

The Epistle

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Worship: Saturdays at 5 p.m.

Sundays at 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Christian Education Hour:

Sundays from 9:30-10:15 a.m.

We preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, administer the sacraments and provide Christian education in service to all people.

Rev. Mark A. Nebel, Senior Pastor

Rev. Brian Nowak, Associate Pastor

Mrs. Lindsey Hudak, Director of Parish Music

Mr. Justin Palm, Principal

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From Lutheran Church Charities "Conquering Selfishness"

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves.

Philippians 2:3

The Apostle Paul writes, 'Consider others more important than yourselves. Care about them as much as you care about yourselves and think the same way that Christ Jesus thought'. That kind of thinking goes against our natural instincts, but Jesus showed us how to do it. Hanging on the cross, He took time for the condemned criminal hanging next to Him (Luke 23:39-43).

As he was being stoned, Stephen prayed for those who were killing him, asking God not to lay the sin to their charge (Acts 7:60). Beaten and wrongly imprisoned, Paul and Silas took time to minister to their jailer. Even after God sent a powerful earthquake that broke their chains and opened their prison doors, they stayed for the sole purpose of ministering to their captor. How tempting it must have been to escape while the opportunity was there. How easy it would have been to look out for themselves and not worry about anybody else. But their act of love moved the jailer to ask how he might be saved,

and as a result, he and his entire family came to know Jesus (Acts 16:25-34).

In a world whose philosophy is 'look out for number one', selfishness is a natural instinct you will need God's help to overcome every day. But when you do so, people will take notice. You will never win over others by being just like them. Here is the question you need to answer: how many of your friends and loved ones may come to know Jesus if you demonstrate that you genuinely love them instead of ignoring, judging, and rejecting them? Go ahead – try it! 'Consider others more important than [yourself].'

PRAYER- Heavenly Father, help me think about others instead of myself. Teach me the humility that You showed others in the life Your Son Jesus lived among us. In His Name, Amen

Your Pastors' Ponderings

The above devotion came with a quote from Christian writer and Oxford professor C.S. Lewis (*The Chronicles of Narnia* author), "Humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of yourself less." Is that the way we live our lives or are we guided by the natural principle of "What's in it for me?"

During this Lenten season many people talk about "giving up something for Lent." The practice arises from a desire to deny ourselves something we enjoy as a way to remember the suffering of Jesus for us. But like many practices that have a proper beginning, this one also often turns us in upon ourselves. We pat ourselves on the back and take pride in the "sacrifice" we are making.

During Lent we should add a practice or two to our lives, like daily devotions using a devotional booklet or online app available to us. We also can add Christian worship to our week as midweek services are provided to us here at St. John's. Instead of denying ourselves something that we might put into our mouths for our bodies, how about filling ourselves with God's Word into our eyes and ears for the nourishment of our spirits.

Your servant in Christ, Pastor Mark Nebel

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Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

We have arrived at the Lenten season. In last month's newsletter, I invited you to use this Lenten season to consider doing something different. Make a change for the better in your life. Make a God-pleasing difference.

Maybe you have not shown true Christian kindness or love to another person or people. Maybe you have been ignoring those that have been put before you that are in need. Maybe you have not been to church in a while.

Whatever your something different might be, try to remain committed to it over these next forty days of Lent. Allow it to become a priority towards making a change in your life. Use this as a way of giving back some of the time the Lord has given to you. Hold yourself accountable for doing whatever it is that you decide that you want to be changed in your life.

Consider using the gifts that the Lord has blessed you with to serve others. It's only forty days. Maybe it's time to open our eyes and start seeing what is going on around us. What is happening in and to our world? Start seeing the things that the Lord is placing in front of us. Start seeing the many ways the Lord is working in our lives. Start listening and doing what the Lord has and is calling us to do.

Now is a great time to start. Lent is a solemn religious observance in the liturgical calendar which commemorates the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the desert and enduring temptation by Satan. What a more perfect time to start something different! Doing something different as a way of saying thank you to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and all He has done and continues to do for us. Just think ... it's only forty days! However, the change you do in these next forty days may just be that thing that makes an impact on someone else's life.

If there is anything I can do to help, please feel free to contact me. Please feel free to join us for our Wednesday Lenten services.

