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#### THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

## Sunday, March 23

9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary

10:00 AM - Resident Worship, Julian Estates

10:45 AM - Coffee Hour

11:05 AM – Gathering Time in the Sanctuary

11:15 AM – Sunday School

1:30 PM – Resident Worship, Bonaventure

5:00 PM\* –Worship, YouTube

## Thursday, March 27

3:00 PM - Hand chime Practice

5:00 PM – Lenten Service and Soup Supper



## **Music Notes**

The praise song for this Sunday:

"Lion and the Lamb"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C9ujBoud26k

# Easter Lilies

Would you like to make a \$15.00 donation towards the purchase of an Easter lily in memory or in honor of a

loved one? Please sign-up in the Narthex with your donation. The lilies will decorate our cross and altar area Easter Sunday. After the service, please take the lily home to enjoy. Your donation is very much

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#### Sunday, March 30

9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary

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#### Tuesday, April 1

10:00 PM – Worship and Music Meeting

#### Thursday, April 3

3:00 PM - Hand chime Practice

5:00 PM – Lenten Service and Soup Supper

\*Always the goal, but may be impacted by technology issues beyond our control

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Full Lectionary for March 23, 2025;

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Psalm Psalm 27

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Philippians 3:17 – 4:1

Gospel Luke 13:31-35 Full Lectionary for March 30, 2025;

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Joshua 5:9-12

Psalm Psalm 32

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Gospel Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 Third Sunday in Lent Parament color is Purple

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## **LOOKING AHEAD**

March 23, Sunday - 9:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE

11:15 am Youth & Adult Sunday School

March 25, Tuesday - 6:30 pm AmericanHeritage Girls

March 27, Thursday, 3:00 pm Chime Practice

5:00 pm Lenten Service followed by Soup Supper

Hosts: Christian Ed/Bldg Use/Decor/Property Maint.

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**Hosts: Men's and Women's Ministry** 

April 5, Saturday, 9:00 am Women Ministry Breakfast

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**WOMEN'S MINISTRY** 

**BREAKFAST** 

**SATURDAY, APRIL 5** 

9:00 am

Join us to welcome Spring, enjoy fellowship, good food, and conversation! Ann Vonderau will be our guest speaker. Please indicate on the sign-up sheet in the narthex if you will attend, and if you are going to bring a food item.

The Women's Ministry Board has agreed to sponsor a student at the "Adult and Teen Challenge Center" rather than have another toilet tissue drive. The amount of \$45.00 per month has been pledged for the rest of 2025 to assist one of the students with their expenses.

<u>Sound System Volunteers Needed.</u> We currently have three people to handle the sound system but would love to have more! The system is easy to do and requires little training. Please contact Ron Johnson or the church office.

## LIVING WORD LEANING INTO LENT

## **LENTEN SERVICES**

Ash Wednesday marked the beginning of the Lenten season. Christians throughout the world collectively observe 40 days (46 minus the Sundays) leading to Easter, reflecting on the suffering, sacrifice, death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Many Christians use these six weeks for self-examination to either give up something or add a new discipline into their lives. Fasting reminds us that nothing can fill the void in our lives except Jesus. A new discipline does the same, ultimately drawing us nearer to God. So how will you use this season to grow spiritually? Here are a few suggestions:

- Attend weekly Lenten worship services
- Increase ministry involvement at church
- Fellowship with someone you do not know well at Lenten soup suppers
- Add 15 minutes to your daily devotion and prayer time
- Reduce personal spending and increase gifts to ministries
- Join a Bible Study

The Lenten season at Living Word offers several activities to help you savor the sacredness of the season.

#### LENTEN SERVICES

**EVENING SERVICES begin at 5:00 PM on Thursdays followed by SOUP SUPPERS** 

## **Host Schedule:**

March 27 Christian Education/Property Maint./Bldg. Use & Décor

April 3 Men & Women's Ministry

April 10 LWLC Board/Evangelism/Stewardship

You do not have to serve on a ministry team to help with **soup suppers**, in fact, **we encourage it!** To sign up for soup, bread, butter, crackers, or rolls, add your name to the **signup sheet in the Narthex**.

#### PRAYER ROOM

"Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise."

James 3:18 (ESV)

Watch over those who put themselves in harm's way to protect us and grant peace of mind to the families who love and miss them. We praise you for continuing to protect:

Andrew Thompson (Griswold) Josh Jepsen, USAF Utah Elijah Lundberg, USMC Yuma, AZ Ivan Daubenspeck, USMC Okinawa (Owen) Owen Daubenspeck, USAF Spokane (Owen)

Comfort those who are bereaved, having lost loved ones recently:

Family and friends of Harold Liemohn

Family and friends of Al Luberts
Family and friends of Linda Kupka's sister

Family and friends of Morgan Olson

Relieve pain for all who suffer in any way and restore them to good health of body, mind, and spirit. Encourage them and strengthen their caregivers:

Maurice Hedlund Rosalynn Gallagher Darlene Luberts Amy Cruver

Jeff Brennan Carolyn Martin Bill and ErrolLynne Marsh

Terry (and caregiver Ron) Richard Mitchell (and caregiver Raeanne) Yvonne Olson
Debbi Zavadil Pat Heilman (Ron's sister) Holly McCain
Mary Loshbough Cheryl Hedlund's aunt, Sue Owen Loshbough

**David Martin** (son of Bob and Nancy Martin)

Grant discernment, wisdom, and courage to leaders within the church and world. Raise servants to accomplish Your will. May Your will be evident in all decisions and actions.

Living Word Members Living Word Leaders Persecuted Christians

Victims of War in Ukraine and Israel Elected Government Officials

#### Prayer and praise for healing and continued recovery:

Ron Heilman Steve Vonderau Kitty Jepsen Bonnie Socey Cheryl Hedlund Jan Williams (sister in law of Judy Williams) Saveth Lena Duggan Lori Schmidt

Thank you, LORD, for hearing and answering our prayers – even when you do so differently than we would prefer. We pray in the holy and mighty name of Jesus, our LORD. Amen

Names in Bold are new additions. Please let the office know if you wish your request to remain on the list.

Otherwise, requests are removed after a month.