

# The Bethany Messenger

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369 Broad Street  
Montoursville, PA 17754

## OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY – THURSDAY

9:00 AM–2:00PM

## Staff

Ministers: All God's People  
Pastor: Rev. James Bartlett, STS  
Organist: Mary Paulhamus  
Sexton: Deborah Harman  
Secretary: Hope Harrington

## Sunday Services

9:00 am Holy Communion  
10:15 am Coffee / Fellowship  
10:30 am Sunday School

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SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR  
MATERIAL FOR THE BETHANY  
MESSENGER IS 9 A.M. ON THE  
15TH OF EACH MONTH

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

### The Significance of Holy Week for Our Lutheran Faith

As we prepare our hearts for the most sacred days of the year, Holy Week invites us into the dramatic central story of our faith: the life, suffering, death, and triumphant resurrection of Jesus Christ. For a traditional Lutheran church, Holy Week is not merely a sequence of services to attend; it is a liturgical journey that guides us through the mystery of grace revealed in Scripture, the sacraments, and faithful proclamation.

### A Week of Sacred Milestones

Holy Week spans from Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday, each day carrying a distinct focus that illuminates the salvation God has wrought for us in Christ.

- **Palm Sunday: Branches and the Triumphal Entry**

We begin Holy Week with the vivid remembrance of Jesus entering Jerusalem in humility, greeted by crowds with palm branches. In the Synagogue and the Gospel narratives, we see the tension between human enthusiasm and divine mission. Our processional palms symbolize our call to receive Christ as King, while also acknowledging that His kingship is defined by self-giving love and obedience to the Father.

- **Holy Monday to Holy Wednesday: Reflection and Teaching**

In these days, we encounter Jesus' teaching, confrontations with religious leaders, and the foreshadowing of the cross. Lutherans meditate on the seriousness of sin, the holiness of God, and the certainty of Christ's atonement. It is a time to examine our own hearts, confess our sins, and hear again the promises of forgiveness that flow from the cross.

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The Prayer Chapel will be open each day for use in prayer and reflection and Wednesday will be our final Evening Prayer service of the season. If the sacrament of Confession and Absolution is desired by any individual, the pastor is available upon request.

- **Maundy Thursday: The Lord's Supper and the New Commandment**

The name "Maundy" derives from the Latin *mandatum*, meaning "commandment." On this night, we remember Jesus instituting the Lord's Supper, the enduring meal of grace, where Christ gives His body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. We also reflect on the new commandment to love one another as He has loved us. The liturgy includes the solemn stripping of the altar, symbolizing Christ's humility and the washing of our sins.



- **Good Friday: The Cross and the Passion**

We enter the somber, sacred hours of Good Friday, when Christ bears our guilt and fulfills the Scriptures. The church confesses with the crucifixion narrative that salvation is accomplished not by human effort but by Christ's atoning sacrifice. In worship, we hear the Passion proclaimed, we venerate the cross, and we confess the weight of human sin and the immeasurable mercy of God.

- **Holy Saturday: The Vigil and Expectation**

A time of quiet anticipation, Holy Saturday teaches us to wait with hope. The Church often practices a time of contemplation, preparing for the glorious dawn of Easter. We hold fast to the promise: the tomb is empty, but the risen Christ remains with His people.

- **Easter Sunday: Resurrection and New Creation**

The triumph of the risen Lord fills our worship with joyous hymn, proclaiming "He is risen!" We celebrate the victory over sin, death, and the devil, and we acknowledge that in Christ we are made alive for eternal life. Easter is not merely a day; it is the new reality in which we live by faith, in the power of the Holy Spirit.

- **Lutherans Under Holy Week: The Mosaic of Word and Sacrament**

*Word Proclaimed:* Holy Week readings center on the passion narrative and the fulfillment of prophecy. The preaching of Christ's suffering and resurrection remains the core of Lutheran faith: we are saved by faith, not by works, through grace alone.