God's Blessings to you all,

Pastor Brian Nowak, Associate Pastor

2023 Parent-Teacher League Dinner Auction

The 13th annual PTL Dinner Auction, "March Madness," will be held on Saturday, March 18 at Hecker Community Center. Doors open and Silent Auction begins at 5 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. The Live Auction begins at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$35 until March 8 and \$40 thereafter. Make you check payable to St. John's Lutheran PTL.

The committee has worked very hard to solicit support and gather items for this auction. Your donations and/or reservation forms can be dropped off in the school office at any time. For more information, please contact Erin Krick at 618/615-3821 or erin.krick@gmail.com. Thank you in advance for your support of this fundraiser!

Welcome to Our Family of Faith

February 4 Baptism of Wrenley James Grohmann

February 6 Transfer in of Natalie (Ruebke) Liefer from St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Steeleville, Illinois

February 26 Baptism of Brooks Neal Liefer

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February 3 Death of Fred Buch

February 6 Transfer out of Glen and Barb Muench to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Waterloo, Illinois

February 6 Transfer out of Lacy (Deterding) Evancich and daughter Charlotte to Trinity Lutheran Church in Paw Paw, Michigan

Midweek Bible Classes

Our midweek Bible classes are Wednesday Morning (9:30 a.m.) Women (Colossians); Wednesday 7:30 p.m. (1st Chronicles) and Thursday 7:15 a.m. (Matthew). The Wednesday evening class is on break until April 12.

Men's Bible Breakfast will meet on the first and third Saturdays (4th and 18th) this month at 7 a.m. We are studying the Old Testament book of Proverbs, "God's Ancient Wisdom for Our Modern Living."

March Servers

Flowers: Anna and Amelia Guebert

Paraments: Irma Birkner Cloths: Joan Ruwald

From the Principal's Pen

February has been a weather rollercoast ride with temperatures ranging from seven to seventy degrees. Having the cold extremes and some weather related to them has caused us to have two days off of school due to weather. We have no control of the weather and so we will make the most of it by staying safe and warm. However, this has pushed our last day of school back to a likely May 22, this is, if we have no more days off.

Several highlights for the month included the Language Arts Festival on February 13 and Valentine's Day on the 14th. Our Open House with Pre-School & Kindergarten Registration took place on the 15th. Thank you to all who joined us for a free soup dinner with desserts in the classrooms. The Jump Rope for Heart Challenge was on February 17. Our boys' basketball team finished seventh out of twenty-two teams at the Christ Lutheran Peoria tournament that weekend. Ash Wednesday was February 22. This began the season of

Lent. Congratulations to all involved and thanks for supporting school activities!

March will be busy as always. We will have our boys' basketball team compete in the LSA tournament in Chicago. This year our boys have earned the fourth seed in the tournament. This is another school record set by this team. A group that is comprised of eight 8th graders lead the team in a verse of "Jesus Loves Me" before every game. We wish them well and thank them for being good examples on and off the basketball court.



8th grade Night for Girls' Volleyball. From left to right: Kendall Crafton (Val and Chad); Annika Herriman (Ashley and Kyle); Milla (Neff (Jeff); Addie Rahn (Angie and Bryon); Eve Schwartzkopf (Jill and Ben); Olivia Valleroy (Ryan and Stephanie); Julie and Jenna Whelan (Karen and Dwayne).

Girls' volleyball is in full swing. Our A, B, and C teams are competing in many tournaments. They have each finished second in at least one of their competitions. The third quarter ends on March 10 with report cards going home on the 17th. Our annual PTL Dinner Auction is in person on March 18 at the Hecker Community Club. It will be good to celebrate our school and families during this "March Madness" themed auction.

Several students will represent our school at the Science fair at SIU Carbondale on March 22. Our annual musical will take place on March 24 in person with performances at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Please join us. The last week of March the students will take achievement tests. Then as a reward to the kids for all their hard work and the parents for all their support our PTL has agreed to help us host a Christian Concert by Arizon both during the school day and in the evening. We hope to use this as an opportunity to invite local schools to attend during the day and invite the community to the evening performance.

Finally, we welcome another member to our St. John's family. Our Cougar mascot made its debut appearance in Prairie du Rocher at our girls' volleyball game. It will travel to Chicago for the LSA basketball tournament on March 3-5. Our cougar mascot soon will be named by students and staff.

Hopefully, I will see you at one of the many activities that are planned. *God's blessings to all, Mr. Justin Palm*



Our new mascot is "Cougar-ageous"!

