



APRIL 2019

Light of Life

Celebrate

Holy Week

**PALM
SUNDAY**

APRIL 14
9AM

**MAUNDY
THURSDAY**

APRIL 18
7PM

**GOOD
FRIDAY**

APRIL 19
1PM & 7PM

**EASTER
SUNDAY**

APRIL 21
8AM & 10AM

CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK AT BURKE

We kick off Holy Week with a Pancake Breakfast on Palm Sunday. See the volunteer opportunities for the Breakfast on page 4 of this publication. We also have options for readers and worship leaders throughout the week. If you'd like to be part of Holy Week, sign up sheets are in the Narthex.



PALM SUNDAY

**PANCAKE
BREAKFAST**

APRIL 14
SERVING
8AM - 11AM

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LENTEN SERVICES & SOUP SUPPERS

APRIL 3 & 10

Lenten Worship Services are at 6:00pm. A Soup & Sandwich Supper will follow at 6:30pm, and our Confirmation Classes will run from 7:00-8:00pm.



Our Lenten Worship Service will use the Holden Evening Prayer and we'll focus on the remaining sins: Greed, Wrath, and Envy.

If you'd like to be involved, we are in need of soup & sandwich makers. Sign up sheets are in the Narthex. Only two left, April 3 and 10!

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A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ROBERT.....

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Spring is officially here and as the world around us begins to undergo its own resurrection it is only proper that we will soon be focusing all our attention on Christ's resurrection in the Church. Beginning April 14th we will be celebrating Holy Week, a time when we focus in on the trial, death, and resurrection of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ. We begin with Palm Sunday (April 14th) as we focus in on Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem and reading the passion narrative. After that we will focus on the last meal that Jesus shares with his disciples prior to being arrested (Maundy Thursday April 18th). This then leads into what we like to call Good Friday (April 19th) where we look at the arrest, trial and death of Jesus. Before you ask, I already know what your first question is, why do we call it Good Friday? Well we call the day he celebrated his last meal with the disciples Maundy Thursday and that's just as random, so just know that there are deep confusing reasons for this and just nod your head and say, "yes pastor" and let's move on. The question I would like us to focus on is how we go from people celebrating in the streets proclaiming the savior has come to those same people calling for his execution? Did they not see that this is the Christ? The Messiah whose coming had been foretold throughout Scripture? He was, but unfortunately the people did not want to hear what he had to say, nor do what they wanted him to do. Instead they only wanted a messiah that mirrored their belief systems instead of a messiah that proclaimed what they needed to hear and see.

The people wanted a new King, someone who would inspire the people to rise up in violent rebellion to overthrow their Roman oppressors. This is backed up by scripture, during the Passion narrative when Jesus is put on trial before the crowds. Pontius Pilate, the Roman Governor, offers the people a choice between letting Jesus go or this other man named Barabbas who had incited violence. The crowds call for the release of Barabbas rather than Jesus, demonstrating their desire

for a more straight forward revolution rather than the spiritual revolution that Jesus proclaimed. This desire leads them to blindly ignore that which they truly need in order to be free, which is a change in their hearts and minds. As Jesus says to Pilate, his kingdom is not of this world, for his rule concerns changing how we engage the world around us. True reform could not be achieved through hatred and cruelty or else the cycle would continue, if the Jewish people wanted to change their world then it had to begin in their hearts and minds.

When we look at the cross we see many things. First and foremost we see a graphic depiction of a man beaten and broken then left to die as a warning against all those who wish to challenge the established authority. This is what those in power wanted the people to see, but as Christians we see so much more. We see someone who took our sins upon him and through his death and resurrection brought forgiveness and reconciliation. This image of a truly innocent man who stood up against the vile hatred and fear that this world is capable of doling out and offering in its place forgiveness is revolutionary, which is why it has stood the test of time. It is a powerful image for us to wrap our heads around for as our sins are laid bare upon the body of Christ we are in return shown love, not hate, not anger, but love. Then in that one final act of rebellion which we celebrate on Easter morning (April 21st) Jesus lets us know that death is not the final answer but that there is a way out of this cycle of death and pain. The primary way out is through living a resurrected life, a life where we refuse to accept that death is the final answer. A life where we try and learn to understand and internalize Christ's life and teachings, thus opening our minds to a better way centered on ending this cycle of violence that our world seems stuck upon.

