*The monthly Newsletter of:*

**March 2024**

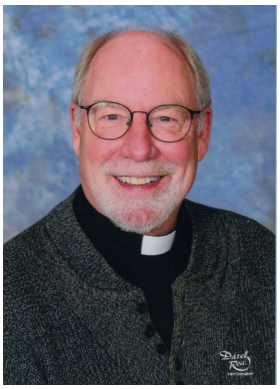
# Agnus Dei Lutheran Church

**Gather in Grace** **Grow in Faith** **Go in Service**

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

*The congregation of Agnus Dei Lutheran Church celebrates the amazing diversity of God's beloved children. We welcome all, regardless of age, ethnicity, abilities, faith background, race, family configuration, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. We enthusiastically invite you into this worshiping congregation as we strive to share God's inclusive love with everyone in our community and in our world.*

## Pastor's Page



*co-Interim Pastor*
*Tom Aitken*

Dear Members and friends of Agnus Dei Lutheran,

**I'm grateful** for our Sundays in Lent together and our Lenten series on the Ten Commandments. It's marvelous to be in some of our shut-in's homes, and hear them talk about the Sunday Worship they participate in online with us! Thank you for your marvelous participation online or in person on Wednesday nights. And for the conversations at Soup Supper afterward! The early church used Lent as a way to teach Christian basics while anticipating the joy of Easter, and a faith that brings new life like the new buds we will soon be seeing. You are an engaged, relational, thinking and "doing" congregation. That speaks well of all of you as a community of faith! Looking forward, we know that Holy Week—and Easter—are coming soon!

**Since I was a little boy,** I've been drawn to the drama and challenging meaning of Holy Week and Jesus' death on the cross. It is the central conviction of the Christian faith, that Jesus was the face of God on earth. People who met Jesus encountered in him a deep love but also a counter/alternative vision of what the "good life" really was. Jesus gave dignity back to people for whom it had been taken away. Over/against conventional wisdom, he exposed the tyranny of a life based on superior status and riches. He reversed the well enjoyed and practiced "hate your enemies" framework for life.

**Jesus' life and teachings** were a scandal to those who benefited from power and prestige, and in my experience are equally scandalous today for those who have bought into the myth of superior power we see in the world leaders commanding the killing of others, and that shallow version of the "American Dream," with its religion of "we're number one," white privilege, or any other privilege that leverages such imagined status.

**For this audacity**, for daring to challenge misguided Nationalism and its worship of power, Jesus was crucified on the cross; the death penalty for troublemakers and traitors to the Emperor. We don't have to force ourselves to understand the crucifixion to be "Divine child abuse"—that God had to require his son's death in order to forgive people's sins—often the only Atonement theory people know. Scripture is filled with stories of God forgiving people before Jesus' incarnation.

**But here is the powerful and wonderful scandal of the cross - and Easter.** In that crucifixion, in some holy mystery I cannot explain but by faith I trust, God in Jesus bore painfully all the misguided death-dealing power systems and sin at work in the world. They were taken into God's self, on that cross, in a love that evil could not match. Evil cannot ultimately rule the end game. Jesus' resurrection is the sign of this Victory.

**In the promise and power of Easter longing, +Pastor Tom**

Pastoral Care

Please let Pastor Tom Aitken know if you are in need of pastoral care. If you would like to be contacted, please call the office at 253-851-6222 or email Pastor Tom directly.

*Lynette Brentin*
*Council President*

**From your Church Council:**

Council received updates on several projects around the church.

1. The Property Committee reported on two items. The first is the opportunity to use and upgrade the area behind the church for additional parking. There are no Pierce County regulations preventing the use of undeveloped land. The committee will investigate grading and gravel for the area.

   The second item was the fire inspection and work that needs to be accomplished here in the building. Linx Incorporated has been hired and has been checking with the Fire Marshal, Ken Rice, to verify the compliance requirements associated with the needed new alarm board and the need for several extra components. Work is scheduled to begin the week of February 26th.

