

# Montrose Messenger

Newsletter for Montrose United Methodist Church

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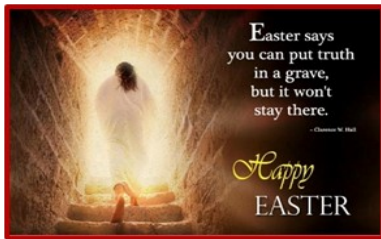


# Alleluia

## CHRIST IS RISEN!

## Pastor's Column

***Easter says you can put truth in a grave, but it won't stay there.***



Easter is only a couple weeks away now! We have gone through the change of Daylight Savings Time, the snowbanks are melting quicker than I ever thought possible, and I suppose spring flooding looms on the horizon for many folks in Minnesota and beyond. (Sometimes too close to home.)

We have entered the season of Spring, and along with the promise of new life, we experience some growing pains as well. The way we put it in the church is this: in order to get to Easter, you have to go through Good Friday.

Jesus' community was expecting a Messiah. A Messiah that would make everything better. They expected someone who would drive out the Roman occupation. A Messiah that would restore Israel to its former glory in the days of King David and King Solomon. Instead, the Messiah came as one who experienced the same things in daily life as the rest of the community did. However, one thing that set him apart was that he lived life with the assurance of Eternity.

In order to offer others this eternal hope He did two things. First, he lived a life of sacrifice, and second, he invited and challenged others to do the same. He reminded people that we have a part to play in our own salvation. As was stated later in the scripture, "...work out your own salvation, in fear and trembling." Philippians 2:12. Well, Jesus is here to help us do just that. It can be a challenge, but with Christ, all things are possible.

WORK OUT YOUR OWN SALVATION WITH FEAR AND TREMBLING. PHILIPPIANS 2:12

Here are a few items Jesus mentioned in his teachings, that the world could use some practice on today: Love your enemies and pray for those that persecute you. Forgive, not seven times, but seventy-seven times – If a Roman soldier hits you on the left cheek, offer him the right one.



To get to Easter, we need to go through Good Friday. It is not easy, but know that Christ walks beside us, and leads us through the difficult times in life. Trust in Christ, and know that the Lord is your Shepherd. Christ loves you as you are but loves you too much to leave you that way. May the peace of Christ be with you all.

To better prepare yourself for worship each week, I have included in this newsletter a list of the biblical passages that the weekly sermons will be based upon. Please meditate on these, and let the scriptures speak to you.

May God's Kingdom come, on earth as it is in heaven!

*Pastor Paul*

Pastor Paul D. Baker  
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### Sunday, May 22nd

**This will be a big day in the life of our church and a day to celebrate every stage of our children's lives!**

**We hope you will come celebrate with us!**

- ◆ The Baptism of *Hazel Rose Marquette*
- ◆ Sunday School Awards
- ◆ Confirmation Worship Service

### April Worship Theme

**Sunday, April 3, 2022**  
**GUEST SPEAKER ~ TOD OVALL**  
**"Jump!"**  
Scriptures: Luke 10:25-28 and John 10:7-10



**Sunday, April 10, 2022**  
**HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY**  
**PALM SUNDAY**

**"Aging, Illness, Dying, and Fear of the Lord"**

Scripture: Luke 19:28-40  
Chancel Choir sings

**Thursday, April 14, 2022**  
**MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE**  
**Montrose UMC**

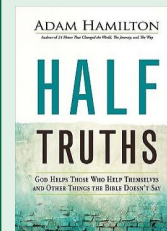
**7:30 pm**  
Scripture: John 13:1-17  
Chancel Choir sings

**Friday, April 15, 2022**  
**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**  
**Annandale UMC**

**7:30 pm**  
Scripture: John 18:1-19; 42

**Sunday, April 17th**  
**EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
**~ A light breakfast will be served ~**  
**at Fellowship**

**9:30 am to 10:15 am**  
**"We Are Witnesses!"**  
Scripture: John 20:1-18  
Handbell & Chancel Choirs perform



**Half Truths: God Helps Those Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible Doesn't Say.**

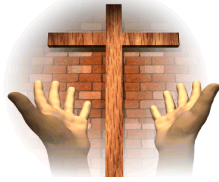
Book by  
Adam Hamilton

**Sunday, April 24th**  
**"Everything Happens for a Reason"**  
Scriptures: Deuteronomy 30:19-20a  
Luke 13:1-5 and Matthew 5:43-45

## PRAYER PAGE

### *Grieving with Families...*

† **The Shirley Styrbicky family.** Shirley is Mildred Klarstrom's sister. Shirley was placed in hospice care March 15th, and passed away March 19th at age 77.