Peace and Blessings,
Pastor Robert

PRAYER CONCERNS

During the month of March, we have remembered the following individuals in our Sunday prayers:

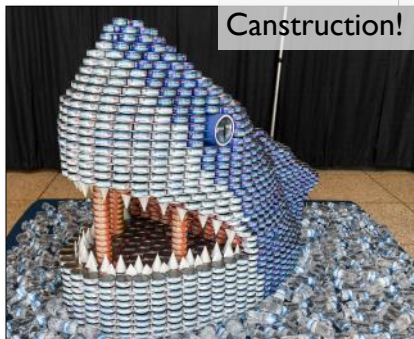
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| Tina Bauman | Owen Storlie | Lisa Thompson |
| Ross Crosby | Jamie Falk | Mary Skinvik |
| Bev Lowe | Harper DeBauche | Hope McFarlin |
| Madison Smith | Darwin Thompson | Randy Showers |
| John Schramer | | |

We apologize if we have missed anyone, it was not intentional



FILL THE ALTAR

The River Food Pantry needs a helping hand, so let's fill the altar! Please bring non-perishable food, such as canned vegetables, soups and fruits; boxed dinners; cereal, grains and crackers; you get the idea. In addition to food items the pantry can use things such as toilet paper, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, hair brushes/combs, disposable baby diapers, baby wipes, feminine products and Depends. Feel free to drop off items any time during Lent.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast is Wednesday, April 10 at Gus' Diner, Hwy 19, Sun Prairie, at 9:00am. Stop in for a cup of joe, a hearty breakfast and connect with brothers in Christ.



BLCW 2019 YEARBOOKS

The BLCW Yearbooks for 2019 are available for pick up on the table in the Narthex. Please help us get these distributed.

EUCHRE PARTY

FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 6PM

Deal me in! Bring your own beverages and a dish to pass. Singles and couples are welcome. The fun begins at 6pm and wraps up by 9pm. We'll be playing at Oak Park Nursing & Rehab Center, 718 Jupiter Drive, Madison (where Darwin is). Please sign up so we can be sure we have tables of four. Spectators welcome!



RECIPE CORNER: CHILI COOKOFF WINNER (LINDA H.)

1 15-oz. can black beans
1 15.25-oz. can corn, undrained
1 10-oz. can Rotel tomatoes, undrained
1 package ranch dressing mix
1 tsp. cumin
1 Tbsp. chili powder
1 tsp. onion powder
1 8-oz package light cream cheese
2 chicken breasts



Drain and rinse the black beans. Place chicken at the bottom of the crock pot, then pour out the whole can of corn (undrained), Rotel tomatoes, and black beans on top of chicken.

Top with seasonings and ranch dressing mix. Stir together.

Place cream cheese block on top. Cover with lid and cook on low for 6-8 hours.

After the cooking time is over, take chicken breasts from crock pot and shred and add back to the chili. Stir together and enjoy!

Nutrition Information: Serving size: about 1 cup Calories: 284
Fat: 11 g Saturated fat: 6 g Carbohydrates: 23 g Sugar: 9 g
dium: 700 mg Fiber: 2 g Protein: 20 g

Recipe by <https://www.yummyhealthyeasy.com>



Served 4:30-7:00pm

Lutherdale, N7891 US
Hwy 12 Elkhorn, WI

All meals include salad bar, beverages and generous portions, Guests are encouraged to try some of everything! Reservations Requested for Parties of 8 or more. Adults \$16, Children (10 & Under) \$8.

