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New This Month:

Kids' Page

Worship Times:

Sunday at 10:30am

Wednesday Lenten at 6:00pm

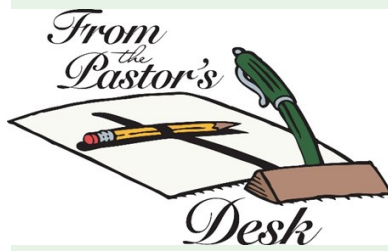
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Special Articles

- DOR Meeting

There is no Easter without Good Friday.
by Pastor Hartman



"So they took Jesus,¹⁷ and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called The Place of a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha.¹⁸ There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them (John 19:16-18, ESV)."

In Wisner, the people have a knack for celebrating. Everything. We throw parties and celebrate everything. This month, we will have a whole day dedicated to the celebration of St. Patrick, a man who suffered greatly for the sake of the faith. In past months, we have celebrated school sports and activity victories. We have celebrated births, life milestones, and anything else we can think of. People like celebrating. It's fun. I personally love celebrating. I love throwing parties.

On March 31, the Western Church will celebrate Easter, the Resurrection of our Lord. Churches will be fuller than usual. Youth groups throughout the nation will serve breakfast to their older parishioners. Music will blare and shout of the Victory of Jesus. But just like every worldly, manmade celebration, there was a price to be paid. From St. Patrick's enslavement, to the hard work and life's labors which get us to our celebrations, there is always a sacrifice.

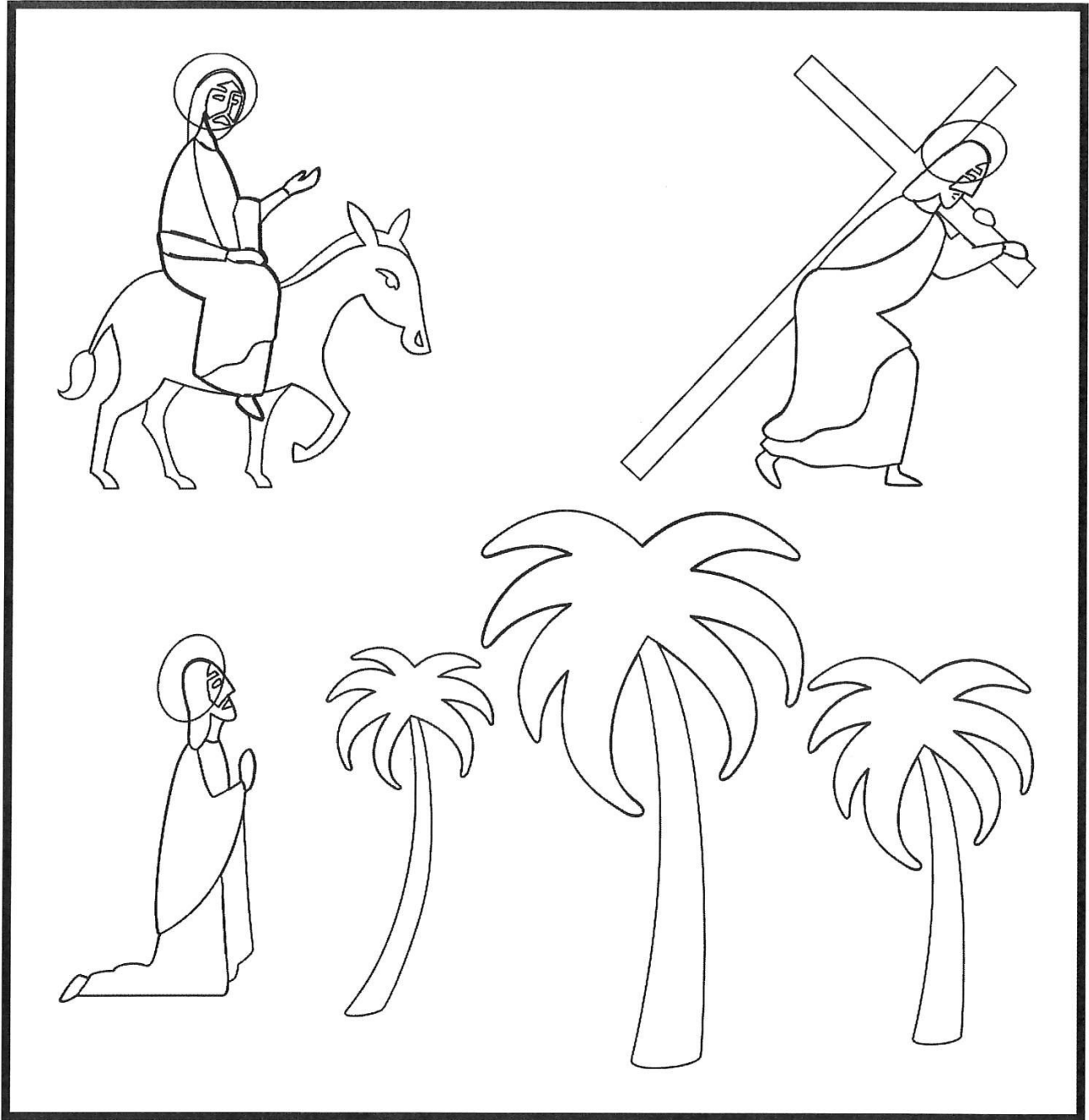
In the case of the Easter Celebration, there is the sacrifice of God's only begotten Son upon the cross (John 3:16). There, between two others, he gave himself as the sacrifice to atone for the sin of the world. It isn't pretty. In fact, the crucifixion was ugly. When Christians ponder the crucifixion, we are to ponder our own sinfulness and need of repentance. That's uncomfortable. That's also necessary. There is no Easter without Good Friday. The Easter Victory of Christ over sin, death, and the devil in his resurrection is joyful because of the hope we have in the resurrection and our unity in Christ through baptism. Our union with Christ through baptism gives us the hope that we will enjoy the resurrection to life eternal with Him (Romans 6:5).

