

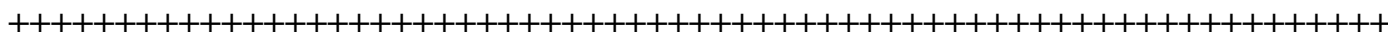
April 2024

# THE CARILLON



Grace Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
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## HOLY WEEK



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**MAUNDY THURSDAY** - March 28: 6:30 PM at Grace

**GOOD FRIDAY** – March 29: 5:00 PM at Hope / 6:30 PM at Grace

**EASTER** - March 31 - 8:30 AM at Hope  
10:30 AM at Grace

**CHRIST IS RISEN!! HE IS RISEN INDEED!!  
ALLELUIA!!!!**

### ABOUT THE EASTER SEASON

Easter is not merely a one-day event, but a 50-day season beginning with the Resurrection of Our Lord and echoing joy and celebration through the Day of Pentecost (this year: March 31–May 19). This extended season – one seventh of the year – is a victory celebration to our risen Lord Jesus Christ, and its colors are white and gold. After its long absence during Lent, “Alleluia” returns to worship in full force! During the Easter season we greet one another with a special Easter greeting and response: “Alleluia! Christ is risen!” “He is risen indeed! Alleluia!”.

Forty days after Easter the Church celebrates the Ascension of Our Lord, who ascended into heaven and took his place at the right hand of God the Father.

Pentecost was adopted by early Christians to commemorate the first great harvest of believers in Christ, and so it is considered the birthday of the Christian Church. The Holy Spirit came with great power upon the disciples, and they went out and gave compelling witness about the resurrected Lord. The color for Pentecost is **red**, recalling fire (for the tongues of fire that appeared over the heads of the disciples) and blood (for the blood of the martyrs who died for the faith).

## WORSHIP DETAILS

### April 7 - Worship

**Hope Lutheran:** In lieu of the 8:30 service, Hope will be joining the Mineral Point faith community for an ecumenical service at 9:30 M at Trinity Episcopal Church in Mineral Point. See information of the service elsewhere in this newsletter.

**Grace Lutheran:** Hymn-sing service, 10:30-11:30 AM

### April 14 - Worship

**Both Churches:** Service of the Word

## STAFFING INFORMATION

- Pastor will be attending the Reformation and Renewal Week April 1-5 at Wartburg Seminary in Dubuque. She will be available by phone for emergencies.
- Pastor Kate will be on vacation April 7 (PM) thru April 14. Please contact your Council President (Linda Considine) in case of emergency for the pastor-on-call .

## THE GOOD BOOK – Bible Study and Discussion

Come as you're able! Each session is a different chapter from the bible and a new topic. **No book, no problem!** Listen to the scripture as its read aloud, bring your bible, or share with the person next to you.

The Good Book bible study is on **hiatus until April 15**, at which time we will resume meeting on Mondays at 11:00 AM for lunch. (During April in Darlington in Grace's Fellowship Hall.)



### SECTION 7 – “FOLLOWING JESUS”

April 15	Chapter 31: Where is Jesus Now? (as well as any requested follow-ups to CH. 28, 29, 30)	(Acts 1)
April 22	Chapter 32: Happy Birthday to Us	(Acts 2)
April 29	Chapter 33: When Jesus Interrupts Your Life	(Acts 9)
May 6	Chapter 34: God Loves the People You Can't Stand	(Acts 10)
May 13	Chapter 25: What Heaven Holds in Store	(Revelation 22)

## IN OUR PRAYERS

**We remember in our prayers:**



**Congregation/Homebound:** Stu Vamstad, Gladys Christensen, Jean Belanger, and David Chambers

**Friends, Family, & Neighbors:** Joan Miller (Jan Riechers' sister), Richard Roelli (Greg's brother), and Duane Jorgenson.

