

Community

Presbyterian Church

of

Lac du Flambeau

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To: All the members, associates and friends of the Community Presbyterian Church in Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin.

GREETINGS!

We are rapidly moving along here in 2021 with some modest improvement, but still with a long way to go. We are all, I am sure, anxious to get back to a more normal schedule (whatever that may be) but we have learned much from our experience over this past year. If nothing else - - patience. Seriously though, we have improved our technical skills, we have found alternatives to the way we were used to doing things. People have stepped up to help and most everyone has been very considerate. I both commend you and thank you. Without your assistance we would not have made it this far.

The weather has been rather unusual recently. We had a very long "cold" spell and I believe the forecasters indicated a record for low, i.e. below zero temperatures. There have been colder "days" but not for such a long period. We are coming out of it somewhat and it is very beautiful, the snow-filled trees and fields, crispness of the air, and even a significant amount of clear skies and sunshine. Difficult as it may be, the Northwoods is still a magnificent place to be.

We are still working on budgets for the year and reviewing how we managed this past year. We did have to draw on some reserve funds, because our income depreciated for a variety of reasons; e.g. the Attic did not open this past year and we lost their generous donation, ordinary pledges were less, and so it goes. But we are working on it. In the next week or so you will be receiving a letter detailing our finances and a pledge card. We have only received a few pledges thus far, and so I ask that you look it over and send it back. We are sending the pledge cards to those who

already have envelope numbers, but have not picked them up. We need these numbers to do our planning. So, I ask, please help us out.

On any given Sunday, we will have about 7-15 people attending in person. Most of them have taken part in the liturgy and that has been a pleasant development. If you would really like to attend in person, I believe we can accommodate more individuals, since the church seats about 130-140, there would be ample room to keep our distance, keep separated, and, of course, wear our masks. If you are interested, call the church and let me know. We will see what can be done. Technology is great, but doesn't quite compare with personal attendance. Seeing friends in the pew is heartwarming. Nevertheless, we must be very careful - - as the CDC has been saying - - even after receiving our shot(s). Despite the fact that we cannot yet return to our normal service in fuller capacity, we are not thereby precluded from sharing our deep Christian faith of loving others. There are many avenues through which we may clearly demonstrate our other-centered love. And as the lovely little sign on my desk says: "And the final answer is "love." If we step up and not only believe, that we can make a real difference in ourselves, our communities, our nation and the world and actually do it, we will have made a great contribution. And if we tire in the process, others will be there to strengthen and love us. We are all in this together, with Jesus of Nazareth doing the good, loving mercy and walking humbly and lovingly with our God.

As always,

Pax et Caritas,

Bill Anderson

SESSION NOTES from 2021

No notes submitted

There will be no Session Meetings during February and March. The next meeting will be in April.

SPECIAL DATES for MARCH 2021

World Day of Prayer	March 5
Daylight Savings Begins	March 14
St. Patrick's Day	March 17
First Day of Spring	March 20
Holy Week	March 28 – April 4
Palm/Passion Sunday	March 28

MARCH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Pam Fraboni	March 3
Bill Strength	March 6
Nancy DiCristina	March 12
Owen Karlmann	March 15
Dennis Robertson	March 25

Anniversaries

No Known Anniversaries this Month

MARCH 2021 SCRIPTURE READINGS SCRIPTURE READINGS

MARCH 7, 2021

3rd Sunday in Lent

Communion Sunday

Ex. 10: 1-17; Ps. 19; 1 Cor. 1: 18-25;

John 2: 13-22

MARCH 14, 2021

4th Sunday in Lent

Num. 21: 4-9; Ps. 107: 1-3, 17-22;

Eph. 2: 1-10; John 3: 14-21

MARCH 21, 2021

5th Sunday in Lent

Jer. 31: 31-34; Ps. 51: 1-12 or Ps. 119: 9-16

Heb. 5: 5-10; John 12: 20-33

MARCH 28, 2021

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

(Holy Week Begins)

Palms: Mark 11: 1-11 or John 12: 2-16 and

Ps. 118: 1-2, 19-29;

Passion: Isa. 50: 4-9a and Ps. 31: 9-16;

Phil. 2: 5-11; Mark 4: 1-15 or Mark 15: 1-39 (40-47)

These readings are suggested by the Presbyterian Planning Calendar and may be changed depending on the topic of the sermon.

