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## April 2025



*Overlooking the Lake of the Ozarks*

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## **APRIL SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

### **April 6 ~ 5th Sunday in Lent**

First Reading ..... Isaiah 43:16-21  
Psalm ..... Psalm 126  
Second Reading ..... Philippians 3:4b-14  
Gospel Reading ..... John 12:1-8

### **April 13 ~ Palm Sunday**

Processional Gospel ..... Luke 19:28-40  
First Reading ..... Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Psalm ..... Psalm 31:9-16  
Second Reading ..... Philippians 2:5-11  
Gospel Reading ..... Luke 22:14—23:56

### **April 17 ~ Maundy Thursday**

First Reading ..... Exodus 12:1-14  
Psalm ..... Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19  
Second Reading ..... 1 Corinthians 11:23-26  
Gospel Reading ..... John 13:12-17, 31b-35

### **April 18 ~ Good Friday**

First Reading ..... Isaiah 52:13—53:12  
Psalm ..... Psalm 22  
Second Reading ..... Hebrews 10:16-25  
Gospel Reading ..... John 18:1—10:42

### **April 20 ~ Easter Sunday**

First Reading ..... Acts 10:34-43  
Psalm ..... Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
Second Reading ..... 1 Corinthians 15:19-26  
Gospel Reading ..... Luke 24:1-12

### **April 27 ~ 2nd Sunday of Easter**

First Reading ..... Acts 5:27-32  
Psalm ..... Psalm 118:14-29  
Second Reading ..... Revelation 1:4-8  
Gospel Reading ..... John 20:19-31

### **GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR APRIL**

04/06	Kathy Fair, Carol Hansen
04/13	Mary Evans, Karen Stanze
04/20	Karen Ringsdorf, Judy Farmer
04/27	Mary Evans, Karen Stanze

## Soar With The Vultures



*<sup>32</sup> 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Luke 12:32-34*

I love the wildlife here at The Lake. The backyard of the parsonage is often like a Disney movie. There are birds flitting and chirping all around. The squirrels are chattering, and the chipmunks scurrying while the deer grab a free lunch from the bird feeders. The bald eagles even make their majestic appearance from time to time.

Among the wildlife there is one animal that has drawn my attention maybe more than any other. It is the Vulture. They are interesting creatures to be sure. They are not attractive, at least up close, and their choice of food is for most people downright disgusting. In popular culture they represent death and are maligned more than any other of God's creatures—except possibly sharks.

Yet God has given the vulture and incredibly important job. They are the hazmat crew of the natural world. By cleaning up dead animals they prevent

the spread of disease and decay to the environment they are in. From our point of view it may be grim and grotesque work, but it is such very important work. God has given the vulture the task of dealing with death, work that many other creatures would avoid, and that we humans have from the very beginning abhorred.

But here is the thing that amazes me about vultures, of all the birds at the lake, the vultures love to fly the most. On the most beautiful or the most nasty of days, they are out there soaring. Indeed it seems that the stronger the wind the more delighted they are to let the air currents take them up, up and away. They fly gracefully and with what looks to my anthropomorphic eyes as sheer joy.

Vultures get covered with the mess and filth of this world, but they still soar above the clouds. Their lives are filled with ugliness and death, but they are filled with life and with joy. They soar. They fly with a beauty that seems to defy the power of death, with a joy that proclaims the goodness of God's creation and an acceptance of their place in it.

We so often have to get down into the dirty and ugly parts of life. As much as my backyard proclaims otherwise, this world is not a Disney movie. It can be painful and it can be messy.

And indeed, God calls us into those very places. God calls us to be with those who are hurting and injured, to care for those who are bloody and beaten. God calls us to be in those places where death happens, loving and caring for those who have been left grieving. God has called us to be both witnesses to the worst parts of our world, and to bring comfort, love and peace to them as well.

Soar with the vultures!