**Deaths:** the family of Ray Meier.



# Celebration!



## Birthdays

Bill Schilling (4/2)

Brian Schilling (4/6)

## Anniversaries

Greg & Mary Ann Roelli (4/7)

Chris and Sheila Andrews (4/28)

Please let the office know if we have missed your birthday, anniversary, or retirements in the listing so we can add your special day to our records.

## WORDS OF GRATITUDE

### A big thank you to:

Everyone who contributed to the Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter services:

- planners and coordinators
- altar & sanctuary care
- accompanists (Mary Baehler, Mary Knellwolf)
- special music (the Humble Choir)
- newsletters, bulletins, supplies (Tana Risseeuw)
- technology (Dave Kieckhafer)
- decorating, providing plants and flowers, watering
- greeters, ushers, readers, communion assistants, acolytes, bread-bakers, providers for fellowship
- treasurer (Tina Riechers) and counters (Mary Roelli, Linda Considine)
- soup supper volunteers
- cleaning, set-up/take-down, and care of the facilities
- those who sent cards, called upon, and visited the homebound
- those who provided pictures of activities at church



## CARE COMMITTEE



The Care Committee would like to thank the following people who put together approximately 70 Easter gifts for our homebound people. Those helping were: Sheila Carrington, Pat Roelli, Diane Bredeson, and Linda Considine. Thank you so much for all your dedication to these worthy projects.

A thank you also to Tana Risseeuw for the many, many cards and gif bags she donated to the church.





## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for APRIL

	<b>April 7</b>	<b>April 14</b>	<b>April 21</b>	<b>April 28</b>
Altar Care	Linda Considine Diane Bredeson	Marilyn Johns	Jalaine Ruegsegger	Pat Roelli Mary Roelli
Reader	Blaze White	Eldon Wilson	Kris Fleming	Sandy Reis
Greeters*	Tim & Jody White Family	Chuck & Carol Barnard	Steve & Kris Fleming	Marv & Sandy Reis
Ushers**	Don Leinberger Blaze White	Don Leinberger Serenedy Opland	Don Leinberger Steve Fleming	Don Leinberger Paul Roelli
Acolytes	Brax White	Serenedy Opland	Joel Meyers	McKenna Roelli
Communion	Linda Considine	Marilyn Johns	Jalaine Ruegsegger	Mary Roelli
Bread	Marilyn Johns	-----	Mary Roelli	-----

*\*Please arrive 20 minutes early.*

*\*\*Please arrive 25 minutes early.*

If you are unable to fulfill your role on a given weekend, please contact another person/family on the Worship Leader Schedule and swap or have someone cover for you.

Please indicate changes ahead of time on that master schedule, **or** if need be, contact the office with changes. (Office: 608.776.4462; [darlinglutherans@gmail.com](mailto:darlinglutherans@gmail.com)).

## FELLOWSHIP SCHEDULE

Thank you for those signed up to provide refreshments and conversation following worship. Directions are posted inside the cabinet in the upstairs fellowship area. If you have questions, please call Vicki Johnston (776-4572) or Pat Roelli (482-0572)



### APRIL

- 7 - Tiffany Meyers/Sheila Andrews  
& Alana Black
- 14 - Marilyn Johns/Wendy Johns
- 21 - Mary Roelli /Heather Blosch
- 28 - Diane Bredeson/Carol Barnard

### MAY

- 5- Vicki Johnston/Pat Roelli
- 12- Tina Riechers/Jan Riechers
- 19 - Judy Boll/Linda Considine
- 26 - Judy Elzen/Missy Zasada

# Grace Lutheran Church Council



President: Linda Considine  
Vice President Chuck Barnard  
Secretary: Kris Fleming  
Mary Ann Roelli

Financial Secretary:  
Treasurer: Tina Riechers  
Don Barnard  
Jody White

## Council Highlights – What your council is working on --

- The roof was recently repaired and Council made the decision to pay the bill from Undesignated Memorial Funds.
- Council is discussing our financial committee and what it needs to look like and who should participate in it.
- We are forming a Faithful Innovation Team, which is a listening team, to help the Church move forward.
- This year is Lafayette County's 175 years anniversary and we are looking at options to join in the celebration.

