

LENT at Mt Pleasant Lutheran Church



A Journey of Stones

Ash Wednesday, February 14

Service of Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes ~ 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

“Written in Stone” Exodus 32:1-24

Midweek Lenten Worship Services

Wednesdays: February 21, 28,
March 7, 14, 21

February 21 ~ *“Rejected Stones”*

Psalm 118, Mark 12:1-2

February 28 ~ *“Sticks and Stones” John 8:1-12*

March 7 ~ *“Hearts of Stone” Luke 11:37-52*

March 14 ~ *“Upon This Rock”*

Matthew 16:13-20

March 21 ~ *“Crying Stones” Luke 19:29-40*

Maundy Thursday, March 29

11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Service of Holy Communion

“Stones to Bread” Matthew 4:1-11

Good Friday, March 30

1:00 and 6:30 p.m.

One-hour service remembering our Lord’s Passion

“The Final Stone” Matthew 27:60

Easter Sunday, April 1

7 a.m. ~ Easter Sunrise Service of Holy Communion

9:15 and 11 a.m. ~

Easter Festival Services of Holy Communion

“He’s Alive!” John 20:1-18

Lenten Potlucks

Wednesdays: February 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21
at 5:30 p.m.

Potluck suppers will precede each of the evening Lenten services. The main dish will be provided by the church, and you can provide the rest (salad, rolls, casserole, dessert, etc.). Plates, bowls, silver-ware, and beverages will be provided. No time to cook? You can always grab a dish from the deli to share!

For Children! During the Lenten potluck meals we will have a special craft for children to work on, once they have finished their meal. We hope you’ll join us!



Lenten Offerings

This year’s Lenten Midweek Offerings will go to Lutherdale Bible Camp. Lutherdale is a special place that has a huge impact on kids of all ages! So many kids from MPLC have grown in their faith because of Lutherdale. Many returning year after year! Let’s help keep this important ministry going with our prayers and financial support!

Please note: If your family would prefer a coin folder for Lenten offerings, pick one up at the table in the narthex.

Easter Breakfast

Sunday, April 1, 8—9 a.m.

Enjoy a delicious Easter breakfast in Fellowship Hall. There will be a yummy breakfast "main dish" along with Curt’s Fresh Roasted Coffee, fruit, milk and juice. A freewill donation will be received, to support our 7th Grade Confirmation Campers. Please sign up on the pillar in the narthex.



Lent Event

Friday, March 9,
5:30 p.m.

This year’s Lent Event will be on Friday, March 9. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. followed by crafts and a scavenger hunt. This event is for families with children 3 years old – 5th grade. Take a look at the sample crafts in the narthex. Join us! Please sign up on the pillar in the narthex.

Easter Egg Hunt

On Palm Sunday, March 25, we will celebrate the season with an Easter Egg hunt for children in Little Lambs through 3rd grade. It will be held on the church lawn, immediately after the 11 a.m. worship service, and should conclude by 12:30 p.m. Sign up on the pillar in the narthex if you plan to bring your child/ren.



HOLY WEEK

A Journey of Stones

A message from Pastor Bill Mains

There are 392 references to stones in the Bible, from the stones with the Ten Commandments written on them to the stones used for altars in praise of God to the stone rolled across the entrance of Jesus' tomb.

A Journey of Stones is our mid-week Lenten journey. Like the stones of the Bible, the stones will lead us on a journey of celebration, of contemplation, of personal reflection, of knowing our need for God's mercies, and ultimately to a joyous invitation to be free, to be alive in Christ.

Along the way, we will confess our faith, weep with sorrow, and tell the truth about ourselves.

Each Wednesday, as we enter the sanctuary, we will be met by a container filled with stones, and a sign which reads: **Take a stone into worship with you.** As each sermon unfolds, the stones we hold become symbolic of the sins of our lives. As each sermon ends, we will come together around the cross and lay our stones – our sins – down at the foot of the cross... and leave in wonder at the grace of our God.

The Blessing of the Palms
Saturday, March 24, 5 p.m.
Service of Holy Communion
Sunday, March 25, 8:30 and 11 a.m.
Services of Holy Communion



Maundy Thursday, March 29
11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
Service of Holy Communion

Maundy Thursday is the end of the Lenten penitential season. On this day, you will be given the opportunity to receive individual absolution/forgiveness of sin.



Good Friday, March 30

1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
One-hour service remembering our Lord's Passion.



Easter Day, April 1

7 a.m. ~ Easter Sunrise Service
of Holy Communion
8 a.m. - Easter Breakfast
9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. ~
Easter Festival Services of Holy Communion



Note: there will be no Saturday worship service on March 31.

The stone the builders rejected
has become the chief
cornerstone.



Psalm 118:22



Lenten Calendar 2018

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