### *Our Friends at Home...*

Gloria Adickes  
John Hylland



### *Lifting in Our Prayers...*

**Bonnie Ashbaugh's dad**, having surgery to fix his tracheotomy so he can breath better. He's nervous because last year's hospital stay lasted 4 months.

*UPDATE:* He is home and healing well!

**David G.**, having surgery March 8th. *UPDATE:*

David moved to transitional care March 28th to continue recovery and build his strength.

**Don Danford**, recovering from artery surgery on his leg- with additional surgeries to follow.

**UKRAINE**, the people fleeing the war-torn country and neighboring countries taking in/helping all the refugees.

**United Methodist Church Globally**, as churches have made decision to split.

**Those impacted by tornadoes and the families who lost loved ones in Iowa March 7th.**

**Pat & Leah Custer**, former neighbors of Carol Hoppe's, lost their house, all belongings and pets in a house fire March 12th.

**Keith Prestidge**, having a medical procedure March 20th for an infection in his toe/foot. After surgery for infection, doctors determined it was not healing well and based on recommendation the decision was made to amputate Keith's left leg below the knee.

*UPDATE:* Keith is home and will receive home health care. Prayers for the hurdles and challenges ahead.

**Linda Prestidge**, had a bad fall and went to ER, luckily nothing broken.

**Joel Folkestad**, a veteran, having a lot of anxiety over invasion of Ukraine.

**Jean Kuhn**, at Yuma, AZ hospital being treated for a pancreatic mass. *UPDATE:* Jim & Jean's daughter Lisa, a nurse, went to AZ to transport Jean home to MN and help care for her.

**Jen Sanchez Family** *UPDATE:* they moved back into their house after late February. Julissa is doing well, but continues to have some long-term complications post-Covid that are being managed.

**Barb, a friend of Ricki Malerich's**, had surgery on her big toe, which got infected afterwards and had to be amputated.

**Bonnie Ashbaugh** *UPDATE:* back surgery didn't do what is was supposed to do, plus have some nerve damage to midback. Waiting for 3 month check-up. **Bonnie's Mom** had eye surgery on both eyes and other than two black eyes is healing well!

**Bonnie Ashbaugh's son-in-law's Dad**, diagnosed with cancer which is in his bloodstream. He'll begin auto-immune pills but was given 4-6 months to live.

### *Blessings and Celebrations*

Choir will begin rehearsals again March 9th!

Kelsey & Erik Marquette welcome a Baby Girl,

Hazel Rose Marquette, on March 16th!

Jane Gessinger, starting a new job end of March!

MUMC Lunch & Game Day fun on March 20th!

FE+ED's March 26th drop a success!

Annandale High School Boys win first-ever State Class AA Basketball Championship!



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**SUNDAY,  
MAY 1ST  
After Worship  
Service  
(11:45)**



## A CELEBRATION OF THE MORTGAGE BEING PAID-OFF!

**We'll have a ceremonial worship service followed by lunch! Invitation coming soon with an RSVP to return to the church.**

**We certainly hope you will join us!**

## We're Collecting Canned Goods through Sunday April 10th for the Waverly Food Shelf

**March is Food Share Month!**

**The Waverly Food Shelf is collecting CANNED FOOD ITEMS THROUGH APRIL 10TH**

**They are also accepting monetary donations, which you can go to [www.wccaweb.com](http://www.wccaweb.com)**

**And click on "Food Shelf Donation" button.**

**The Food Bank will MATCH Dollar-for-Dollar those donations!**

### *Blessings and Celebrations - continued*

**Belle Johnson**, trip to ER for side pain nothing serious!

**George, friend of the Malerich's**, celebrating his 100th Birthday!

**Meri Ault**, enjoying a trip to Oklahoma to visit her cousin!

**Jacque & Roger Vanderlinde**, going to Michigan to visit the grandkids and family!

**Pastor Paul & Debbie Baker**, taking a vacation to celebrate their 20th wedding anniversary!



**We celebrate the many special Birthdays in March!**

**The Montrose United Women in Faith  
“Hannah Circle”**

**Meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7 pm**

**~ Next Meeting ~  
Monday, April 18th**

On March 7th an announcement was made introducing the NEW United Methodist Women; *United Woman in Faith!* We have a brochure on the table in the narthex with information or you can go to Facebook or the new website to learn more: <https://uwfaith.org>

Come and find out more about the new direction the UWF is taking to make a difference in the lives of Women and Children across the globe and here in Minnesota!