## NOISY OFFERING

During the offering on Sundays, an **extra** collection of coins, bills, and/or checks is being collected each week for those in need in our community. The designation of the collection for the months of **January thru April** will be given to the **Lafayette County Food Pantry**.



## LENTEN SOUP SUPPER RESULTS

A total of **\$491** was collected from the three suppers for the Lafayette County Food pantry. Thanks to everyone for their support!

## CONFIRMATION CLASSES RESUME

Confirmation classes will resume on Wednesday, April 17, 5:30-6:45, at Grace Fellowship Hall.

### (The Good Book)

April 17 - Follow-up to Holy Week, Chapters 29 & 30

April 24 - Chapter 31: Where is Jesus Now? (Acts 1)

May 1 – Chapter 32: Happy Birthday to Us (Acts 2)

May 8 – Dinner at Pastor Kate's (tentatively 5:30-7:30 PM)

## SUGAR CREEK BIBLE CAMP

The 2024 schedule for Sugar Creek Bible Camp is out!! Check out the Calendar of Events listed on the bulletin board in the narthex. Lots of camps and activities from now through December!! Their website ([www.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org](http://www.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org)) has online information and registration.







## LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF (LWR) PERSONAL CARE KITS & BABY CARE KITS



We are collecting items for Lutheran World Relief (LWR) Personal Care and Baby Care Kits thru end of April. Lists of needed items are available outside of the office. Bins are provided for any donated items.

## COMMUNITY

### Lafayette County Food Pantry



The Lafayette County Food Pantry is currently in **strong need of donations**. They have had a **large increase of families in need!** All types of **groceries, household supplies, personal care products** (shampoo, conditioner, lotion, etc.), **baby wipes, diapers (sizes 2, 3, & 5). Toilet paper and paper towels** are always needed.

**Non-perishable donations** can be dropped off at Grace in the shopping cart located near the fellowship area. **Frozen** products can be dropped off at the Food Pantry on Tuesdays or Thursdays (10:00-3:00). Tell them you represent Grace Lutheran Church, and your donation will be added to our ongoing count of pounds for 2024! **March total was 87 #! The total for 2024 is 284#.** Some interesting facts: 193 families were served in February 2024 and in February of 2023 85 families were served!!

### GRIEF/SHARE SUPPORT GROUP

A 13-week grief recovery support group is being held at First Baptist Church, Darlington for those who need a safe, comforting place to talk with others about your grief. These are held on Thursdays from 6:00-8:00 PM, March 14-June 6. Additional information and brochures can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex.

### WEEKEND OF NATURE CONTEMPLATION IN THE DRIFTLESS

Trinity Episcopal Church in Mineral Point is sponsoring (and other sponsors including other churches in Mineral Point) a *Weekend of Nature Contemplation in the Driftless* with Barbara Mahany, an author and freelance journalist for the Chicago Tribune for over thirty years. She is known for her writing at the intersection of nature, spirituality, interfaith considerations, and family. The weekend begins on Saturday morning, April 6 with a hike at the Sardeson Preserve. Saturday afternoon will be a Book Talk at Republic of Letters in Mineral Point. Sunday morning, April 7 at 9:30 AM will be a worship service with Ms. Mahany as guest speaker at the Trinity Episcopal Church with coffee hour to follow. Check out the poster on the bulletin board in the narthex.

### GOSPEL MUSIC FEST

Mineral Point Gospel Music Fest will be held on Saturday, June 8 from 10:00 AM-5:00 PM at the Iowa County Fair Grounds in Mineral Point. Gospel music will be presented by many Christian signers and groups (Nondenominational). Free admission and food will be available to purchase. Free will offerings will be given to the music groups. Check out the poster on the narthex bulletin board.

