



MARCH 2023



TOWN & COUNTRY LUTHERAN CHURCH ~ MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY MORNINGS:

Divine Service in the sanctuary at 9:30 AM. Services are live streamed every Sunday morning.

Email matt@tclutheranchurch.org to be added to our weekly email list.

What's Happening in March???

Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 – 7:00 PM – Midweek Lenten Services

Saturday, March 4th – 10:00 AM – LWML Meeting

Friday, March 17th – 6:00 PM – Friendship Unlimited Dinner & Devotion (*more info on next page*)

Sunday, March 19th – after church @ 10:30 AM – Celebration of Harold Kaden's 90th Birthday!

***** Upward Basketball has been postponed until further notice *****

Bible Studies:

Sunday Mornings after church – led by Pastor Mankin

Confirmation Class – Sundays, 4:00 PM – led by Pastor Mankin

BUGS (Building Up GroupS) – Mondays, 7:00 PM – Meets at the home of Marge Otto.

Please call Rod Oswalt (916) 213-2827 or Marge at (916) 481-3593 if you would like to join us.

Joy in the Morning – Wednesdays, 10:00 AM – Friendship Center

Come hang out and study Lutheranism 101

Men's Bible Study – Thursdays, 7:00 AM – at Flap Jacks Diner (2721 El Camino Ave.)

All men are welcome to join. Please contact Flint Pendergraft: 916-952-6146

Ladies' Bible Study – Thursdays, 9:30 AM – Friendship Center

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Hello Town & Country Sisters and Brothers in Christ -

*Attached to this Newsletter is a one-page summary of the 2022 year-end financial standing for the Endowment Fund. In short, 2022 was a **red-numbered** roller coaster ride over the entire year. By the end of last year (2022) the Fund had lost over \$48,000. The Committee met recently and reviewed the financial statements, as well as our mission. While we as the Committee are averse to utilizing any of the "corpus" (aka body) of the Fund, we also will consider funding one or two small funding requests that are critically integral to missions, scholarships, or church campus improvements. If you have a funding request please contact Mark Tuckerman, Ken Danielson, or Rod Oswalt, by April 16th, 2023, with any questions and details about that request(s).*

*Thank you.
Peace,*

T&C Endowment Committee

Debt Retirement Team Update:

Our church has signed a new long-term lease commencing June 1! Assist, our current tenant, will be with us until May 31. Our new tenant is the Hope Academy of the Marconi Montessori School. They will operate a day care and preschool up to 5 years of age and use all our educational facilities. One benefit of this lease is the positive financial impact on our church - we do not need to pursue selling our field with this lease in place. The contract with Coldwell Banker to find a buyer for our field has been discontinued. Please keep the Montessori School and T&C in your prayers as our new tenant settles in and works to setup and fill their new school on our campus.

- John Parrish

FRIENDSHIP UNLIMITED

**Friday, March 17 at 6:00 pm
at BJ's Restaurant (1689 Arden Way)**

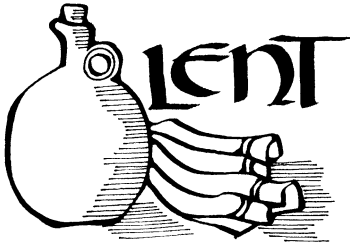
**Devotion afterwards at Ann & Dave Kretzmann's
(4265 Carle Lane)**

**RSVP by
Rich Nelson: 916-296-1930 | Sharon Nelson: 916-296-4633**

✠ CHRIST ON TRIAL ✠

Midweek Lenten Series

Wednesdays at 7:00 PM



February 22 – Ash Wednesday

March 1

March 8

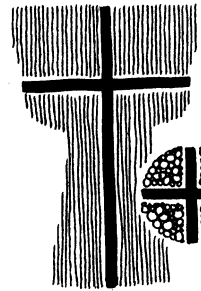
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THURSDAY

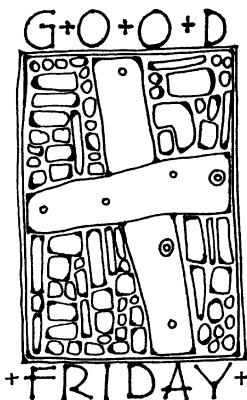
HOLY WEEK

April 2 – PALM SUNDAY – 9:30 AM

Confirmation Sunday

April 6 – MAUNDY THURSDAY – 7:00 PM

April 7 – GOOD FRIDAY – 7:00 PM



EASTER SUNDAY

April 9 – 9:30 AM



ONLINE GIVING

Download the Vanco Mobile App today to contribute Town and Country Lutheran Church and the many missions at work here:

Apple Store:

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/vanco-mobile-faith-engagement/id1504961674>

Google Play Store:

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.vancopayments.vancomobile&hl=en_US&gl=US



From the Pew

The season of Lent is here, which began this year on February 22nd (Ash Wednesday). The term Lent comes from the old -English word “lencten” which meant springtime. In the region of Charlarnagne (about 800 AD) four days were added making it 40 days. This may have been done as a reminder of the 40 days that Jesus fasted in the wilderness. Here are some guidelines for this season:

Fasting and Feasting During Lent

Fast from worry	and	Feast on trusting God.
Fast from complaining	and	Feast on appreciation.
Fast from negatives	and	Feast on affirmations.
Fast from unrelenting pressures	and	Feast on unceasing prayer.
Fast from hostility	and	Feast on good will.
Fast from bitterness	and	Feast on forgiveness.
Fast from self-concerns	and	Feast on compassion for others.
Fast from idle gossip	and	Feast on purposeful silence.
Fast from judging others	and	Feast on the good within others.
Fast from emphasis on differences	and	Feast on the unity of life.
Fast from apparent darkness	and	Feast on the reality of light.
Fast from thoughts of illness	and	Feast on the healing power of God.
Fast from words that pollute	and	Feast on phrases that purify.
Fast from discontent	and	Feast on gratitude.
Fast from anger	and	Feast on optimism.
Fast from discouragement	and	Feast on hope.
Fast from lethargy	and	Feast on enthusiasm.
Fast from thoughts that weaken	and	Feast on promises that inspire.
Fast from senseless acts of violence	and	Feast on senseless acts of love.

Please join us for the coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, March 19th to celebrate Harold Kaden's 90th birthday

The following is a thank you letter from one of the many people we have helped out with financial assistance from our Pastor's Discretionary Fund. You can donate at any time, please find the envelopes at the church entrance:



Dear Town and Country Church,

Thank you so much for the help your church gave us in paying a utility bill. The assistance we received enabled us to get through a difficult time.

The generosity of your church is a blessing we will never forget. We are thankful for your kindness and support.

Merry Christmas!

Blessings,
Ellen Street

The Staff of Town & Country Lutheran Church would like to thank the congregation for their contributions towards the yearly gift given by generous donors. Your monetary gifts and words of encouragement are always greatly appreciated!

Reverend Trevor Mankin

Matthew Kretzmann, Church Administrator

Sheila Brown, Bookkeeper
