



### Lenten Schedule

#### **Palm Sunday**

9:15am Worship with Palm Branches and Holy Communion



The Journey of Lent has come to an end and Holy Week has begun--with Jesus making his way to Jerusalem to the crown and the throne that awaited Him there.

#### **Holy Thursday**

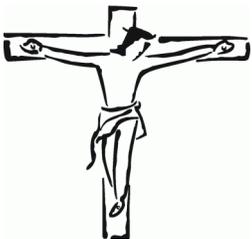
6:30pm Worship

We gather together this night to remember and relive the events of the night in which our Lord was betrayed.



#### **Good Friday**

6:30pm Worship - Seven last words

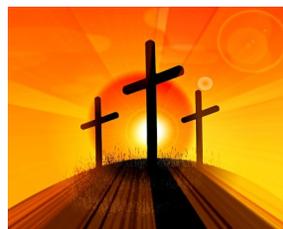


"We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by Your Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world."

#### **Easter Resurrection Sunday**

9:15am Worship

Suddenly everything changed! Death was not the end. Sins were no longer a barrier between us and God. There was hope--there was life! May you all live this life! Alleluia!



### THIS MONTH....

- ♦ **Lenten worship--** Wednesdays, April 3 & 10 at 6:30pm
- ♦ **Palm Sunday--** Sunday, April 14
- ♦ **Holy Thursday--** April 18
- ♦ **Good Friday--** April 19
- ♦ **Easter Sunday--** April 21
- ♦ **May Newsletter articles due--** Monday, April 22

## Meet Your Council Members

***Over the next few months the church council members will provide a short biography to introduce you all to the Council.***

### **Treasurer, Cathy Sell**

I was born and raised in the Riverwest neighborhood of Milwaukee. My parents were first generation Americans of Polish decent. We attended St. Mary of Czestochowa Catholic church and I went to a Catholic grade school, a Catholic high school and spent two years attending a Catholic college.

In 1978 John and I were married. He had two children from his first marriage and along with my three we were a blended family. The children didn't live with us full time, but every weekend we had a family dinner. There could be anywhere from seven to fourteen at the table. The kids were close enough in age that they got along and had similar interests.

In 1984 John took a job with the Charlotte Treatment Center in Charlotte, North Carolina. That same year Bill (the oldest) graduated from RIT and took a job with Hallmark in Kansas City; Greg (the middle son) enlisted in the Airforce; Peter (the youngest) graduated from high school and enrolled at UW Madison and the two girls both had jobs in Milwaukee. So off we went to North Carolina. We stayed there for 30 years. During those years, John went back into parish ministry; I graduated from college with a degree in Accounting.

I moved my church affiliation to Lutheran in 1986, and was introduced to the Women of the ELCA by a dear lady named Ruby Martin in 1987. John served two parishes and then became an Intentional Interim going into congregations without a pastor, helping them through the calling process. During that time, I became involved in Women of the ELCA and became the treasurer of the NC Women of the ELCA for four years and after one year off the board became the President of the North Carolina Women of the ELCA. Those were very busy years and included a trip to Papua New Guinea, where I addressed the Women of the ELCA of New Guinea at their annual meeting.

In 2005 after I retired, we began to spend more time in Wisconsin and decided to invest in a condo in Green Bay. I would spend much of the summer here (summers in North Carolina are HOT). John would travel back and forth. In 2013 our grandchildren kept asking us when we were going to move back to Wisconsin. (I think they were prompted by their parents.)

John retired from Hospice where he was chaplain and we put our house on the market in 2014. The big move was the easy part. Condensing two households of "stuff" into one was the hard part. We carried two trucks full of things to the Habitat Re-store; several carloads of clothes, books and other miscellaneous items to the Salvation Army.

Once here we visited a few churches and a friend from the YMCA said, "You need to check out that church behind Steins." Once we found out how to get there, we visited. The first time we came we felt very welcome and after a few months we were received as members. The rest is history! John was invited to join the Stewardship Committee and I became a reader and communion assistant. That grew until now. I am Treasurer, a member of council, a reader and a communion assistant.

## Message from the Treasurer

***“The happiest people on earth are the people who have discovered the joy of giving.” Unknown***

February was quite the month! There were at least two Sundays of bad weather! One Sunday there were only nine people that made it to church! So, my expectation was that we would not make a dent in the deficit. I was wrong. Yes, we are still behind in current and loose offerings (we budgeted \$7,500 and \$6,158 was contributed, but the childcare tuition was almost \$1,000 over budget. Again, I say “thank you” to all our faithful givers. Our expenses were \$1,204 under budget and after we paid our mortgage, we are \$3,174 behind budget. January’s deficit was \$3,224 – so we gained \$50 – not a lot but we are going forward.

Our road will be a bit rough as we continue to rebuild our savings. I ask you to make up for the Sundays you were not here. Thanks to all who have done so. Even if you’re not here we still need to pay for the snow plowing, the light and heat and staff.

I am currently working on a schedule which will show us what the congregation’s giving pattern is. Watch for it in the next newsletter.

I am still excited about our journey as we listen to the voice of God, who is directing us to that place He has identified for us. While we journey let’s remember – He provides.