Know that the work that God calls us to do is such important work. Indeed the world depends on us to be in those ugly places, so that God's love can reach those who are hurting.

Take joy in the beauty of God's creation, and the loveliness of our brothers and sisters in the world. Don't let the ugliness and the pain, the suffering and violence that is a part of our world blind us to all of the goodness that surrounds us as well. There is kindness and gentleness in our world. There is innocence and purity. There is love and grace all around us.

Soar with the vultures!

Follow Jesus into those places where there is pain and suffering, where there is death and decay, but follow him also into the places of comfort and peace, the places of mercy and forgiveness and love.

Don't let the ugliness of the world steal from you the joy of God's salvation.

Soar with the vultures!

God bless you all,  
Pastor Ed

# CHURCH CDUNCIL

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## Unapproved Minutes for March 18, 2025

**In Attendance-** Pastor Ed, Carol Hansen, Kathy Fair, Wendy Blomberg, Jim Mellody, Michael Wagner, Mike Ward, Steve Atzeni, Bob Karls, and Al Mohling

**Absent-** Gail Kruse, Sheryl Boos, Ruth Osterbur, Susan Clark

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by President Jim Mellody

**Dwelling in the Word:** Jim Mellody opened with devotion.

**Minutes-** A motion to approve the January Council meeting minutes was made by Michael Wagner, seconded by Wendy Blomberg, all approved.

**Treasurers Report-** Al Mohling presented

**Pastor's Report-** Pastor Ed reported he has conducted four worship services. He has had two home visits, three shut-in visits and two hospital visits. He attended the Adult Sunday School class and the Men's Bible Study. He attended the meetings of Altar Guild, Christian Education, Endowment, Evangelism, Long Range Planning / 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Social Ministry, Worship & Music and Congregation Council. He attended the Synod Dean's meeting, Pastor's Boundary Education Event and WELCA. Pastor stated that with us being fully and firmly into the season of Lent there will be lots of work for lots of Committees. He wants to remind everyone that it is important that we exercise good self-care and experience the season for ourselves. Pastor thanks all who will be helping with mid-week services. Pastor had the Osage Conference and Bishop Candea and her assistant Dave Whetter here last week. They will be retiring this year. A new Bishop will be elected this year. Pastor stated it would be great if we had our full contingent of representatives this year so that we could be a part of the process. If interested please let him know. The Assembly will be June 5-7<sup>th</sup>, in Olathe, KS.

**Committee Reports-** Property reported they had one snow removal and the mower deck has been put on and volunteer trees have been removed. Sally Burke has once again volunteered to care for the two plant areas on front of the church and the two located along the walking path. Warren and Rhonda Neighbour have once again volunteered to take care of the plants in the columbarium area. They will set up the Easter Pageant wall and cleaning up the grounds the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of April. Property obtained a bid for automatic door openers, power to the doors, and the door opener buttons. The total came to \$4,638.00. Discussion was held. Bob Karls made a motion for the automatic door openers be installed on both doors in the fellowship area with expenses not to exceed \$5,000.00. Wendy Blomberg seconded the motion and all approved. -Long Range Planning reported Kathy Fair created a 3 to 5 year informational form for committees to work through. It will list what they do as a committee: projects, ministries; how the projects and ministries impact our community. -The 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary meeting went well. They will consider a date sometime after Easter next year. -Stewardship focus will be about continuing to share the Easter message throughout the year. -WELCA reported Kathy Fair is the new Vice-

President for the committee. -Christian Ed reported all is well. Adult Sunday school class will resume after Easter as well as Wednesday evening Bible study. VBS plans will begin soon. Evangelism reported we will celebrate Chuck and Joyce Wannamaker for their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on April 18<sup>th</sup>. They will hand out brochures and church cards to motels, resorts and campgrounds in April. The story "David" is at Sight and Sound, they will check at a later date to see if there will be enough people interested to go. Worship & Music reported the Maundy Thursday Worship & Seder Meal will be April 17<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. Good Friday Worship April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Easter Garden set-up April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. Easter Sunday service at 6:30 & 10 am. Free will Continental Breakfast will be served. -Social Ministry reported they plan to do a fundraiser in June and Bingo in the fall. They have had many needs totaling about \$2,100.00. There were 961 cans of soup donated to CFC from souper bowl donations. -Scholarship reported letters have gone out to the schools and they have already had some response. -Endowment Committee reported they are working on Bylaws, Continuing Resolutions, Policies and Guidelines.