2. Our dishwasher has been delivered (you cannot miss it in the Narthex!). Installation will happen on Tuesday, February 27th! Just in time for Lenten Soup Supper on the 28th.

3. Preschool doors will be installed beginning the week of the 26th as well. One in the couch room, the other in the community room. The repair or replacement of the front door will also occur during the same week.

Mike Snowden presented his financial report ending January 2024. At the suggestion of the finance committee, he will be meeting with Carl Middleton and Kimberly Morgan to look at ways to improve or simplify our financial recording programs and reporting.

We have had a request from a neighbor to use our parking lot for two events. The first is a fundraiser for a local non-profit, Pride Gig Harbor. They plan to shuttle people from our parking lot to their event, which will take place on March 23rd. Watch for more information in upcoming emails. The second use will be for their daughter's wedding on July 20th. Again, they will shuttle people from our parking lot to their home on Wilkes Lane. Council has approved both uses as opportunities to get to know our neighbors and be of service.

FB4K has requested use of our kitchen during the months of July and August to make lunches. Council has approved this request.

Several opportunities within our Synod were discussed. The first was an opportunity to attend Synod Gatherings that will take place on April 20th, 27th and May 4th. More information to come.

There is an ELCA Youth Gathering taking place in New Orleans in July for youth 8th grade and up. More information has been requested and the information will be passed to Jess Gomez for the Joint Youth Program.

Look for complete minutes of our meeting posted on the bulletin board in the hallway by the Parish Hall.

***Prayer:*** *God outside of time, remind me of your continual presence. Clothe me with joy, and fill my heart with gratitude. Amen.*

Lynette

## Getting to Know You:

## Heidi and Stephen Giles

Before moving to Gig Harbor, Steve and Heidi were long-time Washington DC-area residents, living in Silver Spring, Maryland. They both worked as consultants for the MITRE Corporation, Steve in aviation and Heidi in healthcare. They grew to love the PNW while visiting their son, August, while he attended PLU. Their son and his wife, Lauren, now live in Bellingham. Their daughter, Stephanie, lives with them here in Gig Harbor along with their dog, Dani, and two cats, Katie and Fiona.

Heidi and Steve purchased a home, sight-unseen in the fall of 2021, with the help of a good realtor during the Covid pandemic. As it turned out, Heidi says they are delighted with both their home and the Gig Harbor community.

Stephen grew up on a ranch on the front range of the Colorado Rockies. Heidi grew up in suburban Virginia outside of DC.

The Giles found our church through the ADLC website. They saw that ADLC was a reconciling congregation and Steve wrote, “That commitment really resonated with us.”

Heidi enjoys and is a trained facilitator in a practice called SoulCollage®, which is based on Jungian/archetypal principles, applied in a small collage format, to facilitate self-understanding and self-discovery. She also enjoys visual journaling and free-form collaging. She also likes to knit, although she says she does not have enough time since both she and Steve are still working. Her interests in reading span the wide space between Magical Realism and books with church/spirituality related content. Her latest reads are: Remarkably Bright Creatures, and Agatha of Little Neon, a book about a group of nuns whose order can no longer afford to maintain a convent. Heidi also loves to walk and hike.

Steve has what he calls the eccentric hobby of collecting coins of the first Islamic Empire. Through this hobby he has “…developed friendships with kindred spirits from around the world.” Steve’s reading recommendations include: Timothy Snyder’s book, On Tyranny, and Tim Alberta’s, The Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory – American Evangelicals in the Age of Extremism. He also recently enjoyed The Ministry of the Future, a sci-fi novel by Kim Stanley Robinson. Both he and Heidi have e-bikes and enjoy them very much. He also has a deep enjoyment of hiking and exploring the natural wonders of the PNW.

Heidi and Steve sing in our church choir, and Heidi also plays hand bells. We are very fortunate to have them as a part of our church family.

Submitted by Linda Olson

## News from Our Service Committee

### February was Immigration Month

Thank you for your very generous donations to the Cleaning Kits for refugees who are served by Lutheran Social Services. Items were made into 36 kits and will be picked up soon and distributed to refugee families.