*Sacraments Emphasized:* The Lord's Supper anchors Maundy Thursday and continues into Easter celebrations, reminding us that Christ's body and blood are given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins. Baptism remains our entry into this new life, and Holy Week invites us to re-affirm our baptismal identity.



*Liturgy as Catechesis:* The liturgical progression—from processions and acclamations to solemn stripping of the altar, to the Easter proclamation—teaches the faithful the order of salvation: creation, fall, redemption, and restoration. It is a catechesis of the heart and mind, shaping us into a people who live by faith and hope.

### **Practical Ways to Live Holy Week Joyfully and Faithfully**



- Attend and participate in the full sequence of Holy Week services, including Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday. Let the liturgy form you.
- Prepare for the sacrament of Confession and Absolution. Holy Week is a fitting time to receive God’s forgiveness anew and to renew your baptismal vows.
- Participate in the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper with reverence and gratitude, recognizing Christ’s real presence and grace.
- Read the passion narratives and reflect on the meaning of the cross in your personal life, Matthew 26:30–27:66; Mark 14:26-15:39; Luke 22:39–23:49. Where do you see Christ’s humility calling you to serve others?
- Invite others to join in the journey. Share what Holy Week means to you and extend hospitality to those seeking a spiritual home.

### **Prayer for Holy Week**

*Gracious God, as we walk through Holy Week with Your Son, may our eyes be opened to the depth of Your mercy. Strengthen our faith to trust in Christ’s atoning work, renew in us the joy of the resurrection, and empower us to live as Your redeemed people in love and service. In Jesus’ name. Amen.*

May this Holy Week deepen our devotion, strengthen our fellowship, and refresh our hope in the promise of Easter. Our church family stands ready to walk this sacred path with you, united in the Gospel of Jesus Christ crucified and raised for our salvation.

Yours in Christ

*Pastor James*

### **Bethany’s Mission Statement**

**Matthew 28:19-20**

*Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you!*



# PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

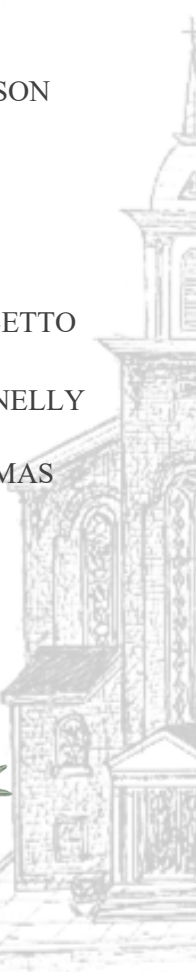
*Please pray this prayer daily*

Oh, loving Lord. We know You and accept You as Lord and Savior. So, we come to You seeking a fresh, new perspective, not to throw away past lessons but for Your spirit to rebuild and breathe new life into our faith. Show us how to do this. Let us open ourselves completely to Your voice. The voice that tells us God is love and in Christ all things are new. Renew us and restore us in Christ name. Amen



## PRAYING FOR OUR PEOPLE

LEN & KATHY HINTON	MICHAEL WOODLEY	EVELYN SEAMAN
LORI CLAUSEEN	LOUISE & JIM	BEBE BOLICH
KEVIN TAYLOR	FAY SAUSSER	DAVE SHIPTON
MARJORIE FANTASKEY	COLLEEN DAVIDSON	REV. RAY & NANCY FORSYTHE
JOAN SWARTZ	LOU & EMILY BASSLER	DOROTHY LEE
MARGARET RYAN	ANN LONG	MARIAN MOTT
ROBERT BENNETT	MIKE BROUSE	MOLLY BIENLY
PAUL STEIGER	DAVE LUNDY	SALLY & MARK LOMISON
BUD & LOUISE JORDAN	JOHN KLINGER	KAREN YEOMANS
PEGGY SHULTZ	MICHAEL HENNIGAN	ROBERT MARGEL
CAROL EARLY	MIKE SNAUFFER	PASTOR JEFF & DAWN ZETTO
DAVID HUGHES	LINDA & RAY BOMBOY	DARLENE & ROBIN CONNELLY
DICK & ELVA WHITMOYER	CHRIS & DAWN INCH	CHARLIE & BETTY LOMAS
ED MERTES	BARB PENTZ	PAMELA GRAFFINS
LUKE TONER	BETTY ANN LEIBY	JAYDA RAMMS
KIRK & JOANNE WILLIARD	PASTOR PADDY ROONEY	DON SNAUFFER
GLENN KAUFMAN		