**Old Business-** Discussion pertaining to a New Member checklist.

**New Business-** Lenten offering discussion, Pastor made a motion for the Lenten offerings be split between CFC and Social Ministry. Wendy Blomberg seconded the motion and all approved. Karole Karls and Family have offered to head the Free Will Continental Breakfast. Pastor Ed will celebrate the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his ordination on August 1<sup>st</sup>. He will be recognized and celebrated at the synod assembly Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. Michael Wagner attended the Parent Community Advisory Committee meeting. The Leader in Me Program and funding for the \$5,400.00 program was a topic of discussion. The Rotary Club has committed to funding \$3,400.00. The program has a positive balance of \$1,000.00 leaving them \$1,000.00 short. Michael Wagner made a motion to use \$1,000.00 of Thrivent funds to help fund the Leader in Me Program. Wendy Blomberg seconded the motion and all approved. The Pregnancy Help Center asked if we would be willing to continue the Baby Bottle Campaign. Michael Wagner made a motion to continue the program, Wendy Blomberg seconded the motion and all approved.

**Correspondence-** Thank you from CADV for our donation of \$375.00. Informational note from Community for Christ.

We closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer at 7:25

Next meeting: April 15, 2025 at 6 pm.

Devotion- Steve Atzeni

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Hansen,  
Recording Secretary

# STEWARDSHIP CDRNER

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Everything we have is a gift from God,  
and stewardship is our response to these gifts!

As I write this we are preparing for the Big day, Easter! We are planning Worship services of **grand celebration**, we are preparing large meals and Easter egg hunts for our gatherings of family & friends. The point is that we focus a lot on that One day.

But Easter is more than one day on the calendar each year. God's message of redemption and forgiveness of our sins is something we should celebrate and share year-round. So how can we be Stewards of the Easter message throughout the year? How should we be inspired to be stewards of our time, money, talents and other gifts?

First United Bank at [www.firstunitedbank.com](http://www.firstunitedbank.com) explains it this way in their online article 3/29/ 2024, "*Unleashing the Spirit of Easter: Stewardship Beyond the Holiday.*"

"Easter's story of sacrifice and rebirth challenges us to consider the depth of our commitment to these roles."

"Stewardship in this sense, embodies the spirit of giving, not just from our abundance, but from our scarcity. Just as Christ gave of himself, those who celebrate Easter can find resonance in the message of sharing, selflessness, and service to others."

"For Christians, faith without works is dead, and the call to stewardship is an active one. It's about being caretakers of God's creation, considering the sustainability of our actions, and advocating for justice within our spheres of influence."

Let's challenge ourselves to share the Easter message every day!

Happy Easter!

Michael Wagner



## SDCIAL MINISTRY CDRNER

### *Hearing God's Call and Responding in Love...*

*Here's how your contributions met some of the need in our community.*

**February, 2024** (number of needs calls):

Rent - 2

Electric - 17

Mortgage - 1

**Total Assistance to our Community this month: \$2,174.51**

*We Share Jesus with All!*

## **A BIG THANK YOU FROM COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST**

A big, heartfelt thanks for all the soups & other canned products given for "Souper Bowl Sunday"!! You have filled CFC's shelves with lots of good things to eat, for many families in need, and it is appreciated by all!!

*THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH!!!!*

Karen Mellody, CFC Director

# APRIL 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
		1 9:30am Altar Guild 10am WELCA-Crafts 11am WELCA Meeting	6pm Lenten
6 8:30am Choir 9am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Sunday School 10am Worship w/Comm. 11am Fellowship 11am Handbells	7 9:30am Evangelism  <b>WESTSIDE SR.</b>	ELECTION DAY 8 6am Polls open  <b>Community for Christ</b>	10am Worsh 6pm Lent
<b>Palm Sunday</b> 13 8:30am Choir 9:15am Handbells 9am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Sunday School 10am Worship w/Comm. 11am Fellowship	14 9:30am Social Ministry 5:15 Endowment 6pm Chorale Rehearsal	17 6pm Church Council	3pm Grief Sup
<b>EASTER</b> 20 6am Choir 6:30am Worship 7:30am Easter Breakfast 8:30am Pageant 9:45am Egg Hunt 10am Worship w/Comm.	21 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	22	
27 9am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Sunday School 10am Worship w/Comm. 11am Wanamaker 60th Anniversary Celebration	28 7pm Symphony of the Magic Dragon Concert	29	

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Lenten Worship & Potluck	3 10am Men's Bible Study 6pm Lake Jazz Band	4	5
9 Worship & Music Lenten Worship & Potluck	10 10am Men's Bible Study  <b>Community for Christ</b>	11	12  <b>Community for Christ</b>
<b>WESTSIDE SENIOR CENTER</b>			
16 Support Group	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> 17 10am Men's Bible Study  5pm Seder & Potluck 6pm Maundy Thursday Worship	<b>Good Friday</b> 18 5pm Choir Rehearsal 6pm Worship	19 9:30am Easter Garden Set-up 11am Pageant Dress Rehearsal
23	24 10am Men's Bible Study	25	26
30	1 <i>10am Men's Bible Study 6pm Lake Jazz Band</i>	2 <i>11am WELCA Spring Luncheon</i>	3

# APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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## BIRTHDAYS

04/01 Ingrid Niemann  
 04/02 Phil Bangert  
       Allan Burke  
       Barb Yount  
 04/03 Al Johnson  
 04/08 Bill Work  
 04/12 Geri Riley  
 04/13 Katie Heaford  
 04/14 Bob Karls  
 04/15 Joanne Blaney  
 04/18 Vanessa Hebrank  
 04/19 Lynn Burke  
 04/20 Bob Harger  
 04/22 Darleen Barker  
       Delaney Brumm  
 04/23 Janet Page  
 04/24 Brenda Brumm  
       Elizabeth Bramon  
 04/26 Dan Garrett  
 04/29 Eldeen Hanke



## ANNIVERSARIES

04/04/1970	Dennis & Sheryl Boos	55 years
04/08/1963	Don & Joan Wilken	62 years
04/18/1965	Chuck & Joyce Wanamaker	60 years
04/18/2009	Ray & Katherine Lacroix	16 years
04/24/1981	Steve & Susan Clark	44 years
04/27/1963	Joe & Pat Poretta	62 years

*If your birthday or anniversary isn't listed, please contact the church office so we may include you in our congratulations!*

## IN NEED OF GDD'S HEALING TOUCH

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Julie Anderson  
Evan Beaupre  
Jessica Birdsong  
Jennifer Blomberg  
Marcille Bohling  
Tara Boos  
Donald Brumm  
Cindy Campbell  
Stacy Carey  
Mary Ann Carter  
Shirley Clark  
Evelyn Clements  
Cooper Cupp (6 yr. old)  
Chuck Cuthbertson  
Ryan Dillman  
Elvis F.  
Erika B.  
Ron Ferguson  
Stacey Fleck  
Al Gann  
Maria Garrick & family  
Eleanor Garrison (7 yr. old)  
Ken Gerardy  
Jim Gilbert  
Carla Glusing  
Ruth Goddard & family  
Marsha Gust  
Trudy Hamilton