### March Warm Coat Drive

Our March project is Palm Sunday Coats Collection. We will gather outside (hopefully) with palms and coats, enter the church during the processional, leave the coats in the narthex, and proceed into the narthex for our Palm Sunday service.

All types of coats are welcome—winter, summer, rain, ponchos—kids and adult—men's and women's. Some will be given to the Women's Prison, some to the Rescue Mission, and some to FISH Foodbank.

### April Garden Tool Collection

The Agnus Dei Community is a long-time supporter of the Food Backpacks 4 Kids Program. This Spring and Summer they are starting a new endeavor called Food For All, which is a community garden on the Key Peninsula. They plan to get the community involved in growing produce and they are in need of garden tools. Do you have any extras in your garden tool collection that you can spare? If so, set them aside and plan to bring them to the church in April.

As always, thank you from the Human Concerns Committee,
Debbie S, Linda R, Linda Z, Jerry M, Ann R, Charlene F, Phyllis B,
and Ronnie K

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### Save the Date!

**The lecture by Dr. Kevin O'Brien, postponed from January 25th, is now back on the calendar for Thursday April 11**

If you are concerned about the implications of climate change for our planet, our health, our children and grandchildren, you will want to hear Kevin O'Brien's lecture on Thursday, **April 11, The Violence of Climate Change.** Dr. O'Brien, Professor of Christian and Environmental Ethics at PLU, is a familiar face at Agnus Dei, having been a favorite frequent Forum presenter. He views the crisis facing the Earth and ALL of its inhabitants as a form of violence, in that decisions made by some people are harming others as waters rise, droughts worsen, and forests burn. U.S. citizens have opportunities to resist and oppose this structural violence, especially if we learn from creative examples of resistance from our nation's past. This lecture will offer some examples and invite discussion on others, building tools to resist the injustice of climate change and work toward a more peaceful world for all our neighbors. **The evening will begin with earth-friendly desserts at 6:30, followed by the lecture at 7:00.** This is an opportunity to invite your friends and neighbors as we all learn how it is possible to make a difference.

# Holy Week Worship Schedule

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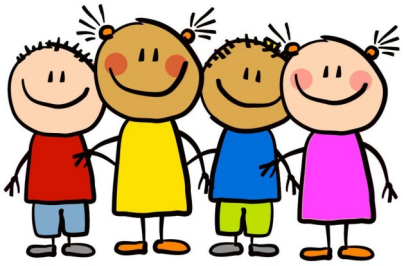
| Palm/Passion Sunday | March 24, 9:30 AM |
| Maundy Thursday | March 28, 7:00 PM |
| Good Friday | March 29, 7:00 PM |
| Easter Vigil | March 30 7:00 PM |
| Easter Sunday | March 31 9:30 AM |

**Kids Night Out in March**

Kids Night Out resumes on March 15th, the third Friday of the month . KNO is a  fun evening is planned for children ages four to twelve to have fun at the church while their parents enjoy a couple of hours to themselves. Games, music, pizza, and a craft are included. Register to attend by using the link on the events tab of our website. More adult volunteers are always welcome; please contact the church office if you are willing to help.



## ADLC Care Team

These services are offered by our care team volunteers. If you or another need assistance, please contact the group coordinator, whose phone numbers and e-mail addresses are in the church directory. Please also check out the Care Team Bulletin Board across from the Parish Hall for further information. Any questions, or to sign up to help, let us know.