Sunday School and Bible Classes

Our international mission project this year is Bible Books for Families in Ukraine through Lutheran Heritage Foundation. LHF has been translating and printing a variety of Bible storybooks and the Small Catechism for families in Ukraine. Only \$5 provides a Ukrainian family with a Bible storybook, Small Catechism, or other Bible resource in their language!

Just as Martin Luther translated the Holy Bible into the German language for more people to read it, so now your \$5 will help Lutheran Heritage Foundation translate Luther's *Small Catechism* and Bible storybooks into the Ukrainian language for children and youth to read. Many Lutheran children have lost their belongings and are now refugees due to the war of this past year. There also are tens of thousands of unchurched refugee children who could receive these books.

To support this project, please include these people in your prayers. Place your financial gift in an envelope marked "Books for Ukraine" and put it into an offering plate at church or mail it to our office. Thank you!

Sunday School Perfect Attendance for February

Nursery: Clarke Thien, Demi Grohmann, Ben Langrehr; Kindergarten: Jettson Grohmann, Carter Mehring; 1st Grade: Natalie Bowles, Ellie Stellhorn; 2nd Grade: Liam Langrehr, Amelia Langrehr; 4th Grade: Aiden Arbeiter, Lauren Mehring; 6th Grade: Carson Bowles; 8th Grade: Emily Bowles. Thank you for your participation in and your dedication to our Sunday School ministry!

From Your Director of Christian Education

The season of Lent is upon us. My favorite Lenten hymn is *Lamb of God, Pure and Holy* (LSB 434). "Lamb of God, pure and holy, who on the cross didst suffer, Ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer. All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o'er us: Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!" Thanks be to God through His son Jesus that He does have mercy on us!

The Senior Youth have agreed to help serve the Lenten meals, clean up after, and provide the desserts continuing throughout the Lenten season. The menu for March 1 is spaghetti, garlic bread, garden salad, and desserts. March 8 the menu will be pulled pork, Nebel beans, chips and Mrs. Steele's butter pecan and Mr. Becker's vanilla homemade ice creams. March 15 we will have taco meat, variety of sides, shells, rice, refried beans, and desserts. March 22 the menu will include chicken pot pie, crescent rolls, applesauce, and desserts. March 29 we will have ham, potato casserole, Heavenly carrots, and desserts. All donations are gladly accepted for the Senior Youth.

There are many activities this month at school from the boys' basketball team traveling to Chicago for the State Lutheran Tournament March 3-5, the school's Dinner Auction at Hecker on March 18. The actors from grade eight have been working on learning their lines for the school's annual spring musical, *Sermon on the Mound*. Please join us for either the 10 a.m. performance or the 7 p.m. performance on Friday, March 24. I would like to thank Mrs. Stephanie Valleroy for stepping up as the director for this! I will be stepping back from this role after directing the past nine years with the help of many talented students. My family will attend Bryce's school's Dinner Auction in Mattoon, Illinois on Saturday, March 25. Achievement testing will be the week of March 27-31. The Public Examination/Questioning Service for our 8th grade confirmands will be Thursday, March 30 at 7 p.m. We will end March with an exciting concert from Arison with area Lutheran schools during the day and an evening performance. *God's blessings, DCE Bill Becker*

High School Bible Class- Mr. Becker's Classroom

Sundays from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.

Life Line Screening on April 27

Life Line Screenings will take place on Thursday, April 27 in our Fellowship Hall. These screenings can discover risks for chronic vascular conditions. You can register for one or all four screenings (\$149) by calling 1-800-640-6307 or visit LLSA.SOCIAL/HC. Results will be sent to you and any physician you choose within 21 days.

Senior Youth

We will meet on Sunday, March 12 at noon in our church basement hangout. Our Senior Youth is selling greeting cards (all occasions) for \$1. Cards are on display in the Fellowship Hall. We are using an honor system for payment. A money box is next to the card display. We also have full boxes of greeting cards for sale. They cost \$30 for 30 cards and a lovely storage box.

Stephanie & Kirk Liefer



God's love for us in Red Bud was on display on Valentine's Day with His rainbow over our school.

"I have set My bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between Me and the earth." (Genesis 9:15)

Evening Guild News

We invite all women for a LWML Prayer Service on **Tuesday, March 21, at 7:00 p.m.** in the sanctuary of St. John's. Following this service there will be refreshments in the Fellowship Hall hosted by Judy Guebert, Chairman, Linda Guebert, Mary Gross, and Tina Heinemann. Mites will be collected during our business meeting.