Jeanne Hines  
Mike Holmes  
Frank Howley  
Steve Hughes  
Wayne Jackson  
Casi Johnston  
Doug Jones  
Teresa Joslin  
Linda Kimberling  
Ed Krueger  
Blanche Lacroix  
Tamara McClain  
Art McCray  
Dave Newton  
Gene Page  
Patrick Parkhurst  
Stanley Pearson  
Joe Poretta  
Jodi Redmond  
Geri Riley  
Ron Roberts  
Inge Robbins  
Marcia Robbins  
Brandon Rodewald

Michelle Schafer  
Daria Scheuerman  
Dave Shaver  
Bonnie Shipman  
Diane Steingrubey  
Karen Thompson  
Karen Tischnor  
Pam Vaught  
Pat Vielhauer  
Ron Wagner  
John Welsh  
Theresa White  
Bernie Wiegel  
Jerry Williams  
Tom Williams



*Christian condolences and hope are extended to the Niemann family on the death of Charles's brother, William, on March 18.*

## SERVING IN THE MILITARY

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Christopher Babcock  
Eric Blomberg  
Ben Brammeier  
Dylan Craig  
Salathiel (Sal) Caudill  
Aaron Davis  
Tanner Glodt  
Kristine Hubbard  
Jason Ites



Jason Judge  
Adam Kralina  
Matt Lee  
Jordan Lindeman  
Glenn Maddock  
Tristan Morgan  
Adam Peterson  
Trent Simmons

## FINANCE CORNER

<u>INCOME &amp; EXPENSE REPORT</u>	FEBRUARY	JANUARY	DECEMBER <u>2024</u>
Offerings and Income-Month	\$ 17,388	\$ 21,777	\$ 15,642
Pass-Through Income-Month	<u>225</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>4,569</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME-MONTH</b>	<b>\$ 17,613</b>	<b>\$ 22,277</b>	<b>\$ 20,211</b>
Actual Expenses-Month	\$ 18,591	\$ 25,491	18,091
Pass-Through Expenses-Month	<u>155</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>4,569</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES-MONTH</b>	<b>18,746</b>	<b>25,571</b>	<b>22,659</b>
<b>TOTAL OVERALL-MONTH</b>	<b>\$ (1,132)</b>	<b>\$ (3,294)</b>	<b>\$ (2,448)</b>
Monthly Budget-Expenses	\$ 21,046	\$ 21,046	\$ 19,990
Offerings and Income-Y-T-D	\$ 39,166	\$ 21,777	\$ 221,349
Pass-Through Income-Y-T-D	<u>\$ 725</u>	<u>\$ 500</u>	<u>\$ 14,643</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME-Y-T-D</b>	<b>\$ 39,891</b>	<b>\$ 22,277</b>	<b>\$ 235,992</b>
Actual Expenses-Y-T-D	\$ 44,082	\$ 25,491	\$ 222,340
Pass-Through Expenses-Y-T-D	<u>\$ 235</u>	<u>\$ 80</u>	<u>\$ 14,643</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES-Y-T-D</b>	<b>\$ 44,317</b>	<b>\$ 25,571</b>	<b>\$ 236,983</b>
<b>TOTAL OVERALL-Y-T-D</b>	<b>\$ (4,426)</b>	<b>\$ (3,294)</b>	<b>\$ (991)</b>

### FINANCIAL NOTES:

- A. Current Financial Situation** – Kent's giving position continues to be stable. Four months of insurance premiums of \$5300 were paid in January so our year to date expenses are slightly over our budget average . Our insurance policy was renewed in January but the annual total increased from \$11,000 to \$16,000. Thank you to all those who prayerfully give offerings to support Kent's mission.