## EASTER FLOWER GIFTS



### In Honor Of

Our Family from Larry & Carol Kammes

Our Grandchildren from Paul and Pat Roelli

Ruth Vamstad from Stu and Patty Vamstad

Barnard Family from Don and Laura Barnard

Bob & Beppi Johns, Wendy Johns, Tash, Ryker & Serenedy Opland from Marilyn Johns

Cait & Dan Janosch, Nate & Emma Fleming, Art & Elaine Koenig from Steve & Kris Fleming

Mike & Miriam, Brad & Jennie, Brian & Hillary from Stu and Patty Vamstad

Dahlia, Diego, Bryce & Thorin from Stu and Patty Vamstad

### In Memory Of

Veronica Bredeson from Diane Bredeson

Gronholm/Jacobson Families from Linda Considine

Adolph Blaser and Penny Holum from Gloria Blaser

Jakob Roelli, Adler Roelli, Jeff Krueger from Greg and Mary Ann Roelli

Tom Johns, Ordean & Marion Olson, Albert & Violet Johns from Marilyn Johns

Vernon & Shirley Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. Francis Olson, Mr. & Mrs. William Johnson from  
Bobby & Jalaine Ruegsegger, Jonathan & Sheila Carrington

John & Evelyn Fleming, Lyn Koenig, Pat Elsing from Steve and Kris Fleming

Robert & Peggy Berg, Oscar Vamstad from Stu and Patty Vamstad

Charles & Catherine Meyer, Lecil & Pauline Wilson from Eldon and Kitty Wilson

Fritz & Judy Nyffenegger from John and Teresa Horsley and Brycen Mullen

John Gille Jr. from Duane and Barb Nelson

Walter & Sally Roelli from Paul and Pat Roelli

Gil Barnard, Nancy Barnard, Bill Siegel from Don and Laura Barnard

Deanne Bennett from Judy Elzen



# GRACE IN PICTURES



Palm  
Sunday  
March 24



Lenten  
Soup Suppers





# April 2024



**Pastor's Schedule** (608/732-9688)  
 Pastor.GraceDar@gmail.com  
 Mondays - Thursdays  
 Fridays: Pastor's Day Off

**Office Hours**  
 Tana Risseeuw, Adm. Assistant (608/558-0697)  
 DarlingLutherans@gmail.com  
 Tuesday-Thursday 9:00-Noon

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;">                     AARP Tax Days                      April 1, 8, 12                 </div>	1	2	3	4	5	6
-----Pastor attending Reformation and Renewal Week at Wartburg Seminary -----						
9:30 AM <b>7</b> Min Point Faith Community Ecumenical Serv. 10:30 AM Worship/Grace Hymn sing	8	9	10	11	12	13
-----Pastor on vacation -----						
8:30 AM <b>14</b> Worship/Hope 10:30 AM Worship/Grace --Pastor on vacation -----	<b>15</b> 11:00 AM The Good Book Study @ Grace	<b>16</b> 6:30 PM Hope Council	<b>17</b> 10:00 AM Worship Committee 5:30-6:45 PM Confirmation	18	19	20
8:30 AM <b>21</b> Worship/Hope 10:30 AM Worship/Grace 11:50 AM Grace Council	<b>22</b> 11:00 AM The Good Book Study @ Grace	<b>23</b> 10:30 AM Worship at Laf. Manor	<b>24</b> Newsletter Deadline 5:30-6:45 PM Confirmation	25	26	27
8:30 AM <b>28</b> Worship/Hope 10:30 AM Worship/Grace	<b>29</b> 11:00 AM The Good Book Study @ Grace	<b>30</b>	UPCOMING DATES May 1 5:30-6:45 PM Confirmation May 17-18 Synod Assembly May 19 Pentecost D'ton HS Baccalaureate			



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Return Service Requested



### Mission Statement

We are Grace people. Jesus Christ sends us out to:

- + Feed the hungry
- + Welcome every child
- + Seek out the stranger
- + Give thanks to God in all things
- + Follow the way of the cross

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Items need to be submitted for the  
May Newsletter by April 24