# REMEMBERING THOSE WHO ARE AT HOME

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VERSION





## WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL CANCELLATION NOTICES THROUGH FACEBOOK

If members feel that weather conditions are unsafe for travel, they are encouraged to stay at home and remain safe. In the rare event that weather conditions are severe enough to cause the cancellation of Worship services a notice will be posted on the congregation's Facebook account.

## BETHANY LUTHERAN RENEWAL EFFORT WORKSHOP

Bethany Lutheran Church is hosting a special NALC Renewal Workshop on May 16, and we'd love for you to be part of it. The event will run from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. More information to come!

## LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

This year we are having our annual Lenten Soup Suppers from February 25th through April 1st. If you would like to bring your favorite soup to share, please sign-up on the sheet outside the office.

March 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th,  
April 1st

- ❖ 6:00pm Lenten Soup Supper
- ❖ 7:15pm Holden Evening Prayer



## Lent & Holy Week

Palm Sunday	Mar. 29 • 9:00 am
Maundy Thursday	Apr. 2 • 7:15 pm
Good Friday	Apr. 3 • 7:15 pm
Easter Sunday	Apr. 5 • 9:00 am

## (Tureen) Lunch Time!

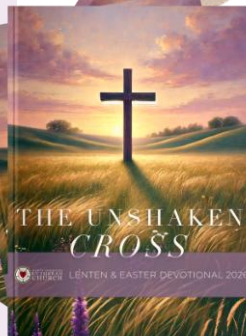
Sign-ups for main courses are outside of the church office.  
We can't wait to see you!

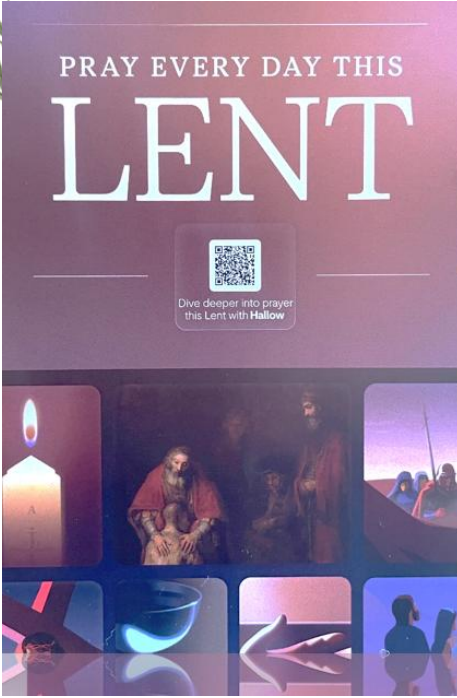
*Please remember to bring  
your own table setting!*



## BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study Will take place every month on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 12:00pm and on Thursdays at 6:00pm in the fellowship hall.





# QUICK BIBLE CROSSWORD VII

**Across**

- 1 Holy messenger (7)
- 5 Ill (4)
- 7 Needle hole (3)
- 8 Two sold for a farthing (8)
- 9 Trials (5)
- 10 Plague upon Egypt (4)
- 13 Secure (4)
- 14 Anthem (4)
- 18 Entrance (4)
- 19 Unclean bird (5)
- 21 One of the tribes (8)
- 22 King of Judah (3)
- 23 Prophet (4)
- 24 Kish sent Saul to seek them (7)

**Down**

- 1 Highest in quality (8)
- 2 Grace (8)
- 3 Beg (6)
- 4 Abhor (6)
- 5 Capital of Lydia (6)
- 6 Feature of Pharaoh's dream (4)
- 11 Confused at Babel (8)
- 12 Chief captains (8)
- 15 Reap (6)
- 16 Announce (6)
- 17 Largest Roman army division (6)
- 20 Place of refuge (4)

