



MARCH 2025

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Lutherdale Annual Meeting

The Lutherdale will have it's Annual Meeting on Sunday, March 2, 2025.



Lenten Season begins with Ash Wednesday service on March 5, 2025 at 6:30pm.



BREAKFAST

Palm Sunday Breakfast will be held Sunday, April 13, 2025 after service in the Fellowship Hall. This breakfast fundraiser helps to sent our youth to Lutherdale Bible Camp and other youth group outings. The Men's Club will be looking for volunteers and donations to make this breakfast possible.



This year Lenten Services will be held each Wednesday of Lent at 6:30pm. A meal will be served at each service. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex for food for these meals. We hope you can join us during this very special season.

SAVE THESE DATES: March 12, March 19, March 26, April 2, and April 9

Palm Sunday: April 13

Good Friday: April 18



Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour on Sunday, March 9, 2025 at 2:00am (or before you go to bed Saturday night).

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR BRYAN

Dear friends,

As we turn our calendars to March, we turn again to the season of Lent, the season of the church when we sit with all God's people in the shadow of the cross that reveals both the great suffering of the world and the deep love of God for all those in need. We will hear these themes intertwine through the 40 days of Lent.

We begin Lent with Ash Wednesday on March 5 with that special worship service at 6:30 pm. This time will help us focus our forty-day season on God's grace for us.

On Sunday mornings, we will hear stories from Luke's gospel about Jesus seeking out those who are lost and in despair to bring them good news. And, like every year, we will have our special worship services on Wednesdays. This year, we will gather on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 for food and worship using the borrowed plan of "dinner church" where the eating is part of the worshipping, and the worship is part of the meal. It should be lots of fun. On those Wednesday nights, we will share the songs and poems of the Psalms that promise us that we are "Dwelling in the Shelter of the Lord." From Rev. Jen Christensen, the author of our Lent theme:

Shelter, refuge, and safety are themes that are woven into the psalms assigned for each Sunday in Lent (following the Revised Common Lectionary), from the obvious, "You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord" (Psalm 91:1) to the subtle, "...in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy" (Psalm 63:7). This series will explore different facets of the shelter we find, and offer, in the Lord our God.

It feels repetitive year in and year out to say we live in uncertain times, yet that continues to be the reality for many, perhaps now more than ever. As we weather the storms of life, as we struggle with the uncertainty about where our physical shelter may be, and as we look ahead to a future that is even murkier than usual, it is helpful to remember that in all cases, God is our refuge. This is a refuge that accompanies us wherever we may be. This is a refuge that is described in voluminous ways in the psalms and is embodied in the words, the teaching, the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Above all, this is a refuge that is understood not as a place where the faithful go to hide and wait out the storm. This is a refuge that follows us around, that offers a source of stability even in the desert wasteland times of our lives. The shelter God provides is one built on promise, on accompaniment and partnership, on a vision of a world where all are fed, loved, forgiven, and homed. "God is our refuge" means that God goes with us in the work we do. And yes, in the times when we do need a moment to rest, to heal, even to hide, God is a very present help there too.

I invite you to take this time out of your busy schedules to join with us during Lent. Hear the good news of God's love for you. Join with your friends here in this place for worship, peace, joy, and food. Find your home again here at Burke Lutheran Church during this Lent.

God bless,
Pr. Bryan

WOMEN'S BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

The BLCW luncheon will be held Wednesday, March 19 at Erin's Irish Snug, Sun Prairie, at 11:30am.

FOOD PANTRY

March Food Pantry Focus: March focus is "Toiletries," such as shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, hair brushes/combs, disposable baby diapers, feminine products (pads/tampons), Depends, etc. Please place your non-perishable goods in the 'Donations' basket in the entryway and it will be delivered to the pantry.

BIRTHDAY BAGS FOR RIVER FOOD PANTRY.

List of contents and bags are located in the entryway.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast is Wednesday, March 12 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.



QUILTING

Every Wednesday at 9:00am. Everyone is welcome, no experience needed.

TEACH BOARD

The Teach Board currently has an opening. If you would be interested in filling this position, please contact the church office.

Cemetery Association Annual Meeting

The Cemetery Association will have it's Annual Meeting on Sunday, April 27, following the worship service. Hope you will be able to join us.



The above three quilts will be donated to Lutherdale on behalf of Burke Lutheran Church for their fundraiser Quilt Auction. The auction will be held August 9, 2025. Please come see these and hundreds of other quilts you can bid on to help support the work Lutherdale does.

EUCHRE PARTY

When: Friday, March 21, 2025 at 6:00pm

Where: Burke Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

A sign up sheet is in the Narthex. Please join us for fun, good food, and fellowship.



PRAYER CONCERNS

During the month of March we remember the following individuals in our Sunday prayers:

Lisa Thompson

Mark Gehrke

Tina Lee

Marie McCoy

June Chadwick

Richard Chadwick

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

JAM Youth Education Classes At Norway Grove Memorial Lutheran Church

J.A.M. (*Jesus And Me*) is religious youth education geared towards children aged 3-years-old to 4th grade. Class time consists of a bible story, crafts, games, music and prayers. JAM meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m., September through mid-May.



