALATIANS BIBLE STUDY... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon begins a study this week on the Book of Galatians. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, the LPR mobile app or your favorite podcast provider.

Homeschool Conference:

The homeschool families of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Carlisle, Iowa are hosting our third annual homeschool conference on Saturday, May 11, 2024, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. The conference, *Oh, Blest the House: Vocations Within the Homeschool Family*, features Rev. James Preus, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Ottumwa, Iowa, as our keynote speaker. There is no charge to attend this event, however, we will accept free will donations at the conference. Lunch and snacks will be provided, and limited childcare will be available. Find additional information and complete your registration on our website: <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/journal-information-no-more-registrat

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