



Weekly Announcements February 29 & March 1, 2020

A warm welcome to all! We're glad you are here. Visitors, please see the visitor information card in the pew rack, or feel free to complete a connection card and drop it in the offering plate.

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Blessed to Welcome, Worship and Serve

Regular Worship Times with Holy Communion

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

In the Narthex Today...

- **SCRIP is OPEN**—come see us at the curved welcome desk!
- **Sign up for...** Nametag replacement, Coffee Fellowship Host
- Visit the Open Table bulletin board to see how to get involved!
- **Online Sign Ups...** (just go to spaceshipchurch.org/quick-links)

Church Office Hours

Regular church office hours are: **Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. to NOON.** Appointments can always be made for other times by calling the office or the pastors.



The March Newsletter is now available! It's in your narthex mailbox if you receive a paper copy. To view it online go to our website—<https://spaceshipchurch.org> and click on NEWS!

Altar Flowers



The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Dave and Kurri Cecchini in celebration of grandson Vincent Cecchini's 10th birthday on March 5.



Lutherdale Capital Campaign Noisy Offering- THANK YOU!

On February 22 and 23 during worship services, we were able to raise \$1,265.00 for the next phase of Lutherdale Bible Camp's Capital Campaign! Thank you to everyone who donated! Your generosity will help Lutherdale finish the new lodge, making the dining hall handicap accessible and update the Watson Retreat Center! A special thank you to Carla Kovacs, Ian Bischoff and Sam Zuelke for sharing Mission Moments about what Lutherdale means to them and how these additions and renovations to the camp will help everyone to enjoy this wonderful place of faith, fun and community! If you would still like to contribute, you can do so online at this link: <https://www.lutherdale.org/capital-campaign/donate-2/>



Easter Flower Order Forms Available

We will be decorating our sanctuary for Easter, with a variety of beautiful blooming spring plants. If you'd like to order a flower/s in honor, in memory, or as a gift, order forms are available today at the top of the ramps. The cost per plant is \$15. All orders and payments are due by March 22. Thank you.

Use Common Sense

We are reminding everyone to bring valuables and car keys with them into the sanctuary instead of leaving them in coat pockets in the entryway (narthex). Another church has reported someone going through coat pockets to find keys and stealing vehicles. We don't have enough volunteers to keep a constant eye on all areas of the church. Please use common sense and take care! *MPLC Safety and Security Team*

Next Week...

Racine ELCA Cluster Community Meal at Living Faith Lutheran Church—March 8

YOUR HELP is needed to volunteer to donate food, and/or to prepare food for community meals at Living Faith Church. **Our NEXT MEAL is March 8.** Living Faith Lutheran serves a meal each Sunday evening, with a different area church helping out each week. Donations of food can be left in our church kitchen by 2:30 p.m. (please make sure you mark them for Living Faith), or hot dishes can be dropped off at Living Faith (2915 Wright Avenue.), at 4:00 p.m. Servers should arrive at 4:00 p.m. **Please sign up online**, find the link here: <https://spaceshipchurch.org/quick-links>

If you'd like to find out more about how you can share the light and love of Jesus through service to others in this mission, shoot me (Chip Lutz) an email at chip@unconventionalleader.com .



Next Meal is March 29

We served 99 guests at last week's Open Table! Thanks to all who had a part in yet another successful meal. Links to sign ups for the March meal are now available on our website. There's also grocery slips posted on the bulletin board in the narthex; with items needed for our March meal.

You can also volunteer your time or donate food for a meal—we **especially need helpers to work at the meal from 6—7 p.m. for clean up duty.** Or, you can help stock our pantry shelves through our Amazon Wish List. These are non-food items that are essential to a successful meal each month. It's easy! Just place an order online from the wish list and have it shipped directly to church!

Visit our Open Table bulletin board in the narthex for more information. Links to the Open Table Amazon wish list and the Open Table March sign ups can be found on our website (<https://spaceshipchurch.org>) click on **"QUICK LINKS"** in the menu bar. **Log on to see how YOU can help!** Thank you!