Lutherdale Bible Camp registration is now open. Any youth interested in going to a Bible Camp is encouraged to go to <https://www.lutherdale.org/summer-camp> to register. The Teach Board will reimburse half of the cost and the Foundation has in the past covered the other half for Burke Members families. We do encourage early registration to take advantage of discounts that are offered to do so.



Happy 90th Birthday, Shirley Bostad!
Here's to many more!



BIBLE TRIVIA

1. Who was the first recorded person raised from death to life?
2. What man of Israel was stoned for blaspheming God?
3. What warrior fought so long and desperately that his hand was stuck to the hilt of his sword?
4. What were the three major promises God gave to Abraham?
5. What woman upon the death of her son, the king of Judah, murdered her grandchildren and usurped the kingdom?
6. What woman continued in prayer day and night in the temple?
7. Where will the great feast of the marriage supper of the Lamb be spread?

MARCH 2025 CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Worship, 9a Coffee Hour, 10a Lutherdale Annual Meeting, 3:00p	3	4	5 Ash Wednesday Service, 6:30p	6 Teach Board, 6:30p	7	8
9 Worship, 9a Coffee Hour, 10a Daylight Saving	10	11 Council, 6:30p	12 Men's Breakfast, 9a Quilting, 9a Bible Study, 1p Lenten Service, 6:30p	13	14	15
16 Worship, 9a Coffee Hour, 10a	17	18	19 Quilting, 9a BLCW Lunch, 11:30a Bible Study, 1p Lenten Service, 6:30p	20	21 Euchre Party, 6p	22
23 Worship, 9a Coffee Hour, 10a	24 Preach Board, 10a	25	26 Quilting, 9a Bible Study, 1p Lenten Service, 6:30p	27	28	29
30 Worship, 9a Potluck, 10a	31					

Save the Dates: March 1 - Peace Corps Day
 March 3 - World Wildlife Day
 March 3 - National Anthem Day
 March 4 - Mardi Gras

March 5 - Ash Wednesday
 March 17 - St. Patrick's Day
 March 19 - St. Joseph's Day
 March 20 - Spring Equinox



March 1	Grace Lietz	March 16	Bob Lenzendorf
March 2	Linda Hanson	March 17	Cedar Mascari
March 3	Dan Lothe	March 18	Ron Skinvik
March 3	Joseph Weinberger	March 20	Al Klinger
March 5	Chris Otis	March 21	Cassie Johnson
March 6	Michelle Krisher	March 21	Dennis Jones
March 8	Jase Kittleson	March 22	Helen Sampson
March 8	Novalee Kittleson	March 22	Jenny Nielsen
March 8	Lucas Krisher	March 24	Aysha Romeis
March 9	Darwin Thompson	March 24	Tammy Lehr
March 9	Sandy Lothe	March 27	Amy Proebstle
March 13	Everleigh Crosby	March 31	Megan Peterson
March 15	Megan Schultz		



John & Barbara Lusk
 Al & Linda Klinger

March 3, 1990
 March 3, 1964

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MARCH WORSHIP LEADERS

	March 2 9:00am Service	March 5 6:30pm Service	March 9 9:00am Service	March 16 9:00am Service	March 23 9:00am Service	March 30 9:00am Service
Organist/ Pianist	Gloria Lundquist	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore	Susie Kittel Moore
Music Leader	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner		Praise Band	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner	Praise Band	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner
Communion Assistant	Sharon Hughes	David Hanson	Julie Clark	Jean Schnick	David Hanson	Sharon Hughes
Communion Prep	Gloria Lundquist	Gloria Lundquist	Jeannette Gehrke	Jean Schnick	Jeannette Gehrke	Gloria Lundquist
Lay Reader	Cheryl Beckman	Sharon Hughes	Jean Schnick	Tim Wachs	Debbie Brown	Julie Clark
Ushers	Bob Lenzendorf David Hanson	Roger Kittleson	Steve & Donna Frederic	Roger Kittleson Rick Brandon	Karl & Shari Patzer	Roger Kittleson
Coffee Hour	Donuts		Donuts	Donuts	Donuts	Potluck
Counters	Gloria Lundquist Rose Haney		Gloria Lundquist Deb Brown	Sharon Hughes Jan Peterson	Sharon Hughes Jean Schnick	Debbie Brown Jeannette Gehrke

TRIVIAL ANSWERS

1. The son of Zarephath's daughter (1 Kgs 17:21)
2. The son of Shelomith (Lev 24:10-11)
3. Eleazar (2 Sam 23:10)
4. Seed, land, and blessing (Gen 12:1-3; 15:5-7; 17:2-8)
5. Athaliah (2 Chron 22:10)
6. Anna (Luke 2:36)
7. Heaven (Rev 12:9)