Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 700 North Wright Rd Janesville, WI 53546 608-754-0067



# THE STAFF NEWSLETTER

## **MARCH**

What's happening at Good Shepherd



Lent services will be at 6:00 pm, with soup & sandwich suppers at 5:00 pm.

#### **Lent Services**

Wednesday, March 6th Wednesday, March 13th Wednesday, March 20th



March 28th 6:00 pm

**Good Friday Service** 

March 29th 6:00 pm

**Easter Sunday** 

March 31st 10:00 am





Thank you to our Scout troops and leaders that contributed to our service and fellowship on February 4th.



On February 11th, our new council officers were installed. Syd Rauworth is now council president, Gloria Jacobson is secretary, and Enid Branham is treasurer.

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Grace and peace to you from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen!" Luke 24:5. This is what we get to celebrate at the end of March. Easter. The day that our Lord defeated death and paved the way for each of us to have eternal life! He is risen! He is risen indeed!

Still, before we get to that earth shattering moment, there is so much more! We have begun our Wednesday midweek services every week in Lent. A time to gather together and remember the path Jesus is on for you. A path that will lead Him to the cross. And yes, it is a time of repentance. Many people give up something in remembrance of His sacrifice. But it is also a time to give thanks, and a time to give back.



Think about it. Jesus knows what is ahead of Him. He spoke about it on multiple occasions. The soon to be suffering, pain, abandonment, and death. He had plenty of time and space to escape it. He could have gone anywhere.

Yet He chooses to move toward Jerusalem. He chooses to face afflictions we can never even imagine. He chooses to move forward so that God's mission might be accomplished in Him. Just as it was prophesied about.

And He does it for you, and for me. So that our sins might be forgiven. So that you might have new life. Yes, this is undoubtedly a time to give thanks. Jesus is willingly giving up His life so that you might be saved. Because we are incapable of saving ourselves.

So this Lent, whether you choose to give something up or not, at least remember what Jesus is giving up for you. And then repent and give thanks. For the path that He is on, is not a pleasant one.

And then look forward to that blessed day, when we proclaim together, "It is not finished! He is risen! He is risen indeed!" And this doesn't even touch on Holy Week. Passion Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday.

All Holy days where we bear witness to this passionate journey. Where He teaches us to follow God's mission wherever it leads us. To not only serve, but humble ourselves to receive service. And to follow thru, offering love, grace and forgiveness even in the direct of situations. Yes, March is a truly amazing time in the church. Don't miss a moment of it! I can't wait to join in celebration, with each of you.

And may God be with you, until we meet again.

Pastor Mike

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#### **WEEKLY OFFERINGS JANUARY 2024**

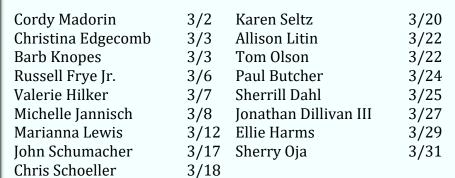
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**AVG. ATTENDANCE: 24** 

AVG. WEEKLY OFFERING: \$1875.25









Jonathan & Beth Dillivan 3/28





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 10:00 am Worship Svc 11:00 am Council Meeting	4 Church Office Closed  7:00 pm Boy Scouts	5	6 5:00 pm Soup & Supper 6:00 pm Lent Service	7 8:00 am Men's Group	8	9
10 10:00 am Worship Svc 11:00 am Game Day	11 Church Office Closed 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	12	13 5:00 pm Soup & Supper 6:00 pm Lent Service	14 8:00 am Men's Group	15 10:00 am Dead- line to submit articles for April newsletter	16
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24 10:00 am Worship Svc— <b>Palm Sunday</b>	25 Church Office Closed 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	26	27	28 8:00 am Men's Group 6:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service	29 6:00 pm Good Friday Service	30
31 10:00 am Worship Svc—Easter Sunday						

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> Sunday Worship 10:00 am

Office Hours

Tuesday—Friday 9:30 am—3:30 pm



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