Cathy Sell, Treasurer

## Alzheimer Community Forum

A Green Bay Alzheimer Community Forum is scheduled for Tuesday, April 2, from 5:30-7pm. This event will be held at the Neville Public Museum.

Learn about Alzheimer’s, dementia and memory loss. Bring a friend who has been affected by the disease. Share your thoughts about how we can help people in your community. Light refreshments will be provided.

If you are interested in attending, please call 1-800-272-3900 or register online at <http://bit.ly/ALZforum2019>

# Green Bay Women's Spring Conference

*Bethel Lutheran Church  
1350 Bond Street, Green Bay  
(920) 494-3737*

*Please use parking lot entrance - elevator availability*

**Saturday, April 6, 2019**

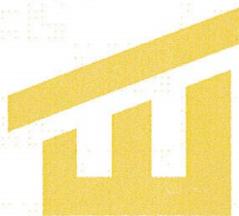
**Registration at 8:30 a.m.**

**Worship at 9:00 a.m.**

**Program at 10:00 a.m.**

**Business Meeting Following**

**Lunch at Noon**



**New Beginnings: Every Person  
Has a Home**

*"This means that anyone who belongs  
to Christ has become a new person, the  
old life is gone, a new life has begun!"*

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NLT)

Our program for the day will include Dave Pietenpol, and others, who will bring to life the EPH (Ecumenical Partnership for Housing) program. where safety, stability, and solutions leading to self-sufficiency for at risk and homeless families is provided. These speakers will share their passion for addressing situational and generational poverty in our community through an enlightening presentation

Cost: \$15 per person

Lunch catered from Texas Roadhouse

In-kind gifts accepted for EPH:

Kitchen Supplies: kitchen towels & dishcloths, kitchen  
garbage bags

Cleaning Supplies: dish detergent, all-purpose cleaner,  
toilet bowl cleaner

Personal Care Items: toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, bar  
soap, liquid hand soap, nail clippers



Remember to bring your coins  
for the WELCA Coin Challenge  
for the ECSW Arise Campaign  
to the Spring Conference Event.



# Spiritual Life

Faith Formation, Bible Study, Worship

## Music and hymn selection

The Spiritual Life team has been meeting to select music and hymns for upcoming services. If you are interested in joining this group or have any music suggestions, please contact Dorothy Fronk. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 23 at 10:30am.



**A person's most beautiful asset is not a head full of knowledge, but a heart full of love, an ear ready to listen and a hand willing to help others.**

## Vacation Bible School opportunity - Atonement Lutheran Church



Atonement Lutheran Church is planning to have Crossways Bible Camp at their church in July. They are inviting any interested children from Christ Community to be a part of this week. There will be an upcoming meeting to talk about what volunteers are needed and other items that will be needed for the week of VBS.

**When:** Sunday, April 7 at 11:15-11:45 am in the Sunday School room at Atonement Lutheran Church.

If you would like to help plan this year's event but cannot attend the first meeting, please contact Corina Gerczak at [gerczak.corina@gmail.com](mailto:gerczak.corina@gmail.com)

We would love it if anyone from Christ Community will join us in the planning. You can contact Corina directly with questions.

# Parish Life

Hospitality, Care Teams, Fellowship

## Breaking Bread Together

With Easter in April, there will not be a BBT Potluck this month. Watch the weekly eBlast announcements for the next potluck in May and plan to join this community of faith with a meal after worship.

# Community Life

Outreach, Service, Evangelism

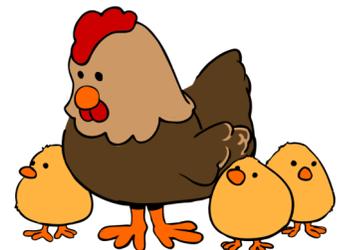
## Mission Outreach Projects

In February and early March we gathered items for the **Help for the Homeless Hygiene** drive in our Green Bay community. We collected 107 items and packages which filled the collection box. In addition, a couple full cases of tri-fold napkins were given.

During Lent our regular Sunday morning collection project is to put money in our **“Barn”** on the altar with the contributions to be used to purchase animals for the **ELCA Global Barnyard**. These animals will go to needy countries to help raise food for hungry families.

In the first two weeks of Lent, we received enough donations to purchase a goat (\$50). If there's a superhero of the barnyard, it just might be the goat. Why? Because **goats can go where other animals can't**, surviving in some of the world's harshest environments – rocky terrain, drought-prone areas, small plots of land, you name it. Fresh milk from a goat provides daily nutrition for children and their families. And what's more, offspring can rapidly transform a community when shared with other families in need.

Watch for a bulletin insert where you will be able to contribute \$10 toward buying a chick and give recognition to someone special in your life. It could be in memory of a loved one or to honor a deserving person who is special to you. We would like to add a whole flock of chickens to the **Global Barnyard**.



# April 2019

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# The Good News

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## The Good News

is a monthly newsletter sent to members and friends of Christ Community Lutheran Church.

**The deadline for the May issue of**

**The Good News is:**

**~~Monday, April 22, 2019~~**

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