Gwen Daugs and Marlene Bridgforth, Care Team Co-chairs

ADLC CARE TEAM SERVICES AND COORDINATORS:

- ♥ TRANSPORTATION: GWEN DAUGS
- ♥ HOME VISITS: GHITA LORENZ AND CHARLENE FRANZ
- ♥ CARDS/TELEPHONE CALLS: MARY MARQUARDT
- ♥ GRIEF SUPPORT: DEBBIE WAITE
- ♥ BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS: DAVID SALGE
- ♥ HOME COMMUNION: MARLENE BRIDGFORTH
- ♥ MEALS: ANN ROUSSEAU
- ♥ MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES: REBECCA CROW

# We Celebrate...

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

| | |
|---|---|
| 2 | Zoe Holmes, Kathy Higgins |
| 5 | Ryan Page |
| 7 | John Barelli |
| 8 | Kathy Chakerian, Chuck Anderson, Pastor Kim Latterell |
| 9 | Tracy Clark, Pam Gilroy |
| 11 | Ghita Lorenz |
| 13 | Lyn MacLean, Karista Waigand |
| 14 | Ehren Gossler |
| 15 | Kimberly Morgan |
| 18 | Tage Dobszinsky |
| 19 | David Schinkel |
| 25 | Dave Horton |
| 26 | Jim Adair |
| 27 | Cathy Adair, Don Heinz |
| 31 | Margaret Ann Ellingson, Audrey Bakke |

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

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|---|---|
| 3 | Doug McDonnell and Kathy Fox |
| 30 | Doug Holien and Audrey Bakke |

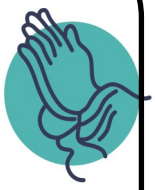
## Hospitality Opportunity

If you are willing to provide hospitality on any given Sunday, there is a sign-up board in the narthex. To simplify the commitment, just treats, coffee, and a light cleanup are all that's needed.

*We remember in prayer:*

*For comfort and healing:*

- Barbara Ausich
- Joe Ausich
- Julie Bell
- Robert Bridgforth
- Beverly Buster
- Beverly Buster Jr
- Chiarra Buster
- Dick and Lynette Brentin
- Scott Brentin
- Audrey Clinton
- Rich Cook
- Harlan Damron
- Pat Damron
- Mary Marquardt
- Pam Martin
- George Mitchell
- Jack Oakes
- Michi Ouichi
- Joannah Powers
- Ellis Rousseau
- Johnny Tierny
- Trudy Wagner
- Eunice Werner



*In service to our country:*

- Aon Kreman (Beals' niece) Seaman, US Navy
- CAPT. Jenny Nussbaum, US Public Health Service

*In their grief:*
Kathy Higgins and family, mourning the death of Daryl

*For guidance and wisdom:*
Our Agnus Dei Call Committee

## Lenten Midweek Worship
## Followed by Soup Supper

Join us on Wednesdays in Lent for Holden Evening Prayer at 6:15
The study for Lent will be the Ten Commandments
Copies of a daily Lenten devotional calendar by ELCA World Hunger for home use are available on the welcome table.
After worship we will gather in the Parish Hall for a simple soup supper and fellowship.
The remaining Soup Supper hosts are: Outreach; Mar 6, Bell Choir/Choir; Mar 13 Property Team; Mar 20, Knitters and Quilters
If you are not involved with any of these small groups, your help is still welcome! Please sign up for any night.

**Forum—Sundays at 10:45 am in the Parish Hall**

March 3rd—Join our talking circles as Phil Waite leads us in a discussion about Preparing for Easter—A look at Lent and its relationship to Resurrection

March 10th—Sue Braaten from Homestead Community will bring us an update on Spargo House, a home behind the church formerly owned by Agnus Dei and sold to the Homestead Community in February 2023. The Homestead Community provides housing resources to children served by the foster care system.

March 17th—Phil Waite will present on the topic "Thirsty for God"

March 24th—Pastor Tom will lead us in his 4th session of "A Lutheran Understanding of Scripture and Faith".

-What is the "Word of God"?
-Who wrote the Bible?
-What is at the Heart of Scripture?
-Law and Gospel
-How do Lutherans read, interpret, and apply Scripture?
-What is Faith and Believing?

March 31st – No Forum. A Blessed Easter to All!