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# OPENING THE DOOR TO DAILY DEVOTION



## *A Guide to Using “Portals of Prayer”*

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### *What Is Portals of Prayer?*

Portals of Prayer is a quarterly devotional that has served Lutheran Christians since 1937. Each issue contains daily Scripture readings, reflections written by Lutheran pastors and church workers, and prayers grounded firmly in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Its purpose is simple: To help God’s people remain in the Word, grow in faith, and live in daily repentance and trust in Christ. It reflects our Lutheran confession of faith — emphasizing Law and Gospel, justification by grace through faith, and the comfort of God’s promises.

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### *What You’ll Find Inside*

Each issue is organized for daily use throughout the quarter. Here is what is included:

#### **Daily Devotions**

Every day features:

- A Scripture reference or passage
- A short reflection applying the text
- A concluding prayer

*The reflections are brief but rich, making them manageable even on busy days.*

#### **Prayer Resources**

In addition to daily devotions, most issues include:

- Prayers for various days of the week
- Prayers for special occasions
- Traditional Lutheran prayers such as Luther’s Morning and Evening Prayers

*These prayers connect our personal devotions with the historic prayer life of the Church.*

#### **Seasonal Awareness**

Each quarterly issue follows the rhythm of the Church Year. As we move through seasons like Lent, Easter, Pentecost, or Advent, the devotions reflect those themes and Scripture readings.

#### **HOW TO USE PORTALS OF PRAYER**

*If you are unsure how to begin, here is a simple and faithful pattern:*

#### **1. Choose a Consistent Time**

*Morning is often ideal, but any regular time works. Even five to ten minutes daily can shape your entire day.*

#### **2. Begin with Scripture**

*Read the Scripture passage slowly. You may wish to read it twice. Let God’s Word speak first.*

#### **3. Read the Reflection**

*The meditation helps connect the text to daily Christian life — pointing always to Christ and His promises.*

#### **4. Pray**

*Pray the printed prayer thoughtfully. Then add your own petitions and thanksgivings. You might include:*

- *Thanksgiving for blessings received*
- *Intercession for family and church*
- *Prayer for those who are sick or homebound*
- *Confession of sin and trust in Christ’s forgiveness*

#### **5. Close with the Lord’s Prayer**

*Many find it helpful to conclude by praying the Lord’s Prayer, uniting their private devotion with the prayer Christ taught His Church.*

## For Families and Couples

Portals of Prayer can also be used:

- At the breakfast or supper table
- Before bedtime
- Before Bible study meetings
- As a brief devotion for shut-ins and caregivers

*Reading aloud strengthens both faith and Christian fellowship.*



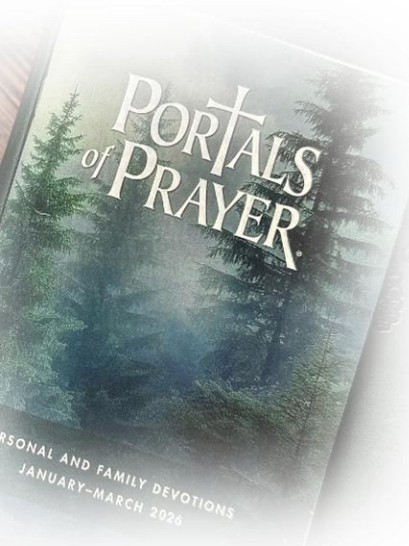
### *Why Daily Devotion Matters*

In a world filled with distractions, daily time in God's Word anchors us in what does not change. Scripture teaches that faith comes by hearing the Word of Christ. Through these daily readings, the Holy Spirit strengthens faith, comforts troubled consciences, and reminds us of the forgiveness won by Jesus.

