

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR PAT

During the month of March we will be on our Lenten journey. Let me share a Lenten Reflection on Discipleship I dearly love from one of the early greats of Christendom:

Caesarius of Arles (470-542) served as a bishop for forty years, in Gaul. The good bishop has over 250 surviving sermons in his corpus. His sermons reveal him as a pastor dedicated to the formation of the clergy and lay alike. He preached on Christian beliefs, values and practices emphasizing the discipleship of the Christian as well as the love of God, reading the scriptures, and love for one's neighbor.

He writes these words in his Lenten Instruction:

Let it not be enough for you that you hear the divine lessons in church, but read them yourselves at home or look for others to read them and willingly listen to them when they do. Although through the mercy of God you frequently and devoutly hear the divine lessons throughout the entire year, still during these days we ought to rest from the winds and the sea of this world by taking refuge, as it were, in the haven of Lent and in the quiet of silence to receive the divine lessons in the receptacle of our heart. Devoting ourselves to God out of love for eternal life, during these days let us with all solicitude strive to repair and compose in the little ship of our soul

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whatever throughout the year has been broken, or destroyed, or damaged, or ruined by many storms, that is, by the waves of sins.

During these holy days of Lent if you cannot cut off the occupations of this world, at least strive to curtail them in part. By fleeing from this world, through an expedient loss and a most glorious gain you may take away from earthly occupations a few hours in which you can devote yourselves to God.

Blessings on your journey of discipleship this Lent.

Pastor Pat



Caesarius of Arles



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! Children of all ages are welcome to join the Youth Group on Saturday, April 8th at 1pm for the Easter Egg Hunt! Please use the sign-up sheet on the Welcome Desk in the Narthex to let us know you are coming. The congregation is also asked to donate individually wrapped candies that can be used to stuff the eggs. A candy collection box will be in the Narthex through Sunday, March 26th. Your support is greatly appreciated!



LENT began on Ash Wednesday, February 22. Please consider signing up to prepare a meal. Your committee, your group, your family, or a group of friends can provide a meal.

Some meal ideas are pizza, soup & sandwiches, potato bar, chili, tacos, spaghetti casserole, hot dogs, etc. A sign-up sheet is located at the Welcome Center.



K4 - 5TH GRADE meet each Sunday for Sunday School at 9am. **Teachers are needed!** If you would like to impact children's lives, contact Lisa Rister 803-351-5889. We just completed a spiritual milestone, The Lord's Prayer. The

next spiritual milestone is First Communion.



NURSERY is again open and located downstairs during the 10am worship service. Volunteers are needed. If you would like to help call the church office at 345-2000.



THERE IS A NEED for altar flowers for 2023. A sign-up chart is located outside the Narthex on the bulletin board in the hall under the bench. The cost is \$52 if you would like the church office to order for you. If not, you can order from a florist of your choosing.

If you do order through the office, drop your payment in the offering plate and call the office at 345-2000 to let us know what you would like in the bulletin. If the Altar flowers are not taken by the person giving them that Sunday they are split up and given to shut-ins.



CONFIRMATION CLASS is for all in 6th-8th grades. Pastor Pat leads the group each Sunday morning in Room 203 during the Sunday School hour at 9:00am. We are studying the New Testament during the 2022-2023 school year.



HELP THE WITNESS TEAM update Mt. Horeb's website and social media accounts by emailing any recent church gathering photos to Cameron Prince at shortcn1@gmail.com.

Please be aware that if you submit a photo, it may be displayed online.



CARD MINISTRY – HANDMADE CARDS Pick up a handmade card today from the card rack in the Fellowship Hall! \$3 donation and \$5 for two cards. All donations support local, regional and global missions!



UPDATE YOUR 2023 DIRECTORY

Dottie Ellett's phone number is 803-518-2437.

Vie Wilmot's address is Pruitt Health, 830 Laurens St. NW, Aiken, SC 29801.

Bob Irwin's address is Colonial Gardens, Room 30, 3565 Sunset Blvd, West Columbia, SC 29169.



DEAR CHURCH FAMILY, My family and I want to thank you for the many acts of kindness during my son's, Timmy, long illness and death. A special thanks to Pastor Pat. God Bless, Lois Bundrick and family



GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT During our Lenten journey we are reminded that the love of our God never fails. We are encountered by the depth of that love in our Lord's passion. We respond with our gifts time treasure, and talent.

Your generosity in offerings (through PayPal, Tithe.ly, or the offering plate at the entrance) makes an enormous difference.

Thank you for your joyful and generous support.