Many people, even those who profess to be Christians will miss the above point about the crucifixion. They want the celebration without the pain. The glow of family warmth around a table with ham and chocolates fades quickly. The emotional high of a well-constructed and executed church service replete with candles and trumpets is soon a distant memory.

The joy of your salvation in the glory of the Lord upon his cross and at the empty tomb are your real reasons to celebrate. Come to church on Good Friday and Easter Sunday, so that you may say with Mary Magdalene, "I have seen the Lord (John 20:18)." Marvel at his glory. Come to church each week and receive the gifts of his crucifixion in the Lord's Supper-the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. For Christ is risen! Alleluia! Amen.

Kids' Page.

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Mission-of-the-Month Project March 2024 Project Mercy Meals Through the Orphan Grain Train.



Our Mission

THE MISSION OF MERCY MEALS IS TO HELP FIGHT WORLD HUNGER AND HELP TO REVERSE THE EFFECTS OF MALNUTRITION GLOBALLY.

Mercy Meals of Nebraska is a non-profit organization that allows volunteers to package nourishing food that will be delivered by the Orphan Grain Train to children in need throughout the world. Orphanages, refugee camps, feeding centers, disaster relief centers and local food pantries have been recent recipients of our food.

Through this program we hope to instill in our children a sense of self-empowerment, civic duty, world awareness, kindness toward our fellow men and women and appreciation for the blessings in their daily lives. We want them to know that they can make a difference in other people's lives by being informed, by making good choices in their lives, by giving their time and by donating their talents.

About Our Meals

Developed by nutrition scientists, the food consists of:

White, long-grain rice widely is recognized throughout the world as a food staple

Soy flakes provide high protein content

A blend of 6 dried vegetables add flavor & color

Chicken flavoring includes 20 vitamins and minerals

This highly nutritious, well-balanced meal provides a source of easily digestible protein, carbohydrates, and vitamins needed to reverse malnutrition. The Mercy Meals food product is made up of four dry ingredients that are easily packaged and need only boiling water to prepare. The food bags are 3-ply for strength and can keep for long periods of time. Each package contains 6 meals at a cost of 20 cents per meal.

FYI

We Deliver Meals on Wheels on the week of April 1. Please make sure to sign up and help deliver these meals and maybe even pray with them and for them as you deliver the meals.

Remember Our Homebound

Wisner Care Center

John & Judy Borgelt;
Rose Kindschuh; Lois Schmidt;

At Home:

Fred & Joan Groninger;
Donna Heller; Betty Jacobsen;



2024 LENTEN PREACHING SERIES:
“We Preach Christ Crucified”

Midweek of Lent 3—March 6—at 6:00pm

Midweek of Lent 4—March 13—at 6:00pm

Midweek of Lent 5—March 20—at 6:00pm

Palm Sunday—March 24—at 10:30am

Maundy (Holy) Thursday—March 28—at 6:00pm

Good Friday—March 29—at 12:00 Noon and 6:00pm

Easter Sunday—March 31—at 6:00am and 9:00am

The Cross Walk will be on Good Friday, meeting at the Wisner museum at 11:30am and start walking at 11:45am.

On Easter Sunday the S.P.Y. will be serving their famous Easter Breakfast after the Easter Sunrise Service.

There will be no Sunday School or Adult Bible Class on Easter Sunday.

St. Paul DOR Regular Meeting

St. Paul DOR Met for their regular meeting on Thursday, February 29 with 8 in attendance. Pastor Hartman led the Bible Study from the Winter LWML Quarterly titled “Equipped”.

The business meeting was called to order by president, Lorna Hollman. The minutes were read and the treasurer’s report was given.

The flower committee reported that there were 40 poinsettias donated by the Christmas Season, as well as 2 bouquets from Tom Schweers funeral. The Special Projects Committee reported having helped serve the catered lunches following the funerals of Carroll Kersten and Tom Schweers.