Join us for an up-coming gathering. Please contact us at: [montrosemnumw@gmail.com](mailto:montrosemnumw@gmail.com) with any questions. We'd love for you to join us or provide comments/suggestions on what you'd like to see the UMW group do!



United  
Women  
in Faith

**We believe  
love in action  
can change  
the world.**

**FREE**


**MONTROSE COMMUNITY DINNERS**

**Happening the 3rd Thursdays of the Month!  
MONTROSE COMMUNITY CENTER  
From 5 pm to 7 pm**

Community Dinners will offer a fun night for everyone and includes dinner, make-and-take crafts, games and story time for the Kids!


Meals sponsored by Grace Place Collaborative and Local Family Donations.

**Save The Dates For “THANKFUL THURSDAYS”**

 **Thursday, April 21st  
Breakfast for Dinner**

 **Thursday, May 19th  
Plate Tacos**

 **Thursday, June 16th  
Hotdishes sponsored by Montrose UMC**

 **Thursday, July 21st  
Asian Night**

**Ask us how to become a  
Community Meal Sponsor!**

**RSVP by Texting  
YES and number  
of guests  
attending to  
612.803.0946**

**FE+ED UPDATE**



A very wet day, but our volunteers handled the weather quite well with the help of some canopies. The food drops continue to go very well, and the conveyor helps make unloading the truck go so much faster. We can always use more boxes, the size of banana boxes works best.

April is volunteer thank you month and our FE+ED volunteers make everything possible each and every month! We cannot do it without you! We can always use more volunteers. It's a short time commitment with big bonuses of working with others and helping so many families have enough to eat.

**WE LOVE  
OUR VOLUNTEERS**

**Note:** Don Danford has retired as Treasurer for FE+ED. We thank Don for his many years of dedication and service! Angie Ferrell has accepted the Treasurer position. Please join us in welcoming Angie to FE+ED!

**Our community contributed a lot of extras:**

- \* 100 pounds of bread from WCCA Food Shelf
- \* Chicken from Buffalo Food Shelf
- \* Deli Sandwiches STMA

**March Statistics:**

- N/A pounds of food from SHH
- Families served 124
- Individuals served 392
- New, first time families 14
- Veterans served 17
- Communities served 18 (amazing!)

**The next food drop is Tuesday, April 26th!**

Report prepared by Pam Johnson, Secretary

# MUMC Game Day Fun!

Great fun and fellowship started with a Corned Beef & Cabbage lunch and other treats, then game time! Everyone had a good time and it was great to have "game night" back on the calendar! Stay-tuned for news when we'll have the next one!



Top L to R: Galen Becker, Carol Hoppe, Pastor Paul & Debbie Baker and Angie Farrell play **QUIRKLE!**



Left L to R: Alyssa & Tammy Prestidge, Pam Johnson, Betty & Don Danford, Tod & Sherry Ovall play **Dominoes!**



Above L to R: Mike Wagner, Bob Prestidge, and Russ Johnson play **Cribbage!**



Left: Belle Johnson and her friend Kenley play **Jenga**, Playdough too but not pictured!





