



PARTICIPATION GUIDE

March 25 – 31, 2018

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PRAYERS

Request a Prayer: Complete a HELP / PRAYER Card (available in the pews).

Keep Our List Accurate: All names with a (3) need to be renewed to stay on the list, so contact your people and inquire about their health; then contact the church office to renew your request. Thanks!

Special Requests

- **Jesus' Cross:** *As He endured the cross to provide us with forgiveness, spiritual life, and eternal salvation, so let us trust and honor Him!*
- **Holy Week – Easter:** *Thursday 11 & 7; Friday 11 & 7; Easter 7:00 & 10:45*
- **God's Word:** *Let us see it as very needful, very important, and packed with blessings!*
- **In Care Facilities or At Home:** Shirley B, Doris B, Matt D, Matt F, Hedwig G, John & June G, Nancy H, Otto K, Eleanor K, Violet M, Marie W, and Harry & Martha Z.
- **Armed Forces:** Members: James Martin; Chris Sala; Andrew Deka; Others: Warren Gellings; Nick Riviotta; Drew Tenney; Chris Weseloh.
- **Lutherans in Africa:** Pray for this week's teacher and students at the LST: Dr. Simojoki (3/26-30): Structure of Lutheranism

Members

- **Helga Bartel** (2) (heart surgery) – continued strength, rehab.
- **Doris Bollam** (2) (breast cancer) – peace, successful treatments.
- **Janet Chilton** (3) (cancer) – comfort, successful treatments, strength.
- **Matthew Dickau** (3) – continued healing, pain relief, strength.
- **Ray Dmytriw** (2) (ALS) – peace, strength, continued improvement.
- **Matt Fischler** (3) – peace and comfort (and peace for Trudy).
- **Jim Ford** (2) (flu) – peace, continued healing and strength.
- **Hedwig Giesz** (1) – pain relief, surgery – *but not until June.*
- **Otto Klos** (1) (stroke) – continued healing, rehab.
- **Kristen Pendley** (2) – peace, medication success, healing.

- **Angie Rohman** (1) (Blessings on baby David, born on Monday 3/19) – continued strength, healing for Angie and baby David.
- **Susanna Tischler** (3) (herniated disk) – pain relief, guidance, healing.
- **Marie Weseloh** (1) (hospitalized) – peace, continued healing, strength.
- **Angie Zeleznikar** (2) (severe back pain) – relief, encouragement, healing.

Others

- **Larry Edris** (3) (lung cancer) – peace, comfort, healing.
- **Karsten Feda** (3) (recent surgery) – continued healing.
- **Elaine Foss** (3) (broken neck) – pain relief, healing (strength for Dee K).
- **Marge Green** (2) (broken arm) – reduction of swelling, bruising; healing.
- **Melanie Himmelberger** (3) (bone cancer) – peace, comfort, healing.
- **Nancy Mattes** (3) (chemotherapy) – peace, comfort, healing.
- **Jack Pekar** (1) (leukemia) – peace, strength, guidance, healing.
- **Jacob Rossos** (2) (concussion) – peace, healing.
- **Christina Waked** (3) – guidance, recovery.
- **Cathy Wirzylo** (3) (needs a liver transplant) – peace, organ donation.

CELEBRATIONS

Physical Birthdays:

3/27 Tristan May
 3/28 Alan Carlson
 3/29 Wallie Amels

Spiritual Birthdays:

3/27 Jeanette De Simone
 3/27 Charles Kusssmaul

READINGS

These are the Series B three-year lectionary readings for next Sunday.

OT: Isaiah 25:6-9
 PS: 16

NT: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
 GOS: Mark 16:1-8

SCHEDULE

Tu – 3/27

- 6:30 – Choir: Rehearsal – Everyone is welcome to attend!

