

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

March brings us Saint Patrick's Day. Everyone wears green and claims Irish heritage.

But I think the celebrations often miss the point. Saint Patrick along with many other early church Bishops and priests did a lot of missionary work.

Patrick was an English born man who lived during the time of Roman rule of Britain. Patrick's main work was the evangelization of the Irish people. He baptized thousands and ordained priests and generally provided for Christian work and teaching in Ireland, during the 5th century.

Patrick along with many other early Christian leaders did a lot of missionary work among people who did not know Christ.

Another early Christian leader that did this was Boniface. Boniface came later and died a martyr in Germany during the 8th century.

I know about Boniface as he is the patron Saint of Fulda, Germany my mother's hometown and his grave is at the Cathedral in her hometown of Fulda.

Boniface was again English born but saw his job to Christianize the Franks and the Frisians (Frisia is the far north end of Germany, along the North Sea.) He established Diocese that the Catholic Church still uses in Germany today.

Why did I mention these two individuals? I am sure in their day they did not consider themselves adventurous, or special, but the work they did laid foundations for many who came after them to establish and keep the church going.

We often forget the work that was done to establish our own church in Pine Bluff, or the church body here in America. Ordinary people doing the work that Christ called them to do. No one was trying to establish themselves for posterity, or worry about what their legacy would look like. They were doing the work of the Lord.

I think we often get hung up on how everyone is going to look at me, or what do people think of me. That is not why God created us, or why he has called us to where we are. God has called us to serve His kingdom. Sometimes that work is dirty and boring and not really fulfilling. Other times it feels exciting and purposeful. Either way it is still the Lord's work that needs to be done.

God's work needs to be done in many places and people get called to do it all the time. Sometimes it is us, and sometimes it is someone else. But either way God needs us all to make his kingdom work here on earth. There will probably not be a day to celebrate us in the future, but that is OK. We are doing what needs to be done here today.

Have a happy Saint Patty's Day and remember the work that he accomplished. There are still kingdoms that need to be witnessed to, and we pray God finds someone to do it.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Marshall

OTHER NEWS



Birthdays for the month of March

- 2 Maribeth Floyd
- 3 Arleen Parsley
- 3 Eddie Parsley
- 3 Art Kroll, Jr.
- 5 Phyllis Dunger
- 7 Margaret Alexander
- 9 Dallas Cossey
- 12 Barbie Parsley
- 20 Jeffrey Bunting
- 25 Don Richter
- 29 Tricia Jacobs

If we forgot you, we apologize, it means we most likely don't have it. Please see that the office receives it. Thanks



Baptismal Anniversaries for the month of March

- Charleen Weathers
- Julie Shorts
- Arleen Parsley
- Kaye Meins
- Charlene Parker Grant
- Elaine Stertmann



Sunday Average Attendance for February— 37

Sunday Average Attendance online for February— 6

Views – 9

February Offerings – \$18,762.05



We are in the process of making a new photo directory. Pastor has everything set up in the fellowship hall but we want you to be in it.

Please make arrangements with the church office to have your photo taken for our new directory. If you cannot make

it on a Sunday just make arrangements to come during the week to have your photo taken. We want this to be the best one yet.

We would like to bring this to a close. If you have not had your photo taken please make arrangements now or send one to the church office.

Perfect Attendance!

Sunday School Attendance for the month of February

- Adults:** Erin Foster
Don Richter
Bill Witt
Margaret & John Alexander
Tricia & Harold Jacobs
Waymond Meins
Susan Marshall
Sharon Calabretta
Phyllis Dunger
Pastor & Donna Marshall
Steve Shorts
Dallas Cossey
Phillip & Amanda Dunger
Cathy Webb
- Children:** Kaleigh Frye
Baleigh Crook



Thank you so very much for all the prayers, cards, calls etc during our illnesses.

God Bless All
Jimmy & Dorothy Herrod



LWML NEWS

MARY GUILD

"Even now my witness is in heaven; my advocate is on high. My intercessor is my friend as my eyes pour out tears to God;" Job 16:19-20. Karen Witt began our meeting with a devotion based on Job 16:19-20. Officer reports were given followed by the business portion of the meeting. We continued to make plans for the Spring Fling which Trinity LWML will host on April 20, 2024.

Our mission project for February was a monetary donation to Lutheran Indian Ministries. Mary Guild members gave \$300.00 to LIM so the organization could continue their ministry of teaching God's Words of salvation to our Native sisters and brothers.

Julie Shorts was hostess. Pat Baughman informed the group about a book of Bible verses and the many situations in which the Scripture verses would be helpful.

In March: Devotion -- Kaye Meins
Topic -- Arleen Parsley
Hostess -- Karen Witt
Mission Project -monetary donation to sponsor an animal through Lutheran World Relief

We closed with the League Pledge.

