

Parish Notes

Welcome to Worship

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Gathered and gifted to celebrate and share the love of Jesus

SUNDAY	9:30 am 10:30 am 11:00 am 11:00 am	-	Fellowship
MONDAY	9:00 am	-	Friendly Ties Quilters (1 st & 3 rd Monday's)
WEDNESDAY	- 1:00 pm 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm -		Book Club Confirmation Soup Supper & Faith Formation
THURSDAY	1:00 pm 6:30 pm		Shepherding Bible Study Group – (3rd Thursday) Church Council meeting – (2nd Thursday)
FRIDAY	8:00 pm	-	AA and Al Anon
Saturday	9:00am	-	Choir Practice

Third Sunday in Lent John 4: 5-42 Discipleship – An Instrument of Hope and Light Focus Question – This week how might you be and instrument of God's hope and light?

March Birthdays

Stefani Rhees	19
Jessica Cornell	22
Marlys Sorbo	23
Danette Cornell	23
James Jimenez	27
Roy Zimmerman	29
Hazel Ann Linke	30
Ashlee Fields	30

Upcoming Events

Mar 15 – Soup Supper & Faith Formation 6PM Mar 18 – Choir Practice 9AM Mar 18 – National Quilting Day April 2 – Palm Sunday April 6 – Maundy Thursday April 7 – Good Friday

April 9 – Easter

April 9-16 – Family Promise Host Week



Thank you to Edith Cryts for providing Coffee Hour treats this morning.

Family Promise Donations

<u>Needed –</u> Here is a list of things they can use this week at the Day Center. You can bring them to the church, and someone will deliver them if you'd like.

- Large and Small Men's Underwear
- Gently used or new Washcloths
- Bar Soar/Mouthwash/Dental Floss
- There is also an aftercare client in need of a TV if you have one you no longer need.

The Shepherding Group will meet this Thursday, March 16 at 1:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Following desert provided by Anne Engelby, we will study the first, second and third petitions of the Lord's Prayer. We look forward to you joining us. If you need a ride or have questions, please call Arliss at 505-934-4486.

Don & Dee Brown's grandson Striker, and Ryan Gorlsine are performing in the Weber High School production of Les Miserables, March 15-27. You can purchase tickets by using this link. <u>http://www.weberhightheatre.com/</u>

<u>Remember or Honor a Loved One with Easter</u>

Flowers Each Sunday through April 2nd, we will collect money for Easter flowers in honor of, or in memory of, a loved one. The flowers will be used to decorate our sanctuary during the worship service and throughout the Easter season. Cash or checks (made out to Ascension Lutheran Church) may be given to Pat Refsdal (908-625-2039) or Arliss Zimmerman - please include your name and your dedication. Thank you...

Thrivent Choice Dollars For those members who have Thrivent investment accounts or insurance policies, March 31 is the yearly deadline to give your loyalty Choice Dollars to charity, hopefully that choice is Ascension. You can go online to set up the distribution of those dollars. If you have any questions, see Pat Refsdal for more details.

Easter Brunch – If you would like to help provide things for our brunch this year, please talk to Kelly.

At our council meeting this week, we began discussion centered around Ascension becoming a Reconciling In Christ Community. As Pastor Debra put it so beautifully, "In truth, it seems to me that Ascension is already practicing a very wide welcome and step just serves to formalize what is already at the heart of this congregation."

Zion Lutheran in SLC is an RIC congregation. This is the statement that appears on their website. Below the statement are a couple of links to the ELCA's resources.

We are committed to being a loving and welcoming community of faith in Jesus Christ. As a community of God, we welcome all. We rejoice in the manner in which diversity enriches, nurtures, and challenges the life and ministry we share in Christ. We embrace actions and attitudes within the Church that assure access to Word and Sacrament regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic or marital status, physical or mental capacities, age or race.

We are a Reconciling in Christ community. All are welcome!

https://www.elca.org/Resources/Ministry-Practices#TalkingTogether

https://www.elca.org/lgbtq

If you have questions or would like to talk more about this please speak to Pastor Debra or a member of the council.

Help turn Hunger into Hope this Easter Ogden Rescue mission is gathering supplies for their Easter Outreach. Please consider a donation to help. A donation of \$96.03 will provide 99 Easter meals and \$144.52 provides 149 Easter meals. You can send your donations to Ogden Rescue Mission, PO Box 1431, Salt Lake City, UT 84110-1431. You can also give online at https://ogdenrescuemission.org/donate



We are looking for a couple of people to help with the outdoor upkeep of our campus. Monitoring the sprinklers, trimming back bushes and other things throughout the summer.

We will also be doing a spring cleanup, (no date has been set) to spruce up the after winter look that all the snow has given us this year.

If this is something you can do, please let Kelly know.

Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits – We will be collecting LWR Personal Care Kits during Lent this year. Below are the instructions for preparing a kit. Please put only the items listed in each kit. LWR Kits are designed to help people coping with poverty, disaster, conflict and more. LWR Kits provide dignity and hope in the direst situations.



PERSONAL CARE KITS

SOME IMPORTANT GUIDELINES TO REMEMBER

- Be sure to shop for light- or medium-weight towels, which are easier for Kit recipients to hand wash and air dry, take up less storage space and are considerably less expensive than the fluffier towels we may prefer to use.
- Bath towels vary in size. The 52" X 27" size listed in the guidelines is the maximum size. 20" x 40" is a good guideline for a minimum size.
- · Please give new items only.
- Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your group's name.
- Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.
- · Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.
- · All items should be new and in good condition.
- · Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING IN EACH PERSONAL CARE KIT

- ONE light-weight bath-size towel (between 20° x 40° and 52° x 27°), dark color recommended
- TWO or three bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping
- ONE adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging*
- ONE sturdy comb, remove packaging
- ONE metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging
- * Toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business-size envelope; no plastic bags or wrap

HOW TO PACK YOUR PROJECT PROMISE KITS

- Fold the towel in half. Place the rest of the items in the towel, fold and roll so nothing falls out, and secure with yarn, ribbon, string or rubber bands.
- Pack completed Kits, like items together, in boxes.
 Label contents in LARGE, BLOCK LETTERS on the outside of the boxes.
- Use strong cartons secured with packing tape, not to exceed 40 pounds.
- · Do not use plastic or paper bags to pack donations.
- Include the name and address of your group or congregation on each box and label the contents

Please Lift Up in Prayer:

- The Family of Clarence Turner
- The Family of Scott Warkentin
- The Family of Harold Goetz
- Tracie Truitt, friend of Alyson's
- Kristy Shari Morosky's daughter
- Bruce & Joan Marlow
- Cory, Nancy Gale's son
- Pam Burbank
- Jessica Stewart, Dick Graves's daughter
- Rebecca Rens and the Eyre Families
- Jefferson Barrett
- Maylan Chugg, Don & Dee's granddaughter
- Chris, friend of Alyson W.
- Judy Sherman
- Henry, Nancy G's grandson
- Lynn Copper and her family
- Sean Zeller, Pastor Gene's nephew
- Cheryl, friend of Alyson
- Mark Hughes and family
- Erik Thompson
- Heidi, Diane Shultz' sister-in-law
- Dick Graves
- Bob P.
- Dee Brown
- Toni, Pastor Debra's Sister-in-Law
- Lynn and Carol
- Roxannne, David's sister
- Cindy C.
- Carol Reopelle
- Kim, friend of Bob
- Jack, Pastor Debra's nephew
- Suzy and her family
- Bill, Linda's brother
- Scott Chapan, friend of Dick G.
- Alice, Anastasia, and all the people affected by the war

- Brian Washburn, Kamberlynne's dad
- Jeni, friend of Nancy O
- Kallee, Rachel's sister-in-law
- Bob, Rachel's uncle
- Bob, friend of James
- Terry, Dee Brown's brother
- Heidi, Linda Fallat's daughter
- Carla, friend of Don Hughes
- Jamie, friend of Nancy Otto
- Charlie Tufts
- Jean Roberts
- Kim, Kelly's sister
- Cindy Day
- Bruce and Kathi Engelby
- Carol, Sharen Kamp's cousin
- Judy, friend of Shellie
- Patti Hall
- Grace Scothern
- Mary, Sharen's daughter-in-law

+ Praying for Loved Ones in the Military:

- Steve Johnson
- Kaleb Tarr, Ethan Lee, Michael Connelly (deployed 13 July 17, 2021)
- Dariyan Edsinger
- Mason Bushey and his wife Ida, and family
- Brody Wilcock
- Renee Kiel
- Justin Kiel
- Kris Kiel
- Matt Malde
- Jason Chugg
- Cassie Barker (Callie Jo's mom)

If you would like to be added to the list of prayer warriors, please send an email to jeffnkelly2@msn.com. Your email address is kept private in all prayer requests.

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<u>March</u> Ascension Ministries

SUN	Worship Asst	ALTAR GUILD	Ushers	GREETERS	ANNOUNCE- MENTS	Stewardship For God's Gory COUNTERS
Mar 5	Patti Hall	Kim Engelby	Todd & Renee Hart	John & Diana Warkentin	Jim Craig	Renee Hart
Mar 12	Edith Cryts	Kim Engelby	Patti Hall & Stef Rhees	Joanna Wolf	Jim Craig	Paula DelCarlo
Mar 19	Rachel Funk	Kim Engelby	Sharen Kamp	Stefani Rhees	Jim Craig	Mark Denniston
Mar 26	Arliss Zimmerman	Kim Engelby	James Jimenez	CJ Jordan	Jim Craig	CJ Jordan