We – 3/28

- 9:30 – Teaching: BFC Story Time
- 10:00 – Teaching: BFC Bible Time

Th – 3/29

- **9:30** – Study: Living the Lutheran Lectionary
- **11:00** – **Maundy Thursday Divine Service**
- **7:00** – **Maundy Thursday Divine Service**

Fr – 3/30

- **11:00 – Good Friday Divine Service**
- 1:00 – Pray: With others at Bethlehem
- **7:00 – Good Friday Divine Service**

Sa – 3/31

- 10:00 – Easter Breakfast Prep/set-up – YOUR help is needed!

Su – 4/1

- 7:00 – Receive God’s Gifts: Divine Service
- 8:30 – Easter Breakfast
- 9:30 – Study: Bible Class & Sunday School
- 10:45 – Receive God’s Gifts: Divine Service

Mondays at 7 PM – Resume on April 9

EVENTS

- **Palm Sunday**: 3/25 at 8:00 & 10:45
- **Holy Thursday**: 3/29 at 11 & 7
- **Good Friday**: 3/30 at 11 & 7
- **Easter Sunday**: 4/1 at 7:00 & 10:45 (breakfast at 8:30; classes at 9:30)

SERVE

- **Easter Breakfast Preparation**: Sat., 3/31 at 9:00 AM. We will put together the stradas, bakery, etc. Thanks! *Eileen Kovach*
- **Redeemer Meal**: Sunday, April 8, from 3:00-7:00. Sign-up in the Narthex. Meet at church at 2:30 to carpool!
- **Needs a Ride**: Eleanor Kuhles – Sundays at 8, 9:30 or 10:45. Please give her a call: 440-668-4662; lives on State near Route 82, North Royalton.
- **Usher**: Sunday at 8:00 or 10:45; contact Matt Kusmaul.
- **Leadership Team**: Openings in Education and Outreach.

NEWS

- **Altar Flowers**: Beacon Hill Florist, where we purchased our flowers for many years, has closed. We are now ordering our flowers from Pawlaks Florist. The cost is \$20 per vase.
- **Mite Box**: Next collection: June 3; boxes available on the bulletin board.

GROWTH and OUTREACH

- **Want to Get Closer to Each Other and God**: Find out how on a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend! Strengthen the foundations of your marriage! M.E. Weekend, April 27-29 in Beachwood. For details and how to register, go to GodLovesMarriage.org, or contact Duffy & Nan Guthrie at 440-599-9090 or nguthrie@suite224.net.

- **Many Resources:** Sermons, brochures, magazines, books, etc.; see what's available in the Narthex and across from the church office.
- **Facebook:** Check-in, like BLC, and write a positive comment!
- **Lutheran Hour:** Sun 6:30 a.m. – WTAM 1100 AM; Sun 8:00 a.m. – The Word 1220 AM
- **Worship Anew** – Sun 11:30 AM: Direct TV: 67, 377
- **Issues Etc.:** Is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio. This week's topics include: The Hymn "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," Apparent Contradictions on the Crucifixion & Death of Jesus, The Upper Room, The Garden of Gethsemane, The Trials of Jesus and more. You can listen at www.issuesetc.org
- **Lutherans for Life:** "Moreover, when Christ, the Son of God, was to be conceived in His mother's womb and become incarnate, He certainly had to be already present in essence and in person in the Virgin's womb, and had to assume humanity there." *Martin Luther (LW 37:62) – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

NUMBERS – FROM LAST WEEK

- **Divine Services:**
 - ✦ Sunday: 8:00 = 55; 10:45 = 40
 - ✦ Wednesday: 11:00 = 26; 7:00 = 23
- **Classes:**
 - ✦ Sunday: 9:30 (BC & SS) = 39
 - ✦ Thursday: 10:00 = 5
- **Giving:**
 - ✦ Last Week Actual: 5,985
 - ✦ Budget YTD: - 5,794
 - ✦ Actual YTD: - 5,275 (Revenue: 33,508; Expenses: 38,783)