**Thrivent Designation** –Through Thrivent Choice®, Thrivent members can contribute to organizations and causes they care about—and influence how Thrivent distributes some of its charitable grant funding through Choice Dollars®. Please consider going into your Thrivent account online and designating Kent as that organization. In the last year, these distributions allowed Kent to contribute \$2,500 to Kent Social Ministry, \$2,000 to the SE US Flood/Hurricane victims, and \$2,000 to the CA Wildfire victims. If you have questions about this, please contact Joyce Wanamaker or Kathy Fair.

**C. Thrivent Action Teams** – Thrivent provides \$250 per project to kick-start a fundraiser, educational event, or service project for Kent or the community. Each qualifying Thrivent member can submit two projects per year for approval by Thrivent. This is an excellent way to provide funds to do projects and not have to use Kent budgeted monies. If you have questions about this, please contact Joyce Wanamaker or Kathy Fair. Recent Action Team Projects:

Children’s Bibles & Devotional Books for Mothers	December 2024
Ivy Bend Christmas Food Boxes	December 2024
WELCA Christmas luncheon	December 2024
Protein Products for CFC	November 2024
CFC Complete a Meal	November 2024
Board Games for Hurricane Deck Christmas Store	November 2024
Soup on Sunday	November 2024
Social Ministry	September 2024
Hurricane Deck School Supplies	June 2024
CFC President Retirement Celebration	February 2024

**D. Schwab (previously TD Ameritrade) Account** - As you make distributions from your retirement 401Ks, 403Bs, IRAs or other investments, please visit with your financial planner/accountant about the possibility of transferring some of those funds to the Kent Schwab account or Kent checking account. The transfer might be able to be made with no capital gains tax consequence to you. If you have questions about this, please contact Gail Kruse or Al Mohling.

**E. County Real Estate Property Tax Freeze** – If you are 62 years of age or over, are the owner of a homestead in Missouri, and are liable for the payment of real estate property taxes on such homestead, you may qualify for the freeze. The amount of the taxes will freeze, and not increase, when the taxpayer becomes age 62. Only taxes will be frozen, not assessments or levees. For example, remodeling which expands square footage and results in a 50 percent increase in the assessment will trigger a reassessment of the property taxes. Individuals need to apply annually (prior to June 30) at your County Assessor/Collector office to have their real estate property taxes frozen by bringing your ID and proof of property tax payment. If you have questions about this, please contact Al Mohling at (319) 493-8796.

# BIBLE STUDY & SUNDAY SCHOOL

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## Wednesday Evening Bible Study

6:00 p.m.

Led by Pastor Ed

## Men's Bible Study

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

Lead by Bill Work.

## Sunday Morning Adult Sunday School

9:00 a.m.

Meets in the fellowship hall.

## Children's Sunday School

Sundays at 9:15 a.m.

Led by Diane Ziehl.

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**Faith, Hope and Love Abide,  
And the greatest of these is Love!**

## *Love Abides...* **Grief Support Group**

Love is the most precious of God's gifts. Through God's gift of love, God blesses us in every way imaginable. Love brings life. It brings joy. Love gives us support when we are weak, and it gives us courage when we are fearful. Love fills our lives and our hearts with the beloved. But when we lose someone we love, the hole in our lives is also love-shaped.

Learning to live with our grief is something most of us will have to do in our lives to one degree or another and it isn't something most of us have much experience with. To help all of us on our journeys through grief we have a grief support group here at Kent.

**Our next gathering will be Wednesday, April 16 at 3:00 pm.**

Anyone and everyone who is grieving is welcome to join in at any time.



## **MARKET DAYS AT HURRICANE DECK ELEMENTARY**

Friday, April 11 at 9:45-10:45 the HD Third graders will be having their Market Days following their economics unit. They have decided that the money they earn will go to N.E.G.U.(Pediatric Cancer).

The boys and girls create projects and items that they sell. Examples are bookmarks, bubblegum machines, bracelets and many other things. As you come into the gym, you will trade your real money for play money that you use to purchase things. It is a wonderful project that the boys and girls get very excited about.