Laud & Honor on Palm Sunday

The Palm Sunday anthem "All Glory Laud and Honor" is one of Christendom's oldest hymns. St. Theodulf of Orleans, who helped reform the church under Charlemagne, wrote the lyrics in the year 820 while imprisoned in France.

The lyrics recount Jesus' triumphal entry in Jerusalem, an event the medieval church reenacted every Palm Sunday. Clergy and townspeople processed from fields through the city gates, behind a Jesus figure riding a donkey. At the gates, children began singing the hymn in Latin – *Gloria, laus et honor* – and onlookers soon chimed in.

City gates may be a thing of the past, as the website Hymnary.org notes, yet we still praise our blessed Redeemer "because we know just what kind of King He was and is – an everlasting King who reigns not just in Jerusalem but over the entire earth. What more could we do but praise Him with glory, laud and honor."

All glory, laud and honor to You, Redeemer King,
To Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas
ring.

You are the King of Israel and David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming,
The King and Blessed One.

A Breath of Fresh Prayer

Norwegian theologian Ole Hallesby described prayer as simply letting God into our lives. God "knocks," he said, "not only in the midst of your daily work, your daily struggles, your daily grind...when you need Him most."

Prayer, added Hallesby, is as essential to life as air. "As impossible as it is for us to take a breath in the morning large enough to last us until noon, so impossible is it to pray in the morning is such a way as to last us until noon," he said. "Let your prayers ascend to [God] constantly audibly or silently, as circumstances throughout the day permit."

(Taken from Newsletternewsletter.com)

As people of God and servants of our Lord Jesus Christ, we believe our Mission to be the building of a strong fellowship, ministering to the Spiritual and physical needs of the church, the community, and the world fulfilling our Lord's command to "Love our neighbors".



Located behind the Community church of Boulder Junction
On County Highway K West

2021 SCHEDULE AND ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

- The Pantry is open Thursdays - See schedule below
(If the scheduled pantry day is a holiday, the pantry will not be open)
- The waiting room is open 15 minutes before the Pantry opens
- You may come to the pantry once ever two weeks

MARCH:			APRIL		
THURSDAY	4th	3:30 - 5:00pm	THURSDAY	1st	3:30 - 5:00pm
THURSDAY	11th	10:00 - 11:30am	THURSDAY	8th	10:00 - 11:30am
THURSDAY	18th	3:30 - 5:00pm	THURSDAY	15th	3:30 - 5:00pm
THURSDAY	25th	10:00 - 11:30am	THURSDAY	22nd	10:00 - 11:30am
			THURSDAY	29th	3:30 - 5:00pm

A simple form must be signed
 Proof of your physical street address & photo I.D., are required on each visit
 Names are keep confidential
 There is **NO SMOKING** on any part of the Church or Pantry property

Maximum Income For Receipt Of TEFAP Commodities:

Household size	Monthly Income	Household size	Monthly income
1	\$1,670.00	6	\$4,553.00
2	\$2,247.00	7	\$5,130.00
3	\$2,823.00	8	\$5,706.00
4	\$3,400.00	9	\$6,283.00
5	\$3,976.00	10	\$6,860.00

For Each Additional Household Member Over 10 People, Add \$577.00 Monthly

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I am in the Church office on Friday mornings after 10AM
 for those who would like to pick up their envelopes and pledge
 cards or have any other business. Thank you.
 Mary Jane

Just a piece of information that would have been put (and is) on the table
in the fellowship hall.