For older adults especially, Portals of Prayer provides:

- Structure
- Biblical depth without complexity
- Clear Gospel proclamation
- Faithful Lutheran teaching

*It is not merely inspirational reading — it is daily catechesis shaped by our confession of faith.*

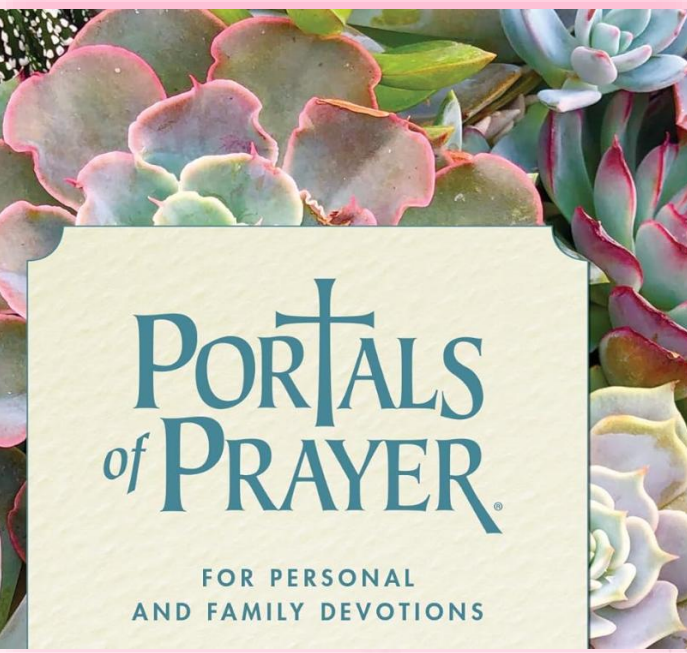


### *A Gentle Encouragement*

*If you have never established a daily devotional habit, consider beginning this quarter. If you once practiced daily devotions but have drifted from the routine, this is a wonderful opportunity to begin again. The Lord does not call us to complicated systems — only to hear His Word and trust His promises.*

*May this new issue of Portals of Prayer be exactly what its name suggests:*

*A doorway through which you daily enter into the riches of Christ's grace.*





*Each week, the Axis.org team research culture to help parents and family members stay up to date on the music, movies, TV shows, and social media trends that are impacting your kid's world. Whether a teen or preteen, the questions suggested by the team can help you continue conversations with them that help you to understand how the trends affect them personally.*

## ANOTHER OUTPOURING

**What it is:** A group of students at Southeastern University (SEU) have been praying, worshipping, and confessing together non-stop since last week in what is being called an “outpouring.”

**What it's like:** We asked Ethan Kennedy, a senior at SEU who's involved in their worship and creative teams, what it's like being there. The first thing he said? “Because of social media and everything, in my generation, there's a big push for ‘Jesus as a friend’—there's a loss of reverence. But with this worship, there's a reverence for the Lord. They're confessing sins.” The outpouring began when author and Bible teacher Jennie Allen invited the students to spend time publicly confessing to one another, and this built into an extended time of prayer, worship, and confession. We asked Kennedy how he would respond to a skeptic, and his answer was simple: “I get it; I'm the first to be skeptical, but you need to be in the room. Seeing people get healed with your eyes...”

**Continue the conversation:** What do you think of confession as a spiritual practice?

## WITCH HUNT

**What it is:** “Etsy witches,” merchants who offer to cast love spells, curses, and perform other magical “services” for a fee on Etsy are being removed from the platform.

**Why it's revealing:** The conversation about Etsy witches came to a head in September, after the writer of a since-deleted article from Jezebel claimed to have paid Etsy witches to curse Charlie Kirk two days before his assassination (even though the curses were only supposed to involve minor inconveniences). The sale of anything that promises life change has been officially banned from Etsy since 2015 (which would also include selling prayer services)—but according to The Daily Dot, the popularity of Etsy witches has only grown since then. This popularity speaks to a view of spirituality as primarily a means of getting what we want—and to a view of “alternative” spiritual practices offering a greater sense of agency.