LENTEN FELLOWSHIP CHALLENGE is back! This year's challenge is 2,000 pounds (a ton) of goods - detergent, paper products, canned goods, staples, hygiene - for We Care. We will collect from Ash Wed, Feb. 22, through Easter Sunday, April 9. There is a new twist this year...a fun competition, side against side, pulpit side vs lectern side. Bring your donations up front, and keep them on your side! May the "best side" win, and remember **We Care is the Big Winner!!**



LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE On Feb. 24, Russian forces invaded Ukraine, launching land, sea and air attacks. Russia has launched air strikes across the country, including on the capital of Kyiv and other major cities. Millions of people fleeing the violence of Russia's war against Ukraine are moving toward Ukraine's western districts and such neighboring countries as Poland, Moldova, Slovakia, Romania and Hungary. There are major humanitarian concerns for both internally displaced people and refugees. Many of these Ukrainians fleeing their homes need shelter and such basic necessities as food, water and toiletries. Care for people also includes pastoral and psychological support to address the trauma they've endured.

Lutheran Disaster Response is accompanying our companions in Ukraine, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Moldova, Lithuania and the Czech Republic, as well as such ecumenical partners as this Lutheran World Federation and Church World Service, in their humanitarian responses to the crisis created by Russia's war against Ukraine. These partners provide refugees with immediate support and supplies such as food, blankets, water and hygiene kits.

Please pray for those in Ukraine, Russia and neighboring countries that have been affected by the war in Ukraine. May God's healing presence give them peace and hope in their time of need.

Your gifts designated for "Eastern Europe Crisis Response" will be used entirely (100%) to provide support for people impacted by conflict in the region. Make your check out to Lutheran Disaster Response and send to: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, ELCA Gifts Processing Center, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009. Write "Eastern Europe Crisis Response" or "Where needed most" on your check's memo line. Forms are on the Welcome Center.



LUTHERAN MEN meet March 13, 6:30pm.



DRIVERS NEEDED If you can help drive members to doctor appointments, then we need you! Call the church office @ 345-2000 if you can help a fellow member.



AN INTEREST MEETING for Leisure Timers will be held Tuesday, March 7 at 10am in the Fellowship Hall. All interested in getting this group started again please attend.



March Preschool News

Spring is Here...

We thank you Lord, for trees that bud, flowers that bloom and warm and sunny weather.

We thank you Lord, for the love You give and that we are together!

For the month of March, we will be studying: Weather, Spring, St. Patrick's Day, and Farm Life.

We are still taking enrollment for 2023/24

If you, or someone you know, is interested in our preschool program, you can download the enrollment forms from our website – www.mthoreb.net/preschool or pick up an enrollment form from the Preschool/church office.

Peace,

Miss Peggy





Highlights of the Congregation Council meeting February 19, 2023

The council met on Sunday, February 19 and took action on or discussed the following items:

- ⇒ The 2023 Congregational Council Retreat that was held on Sunday, January 22 in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Pat conducted the retreat on “Church Size and Its Implications”. (Adapted from Episcopal Church Foundation) We discussed how remembering the basics of Church Size Theory during our time of transition can help us see our own situation anew.
- ⇒ The Congregational Vitality Survey (CVS): The survey was offered online the week of January 16 and in-person at the January 22 worship service. The paper surveys were hand delivered by Pastor Pat to the Synod office on Monday, January 23. Results of the survey are expected in about 4 weeks and will be shared with the congregation by the Bishop Aberisher and Pastor Rick Carter, Assistant to the Bishop.
- ⇒ Pastor and Ministry Team Reports were received and discussed.

ON GOING PRAYERS FOR:

- +Vie Wilmot
- +Miller Lindler
- +Jim Johnston
- +Nancy Hess
- +Nancy Crogen
- +Charlie Shealy
- +Margaret Greene
- +Carolyn Bishop
- +Henri Bishop
- +Jane Ramsey
- +Aubrey Metts
- +Pauline Wodtke
- +Dick Webber
- +Sharon Shealy
- +Brady Amick
- +Gertice Rister
- +George Wessinger
- +Taylor Ann Fiber
- +Steve Cartin
- +Audrey Fulmer
- +Bob Irwin
- +Phyllis Barton



ALSO PRAYING FOR:

- +Family of Ron Stockman on his death

PRAYING FOR FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

- + Melissa Smith, sister of Dean Smith
- + Ronnie Chapman, nephew of Rosemary Frick
- + Marie Fulmer, niece of Loretta Griffin & family
- + Amelia Kinard, sister of Billy Griffin
- + Jeanne Thompson, sister of Susan Addy
- + Sue Carver, friend of Joanne Hill
- + Tyler Grubbs, friend of Lillie Free
- + David Owens, friend of Tommy Hill
- + Lorraine Revels, daughter of friend of JoAnne Hill
- + Al Zaback, cousin of Jerry & Vicky Shealy
- + Sally Thompson, sister-in-law of Susan Addy