*Forum meets after worship on Sunday mornings in the Parish Hall. Throughout the year a variety of topics are presented: theology, politics, the arts, world religions, contemporary issues, religious history—all with the intention of providing a vigorous, rich learning environment where the Christian faith is at the center.*

*Forums may be attended in person in the parish hall or on the Zoom platform; recordings of previous forums are on the Agnus Dei YouTube site: https://bit.ly/ADLCYouTube*

## Sunday Morning Family Book Club

*Next Meeting March 3, 10:45 am*

Sunday Morning Family Book Club gathers again on March 3. We will meet in the community room for some fellowship time, a read-aloud, and activities.
Our book this month is “And then it’s Spring” written by Julie Fogliano and illustrated by Erin E. Stead.

Family Book Club is a monthly gathering of families who share in fellowship, a book, and an activity. The books are children's books and the activities appropriate for all ages. Each family can take a copy of the book. Remember, family is a big word that can mean lots of things. No need to have a child in tow to come and join the fun! All shapes and sizes of families (and people!) are most welcome!

## Front Room Kids

A new Sunday morning program for young children begins on March 3. Children, ages 3 thru 8, are invited to meet in the Community Room for a Bible story and activity right after Storytime during Sunday worship. The activities will be related to the readings of the day. The children will return to their families during the offertory to be present for Communion and the remainder of the service. The name Front Room Kids is derived from the name of the meeting space (Front Room) where the program will eventually be located after the planned room rearrangement.

Please see Marlene Bridgforth or Salli Middleton if you can help with this project, two volunteers are needed for each Sunday and the program materials will be provided.

*Faith Formation continued on next page*

Hello Everyone!

*Jess Gomez-Garcia*
*JYG Youth Minister*

I am excited to announce this year's Summer Youth Mission Trip – S.L.A.M. S.L.A.M is a Methodist organization that stands for Students Learning About Missions. This year August 4th—9th we will be taking 15 students and 4 adults to the Yakama Reservation to be of service to the indigenous community there. The sign-up deposit is $100, due by March 31st. If your student would like to participate, please let me know as soon as possble. There will be a flyer coming with more information.

Also, I would like to do a family camping trip July 12th–14th this year. Please let me know how many would like to participate. In July, we will also have a hiking trip on the and a bowling night on the 17th.

Short Recap

July 12th —14th - Family Camping
July 17th —Bowling
July 26th –Hiking
August 4th–9th —S.L.A.M. Summer Youth Mission Trip

If you have any questions, please reach out and let me know.

Blessings,

**Jess Gomez-Garcia**
She/Her/They/Them
Joint Youth Group Minister

Regular meetings of the Joint Youth Group happen on all Sundays except the last Sunday of the month at Gig Harbor United Methodist Church (7400 Pioneer Way, Gig Harbor)

**Middle School from 4:00 to 5:30 pm and High School from 6:30 to 8:00 pm**

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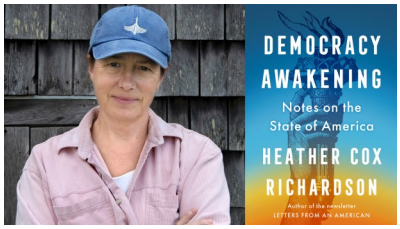


## Agnus Dei Book Group– All are invited!

All are invited to the next book group meeting on Sunday, March 17, at noon in the couch room following the adult forum. We will be discussing *Democracy Awakening, Notes on the State of America* by Heather Cox Richardson. If you would prefer to attend on the Zoom platform there is a link on the Agnus Dei website Events Page. If you have questions, contact Linda Zehnder.

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## Landscape Work Party, March 16

All are invited to help make the church landscape and gardens ready for Spring and Holy Week on Saturday morning, March 16 from 9:00 am to noon. Bring your favorite weeding and trimming tools along. There will be projects for all ages and abilities!