**Continue the conversation:**  
What do you think Jesus meant in John 10:10?

THE THIEF COMES ONLY TO STEAL AND KILL AND DESTROY;  
I HAVE COME THAT THEY MAY HAVE LIFE,

*and have it to the full.*

## THE CLAW

**What it is:** OpenClaw (aka Moltbot and ClawdBot) is a new, free “agentic AI” assistant that lives on your computer.

**Why it’s different:** Unlike other AI tools, OpenClaw doesn’t just give you information. It makes decisions. If you ask it to book you a flight to San Francisco, it will actually do it. But to do this, it requires access to everything on your computer, including your passwords, your payment methods, your calendar, your account information, et cetera. The potential pro of OpenClaw is that it could serve as a fully functional AI assistant. The potential con is that its requirement of so much private information could create serious security risks for users, should the software get hacked.



### Continue the conversation:

When do you think it’s safe to offer up personal information?



When do you think it’s not safe?



## QUICK BIBLE CROSSWORD VII - SOLUTION

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Across: 1 Gabriel, 5 Sick, 7 Eye, 8 Sparrows, 9 Tests, 10 Hail, 13 Safe, 14 Song, 18 Gate, 19 Eagle, 21 Naphtali, 22 Asa, 23 Seer, 24 Donkeys.

Down: 1 Greatest, 2 Blessing, 3 Insist, 4 Loathe, 5 Sardis, 6 Cows, 11 Language, 12 Generals, 15 Gather, 16 Herald, 17 Legion, 20 Cave.

Bible Crossword by BiblePuzzles.org.uk





# RENEW

RENEW | EQUIP | TRANSFORM  
For the North American Lutheran Church

## Renewing Congregations *in Disciple-Making*

*“Consider how to stir up one another to love and good works.”  
—Hebrews 10:24*

### A ONE-SENTENCE PURPOSE CHANGES EVERYTHING

#### *Faithful Clarity for Busy Churches*

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Many church leaders sense a need for clarity beneath the busyness of ministry. The RENEW process creates intentional space to pause, listen together, and discern God’s direction with focus and confidence. Rooted in Scripture and guided conversation, RENEW helps leaders name faithful next steps for their congregation. To explore how RENEW can support our church in the next season, visit [thenalc.org/RENEW](http://thenalc.org/RENEW).

Churches don’t need to be fixed—they need to be *renewed*. Renewal begins when we return to our first love, rediscover our “why,” and listen afresh to what the Spirit is saying. In the NALC, we believe every congregation—whether thriving or struggling—is called to be alive in Christ. That journey begins with RENEW.

Through prayerful discernment, strategic reflection, and Spirit-led planning, we help congregations reconnect with their calling and build a faithful path forward.

#### *Bethany Lutheran RENEW Workshop*

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Bethany Lutheran Church is hosting a special NALC RENEW Workshop on May 16, and we would love for everyone to be part of it. The event will run from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. It will be a day that brings focus and clarity to our ministry as we move forward. As we honor the approaching milestone of 200 years of to Montoursville and the surrounding communities, the RENEW workshop will help us discover, or maybe rediscover, the faithful path we will walk entering our third century of ministry and outreach.

## Youth Resiliency & Suicide Prevention

This resource equips youth leaders and parents with practical, faith-centered tools to recognize warning signs of suicide, engage in life-saving conversations, and guide youth toward hope and help. Grounded in Scripture and real-world experience, this resource offers a compassionate framework for walking alongside young people in crisis.



*"Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them."*

— John 17:25–26

In this training, The Rev. Mike Wikstrom – Retired Army Chaplain, Marriage & Family Therapist, and NALC pastor – joins The Rev. Teresa Peters, Director of Youth & Family Ministry for the North American Lutheran Church, to equip ministry leaders, parents, and caring adults with practical tools for youth resiliency and suicide prevention.

This conversation offers a clear, compassionate framework for recognizing warning signs, asking direct and life-saving questions, caring well for those in crisis, and escorting them to appropriate support. Rooted in both mental-health best practices and Christian hope, this resource reminds us that we are not meant to carry these moments alone – and that timely, loving intervention can save lives.

