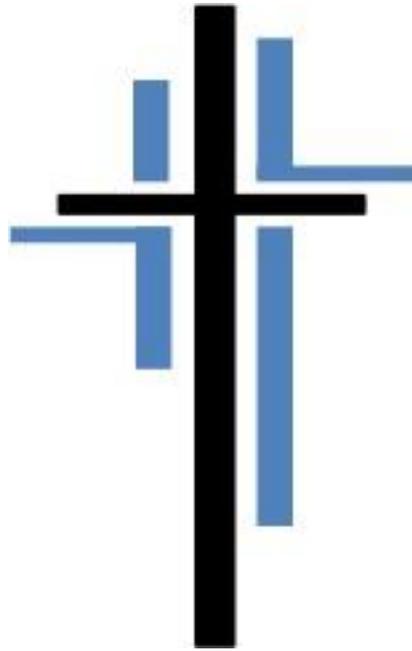


Email Blast for April 3, 2022



## **Fifth Sunday in Lent**

### **Kent Memorial Lutheran Church**

184 Sunset Hill Drive  
Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

### **The Rev. Edward L. Foster, Pastor**

**April 3, 2022**

Hearing God's Call & Responding in Love,  
We Share Jesus With All!

#### **FROM PASTOR ED**

Our Gospel lesson this week recounts Mary's anointing of Jesus feet with expensive perfume, an act of profound, intimate affection and devotion.

Jesus tells us her actions will serve as preparation for his death. This may also make him the "anointed one", the Messiah, the Christ. In stark contrast to her intense faith stands Judas, who will not only betray Jesus to the authorities, but who is unable to accept Jesus as this kind of a Messiah. It is a powerful, emotional and dramatic scene: life and death, love and betrayal, faith and rejection, all gathered together in one room. Where have you felt such conflict of emotions and purposes?

Within others? Within yourself?

**OUR 10:00 a.m. WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM:**

To join a worship services,  
please contact the church at 573-374-5267 for assistance.

## Welcome to Worship

Our God makes all things new. In the first reading God promises it. In the gospel Mary anticipates it, anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume in preparation for the day of his burial. In the second reading Paul recalls his transformation from the persecutor Saul into an apostle. In baptism, God's new person (you!) rises daily from the deadly mire of trespasses and sins.

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**Prelude**

*It Is Well with My Soul*

Margo Strothmann

*You are invited to use this time of musical offering to prepare for worship, to open yourself to God, our Father, his Son, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, present in this place.*

**Call To Worship**

P: O God,

**C: you have called us to follow you and from the riches of your love you have given us the power to remain faithful to that call. Be with us, O Lord, as we worship you and as we continue to run the race that you have set before us. Amen.**

**Prayer of Confession**

P: Good and gracious Lord,

**C: we often look at our lives as competitive struggles in which we vie not only for recognition from one another, but recognition and validation from you. So many times, we mistakenly think that it is completely up to us to finish this race – especially when the struggles of life overwhelm us. Forgive us for those times, O Lord, when we look only to our own power. Remind us that when the struggles of life occur, and the journeys of our lives become difficult, you are there to restore us and give us strength. You are with us through the Holy Spirit to empower and keep us faithful to you. Continue, O God, to instill within us that faith and trust. Amen.**

**Absolution and Sharing of the Peace**

P: Because God does indeed forgive us we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, the peace of the Lord be with you now and always.

**C: And also with you.**

**Gathering Hymn**

*Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death*

ELW # 452, v. 1-3, 5

**Liturgy *Setting 4***

ELW p. 147

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

**Kyrie**

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L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For this holy house, an for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious lord.

**C: Amen.**

**Canticle of Praise:** Glory to God in the highest

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L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

**C: Lord, God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Prayer of the Day**

**All: Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert.  
Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may  
proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior  
and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Children's Sermon**

Pastor Ed

**Special Music**

*Scars in Heaven*

Vanessa Hebrank

**First Reading**

Isaiah 43:16-21

Bible-Old Testament p. 688

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 126** (congregation sings responsively)

<sup>1</sup>When the LORD restored the for- | tunes of Zion,  
then were we like | those who dream.