SID LWML Spring Retreat is Saturday, March 4, at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Carbondale. The day-long retreat will be conducted by the district YWRs. The cost of \$20 includes a meal catered by 17th Street BBQ. Register ASAP using a registration form from www.sidlwml.org

Quilting schedule for March is Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon in the quilting room.

Baldwin Sight Center: Volunteer your time to help make large print books at the Baldwin Center on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of March (9th and 23rd). Call Mary Ann Wegener (618-282-2839) or come to the church parking lot at 1 p.m.

LWML Scholarships: SID LWML offers scholarships to students going into full-time church work (pastors, teachers, deaconess, DCE). Applications on the website at www.sidlwml.org must be submitted by March 15, 2023.

Junior Youth

Our Junior Youth will gather on Sunday, March 26 from 1-2 p.m. in our school's cafeteria in order to prepare eggs for the April 1 Easter Egg Hunt. Please bring 24 plastic eggs and a bag of candy with you.

Men's Club

St. John's Men's Club will gather Thursday, March 9, 7 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Refreshments provided!

Financial Need For Medical Treatment

St. John's member and Red Bud High School senior Ashlynn Crafton is battling leukemia. We can provide some financial assistance for her treatments at her GoFundMe account <https://gofund.me/3579ba87> or at an account set up with Buena Vista National Bank Account #272745. Thanks for helping her during this trying time.

Music CDs Available

St. John's member Joan Voges offers music CDs from her Lilyfields Collection to us for a donation to our school's ministry. All of her Lilyfield CDs are available on the table in the Fellowship Hall for a \$10 donation to our school ministry.

Former St. John's member Bryan Perdue has made his latest CD of music, "Freely Given, Freely Received," available for us to purchase. The \$10 will be used for our congregation's Debt Reduction. They are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Worship Greeters

Sat. March 4 5 p.m. Ron and Diane Kunkelmann
Sun. March 5 8 a.m. Clyde and Kathy Rowold
10:30 a.m. Jim and Judy Guebert

Sat. March 11 5 p.m. Virginia and Mark Moeller
Sun. March 12 8 a.m. Loren Harms and Lisa Quinn
10:30 a.m. Gerald and Jill Hanebutt

Sat. March 18 5 p.m. Ron and Diane Kunkelmann
Sun. March 19 8 a.m. Roger and Peggy Hanebutt
10:30 a.m. Ken and Karen Wetzel

Sat. March 25 5 p.m. Virginia and Mark Moeller
Sun. March 26 8 a.m. Kalin and Kathy Liefer
10:30 a.m. Ron and Donna Burgdorf

Sat. April 1 5 p.m. Ron and Diane Kunkelmann
Sun. April 2 8 a.m. Cindy Steele and Olivia Schmitz
10:30 a.m. Jim and Judy Guebert

We need two people or one couple to serve as greeters for the Sunday late service!

Acolyte Schedule

Wed. March 1 8:30 a.m. Carson Moll
7:00 p.m. Peighton Cox

Sat. March 4 5 p.m. Addie Rahn
Sun. March 5 8 a.m. Brynlee Liefer
10:30 a.m. Hollis Wolfmeier

Wed. March 8 8:30 a.m. Brooke Wolter
7:00 p.m. Emily Bowles

Sat. March 11 5 p.m. Annika Herriman
Sun. March 12 8 a.m. Tessa Stenzel
10:30 a.m. Norah Wagner

Wed. March 15 8:30 a.m. Olivia Candler
7 p.m. Mckennah Harless

Sat. March 18 5 p.m. Liam Quintin
Sun. March 19 8 a.m. Maya Macbeth
10:30 a.m. Kade Liefer

Wed. March 22 8:30 a.m. Liam Kilpatrick
7 p.m. Wiley Minemann

Sat. March 25 5 p.m. Blayton Sutton
Sun. March 26 8 a.m. Jackson Pensoneau
10:30 a.m. Kadence Koen

Wed. March 29 8:30 a.m. Ella Cowell
7 p.m. Jacob Liefer

If you are not able to serve when scheduled, please switch with another acolyte and contact our office with the change. Thanks!