Submitted by
Kaye Meins



*Women
in
Mission*

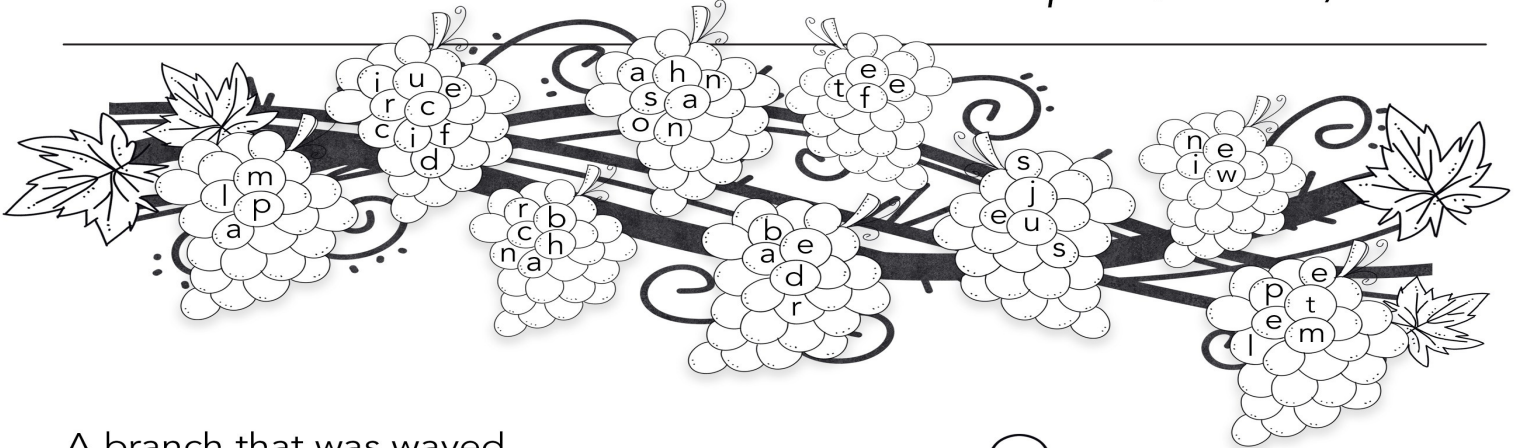
PUZZLE



A LASTING LESSON

Before dying on the cross, Jesus teaches the disciples an important lesson.

Directions: Use the clues to unscramble the letters in each grape cluster. Then write the circled letters in order below to complete John 15:5, NIV.



- A branch that was waved _____○
- How Jesus was put to death _____○_____
- A stick attached to the vine _____○_____
- People shouted this to Jesus _____○_____
- Jesus washed these _____○_____
- This was broken and eaten _____○_____
- The Messiah _____○_____
- A drink from grapes _____○_____
- Jesus drove the money changers from here _____○_____

"I am the vine; you are the branches.

If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear _____; apart from me you can do nothing." *John 15:5, NIV*

ORDERS!

Orders are now being taken for Easter Lilies for the beautification of our Chancel during our Easter services. You may order the lilies by filling out this form with your name the # you wish to order and whom they are in memory of or in honor of and sending it in with a check for \$20.00 each, to the church office no later than March 17th

You may pick them up after the morning



In Memory/Honor _____

Your Name _____

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March 2024

	Elder	Ushers	Lector	Flowers by...	Counters
SUN 3	Steve Lochmann Bill Witt	Jimmy Herrod Harold Jacobs	Cherrie Bradley	Joyce Anne Green & Charleen Weathers. In celebration of Arleen's 93rd Birthday"	Judy Clinton Julie Shorts Sharon Calabretta
SUN 10	Steve Shorts Steve Lochmann	Phillip Dunger Jimmy Herrod	Steve Lochmann	Amy Kalkbrenner "In celebration of Margaret Alexander's birthday"	Phillip & Amanda Dunger
SUN 17	Bill Witt Steve Shorts	Robert Floyd Steve Lochmann	Robert Floyd	Judy & Rachel Clinton "In loving memory of Ray"	Tricia Jacobs Cherrie Bradley Lynne Russell
SUN 24	Phillip Dunger Bill Witt	Jimmy Herrod Steve Shorts	Erin Foster	Palms for Palm Sunday	Joyce Anne Green Charleen Weathers
SUN 31	Steve Lochmann Phillip Dunger	Jimmy Herrod Harrold Jacobs	Steve Shorts	Easter Lilies	Judy Clinton Sharon Calabretta Julie Shorts

Trinity Lutheran Church Worship Service Attendants

Altar Care: Kaye Meins & Phyllis Dunger

Martini 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>3 9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion 12:00 Elders Meeting 5:00 Worship in Crossett 3rd Sunday in Lent</p>		 <p>5</p>		 <p>7 6:30 Mid-Week Lenten Worship 10:00 Thursday Morning Bible Study 1:00 Mary Guild Meeting</p>		 <p>9</p>
<p>10 Daylight Saving Begins 9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion 4th Sunday in Lent</p>		<p>12 8:30 Pastors Meeting at First Lutheran, Little Rock</p>	<p>13 Newsletter Deadline 6:30 Mid-Week Lenten Worship</p>	<p>14 10:00 Thursday Morning Bible Study</p>		
<p>17 St Patrick's Day 9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion 12:00 Council Meeting 5:00 Worship in Crossett 5th Sunday in Lent</p>			<p>20 Start of Spring (Spring Equinox) 10:00 Newsletter Committee 6:30 Mid-Week Lenten Worship</p>	<p>21 10:00 Thursday Morning Bible Study</p>		
<p>24 9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion Palm Sunday</p>				<p>28 Holy Thursday 6:30 Maunday Thursday Worship</p>		
<p>31 Easter 9:00 Easter Breakfast 10:00 Easter Egg Hunt 10:45 Easter Celebration Service Easter Sunday</p>						
	25	26	27	29 Good Friday 6:30 Good Friday Worship	30	

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