Coffee Fellowship Time

Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

All are welcome to join us on Sunday mornings for coffee, treats and fellowship immediately following the 8:30 a.m. worship service. Today's roast is **Papua New Guinea Baroida Estate** - A sweet Earth-toned coffee with a herbal honey sweetness, accents of basil and a sandalwood aroma.

Join us for a cup! Fellowship Hall is located down two ramp levels from the sanctuary—just follow the crowd!

Sunday Morning Adult Ed

Sundays at 10 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

Adult Education Speakers Forum gathers Sunday mornings in Fellowship Hall after Coffee Fellowship (10 AM to 10:40 AM), featuring a variety of topics and leaders. For the Sundays in Lent, starting March 1, Pastor Beth Ann will lead "Making Sense of the Cross", a study by Dr. David Lose, an ELCA pastor, author, and former professor at Luther Seminary. Join us for this study about unpacking what the cross really means for us.

- March 1: "A Man Hanging on a Tree"
- March 8: Portraits and Perspectives
- March 15: Ransom and Victory
- March 22: Substitution, Satisfaction and Sacrifice
- March 29: Example and Encouragement
- April 5: Event and Experience

If you missed out on the January/February series, "The Gift of Planning Ahead", check out the links from our speakers on this webpage: <https://spaceshipchurch.org/adult-ed-links/>

- **Sunday Church School** takes place on Sunday mornings from 9:45—10:45 a.m., for 3 yr. old – High School. All are welcome to join at any time. The education wing is located on the lowest level of the church—3 ramp levels down from the sanctuary.
- **Little Lambs takes place each Sunday at 10 a.m.** Little Lambs is a special class for children under three years old, and their parent/s. It takes place in the library (in the education wing), from 10—10:40 a.m. on Sundays. There's a story, snack and crafts—great fun for kids and parents! No need to register—just come!



Project Night *and* Day Friday, March 13 and Saturday, March 14

Come to work on any project (scrapbooking, stamping, painting, stitching, organizing) in Fellowship Hall on **Friday, March 13** at 6:30 p.m. Then, come back for project day on **Saturday the 14th at 9 a.m.** There is plenty of space and lots of tables to work on. Come join this great group for fun and fellowship!

Afternoon Ladies' Social

The Afternoon Ladies Social will meet next on **Wednesday, March 18** at 1 p.m. in fellowship Hall. We will be doing some Irish Trivia and enjoying an Irish themed dessert. All ladies are welcome. Any questions contact Sue Hess at 886-1430 or suehess1@wi.rr.com

Middle Schoolers—Save the Date!

MPLC Middle School Night at Helium Trampoline Park in New Berlin
Friday, March 20, 6:00-9:45 p.m. Complete details are in the March newsletter, or here: <https://spaceshipchurch.org/quick-links>



Game Night at MPLC! Friday, March 27

The MPLC Welcoming Committee will host another game night for adults! We'll meet next on Friday, March 27 at 7 p.m. in fellowship hall. Bring your favorite board game, card game, etc. We'll provide lemonade and water. Soda machine available our bring your own beverage, and bring a snack to share. Join us for fun and fellowship! Sign up online so we know how many to expect. Find the sign up link here: <https://spaceshipchurch.org/quick-links>

High School Event at Carthage College Sunday, April 5, 4-7 p.m.

High school students are invited to Carthage College for activities with their student staff, dinner and a panel discussion led by some of the students, on the topic of faith in college. There is no cost for this event. See Pastor Krista with questions. Please sign up by March 29. <https://spaceshipchurch.org/quick-links>



A Look at LENT

Lenten Midweek Services and Meals March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1

Join us on Wednesday for a delicious meal in fellowship hall starting at 5:30 pm, and featuring a taco bar. A freewill offering will be collected for the meal. Bring a dessert to share if you wish. Worship will begin at 6:30 pm, with Pastor Beth Ann Stone officiating. (Each midweek service will feature a different pastor from other local ELCA congregations).