April 26th GREEK KATALOGOS

Greek Keftedes Meatballs, Tzatziki Sauce, Mediterranean Chicken, Grilled Vegetable Couscous, Warm Pita Bread, Roasted Potatoes, Potato Mushroom Soup, Greek Salad with Feta, and Lemon Mandarin Cake

LIGHT OF LIFE & SUNDAY BULLETIN ARTICLES

If you have news you'd like to see in the Sunday bulletin announcements and/or Light of Life newsletter:

1. Email your submissions to burkelutheran@att.net (please indicate in the subject line whether it is for the bulletin, LOL or both), or
2. Mail to church, 5720 Portage Rd, Madison, WI 53718, or 3. Turn it into the church office with Attn: Peri

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Wednesdays

LIGHT OF LIFE DEADLINE: 15th of the month

Youth & Kids Corner

CONFIRMATION
SUNDAY
IS MAY 19



CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation Classes on April 3 and 10 are from 7-8:00pm. No Confirmation Class on April 17. Classes return to normal 6:30pm start time on April 24.



SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOOP

Serving on your Teach Board:

Chairperson: Open position

Council Representative: David Hanson

Superintendent: Jean Schnick

Treasurer: Rudy Nielsen

Secretary: Sonja Nielsen

PANCAKE BREAKFAST—APRIL 14, 8AM-11AM

Our annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser will be held on Palm Sunday, April 14. Please sign up to:

Setup: Saturday 4/13, 12pm-2pm

Prep/Serve: Sunday 4/14, 7am-10am

Serve/Clean-up: Sunday 4/14, 9am-12pm

Non-perishable item donations can be delivered to Church on Sunday, April 7.

Fresh food item donations can be delivered to Church on Saturday, April 13 between noon-2pm or on Sunday, April 14 at 7am.

For more information contact: David Hanson at 608-279-3159.

EASTER EGG HUNT

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 21

9:30AM

Hop to it—the Easter Bunny has hidden goodies in our cemetery! In between Easter morning services, kids can hunt for eggs and treasure. Kids will be divided into age groups before being set loose. Bring your own basket!



CHRIST IN OUR HOME

The April, May, June edition is now available in the Narthex.



Do I Smell Jelly Beans?

APRIL CALENDAR

The staff at Burke Lutheran meets most Thursday mornings at 9:00am. We will return phone calls after our meeting. Thank you for your consideration.

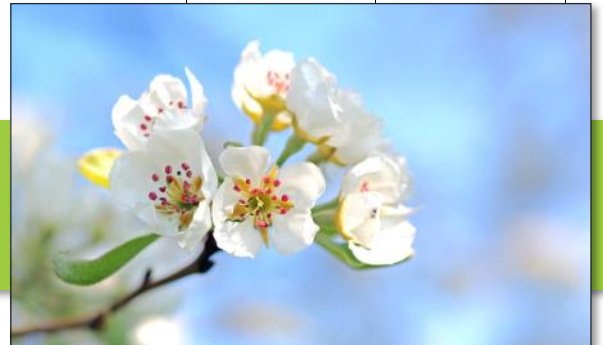
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 Quilting, 9:00am Lent Service & Soup Supper Confirmation Class, 7pm | 4 Bible Study, 12:30pm | 5 Euchre, 6pm | 6 |
| 7 Worship, 9am Sunday School Choir Practice | 8 Fireside Fellows, 6:30-8pm | 9 Council Meeting, 6:30pm | 10 Men's Breakfast, 9am Quilting, 9:00am Lent Service & Soup Supper Confirmation Class, 7pm | 11 Bible Study, 12:30pm | 12 | 13 |
| 14 Palm Sunday Worship, 9am No Sunday School Pancake Breakfast | 15 | 16 Foundation Mtg, 7:00pm | 17 Quilting, 9:00am No Confirmation Class | 18 Bible Study, 12:30pm Maundy Thursday, 7pm Worship | 19 Good Friday, 1pm & 7pm Worship River Food Pantry, 5-8pm | 20 |
| 21 Easter Worship, 8am & 10am No Sunday School | 22 Fireside Fellows, 6:30-8pm | 23 | 24 Quilting, 9:00am Preach Board, 9:00am Confirmation Class, 6:30pm | 25 Bible Study, 12:30pm | 26 | 27 Dorcas Circle, 9am at Cool Beans |
| 28 Worship, 9am Sunday School Choir Practice | 29 | 30 | | | | |

Save the Dates:

May 4
May 4-5
May 5
May 12
May 19

Star Wars Day
Synod Assembly
Cinco de Mayo
Mother's Day
Confirmation Sunday



Happy Birthday!