<sup>2</sup>**Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with | shouts of joy.**

**Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great | things for them."**

<sup>3</sup>The LORD has done great | things for us,  
and we are | glad indeed.

<sup>4</sup>**Restore our for- | tunes, O LORD,  
like the watercourses | of the Negeb.**

<sup>5</sup>Those who | sowed with tears  
will reap with | songs of joy.

<sup>6</sup>**Those who go out weeping, carry- | ing the seed,  
will come again with joy, shoulder- | ing their sheaves.**

**Second Reading**

Philippians 3:4b-14

Bible-New Testament p. 190

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Announcement**

Pastor Ed Foster

P: The gospel according to John, the twelfth chapter

**Gospel Acclamation** (sung)

*Return to the Lord, Your God*

ELW p. 151

Return to the Lord, your God, for he is faithful and merciful  
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love,  
and abounding in steadfast love.

**Gospel Reading**

John 12:1-8

Bible-New Testament p. 100

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

**Sermon**

Pastor Ed Foster

**Hymn of the Day**

*Our Father, We Have Wandered*

ELW # 606, v. 1 & 3

**Profession of Faith–Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**The Prayers**

P: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

**Reception of Offerings** *Please fill out the red friendship pad and pass it to your neighbor*

**Offertory**

*Many and Great, O God* (tune: Dakota Sioux)

Margo Strothmann

**Offering Prayer**

P: Extravagant God,

**C: you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

### **Holy Communion**

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P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right...

### **Holy, Holy, Holy**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

### **Words of Institution**

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

*Congregation may be seated*

#### **Distribution**

*Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our savior. Children who do not commune may come forward for a blessing. You may commune in place using a communion kit, if preferred.*

#### **Lamb of God**

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

#### **Communion Hymns**

*Jesus, The Very Thought of You  
Take My Life, That I May Be  
As the Grains of Wheat*

ELW # 754

ELW # 685

ELW # 465

#### **Post-Communion Prayer**

#### **Benediction**

#### **Announcements**

#### **Sending Hymn**

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

ELW # 597

**The Dismissal**

P: Hearing God’s call and responding in love,

**C: we share Jesus with all!**

**Postlude**

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

Margo Strothmann

**Fellowship Time**

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Pastor .....Ed Foster  
 Organist/Pianist .....Margo Strothmann  
 Choir Director.....Tracy Garrett  
 Handbells Director..... Katie Heaford

**10:00 AM**

Altar Guild..... Melba Bangert  
 Greeters/Ushers ..... Diane Ziehl  
 Liturgist ..... Tracy Garrett, Pastor Ed Foster  
 Lector..... Kathy Fair  
 Sound & Zoom Technician..... Al Mohling  
 Coffee Fellowship.....

**COMING THIS WEEK**

**April 3-10**

Today	8:45 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
		Handbells Rehearsal
Monday	9:30 a.m.	Evangelism Committee
	6:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Altar Guild
		W/ELCA Crafts – Stuffed Animals
	11:00 a.m.	W/ELCA Business Meeting
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Midweek Lenten Service & Potluck
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Men’s Devotion
Sunday		PALM SUNDAY
	8:45 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
		Sunday School & Bible Study for all ages
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
		Handbells Rehearsal

## † *Prayer Concerns* †

### **OUR MEMBERS**

Bob Ballard—recovering from back surgery  
Marilyn Peterson—health concerns  
Ken Gerardy—in therapy in Kansas City

### **OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS**

Dianna Mason—serious health concerns (friend of Diane Ziehl)  
Kayla LeBarge—cancer treatment (friend of Linda Williams)  
Terry Miller—on hospice (Carol Hansen’s friend)  
Jerry Hansen—cancer treatments (Carol Hansen’s brother-in-law)  
Kelly Gephardt- serious health concerns (family member of Joe & Pat Poretta)  
Tom Howley (Marianne Howley’s brother-in-law)  
Eileen Ethington (friend of Carolyn & Gary Wiles)