**FE+ED FOOD DISTRIBUTION**  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 26th**  
**3 pm until gone**  
 Drive-thru pick-up on a first come- first serve basis while quantities last.  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>On Easter Sunday, April 17th during Coffee &amp; Fellowship Hour, we will be serving a light breakfast of egg bakes, fruit, rolls, juice &amp; coffee.</i></p>					<p><b>1</b> 6 pm Boy Scouts <b>SLEEP-OVER</b></p>	<p><b>2</b> 8 am - 3 pm <b>BIG SALE (MCC)</b> 6-8 pm Palabra Viva (S) 8-10 pm AA Meeting (C)</p>
<p><b>3</b> 9:30 am Sunday School (C) 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship (F) 10:30 am Worship Service (S)</p>	<p><b>4</b> <b>SCRIP ORDER DAY!</b> 6:30 pm Cub &amp; Boy Scouts (C) 7 pm Palabra Viva (S)</p>	<p><b>5</b> 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>6</b> 7 pm Choir Rehearsal (S) 7 pm Palabra (Ofc)</p>	<p><b>7</b> 7-8 pm Palabra Viva Worship (S)</p>	<p><b>8</b> <b>LION'S SMELT FRY</b> 4 - 7 pm (MCC)</p>	<p><b>9</b> 6-8 pm Palabra Viva (S) 8-10 pm AA Meeting (C)</p>
<p><b>10</b> <b>PALM SUNDAY</b> 9:30 am Sunday School (C) 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship (F) 10:30 am Worship Service (S)</p> 	<p><b>11</b> 6:30 pm Cub &amp; Boy Scouts (C) 7 pm Palabra Viva (S)</p>	<p><b>12</b> 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>13</b> <b>NO CHOIR REHEARSAL</b> 7 pm Palabra (Ofc)</p>	<p><b>14</b> <b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b> 6:30 pm 4H Club (C) 7:30 pm MUMC Maundy Thursday Worship (S)</p>	<p><b>15</b> <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> AUMC Service 7:30 pm</p>	<p><b>16</b> 6-8 pm Palabra Viva (S) 8-10 pm AA Meeting (C)</p>
<p><b>17</b> <b>EASTER</b> ~NO SUNDAY SCHOOL~ 9:30 am Easter Brunch (F) 10:30 am Worship Service (S)</p>	<p><b>18</b> <b>SCRIP ORDER DAY!</b> 6:30 pm Cub &amp; Boy Scouts (C) 7 pm Hannah Circle (L) 7 pm Palabra Viva (S)</p>	<p><b>19</b> 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>20</b> 7 pm Palabra (Ofc) 7 pm Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>21</b> <b>5-7 pm FREE Community Dinner (MCC)</b> 7-8 pm Palabra Viva Worship (S)</p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b> 6-8 pm Palabra Viva (S) 8-10 pm AA Meeting (C)</p>
<p><b>24</b> 9:30 am Sunday School (C) 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship (F) 10:30 am Worship Service (S)</p>	<p><b>25</b> 6:30 pm Cub &amp; Boy Scouts (C) 7 pm Palabra Viva (S)</p>	<p><b>26</b> 12 pm - 1:30 pm FEED Set-up 3 pm FEED Distro (MCC) 7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>27</b> 7 pm Choir Rehearsal (S) 7 pm Palabra (Ofc)</p>	<p><b>28</b> 7-8 pm Palabra Viva Worship (S)</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b> 6-8 pm Palabra Viva (S) 8-10 pm AA Meeting (C)</p>

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS!**  
 1st-Noah Carter  
 3rd-Heather Prestidge  
 5th-Devon Prestidge  
 6th-Linda Marquette  
 9th-Gloria Adickes  
 19th-Diane Folkestad

21st-Norman Jerde  
 21st-Krystal Prestidge  
 21st-Terry Rux  
 23rd-Amber Bloom  
**ANNIVERSARIES!**  
 7th-Debbie & Paul Baker  
 30th-Angie & Jeff Dostal



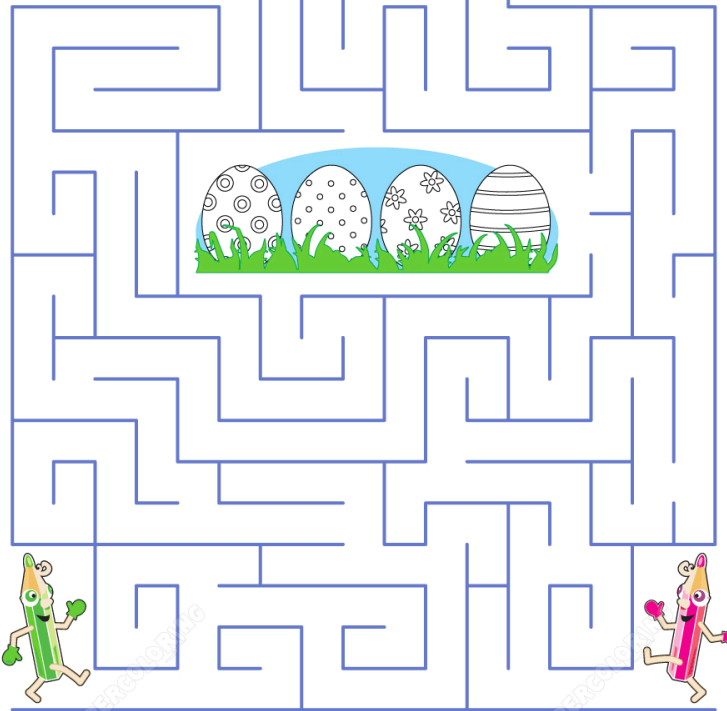
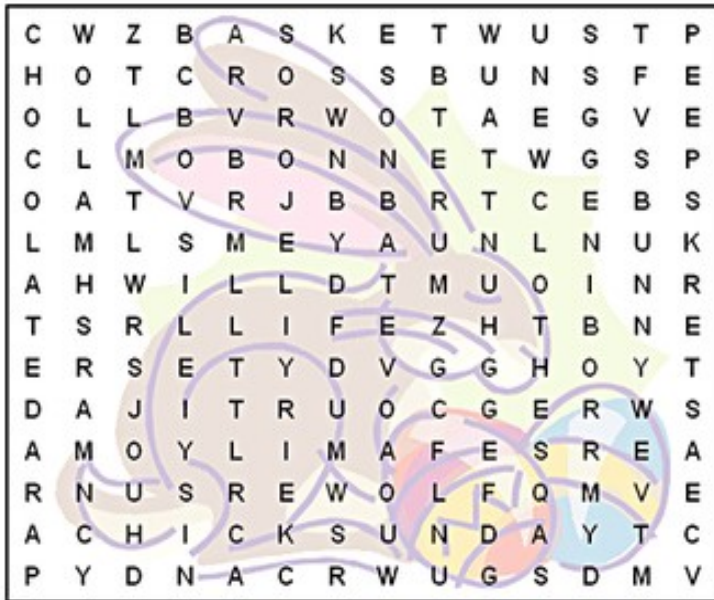
**Mark your Calendars for May!**  
 May 1st after Worship ~  
 Burn the Mortgage Celebration!  
 May 8th ~ Mother's Day!  
 May 22nd Worship Service ~ Baptism,  
 Award Sunday & Confirmation Sunday!