Have a birthday in April? Hope your birthday is spectacular, totally cool, really fantastic, wonderful, exciting, majorly awesome, fun-filled, rocking and HAPPY!



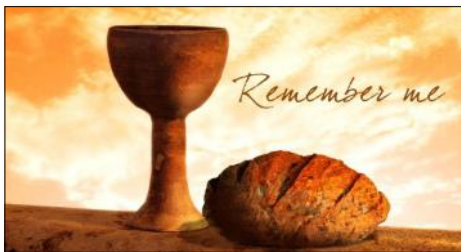
Happy Anniversary!

To all who said "I do" in the month of April!



APRIL WORSHIP LEADERS...

| | April 7 9:00am Service | Palm Sunday April 14 9:00am Service | Easter April 21 8:00am Service | Easter April 21 10:00am Service | April 28 9:00am Service |
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| Organist/Pianist | Gloria Lundquist | Susie Kittel Moore | Gloria Lundquist | Gloria Lundquist | Susie Kittel Moore |
| Music Leader | Beni Hupf | Kathy Sandridge | Choir | Choir | Dave Wisner |
| Music Leader | Darrell Foss | Bob Rittmann | Choir | Choir | Beni Hupf |
| Communion | Dave Wisner | Jeannette Gehrke | Beni Hupf | Nancy McClurg | Sharon Hughes |
| Communion | Julie Clark | Tim Wavhs | Bob Rittmann | Sue Rittmann | Jean Schnick |
| Communion Prep | Jean Schnick | Gloria Lundquist | Peri Beal | Mary TeWinkel | Jeannette Gehrke |
| Lay Reader | Beni Hupf | Paul Beckman | Sue Rittmann | Bob Boettcher | Julie Clark |
| Prayer Readers | Sue Rittmann Bob Rittmann | Linda Schramer Beni Hupf | Sharon Hughes Jean Schnick | Barb Hennings Beni Hupf | Tim Wachs Diane Moore |
| Acolyte | Dani Queiser | Kaitlyn Schramer | Clara Neubert | Abbey Harris | Carter Truitt |
| Ushers | Al Klinger Bob Lenzendorf | Roger Kittleson Rick Brandon | | Karl & Shari Patzer | Tim Wachs Chris Otis |
| Greeters | Dianne & Randy Copenhefer | Phyllis & Stuart Svoboda | | Galen & Jan Peterson | June Chadwick Mary Brantmeyer |
| Coffee Hour | Reach Board | Youth Pancake Breakfast | Donuts (Coffee Hour Committee) | Donuts (Coffee Hour Committee) | Quilters |
| Counters | Gloria Lundquist Kim Hanson | Linda Hughes Mary TeWinkel | Jan Peterson Patrice Neubert | Jan Peterson Patrice Neubert | Sharon Hughes Kathy Sandridge |
| Sunday School Pre K—K 1st—2nd Grades 3rd—4th Grades 5th—6th Grades | John Bosben Shaney Iturbide David Hanson Jamie Falk | No Sunday School | No Sunday School | No Sunday School | John Bosben Amy Proebstle David Hanson Kim Hanson |



MAUNDY THURSDAY EVENING SERVICE

APRIL 18, 7PM

Join us for our Maundy Thursday evening service on Thursday, April 18, at 7:00pm. A sign up sheet for worship leaders is located in the Narthex.

GOOD FRIDAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 1PM & 7PM

A sign up sheet for worship leaders is located in the Narthex.

“Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.’”

- John 11:25-26

GOOD FRIDAY

AT BURKE LUTHERAN CHURCH

APRIL 19

1PM & 7PM