### **CONTINUED PRAYERS**

Georgi Anne	Shirley Hamm	Rev. Bill Peterson
Pam Babcock	Linda Harris	Ron Roberts
Shirley Clark	Mike Holmes	Pat Shank
Evelyn & Dick Clements	Marianne Howley	Ellie Torres
Ezra Elcock	Linda Kimberling	Bernie Wiegel
Mary Beth Fair	Steve O’Connor	Joan Wilken
Barbara & Bob Gislason	Mike Page	Larry Wilson

### **REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY**

Christopher Babcock	Kristine Hubbard	Jordan Lindeman
Eric Blomberg	Jason Ites	Glenn Maddock
Ben Brammeier	Jason Judge	Tristan Morgan
Shade Bullock	Nathan Karls	Adam Peterson
Aaron Davis	Adam Kralina	Trent Simmons
Tanner Glodt	Matt Lee	

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 3**

**WELCOME TO KENT MEMORIAL** Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our savior. Personal hearing assistance devices are available in the sound room. We invite you to stay for coffee and fellowship (and donuts!) after the service. If you are visiting for the first time or searching for a church home, please include your address and phone number on the Red Friendship Pad and let us know. First time here? Please introduce yourself to Pastor at the end of the service.

**CARE CORE** for April is Mary Evans, 816-506-7995

**WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS** Now that we have some new folks at Kent, please wear your name tags on Sunday morning so they can begin to put names with faces.

**HELP ADVERTISE THE EASTER PAGEANT** Grab two or three “He Is Risen” fliers and put them up at the businesses you frequent. Help invite the community to celebrate Easter morning with us and Share Jesus With All!

**WOMEN/ELCA** will hold its monthly business meeting on Tuesday, April 5th at 11 A.M. Crafters will meet before at 10 A.M. See you there!

**EASTER GARDEN BLOOMS AGAIN** on Easter morning. If you have some spring blossoms or plants you'd like to share with everyone for a couple of Sundays, please drop them off in the Gathering Place on the Saturday before Easter, April 16, 9-11am.

**LILIES FOR EASTER** Altar Guild will be putting lilies in our sanctuary in celebration of Easter. If you would like to dedicate a lily to someone, please complete a yellow form – they're in the fellowship hall and on the entry table.. Dedications must be received in the church office by Sunday April 10.

**EASTER IS COMING** and that means there are lots of opportunities to help out. Extra ushers and greeters, cast members in the Easter Pageant, serving breakfast (men)... The list goes on. Please look for where you might serve Kent best to make this an even more joyous Easter Sunday.

**COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST** Our volunteer help is needed at Community for Christ on Tues. Apr. 19, Thur. Apr. 21 and Sat. Apr. 23. Please sign up. New spring and summer clothes will be for sale. Come and help us help others. Who knows you may find some new clothing for spring or summer. Thanks to all that have volunteered and to those who want to try for the first time. There are opportunities for both women and men.

**COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST NEEDS FOR APRIL:**

Condiments like Catsup, mustard, mayo

Salad dressings

Canned meat or fish

Canned Fruit (we are good for veggies right now)

Cereal of all kinds.

Ensure or protein drinks. (We have several ill people)

Lady's personal hygiene (tampons)

Kleenex or Puffs.

Toilet paper

Deodorant for men and women

Toothpaste for kids and adults.

Cleaning supplies: bleach, floor, toilet, kitchen or window cleaners

**A TABLE** between the main sets of doors into the church has individual communion servings, the latest newsletter, new daily devotional materials, and a lot more. Also, there is a basket for giving envelopes. If you need the door code, call Tracy in the church office, 573-374-5267, or on her cell at 573-502-9219. Or you may mail your offering to the church: Kent Memorial P.O. Box 155 Sunrise Beach, MO 65079

**REMINDER--**

- We are worshipping at 10am and live-streaming via Zoom.com
- Communion will be celebrated every Sunday. If you prefer, you may continue to commune using the pre-filled communion wafer/cup combination available in the Gathering Place.
- Please continue to be COVID safe
  - Stay home if you are sick or not feeling well
  - Masks and social distancing are encouraged for those who have not been vaccinated