*"Suicide destroys hope – and hope is what gives us a future. When someone loses hope, our role is to help them see they are not alone and that their life still has meaning."*

Go to <https://thenalc.reach360.com/> and create a free account for this and many other helpful resources.



# OUR DAILY CRUMBS

*our daily crumbs*

MONTHLY RECIPES FROM OUR MEMBER'S COOKBOOKS!

## CARROT CAKE

PREP 20 MINS      COOK 45 MINS      TOTAL 1 HR. 5 MINS

MAKES 1 (9-INCH) DOUBLE LAYER CAKE

### INGREDIENTS

#### CAKE

2 CUPS ALL-PURPOSE FLOUR,  
SPOONED AND LEVELED

2 TEASPOONS BAKING SODA

½ TEASPOON FINE SEA SALT

1 ½ TEASPOONS GROUND CINNAMON

1 ¼ CUPS VEGETABLE OIL

1 CUP GRANULATED SUGAR

1 CUP LIGHTLY PACKED BROWN SUGAR

1 TEASPOON VANILLA EXTRACT

4 LARGE EGGS, AT ROOM

TEMPERATURE

3 CUPS GRATED, PEELED CARROTS

1 CUP COARSELY CHOPPED PECANS

½ CUP RAISINS

#### FROSTING

8 OUNCES BLOCK CREAM CHEESE,  
ROOM TEMPERATURE

2 TEASPOONS CORNSTARCH,  
OPTIONAL

1 ¼ CUPS POWDERED SUGAR

⅓ CUP COLD HEAVY CREAM

½ CUP COARSELY CHOPPED  
PECANS, FOR TOPPING

### DIRECTIONS

#### CAKE

1. PREHEAT OVEN TO 350°F. GREASE TWO 9-INCH ROUND PANS AND LINE BOTTOMS WITH PARCHMENT (OR GREASE AND FLOUR).
2. IN A MEDIUM BOWL, WHISK TOGETHER FLOUR, BAKING SODA, SALT, AND CINNAMON.
3. IN A LARGE BOWL, WHISK OIL, GRANULATED SUGAR, BROWN SUGAR, AND VANILLA. ADD EGGS ONE AT A TIME, WHISKING AFTER EACH.
4. STIR DRY INGREDIENTS INTO WET INGREDIENTS IN THREE ADDITIONS UNTIL JUST COMBINED. FOLD IN CARROTS, NUTS, AND RAISINS.
5. DIVIDE BATTER BETWEEN PANS. BAKE 35–45 MINUTES, UNTIL A TOOTHPICK INSERTED IN THE CENTER COMES OUT CLEAN. COOL IN PANS 15 MINUTES, THEN TURN OUT ONTO RACKS, REMOVE PARCHMENT, AND COOL COMPLETELY.



#### FROSTING

1. WHISK TOGETHER POWDERED SUGAR AND CORNSTARCH.
2. BEAT CREAM CHEESE UNTIL SMOOTH AND CREAMY (1–2 MINUTES). GRADUALLY BEAT IN SUGAR MIXTURE. ADD COLD HEAVY CREAM AND BEAT 2–3 MINUTES UNTIL THICK AND FLUFFY (CHILL 15 MINUTES AND REBEAT IF NEEDED).



# WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

## MARCH MINISTRIES

Altar: Katherine Hinton \*volunteer needed  
Communion: Katherine Hinton \*volunteer needed  
Greeting Cards: Arlene Klepper

## APRIL MINISTRIES

Altar: Kathie Snauffer, Gail Stover  
Communion: Jean Wentz, Deb Harman  
Greeting Cards: Jean Beard

### March 1

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**Lay Reader:** David Neidig  
**Communion:** David Neidig, Yvonne Sechler  
**Ushers:** Richard Hillegas, Mark Whitmoyer  
**Lock-Up:** Mark Whitmoyer

### March 8

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**Lay Reader:** Phil Riggs  
**Communion:** Phil Riggs, Weston Miller  
**Ushers:** Tracy Rhian, Earla Gower  
**Lock-Up:** William Bagwell