MPLC will NOT host a mid-day service this year, but you are invited by our neighbors to attend the Noontime service and soup lunch at Lutheran Church of the Resurrection (322 Ohio St) or the 10 AM service at Living Faith Lutheran Church (2915 Wright Ave), each featuring the same speakers as our evening services.

Join Our Lenten Men's Bible Study Breakfasts— Saturdays in March!

How does Moses make his coffee? HEBREWS it! And....that's what we'll be doing too! Talking about Hebrews! We'll also eat some breakfast, drink some coffee, and share terrible Dad jokes. Don't miss out on this opportunity to delve deeper into God's word and in relationship with others in our Christian family! We'll meet March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 4, from 8—9 a.m. Please sign up so we know how many to expect. Find the sign up link here: <https://spaceshipchurch.org/quick-links>. Have questions? Contact Chip Lutz at 262-960-2034 or chip@unconventionalleader.com.

Lenten Devotionals Available

Again this year, we have made available some beautiful Lenten devotional booklets for you to enjoy during your Lenten journey. Titled “Wondrous Love”, the booklet includes beautiful color photography alongside each daily devotion. Pick up your copy while they last, at the top of the sanctuary ramps, or at the Welcome Desk in the narthex. A limited quantity of large print devotionals are available. Contact Becky in the church office if your are interested, at 262-634-6704.

Easter Egg Hunt - Save the Date!

Sunday, April 5 at Noon on the church lawn

For children in Little Lambs—Third Grade. We are looking for donations of small individually wrapped candies and little trinkets (Pencils, Fun Erasers, Temporary Tattoos, etc.) for our annual Easter Egg hunt. Please drop off your donation items in the bin in the narthex.

FOOT CARE CLINIC

at the
Hospitality
Center

donations
needed



Maundy Thursday, April 9

Mount Pleasant Lutheran, First Presbyterian, Covenant Presbyterian and St Luke's Episcopal churches have been planning a Foot Care Clinic for Maundy Thursday at the Hospitality Center. We're asking for donations to make kits for all participants.

Here's what we need: New Socks (any kind—especially men's socks), small bottles of foot powder, toe nail clippers, foot warmers (hand warmers), bars of anti-bacterial soap, small bottles of lotion. Look for the donation bin in the narthex. Thank you!

Crafters and Quilters

The crafters will meet next on Thursday, March 5 at 9 a.m. in Mygatts Corner. The quilters will meet next on Thursday, March 12 at 9:00 a.m. in fellowship hall.

Food Bank News and Needs

For the next two weeks, the food pantry at Holy Communion Lutheran Church is asking for the following items:


March 8 - egg noodles, tuna


March 15 - macaroni & cheese, tomato soup

Central Racine County Health Department has assembled a suicide prevention work group in an effort to address suicide in our community. In studying a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report, they found a proven strategy for suicide prevention is to promote and disperse existing crisis hotlines. The MPLC Care Team is asking for your help by making sure this information gets to those who need it the most.

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IN CRISIS?

 **TEXT** "HOPELINE" to 741741

 **CALL** 262-638-6741
or 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

 **VISIT** suicidepreventionlifeline.org

What's Happening the Week of March 1

Sunday	8:30 a.m. Holy Communion
	9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
	9:45 a.m. Education Hour
	10:00 a.m. Adult Ed / Little Lambs
	10:00 a.m. Acolyte Training 3rd Graders
	11:00 a.m. Holy Communion
Tuesday	4:00 p.m. Open Table
	6:30 p.m. Bell Choir
Wednesday	5:30 p.m. Lenten Meal
	6:30 p.m. Lenten Worship
	7:15 p.m. Senior Choir
Thursday	9:00 a.m. Crafters
Saturday	8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study Breakfast
	5:00 p.m. Holy Communion

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