

OUR MINISTRY TOGETHER

	Saturday, February 23	Sunday, February 24
Accompanist	Emily Dalthorp	Lois Theesfield
Altar Care	Nan Jungst	Denise Rehor
Ushers	Steve and Nan Jungst	Jerome and Erin Rewerts Kelby and Kacie
Lectors		Larry Parker

February 16, 17 and 20

We Worship	Saturday	34
God	Sunday	27
	Wednesday	cancelled

Our 2018-2019 Ministry Goal

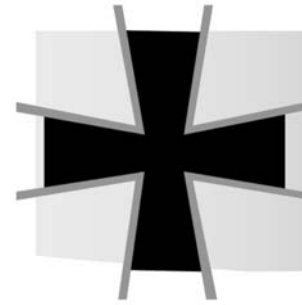
To focus our personal and congregational energies in 2018-2019 on three groups of people for the purpose of a connection with God:

- Community members who are living insecure;
- Empty-nesters or newly retired persons;
- New members or seekers.

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The SUNDAY MESSENGER

The Seventh Sunday after Epiphany
February 24, 2019

TODAY

Church Council Meets Today at 11:30 am. The Church Council will be working on answering your questions about our pastoral transition. One place you will find the answers posted is on the bulletin board in the main hallway. The bulletin board also illustrates the steps we will undertake in the process. You can track our progress by finding the "We are Here" arrow. In the center there are ways for everyone to be involved at that step of the process.

THIS WEEK

Winter Faith Time Concludes Wednesday. Our new theme for this Faith Time rotation will be "Saying Hello and Saying Good-bye." We welcome Scott Huffman from Ryan Funeral Home as learning lab leader for the "practices" lab. Scott Huffman will offer this rotation for all ages on practices for saying good-bye at the end of life. Wednesdays kick off with dinner at 6:00 pm that includes worship with Holy Communion. At 6:45 pm participants rotate through a new learning lab each week. We gather for a sending blessing and depart by 7:30 pm. Dinner will be a pizza party!

Beer and Theology Meets Thursday. Beer and Theology will gather at Old Chicago in Ames this Thursday at 6:30 pm. Come for a time of fellowship and conversation. This is a great time to invite a friend.

Benefit for Jaylee Bartleson is Friday. On Friday, March 1, there will be a Silent Auction and performance by Neil Hewitt at George's Pizza. The benefit event begins at 6:00 p.m. throughout the evening. Fundraising is to help with expenses related to her hospitalization at the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital. Jaylee is 7 months old and is in need of a heart transplant. She will be hospitalized for many months. Meanwhile your donations will help Kelli and Brandon financially.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sign Up To Be A Synod Assembly Voting Member. You will find a spot on your Sent to Serve slip to indicate an interest in being a voting member to the 2019 Synod Assembly on May 10 and 11 at Lutheran Church of Hope in West Des Moines. The Church Council will elect our voting members at the March meeting. Youth and young adults are especially encouraged to consider the opportunity.

"Listening for God" Saturday March 9. How do we listen for God in our daily routines and our common, everyday tasks and relationships? Pastor Herzberg invites high school students, adults and seniors to a retreat on this question Saturday, March 9, 9:30 - 1:00 p.m. The retreat includes conversation, quiet time, personal journaling, and prayer. There is no cost to the retreat, but participants are invited to bring a brown bag lunch (beverages provided). It is helpful if you register in advance, sign up on your Sent to Serve, call the church office and leave a message 515.382.6509, or email mlcoffice@midiaowa.net. This may be a meaningful way to start out the season of Lent.

Lent Begins With Ash Wednesday on Wednesday, March 6. Ash Wednesday worship will be at 7:00 pm with Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. Beginning Wednesday, March 13 there will be two midweek Lent worship opportunities: Midday Living Table at 11:30 am and Prayer Around the Cross at 7:00 pm. Keep a Holy Lent with these additional worship services. Our theme this year is "One Bread, One Body." Subscribe to a daily devotion delivered to your email by visiting: <https://seiasynod.org/lent/>. Scroll to the bottom of the page to subscribe.

Spring Session of Sunday School Starts March 10. Children will meet for Sunday School during the weeks of Lent, March 10 through April 14. Sunday School through fourth grade gathers in the Sanctuary for opening. Parents are asked to pick up younger children from their classrooms at the conclusion of class.

Book of Faith Is Back March 10. Book of Faith is an adult study that looks at the gospel lesson for the week ahead and explores questions of discipleship. The group meets from 10:30 am to 11:30 am in the Library. Bring your coffee and join the conversation.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday Feb. 24	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:15 am 11:30 am	Worship Church Nerds All Ages Fellowship Council Meeting
Monday Feb. 25	4:30 pm 5:30 pm	Harmony Clothing Closet Open Food at First Nevada
Tuesday Feb. 26		
Wednesday Feb. 27	9:00 am 5:45 pm 6:00 pm 6:45 pm 7:30 pm	Harmony Clothing Closet Open Handbell Rehearsal Faith Time 4: Saying Hello and Saying Good-bye 6th Gr and Parents: <i>Exploring Worship</i> Memorial Choir Rehearsal
Thursday Feb. 28	9:00 am 5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Staff Meeting Food at First Nevada Beer and Theology
Friday Mar. 1	9:00 am	Bulletin Assembly
Saturday Mar. 2	5:00 pm	Evening Worship
Sunday Mar. 3	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:15 am 10:30 am 11:30 am	Worship Church Nerds All Ages Fellowship Sunday School Teachers' Meeting Executive Committee