# Easter Word Find

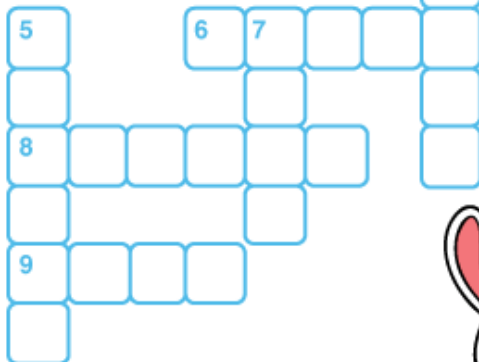
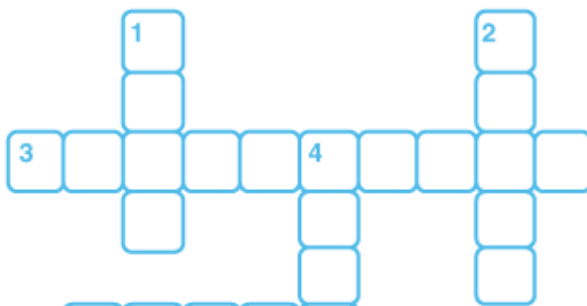


## KID'S EASTER FUN PAGE



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|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------|----------------|
| Parade    | Bonnet    | Easter      | Games | Colored Eggs   |
| Tradition | Daffodils | Family      | Bells | Marshmallow    |
| Candy     | Basket    | Flowers     | Bunny | Hot Cross Buns |
| Chicks    | Peeps     | Jelly Beans | Lamb  | New Clothes    |
| Sunday    | Chocolate | Egg Hunt    | Lily  | Robin Eggs     |

## Easter crossword puzzle



### Down

- Easter flower
- Rabbit
- Woven container
- Holiday in spring
- To look for

### Across

- Egg-shaped candy
- Baby chicken
- After winter
- Baby chicks are inside of these



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## Montrose United Methodist Church



**FE+ED**  
**For Each and Every Day**  
**(4th Tuesday of the Month)**

**UPCOMING FOOD**  
**DISTRIBUTIONS:**  
**April 26th**  
**May 24th**

**Starting at 3:00 pm**

This will be a drive thru event at the  
Montrose Community Center

Volunteers are needed & welcome starting at  
12:30 pm to unload truck and pack food boxes!

FE+ED offers a drive-thru food distribution every  
4th Tuesday of the month! Pre-packed boxes/bags of dairy,  
produce and food items will be distributed starting at  
3 pm until gone at the Community Center parking lot.

Go to the FEED website for more information:

**[www.fe-ed.org](http://www.fe-ed.org)**



**Sunday, April 10, 2022 10:30 am**  
**HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY**  
**PALM SUNDAY SERVICE**

**Thursday, April 14, 2022 7:30 pm**  
**MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE**

**Sunday, April 17th 10:30 am**  
**EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**Enjoy Coffee, Refreshments & Fellowship**  
**Every Sunday at 9:30 am**

You can find us on **Facebook Live** or go to  
**www.vimeo.com** and search 'revwindsurfer'  
any day - any time  
to find each week's Worship Service.