### March 15

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**Lay Reader:** David Neidig  
**Communion:** David Neidig, Karen Paulhamus  
**Ushers:** Philip Oechler, Gary Oechler  
**Lock-Up:** Dave Grube

### March 22

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**Lay Reader:** Arlene Klepper  
**Communion:** Arlene Klepper, Tracy Rhian  
**Ushers:** Michael Stover, Gail Stover  
**Lock-Up:** Philip Oechler

### March 29 *Palm Sunday*

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**Lay Reader:** Gegory Dwulet  
**Communion:** Gegory Dwulet, Yvonne Sechler  
**Ushers:** Richard Hillegas, Mark Whitmoyer  
**Lock-Up:** Mark Whitmoyer

### April 5

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**Lay Reader:** David Neidig  
**Communion:** David Neidig, Yvonne Sechler  
**Ushers:** Richard Hillegas, Mark Whitmoyer  
**Lock-Up:** Mark Whitmoyer

### April 12

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**Lay Reader:** Phil Riggs  
**Communion:** Phil Riggs, Weston Miller  
**Ushers:** Tracy Rhian, Earla Gower  
**Lock-Up:** William Bagwell

### April 19

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**Lay Reader:** Beverly Brown  
**Communion:** Barb Winchester, Karen Paulhamus  
**Ushers:** Philip Oechler, Gary Oechler  
**Lock-Up:** Dave Grube

### April 26

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**Lay Reader:** Arlene Klepper  
**Communion:** Arlene Klepper, Tracy Rhian  
**Ushers:** Michael Stover, Gail Stover  
**Lock-Up:** Philip Oechler

## ALTAR FLOWERS

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*-NO FLOWERS DURING LENT-*

APR 5	JEAN & ANDY WENTZ
APR 12	OPEN
APR 19	PHILIP OECHLER
APR 26	COLLEEN OECHLER

# UPCOMING

## EVENTS

### Sunday March 1

### *Lent 2*

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9:00am	Holy Communion
10:15am	Coffee/Fellowship
10:30am	Sunday School

### Tue. Mar. 3

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9:00am	Quilters
1:00pm	Lace Group
6:00pm	Pudgie's
7:00pm	Handbells
8:00pm	Choir

### Wed. Mar. 4

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6:00pm	Lenten Soup Supper
7:15pm	Holden Evening Prayer

### Sunday March 8

### *Lent 3*

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9:00am	Holy Communion
10:15am	Coffee/Fellowship
10:30am	Sunday School

### Mon. Mar. 9

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7:00pm	Council
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### Tue. Mar. 10

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9:00am	Quilters
1:00pm	Lace Group
6:00pm	Pudgie's
7:00pm	Handbells
8:00pm	Choir

### Wed. Mar. 11

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12:00pm	Bible Study
6:00pm	Lenten Soup Supper
7:15pm	Holden Evening Prayer

### Thu. Mar. 12

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6:00pm	Bible Study
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### Sunday March 15

### *Lent 4*

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9:00am	Holy Communion
10:15am	Coffee/Fellowship
10:30am	Sunday School
12:00pm	Tureen Lunch

### Mon. Mar. 16

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7:15pm	Mission Committee
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### Tue. Mar. 17

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9:00am	Quilters
1:00pm	Lace Group
6:00pm	Pudgie's
7:00pm	Handbells
8:00pm	Choir

### Wed. Mar. 18

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6:00pm	Lenten Soup Supper
7:15pm	Holden Evening Prayer

### Sunday March 22

### *Lent 5*

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9:00am	Holy Communion
10:15am	Coffee/Fellowship
10:30am	Sunday School

### Mon. Mar. 23

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7:00pm	Worship & Music
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### Tue. Mar. 24

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9:00am	Quilters
1:00pm	Lace Group
6:00pm	Pudgie's
7:00pm	Handbells
8:00pm	Choir

### Wed. Mar. 25

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12:00pm	Bible Study
6:00pm	Lenten Soup Supper
7:15pm	Holden Evening Prayer

### Thu. Mar. 26

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6:00pm	Bible Study
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