

the Messenger



February 25, 2024

2nd Sunday in Lent



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Lenten Midweek Prayer Circle

Wednesdays during Lent

Feb 28, March 6, 13, 20 • 12Noon • the Café

Pastor Brandi will introduce various types of prayer and how to make prayer a part of daily spiritual practice. Each session will include guided prayer time, personal prayer requests, and practical prayer tools.



"Come As You Are" Dinner Church

Saturday, March 2 • 6:00pm • Fellowship Hall

Come as you are for a family-style taco dinner, engaging conversation and interactive worship with Holy Communion. All ages are welcome. Childcare will be provided.

Come As You Are



[RSVP HERE](#) by February 29, visit the [SignUp Hub](#) or call the office. An *RSVP* is helpful for food planning but is not required to attend. Gluten-free, vegetarian, and non-spicy options will be offered.

Questions? Contact **Robin Pecuch** or **Sandy Anthony**.



Holy Week Worship

- **Palm Sunday, March 24:** 8:45am and 11:00am
- **Maundy Thursday, March 28:** 7:30pm
- **Good Friday, March 29:** 12:00noon and 7:30pm
- **Easter Sunday, March 31:** 8:45am and 11:00am (NO Sunday School on Easter Sunday)

Throughout Lent, the on-loan" materials on the *Ministry Resource Table* correspond to the Adult Faith & Life (AF&L) emphasis on the *Priesthood of All Believers*. Pastor Brandi and members of the AF&L planning team have contributed books that have been particularly significant in their faith formation and spiritual lives. **Members of the congregation are invited and encouraged to add their own inspirational books and/or peruse the collection and borrow what looks interesting.** Write your name inside any book(s) you contribute so they can be returned to you. **Welcome!**



"The Priesthood of All Believers"

Down & Out: Where Grace Takes You

Sundays through March 24

10:00am • Fellowship Hall

A video series for Lent on the life-changing reality of God's promises, and how to live as part of the priesthood of all believers.



Ways you can SERVE

Usher, Reader, Altar Guild, Acolyte, Communion Assistant, Basket Bearer

There are many opportunities for adults and youth to assist during worship services. Any of these roles are wonderful opportunities to engage in service, meet new people, and deepen your own worship experience.

[FEBRUARY SIGNUP](#), [MARCH/APRIL SIGNUP](#), or visit the [SignUp Hub](#) to choose weeks and roles convenient for you.

LAST WEEK! February Highlighted Collection

Grocery Store Gift Cards

Our collection benefits *Manor Food Bank*, serving families identified by the *Pennsbury School District* as having food insecurities. Gift cards for \$20 or less from **Acme**, **Aldi**, **Giant**, **Walmart** or **ShopRite** are preferred.



Please do NOT leave donated cards in the **Lobby of Love** ♥.

1. Place in offering plate before or after worship
2. Drop at church office (M – F, 9am – 2pm)
3. Mail to the church: 791 Newtown Yardley Road, Newtown, PA 18940

Donations due **February 29**. **Questions?** Amy Carr.

Scripture Readings
for March 3

Exodus 20:1-17
Commandments given at Sinai

1 Corinthians 1:18-25
Christ crucified, God's wisdom

John 2:13-22
Cleansing of the temple



Gals' Book Club
 Thursday, February 29
 7:00pm • the Lounge
 "Our Missing Hearts" by Celeste Ng



Men's Bible Study
 March 4 and 18
 7:00pm • the Lounge
 "The Gospel of Mark"

HOPE Supporting Those in Need

God's Love delivers bagged lunches every Tuesday to the *Reach Out Center* in Pennel. Please consider donating an item for these meals.

[SIGNUP FOR MARCH](#), or visit the **SignUp Hub** to choose when and what to donate. **NOTE:** If you choose to donate sandwiches, you are welcome to use bologna from the main kitchen freezer. Each package is enough to make 25 sandwiches. Donations due in the **Lobby of Love** ♥ **Tuesdays by 10:30am.**

Questions? Sandy Anthony.



Red Cross Blood Drive
 Friday, March 1
 12:00 NOON – 5:00pm
 Fellowship Hall

Our first blood drive of 2024 is upon us. **PLEASE NOTE** the time change. Appointments at redcrossblood.org

Women's Bible Study
 Tuesdays • 6:30pm • the Lounge

Women of all ages are invited to gather weekly for this emerging small group ministry. The group uses devotional materials to spark questions, conversation, and prayer. **Welcome! Questions? Contact Elizabeth Karagrigoriou.**



God's Caring Stitchers • Fridays, March 1 and 22
 1:00pm • Room A1/A2

We are working on items for our blanket blessing in March. All our items go to local charitable organizations. We meet twice a month and we enjoy camaraderie and laughter while we stitch. All are welcome and we are happy to teach those new to the craft! **Questions? Contact Cindy Sundstrom.**



2024 Altar Flower Dedications

The Altar Flowers can be dedicated on any Sunday in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a special occasion. The *requested donation* is **\$50** per dedication; payable to *Lutheran Church of God's Love*. [CLICK HERE](#) or visit the **SignUp Hub** to select a week(s).

Grapevine of Friends Luncheon

Friday, March 8 • 11:30am • Fellowship Hall

Open to anyone looking for small group fellowship and connection.

RSVP to the church office by March 4.



A Lenten Journey

On February 18, **18 children** and **8 adults** experienced the Lenten Journey by making crafts reflective of the season.

One activity was to make friendship bracelets for *Fostering Love*, a Bucks County organization that supports children in foster care.



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