- + Diane Nichol, friend of Susan Addy
- + Evren Ray, great-niece of Susan Addy
- + Chris & Eddie Shealy, sons of Gene & Ann B. Shealy
- + Tommy Ward, friend of Jim Pope
- + William Eckley, cousin of Vicky Shealy
- + Payton Dominick, great-nephew of Glenda Lindler
- + Tyler Richardson, son-in-law of Pastor Dick & Jeannie Webber
- + Landon Derrick, Wes Hill's classmate & friend
- + Jimmy and Liane Talbert, uncle and aunt of Mattie Smith
- + Richard Gregerson, son of Vie Wilmot
- + Jason, great nephew of Vie Wilmot
- + Farris Gregerson, daughter-in-law of Vie Wilmot
- + Heidi Smith, wife of Lew Smith
- + Derald Edwards
- + Bill Plump, friend of Bill Stockdell
- + Tom Naughton, father of Michael Naughton
- + Tyler Shepke, friend of Roger Lindler and Michael Naughton
- + All those serving in the military





BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Bailey Gowans
Sandi Mesimer
- 2 Mary Nell Metts
- 3 Ken Heintz
Rachel Wessinger
- 4 Brady Amick
Cathy Rodgers
- 6 Abigail Bundrick
- 8 Wyatt Jordan
- 10 Cathryn Lindler
Lynette Shealy
Jennifer Smith
- 11 Chip Jordan
- 13 Robbie Koon DeFreese
Tim Schmidt
- 14 Don Comalander
- 15 Skip Barrett
Helen Comalander
- 16 Glen Wessinger
- 17 Tom Griffin
Vie Wilmot
- 18 Evelyn Griggs
Bailey Wessinger
- 19 Joe L. Lassiter
- 20 Wanda Burleson
Furman Miller

- 21 Sarah C. Todd
Nancy Bollibon
- 22 Leland Teal
- 24 Evelyn Shealy
- 25 Kate Soderlund
Ashley Williams
- 26 Dottie Ellett
Elias Morgan
- 29 Nancy Buntyn
Gerri Heintz
- 31 Joe Davis

ANNIVERSARIES

- 6 Michael & Tammy Hatchell - 24
- 12 Steve & Lisa Smith - 35
- 15 Craig & Nancy Hess – 63
- 22 George & Nancy Bollibon - 20
- 29 Brian & Jennifer Rister – 15
Jerry & Vicky Shealy – 20

If you do not see your birthday or anniversary (or if our info is incorrect), please contact the church office. Thank you.

MARCH 2023 CALENDAR

Wed Mar 1	10:00	Fiber Friends
	11:00	Dorcas Circle
	11:00	Lenten Service
	7:00	Lenten Service
Sun Mar 5 (purple)	9:00	Fellowship/LEARN
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
	11:15	Worship Team
Mon Mar 6	12:00	Chapin Chirpers
Tue Mar 7	10:00	Leisure Timer Mtg
	6:30	DF Choral
Wed Mar 8	10:00	Fiber Friends
	11:00	Lenten Service
	7:00	Lenten Service
Thu Mar 9	7:00	Finance

Sun Mar 19 (purple)	9:00	Fellowship/LEARN
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
Mon Mar 20	12:00	Chapin Chirpers
Tue Mar 21	6:00	LutheReaders
	6:30	DF Choral
Wed Mar 22	10:00	Fiber Friends
	11:00	Lenten Service
	7:00	Lenten Service

Sun Mar 12 (purple)	9:00	Fellowship/LEARN
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
	11:15	Council
Mon Mar 13	12:00	Chapin Chirpers
	6:30	LMM
Tue Mar 14	6:30	DF Choral
	6:30	Jr. Women's
Wed Mar 15	10:00	Fiber Friends
	11:00	Lenten Service
	7:00	Lenten Service
Thu Mar 16	6:30	Agape

Sun Mar 26 (Purple)	9:00	Fellowship/LEARN
	10:00	Livestream with Holy Communion
Mon Mar 27	12:00	Chapin Chirpers
Tues Mar 28	6:30	DF Choral
Wed Mar 29	10:00	Fiber Friends
	11:00	Lenten Service
	7:00	Lenten Service

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UPCOMING LCY EVENTS

March's Youth Calendar at a glance:

-- Sun., March 12, 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be making a Spring craft for our friends at Generations, as well as preparing for the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt (April 8). Taco/Potato Bar will be served!

--Sun., March 26, meet at Generations at 4:00 p.m. to deliver gifts and bring some Spring cheer! We will return to the church fellowship hall for pizza and a movie!

- All 6th-12th graders are invited and welcome to attend!!
- Check your e-mail for more details and reminders.
- All youth and families, if you are not on the email list for youth news, please send current contact info to Stephanie Stoudemayer: sjz85@sc.rr.com.

We hope to see you soon!!



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