## AGNUS DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

### SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT as of JANUARY 31, 2024

| OPERATING INCOME: | Feb 2023 - Jan 2024 Actual | Feb 2023 - Jan 2024 Budget | % of YTD Budget |
|---|---|---|---|
| Unrestricted Offerings | 442,800 | 460,000 | 96% |
| Joint Youth Group Offerings | 8,415 | 12,500 | 67% |
| Rental House Reserve Reimb. | 8,317 | 7,838 | 106% |
| Little Lambs Preschool Tithe | 12,865 | 13,300 | 97% |
| Community Donations | 3,081 | 2,600 | 119% |
| Other Income | 6,043 | 1,700 | 355% |
| Vacation Bible School | - | 2,000 | 0% |
| Cash Committed From Previous Years | 11,200 | 48,905 | 23% |
| **TOTAL INCOME** | **492,721** | **548,843** | **90%** |

| OPERATING EXPENSES | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ministry of Education | 2,158 | 6,400 | 34% |
| Ministry of Mission | 52,891 | 56,755 | 93% |
| Ministry of Programs | 6,341 | 8,850 | 72% |
| Administrative Expenses | 162,145 | 174,482 | 93% |
| Staff and Services | 269,186 | 302,585 | 89% |
| **TOTAL EXPENSES** | **492,721** | **549,072** | **90%** |
| **NET OPERATING INCOME*** | (0) | (229) | |

*** Detailed financial reports are available upon request. Contact Mike Snowden to request a copy.** Email Mike

Prepared by Mike Snowden February 9, 2024 and corrected on 2/25.

| Giving to Others Feb 2023 - Jan 2024 | |
|---|---|
| ELCA Mission Support (Gifts) | 19,108 |
| ELCA Mission Support (budgeted) | 38,090 |
| ELCA World Hunger | 7,000 |
| ELCA Disaster Relief | 298 |
| FISH & Key Peninsula Foodbank | 2,946 |
| Food Backpacks 4 Kids | 3,146 |
| Food Pantry GH Rotary | 400 |

1These funds are pass-thru & not part of the Operating Budget, except for ELCA Mission Support (budgeted). Mission Support (budgeted) is 6% of monthly Unrestricted Giving for Feb - April and 10% beginning in May. ELCA Mission Support (Gifts) includes $18,909 from Estate Gifts & $199, a separate designated offering.

| Endowment Fund and Reserves | |
|---|---|
| Above & Beyond Endowment | 70,560 |
| ADLC Technology Upgrade | 6,746 |
| Building Maintenance Fund | 38,046 |
| Building Security Upgrades | 30,744 |
| Future Needs Reserve | 30,402 |
| Joint Youth Group | 9,221 |
| Music Equipment Upgrades | 549 |
| Operating Reserve | 22,037 |
| Reserves - Other Designated Use | 17,177 |
| **TOTAL, ALL RESERVES** | **225,481** |

The five yellow highlighted lines are examples of "pass through" donations that members of our congregation have given to these organizations throughout the year. After the donations come into Agnus Dei, they are then passed along to where the donor was making their donation. The Food Backpacks4Kids is a special example of this. Instead of collecting food items for FB4K, Agnus Dei is the Tortilla Church. Tortillas form a major part of food given out by FB4K, and Agnus Dei has taken on the task of purchasing all of the tortillas needed and delivering them to FB4K (thank you to Jerry Mjelde and Ann Rousseau for doing the purchasing and delivery). Back in February there was nearly $8,000 in a reserve account permanently dedicated to support our Food Backpacks 4Kids program. The funds from this account have been used to make up the difference between what is donated each month and the actual cost of the tortillas. Although $3,146 has been donated this year and gone directly into purchasing the tortillas, we have had to use $3,219 from the reserve account which is now at $4,780.

## Little Lambs Preschool

*a Ministry of Agnus Dei Lutheran Church*

Another fabulous February is in the books! We had a terrific month here at Little Lambs. We learned about what it means to be a good friend and how to make conversation hearts dance—you use baking soda and vinegar. We also enjoyed watching Mr. Bob pressure wash the sidewalks. Our March is looking very busy with celebrating Dr Seuss, painting leprechauns, and a conference for our teachers. Thank you for your continued support of our preschool!

