

# Wednesdays During Lent 6:30pm

#### Holden Evening Prayer

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# ~ Worship Service ~

Holden Evening Prayer: see booklet

Service with music, prayer and a special drama "The People Vs. Jesus"

**Prelude/Worship Leadership:** Jesse Klosterboer **Pastor:** Rev. Miranda Klosterboer

#### "The People Vs. Jesus" Trial Cast:

Judge Wayne Kurth

Bailiff Austin/ Jay Andrews

Prosecuting Attorney Denny Luke
Defense Attorney Pastor Miranda

#### Jesus' Witnesses:

Feb 25: John Colton Brinker
March 4: Mary Magdalene Taylor Bastian
March 11: James/Jesus 'Brother Jesse Klosterboer

March 18: Herod Lee Wenzel

March 25: *Mother Mary* Karen Niemeier

#### **Wednesdays During Lent**

Family Friendly Wednesday nights With Light Meal and Evening Worship with Service with Holden Evening Prayer, music and a special drama

(Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and April 1st)

**Dinner:** Dinner Served 5:30-6:30pm (Come as you are and come when you can. We will serve until our service begins at 6:30.

At 6pm we will play a Christian children's video, while adults continue dinner fellowship.)

**Evening Worship:** Lenten Worship 6:30-7:00pm

Service with Holden Evening Prayer, music and a special drama **Confirmation:** Gathers for worship and discussion

following (6:30-7:45)

#### ~Events During Lent~

# <u>Ecumenical Lenten Lunches</u>—Join area churches for a meal, fellowship, and Lenten reflection at noon during Lent.

March 4: Lena Evangelical Free March 11: St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church March 18: St. John's LCMS March 25: Lena UMC April 1: Salem UCC (at Lena UMC)

## Super Sunday Family Skate Day Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup> For Youth, Children, Adults, and Friends

Please join us for a fun family afternoon at the Monroe Roller Den on Sunday, March 15th. Bring your friends and family out for a day of roller skating. Skating will be from 1:00 to 3:30pm on March 15th. There will be a sign up sheet posted in the hallway heading downstairs. We will meet at the Roller Den in Monroe on that Sunday. However, if you need a ride, please let us know on the sign up sheet by March 8th, and we will make arrangements. Any questions, please ask Kelly Geiseman. Children under 8 should be accompanied by an adult they know. We hope to see you all on the 15th! Cost: \$6.00/person

## Summer 2015 Mission Trip to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation Dates: August 7th to August 15th

We are in the process of forming our team for this year's Good Shepherd Mission Trip.

We will be going to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota, as we did in 2013. We will work with Pastor Karen at the Pine Ridge Retreat Center as she serves as a mission outpost of service, pastoral ministry, meeting basic needs, offering a Sanctuary for kids to come after school, offering a sandwich ministry at lunchtime, and organizing cultural learning and service in the community with groups that come to learn and serve.

The Pine Ridge Retreat center is a Lutheran Lakota Shared Ministry. I encourage you to pray about going yourself and/or about inviting a friend to join you.

Consider joining this year's team & see what God will do in & through you!

Team Building! Discipleship! Relational Ministry! Ministry with Lakota children! Cultural Learning! Service!

If you are interested contact Pastor Miranda 815-291-5793.

Men's Group will meet March 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm.

#### Northern Illinois Synod 2015 Congregational Resourcing Event

March 15<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am - 3:15 pm Kishwaukee College 21193 Malta Road, Malta, IL

#### ~ Prayer Requests ~

Healing and health concerns... Lois, Verl, Esther, Betty, Roger, Steve, Donna, Terry, and Larry.

We pray for those who are confined to their homes or health care centers...

Eugene	Esther	Alice	Dorothy	Gladys
Evelyn	Verl	Steve	Dorothy	Laura





Join us for each of the Holy Week services as we hear once again the Story of our Salvation and the hope that we have because of Jesus' ministry, death on the cross, and resurrection!

Palm Sunday March 29<sup>th</sup> (9:30am): Join us for an all-congregation processional with palms

during worship as we celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem where the people praised him... ""Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" (Mark 11:9) "Hosanna!" Jesus knows that his entry into Jerusalem will lead to his death, but he continues in order to seek and save the lost. Maundy Thursday April 2<sup>nd</sup> (6:30pm): Join us for corporate confession and forgiveness with the option of laying on of hands. Our Gospel reading is from the last supper Jesus has with his disciples before his death. Jesus lives out Love in Action as he washes his disciples feet, and he teaches them "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." We will celebrate Holy Communion together, and the altar will be stripped as a sign of Jesus' abandonment, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Psalm 22:1).

Good Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup> (6:30pm): Join us for a Service of Light and Darkness as we experience readings from the Passion according John's where we see the Love of Jesus in Action, "When Jesus had received the wine, he said, 'It is finished.' Then he bowed down his head and gave up his spirit." (John 19:30). Between each reading we will sing reflective hymns, and we will extinguish candles throughout the service. In John, Christ is exalted on the cross. The service ends with a procession of the cross, a sign of the world's redemption.

Easter April 5<sup>th</sup> (7:00am and 9:30am): Join us for celebratory services as we worship our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We will process singing "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" and hear the testimony of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ as recorded in the Gospel of Mark. The hymns will be accompanied by brass and organ.