Custodial Assistance Needed

A part-time paid position is available in our church custodian rotation for about 8-12 hours every two weeks. We need someone for Saturday evening service ONLY and/or Sunday morning services. Training is provided. This involves the opening and closing of the building for worship, lighting, setting temperatures, ringing the bell, and light cleaning. See Bart Miller, Ken Langrehr or Pastor.

Our school seeks a maintenance/janitorial aid or substitute to work with our two custodians on days when school is not in session for larger projects as well as day-to-day cleaning and also to work as-needed when the other custodians are on vacation. Please inquire by calling the school office or stopping by Monday thru Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. We look forward to working with you!

Musical Opportunities

Calling all students, youth, and adults who sing/play an instrument! I am looking for anyone who is interested in using your gifts of music to enhance our weekend worship services by providing pre-service music before the worship services begin. I welcome everyone, from beginner to advanced! If you would like to play/sing in a different part of the service, that can be arranged also. If you are interested, please let me know!

Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

LCMS Foundation

Ministry leaders often appreciate unrestricted gifts to their organizations that allow leaders to apply the dollars to the current pressing needs when received. A danger of such unrestricted gifts is that they can become generic in our minds, and we don't imagine what the benefit will be some day, robbing God's intended response of joy from giving ("God loves a cheerful giver"). However, predicting future needs can be tricky.

Three sisters taught Sunday School for all their adult lives. They loved children and appreciated the chance to share Jesus with them. Their estate plans all included gifts to support the Sunday School. But today, that same congregation is planted in a community where only 1.5% of the people are below the age of 18. How difficult it is for that congregation to use substantial gifts for supporting Sunday School when there are no children.

Gifts can be earmarked for certain ministry projects. Yet it is always a good idea to include language that gives ministry ability to redirect dollars if the planned need no longer exists in the future. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you think about the language that makes the most sense for your favorite ministry. Contact Scott Radden for more information at 618-977-4049 or at scott.radden@LFND.org.

Website Bible Studies

Bible studies topics under the Media tab of our website www.stjohnsredbud.org are Amen, Angels, Antichrist, Apostles, Apostolic Preaching of the Resurrection, The Resurrection in Revelation, Baptism Q & A, Church & Homosexuality, Communications Skills, Cremation, Christian Citizenship, End of the World, Discussing Homosexuality, Fear or Faith? Terror or Trust? Worldly Worry or Christian Living, God's Will in the Lives of His People, Haggai, Having the Right Attitude, Heaven, The Justice of God, Justification and Sanctification, Islam, Live By the Spirit, Malachi, Meditation, Philemon, Purses, Was Jesus a Vegetarian?, and Word Dwellers.

LCMS Stewardship Newsletter

Lenten Discipline: Denying the Self

We are at the beginning of Lent. During the Lenten season, the church calls to our attention the sufficiency of what God gives. It points to the sufficiency of God's grace in the atoning work of Jesus. It shows us the sufficiency of faith in Jesus' work for us. It makes known the sufficiency of God's Word in faith and life.

But Lent doesn't just remind us of the sufficiency of God's spiritual gifts — the gifts that pertain to our redemption and salvation. Lent also reminds us of the sufficiency of the physical, temporal gifts of God which pertain to this body and life. In other words, it reminds us of the importance of godly contentment and of outward discipline & training of the body. Outward training of the body teaches us not to give in to every desire of our flesh, but to learn to say no to them. And it does this in such a way that if you fail, it is no sin. It is a way to practice without putting yourself into a compromising situation.

Fasting is a good example of this outward training. When you fast, you are practicing saying no to the desires of your body. But if you fail in this, if you break your fast, you have not sinned. But you have learned something about how your flesh works, how difficult it is to fight against it, and how you need help from above to discipline the desires of your body.

Another example is almsgiving. An increase in giving to the church and its mission during Lent is also a form of outward training. We all know that our flesh finds security in money and stuff. By committing to give more to the church, you are training your flesh. You are, by this outward discipline, training yourself to be content with what God gives. You are practicing saying "no" to your desires. Again, if you fail, you have not sinned. But you've learned just how powerful your flesh is — it leads you instead of you leading it. You've learned how you need help from God in being content with what He gives.

This is why St. Paul instructs young Pastor Timothy in this way: But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs. (1st Timothy 6:6-10)

Our sufficiency is not of ourselves; it is in God. Let us learn this without sin by training our flesh during Lent.