Shannon Moore

Director, Little Lambs Preschool

# Serving in Worship
# March 2024

| | | | Altar Guild | Assisting Minister | Lector | Stream Team/ Sound | Ushers | Greeters | Security | Prayer Writer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Mar 3** | **9:30 AM** | **Sunday** | S Costanzo P Thomsen | D Salge | L Zematis | J Beaudette | B Nuss-baum R Cos-tanzo | | R Kulman | D Waite |
| **Mar 10** | **9:30 AM** | **Sunday** | S Lubash S Costanzo | A Ortenzo | G Lorenz | J Beaudette | D Waite D Krump | Colyars | | P Waite |
| **Mar 17** | **9:30 AM** | **Sunday** | R Crow E Park | D Schinkel | D Snow-den | D Krump | D Sapp J Rodgers | G Gemar | G Gemar | S Whitney |
| **Mar 24** | **9:30 AM** | **Sunday** | S Lubash M Bridgforth | D Page | C Carlson | B Nuss-baum | M & D Ohme | Snowden | Snowden | K Gemar |
| **Mar 28** | **7:00 PM** | **Maundy Thursday** | R Crow K Morgan | B Shull | K Gemar | B Beals | L & E Bax-ter | | | D Waite |
| **Mar 29** | **7:00 PM** | **Good Fri-day** | E Park J McCraw | | K Gemar B Shull D Krump | D Krump | B Nuss-baum | | | |
| **Mar 30** | **7:00 PM** | **Easter Vigil** | P Thomsen | M Colyar | L Zehnder | J Beaudette | L Colyar | | | |
| **Mar 31** | **9:30 AM** | **Easter Sunday** | M Bridgforth K Morgan | R Spitzer | C Franz | B Nuss-baum | D Krump R Powers | G Johnson | | P Waite |

Thank you to the volunteers who serve in worship.
More volunteers are needed in all areas and training is readily available.

The following are the folks who are currently scheduling:
Debbie Waite—Ushers
Council—Greeters/Security
Debbie Snowden—Stream Team and Sound System
Shari Shull—Assisting Ministers
Paula Davis—Lectors
Kimberly Morgan—Altar Guild
Please contact the office or call these folks directly if you are willing to serve.

***Important reminders***

**Let's Wear Our Nametags**
As a sign of hospitality to all and especially to our co-Interim Pastors, please remember to wear your nametag! If you are in need of a new nametag, leave a note on Cindy's desk.

**We Share the Air – Please Keep It Fragrance-Free and Healthy for All**
We ask our entire community to be mindful of folks with scent sensitivities and refrain from using perfume/cologne and other scented products when coming to Agnus Dei.

**BEWARE OF FRAUD Scam alert!**

Don't be fooled by phishing scams. Church members have been targeted by phony emails and text messages asking for financial assistance in the way of gift cards. Please remember that ***ADLC staff will never contact you for money, gift cards or financial information of any kind.***

# March

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 25<br>9:30am Worship with Holy Communion (Hybrid)<br>10:45am Forum | 26<br>1:00pm LWR Quilters | 27<br>12:30pm Church Staff Meeting | 28<br>10:00am Text Study<br>1:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry<br>6:15pm Lenten Worship followed by Soup Supper<br>7:25pm Choir Rehearsal | 29 | 1<br>2:00pm Call Committee | 2<br>8:30am Men's Square |
| 3<br>9:30am Worship with Holy Communion (Hybrid)<br>10:45am Family Book Club<br>10:45am Forum<br>4:00pm Joint Middle School Youth Group<br>6:30pm Joint High School Youth Group | 4<br>1:00pm LWR Quilters<br>5:30pm Handbell Rehearsal | 5<br>8:30am Records Retention Team<br>12:30pm Church Staff Meeting | 6<br>10:00am Text Study<br>1:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry<br>6:15pm Lenten Worship followed by Soup Supper<br>7:25pm Choir Rehearsal | 7 | 8<br>2:00pm Call Committee | 9 |
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