The public is invited. Hope to see you there.

Coming Soon...



## Women of the ELCA

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### WELCA MINUTES March 4, 2024

The March meeting was called to order by President Jane Maher, there were 18 members present. Sally Burke gave the devotion.

February minutes were emailed and on tables for review, motion to accept by Ingrid Niemann, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wendy Blomberg, motion passed. Karen Stanze reported the February 28th treasury balance was \$4,009.25. Karen thanked Joyce Wanamaker for her help while she was gone. Judy Ward with the Nominating Committee reported Kathy Fair will be our Vice-President. Pastor Ed installed Kathy as our new Vice-President.

**The Church at Large:** Melba Bangert reported our Gathering meeting will be in Cole Camp, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Our WELCA group needs to furnish a raffle item for the meeting. Melba would like help with ideas and getting a raffle item ready for the meeting.

**Quilts and Kits:** Sally Burke reported they have one quilt almost finished and Cindy Mohling has 3 tops finished. Joan Wilken said she will start collecting for the kits again after Easter.

**Christian Action:** Kathy Fair reported 6 ladies stuffed 20 critters. Ingrid Niemann delivered a large bag of critters to the hospital, which they were very happy to receive.

**Community for Christ:** No report, see church bulletin for items needed.

**Senior Center:** Jane Maher said our week at the Senior Center is March 10<sup>th</sup>, signup sheet being passed around.

**Publicity:** no report

**Care Core:** Jane Maher thanked Cindy Mohling for Care Core work in February, she had no requests. Kathy Fair has Care Core for March.

**School Liaison:** Wendy Blomberg said they packed 40 Buddy Packs, and the food is holding out good.

**Treats for Schools:** Mary Evans and Karen Stanze will be taking treats to both schools for March.

**Pastor Ed:** Pastor Ed let us know that Stan Field has moved back to Laurie, Pastor also visited Shirley Clark and Karen Thompson at Arrowhead.

**Birthdays:** Birthday wishes were sung to Joan Wilken and Sally Burke

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** The Spring Luncheon will be May 2, 2025, the theme this year is "Once upon an Apron". Joan Wilken asked us to bring an apron that you might have that means something to you.

Newcomers luncheon will be May 21<sup>st</sup>. Signup sheets will be put up.

Share the Harvest will be having a fashion show, luncheon at the church on March 12, information is on the bulletin board.

**Announcements:** Next WELCA meeting will be April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Devotions:** Joyce Burke will give the devotion for the April meeting.

No further business, meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Evans, Secretary



### ***Did You Know...***

Did you know that while we all enjoy the beauty of the flowers on the altar (other than the Sundays of Lent), it's the Altar Guild that has the responsibility to get those flowers ordered and paid for? The bouquet of flowers that will again (after Lent), add beauty to our sanctuary each Sunday now costs \$25.00. You can give flowers in memory of family or friends who have passed away or in honor of birthdays or anniversaries or special events like graduations. When you sign up to provide flowers you can even request the color(s) you'd like!

Please check out the flower chart on the big bulletin board in the fellowship hall, then make your check payable to KMLC Altar Guild. Thanks!

# LENT

2025

## MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICES & POTLUCKS

Wednesday, April 2 —

Potluck host committees: Evangelism, Audit, Stewardship

Wednesday, April 9 —

Potluck host committee: Long Range Planning, Social Ministry

## *Holy Week at Kent Memorial*

### **PALM SUNDAY**

April 13 at 10:00 a.m.—The service will begin in the Fellowship Hall

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

Seder at 5:00 p.m.

April 17 at 6:00 p.m.

### **GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP**

April 18 at 6:00 p.m.

We walk with Christ through his suffering and death on the cross in scripture and song.

### **Easter Sunday—April 20**

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service with Holy Communion

7:30 a.m. Easter Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m. 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Easter Pageant *"HE IS RISEN!"*

9:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

10:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

***He Is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!***