March Church and School Calendar

Wednesday, March 1-

8:30 a.m. Midweek Lenten Service in the church
9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
3:00 p.m. Office Staff meeting
3:30 p.m. Grades 6-8 Public School Confirmation at school
5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Service in the church

Thursday, March 2-

7:15 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Matthew)
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony
6:00 p.m. Girls' Volleyball at Red Bud Catholic

Friday, March 3- Boys' basketball at Lutheran State in Chicago

8:30 a.m. Lower grades School Chapel in the new gym

Saturday, March 4- Boys' Basketball state games in Chicago

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Breakfast in Fellowship Hall (Proverbs)
5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

SUNDAY, March 5-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Youth and Adult Bible Classes
10:30 a.m. Divine Service

Monday, March 6- No School! Casimir Pulaski Day

7:00 p.m. Board of Elders meeting in the Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school's music room

Tuesday, March 7- Volleyball OVC tourney at Chester

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Circuit Pastors' Conference in Campbell Hill

Wednesday, March 8-

8:30 a.m. Midweek Lenten Service at church
9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
3:00 p.m. Office Staff meeting
3:30 p.m. Grades 6-8 Public School Confirmation at school
5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Service at church

Thursday, March 9-

7:15 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Matthew)
1:00 p.m. Sight Ministries Center in Baldwin
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony
7:00 p.m. Men's Club gathering in the Fellowship Hall

Friday, March 10- End of Third Quarter

8:30 a.m. Lower Grades Chapel Service in the new gym
Saturday, March 11- Volleyball C Team tourney at St. Mary's
5:00 p.m. Divine Service

SUNDAY, March 12- Daylight Savings Time Change

8:00 a.m. Divine Service
9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Youth and Adult Bible Classes
10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
Noon Senior Youth gathering in their church basement hangout
6:00 p.m. Mother-Daughter Volleyball at school

Monday, March 13-

4:30 p.m. Girls' Volleyball at Smithton
7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school's music room

Tuesday, March 14-

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Holy Communion Service at Red Bud Care Center

Wednesday, March 15-

8:30 a.m. Midweek Lenten Service at church
9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
3:00 p.m. Office Staff meeting
3:30 p.m. Grades 6-8 Public School Confirmation at school
5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Service at church

Thursday, March 16-

7:15 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Matthew)
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony

Friday, March 17- Report cards go home!

8:30 a.m. Lower Grades School Chapel in the new gym

Saturday, March 18-

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Breakfast in Fellowship Hall (Proverbs)
5:00 p.m. PTL Dinner Auction at Hecker opens (6 p.m. meal)
5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

SUNDAY, March 19-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Adult and Youth Bible Classes and Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Divine Service (Alternative)

Monday, March 20-

7:00 p.m. Church Council meeting in the school library
7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school music room

Tuesday, March 21-

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Evening Guild Prayer Service in the church sanctuary

Wednesday, March 22- Science Fair at Carbondale; Book Fair

8:30 a.m. Midweek Lenten Service at church
9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
3:00 p.m. Office Staff meeting

3:30 p.m. Grades 6-8 Public School Confirmation at school
5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Service at church

Thursday, March 23- Book Fair

7:15 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Matthew)
1:00 p.m. Sight Ministries Center in Baldwin
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony

Friday, March 24-

10:00 a.m. School Musical in the old gym
11:20 a.m. Early dismissal; 12:30 p.m. Faculty meeting
7:00 p.m. School Musical in the old gym

Saturday, March 25- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service

SUNDAY, March 26-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service
9:30 a.m. Adult/Youth Bible classes and Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
1:00 p.m. Junior Youth stuff eggs for Easter Egg Hunt
4-6 p.m. 8th grade confirmation Retreat at church (pizza)

Monday, March 27-

6:30 p.m. Sunday School teachers meeting in the library
7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school music room

Tuesday, March 28-

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
1:30 p.m. Holy Communion Service at Garden Place

Wednesday, March 29-

8:30 a.m. Midweek Lenten Service at church
9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
3:00 p.m. Office Staff meeting
3:30 p.m. Grades 6-8 Public School Confirmation at school
5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Service at church

Thursday, March 30-

7:15 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Matthew)
5:30 p.m. Confirmation pictures begin in church
7:00 p.m. Confirmation Questioning/Examination Service

Friday, March 31-

8:30 a.m. Lower Grades Chapel service in the new gym
12:45 p.m. AriSon school concert; 7 p.m. AriSon public concert

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