The ladies of St. Paul, Bancroft held a Prayer Service on Ash Wednesday which Lorna attended. The Nebraska North and South Districts of the LWML will hold a Seek & Serve day on April 5 at Peace Lutheran Church in Columbus with Remkea Ockander leading a Bible Study. Work will also be done to make favors for the 2025 National LWML Convention which will be held in Omaha Nebraska.

The West Point Zone LWML Spring Gathering will be held Monday, April 29 at Faith Lutheran Church in Stanton. Pastor Jacob will present a Bible Study titled “10 Questions to ask every time you read the Bible”. The Gathering will begin with registration at 4:30.

The Nebraska North District LWML Convention will be held at Christ Lutheran Church in Norfolk June 28 & 29.

In other business the 2024 handbooks were reviewed, and prayer partners chosen. The DOR will purchase 2 Easter Lilies for Easter Sunday and Easter baskets will be filled for shut-ins at the March 21st meeting.

Correspondence was read and the birthday of Evaline Hatterman and Anna Mae Breitreutz were observed.

Mite Box offerings were gathered and devotion was shared. Sandra Biermann was the hostess. The next DOR Meeting will be March 21 with Elaine Bak as Hostess. The next work day at the Orphan Grain Train will be March 8.

**Home Budget
Weekly Needs:
\$3,723.32**

**Mission Out-
reach Weekly
Needs: \$403.85**

Stewardship CAMPAIGN

<u>February 4</u>		<u>February 11</u>	
General Envelopes	\$4,185.00	General Envelopes	\$2,377.00
Mission Envelopes	\$180.00	Mission Envelopes	\$1,278.01
Mission of the Month	\$45.00	Mission of the Month	\$100.00
Annual Project	\$0.00	Annual Project	\$0.00
Bible Class	\$47.00	Bible Class	\$29.25
Total	\$4,457.00	Total	\$3,784.26
Church Attendance: 162		Church Attendance: 272	
<u>February 18</u>		<u>February 25</u>	
General Envelopes	\$4,419.00	General Envelopes	\$2,214.00
Mission Envelopes	\$160.00	Mission Envelopes	\$196.00
Bible Class	\$34.41	Mission of the Month	\$1,150.00
Annual Project	\$0.00	Annual Project	\$391.00
Mission of the Month	\$95.00	Bible Class	\$28.00
Total	\$4,708.41	Total	\$3,979.00
Church Attendance: 176		Church Attendance: 188	

March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Marissa Polacek	2
3 Les Breitreutz	4	5	6	7 ◇ Mckenzie Greve ◇ Ty Rogers	8 ◇ Jerri Fullner ◇ Tom Donner	9 ◇ Grace Becker ◇ Jerry Nitzsche
10	11 ◇ Donna Greve ◇ Wade Eisenhauer	12 Aiddan Buhrman	13 Randy Steinmeyer	14	15 ◇ Layne Matthes	16 Dylann Ott
17 ◇ Natalie Callie ◇ Chad Ernesti	18 ◇ Emma Bloedorn ◇ Joan Schweers	19 Vernon Schultz	20 ◇ Violet Heermann ◇ Jessa Johnson ◇ Gunnar Schultz	21	22	23 Adelynn Bloedorn
24 ◇ Emily Hattermann ◇ Rick Heller	25	26 ◇ David Schweers ◇ Gary McBride ◇ Mariela Ernesti	27 ◇ Austin Hatterman ◇ Logan Buhrman	28	29	30 Mike Kuzelka
31 Les Feyerherm	◇					

Anniversaries:

Nic & Anne Marx March 5th—Les & Elois Feyerherm March 20th—
Gene & Loraine Ott March 30th

March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:15am Bible Class 10:30am Worship	4	5	6 4:00pm Midweek 6:00pm Lenten Service	7	8 2:00-4:00pm Orphan Grain Train Workday	9
10 9:15am Bible Class 10:30am Worship	11 1:00pm Busy Figures Quilting 7:00pm Board of Elders	12	13 4:00pm Midweek 6:00pm Lenten Service	14	15	16
17 9:15am Bible Class 10:30am Worship	18	19	20 4:00pm Midweek 6:00pm Lenten Service	21 1:30pm DOR	22	23
24 9:15am Bible Class 10:30am Palm Sunday Worship	25 1:00pm Busy Figures Quilting	26	27	28 6:00pm Holy Thursday Worship	29 11:45am Cross Walk 12:00pm Good Friday Service 6:00pm Good Friday Service	30
31 6:00am Easter Sunrise Service 7:00am S.P.Y. Breakfast 9:00am Easter Festival Service						

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We invite you to join us for
Worship every weekend;
and Bible Study throughout the week.

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Things to Remember

Worship Times

10:30am Sundays
6:00pm Wednesdays

Bible Study Times

9:15am Sunday Preschool—Adults
10:00am Wednesday Bible Class
4:00pm Wednesday for 3rd-8th Grades



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COMING NEXT MONTH

- * New Mission of the Month