



### **Purpose Statement**

Living Christ centered lives so we may love all, serve our community, and share the Word.

### **News for Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday**

**Join us for Worship at 9:00 a.m.**

Click [HERE](#) for the 9:00 a.m. Worship bulletin

Click [HERE](#) to watch the Livestream

**We Remember in Prayer;** those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: Eric Brown, Dawn Grell, Michelle Klinger, Barb Lenn, Lori Dewey, Shirley Graftaas, Betty Steinke, Michael Harting, Bob Cornelsen, Larry Wahler, JoDell Cruz, Harold & Sandy Julifs, Lila Edeus, and Berta Beyer.

### **Fellowship Hall Chair fundraiser – Thank you to all who have donated!**

We are very close to meeting our goal of purchasing the chairs for the Fellowship Hall. We need a total of 25 in order to have seating at all the tables for large events, (funeral lunches, meetings, etc.) Each chair is \$30. If you have any questions, please talk to Nancy Eilers. You can use a pew envelope or bring your donation to the church office. Be sure to mark your donation for the chair fund.

### **Holy Week 2023**

**Dinner Plates & Passion Service** – March 29, 2023 – 5:30 p.m. with a meal, feet washing, Holy Communion and a reading of Christ's passion.

**Easter Baptism Sunday** – March 31, 2023 – 9:00 a.m. worship with egg hunt to follow.

### **Wednesday Night Bible Study**

There will be no Bible Study this week. They will reconvene on April 10.

### **Mark your Calendar!**

Join us at Immanuel Lutheran Church (501 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., Rock Falls, IL) on Sunday, April 14 at 4:00 p.m. for a concert by The Agape Ringers, Chicago's premier handbell ensemble. A free will offering will be received and merchandise will be available for purchase. You can learn more about the ensemble at their website [www.AgapeRingers.org](http://www.AgapeRingers.org), and on Facebook and YouTube by searching for "The Agape Ringers." The current program encompasses a wide variety of musical styles, from classical to boogie, with arrangements of well-known pieces such as Andrea Bocelli's "Time to Say Goodbye;" "Flight of the Bumblebee," arranged as "Bumble Boogie;" "For Good" from the Broadway hit *Wicked*; and many more compositions for handbells. Join us for a wondrous afternoon! All are welcome!

### **Children's Offering**

**In March and April** the children's offering will support our synod partners in Tanzania and India. The offerings will be sent directly to non-profit organizations that work with the North Central Diocese of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania and the Arcot Lutheran Church (ALC) in India. The Friends of Mwangaza supports education programs that tackle issues related to teaching, learning, public health, empowering women, and building community in Tanzania. Lutheran Partners in Global Ministry supports education through financially supporting students at the ALC boarding homes in India. Check out both organizations here: <https://lutheranpartners.org/what-we-do>  
<https://www.mwangazapartnership.org/>

### **THIS WEEK**

#### **Monday, March 25**

CLEO will meet at Brinks in Sterling at 6:00 p.m.

Tri-Church meeting at St. John's at 6:00 p.m.

#### **Friday, March 29**

Dinner Plates and Passion Worship – 5:30 p.m.

#### **Next Sunday, March 31**

#### **Easter Sunday**

Worship/Baptism/Communion service at 9:00 a.m.

Children's Egg Hunt following worship

No Sunday school

Dahleen Baptism Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m.

**Worship Assistants:**

**Maundy Thursday/Good Friday – 5:30 p.m.**

Opener/Head Usher/Closer – *Volunteer needed*

Acolytes – *Volunteer needed*

Greeters/Ushers – Bill & Carolyn Duncan

Reader – Carolyn Duncan

Sound – Greg Zeigler

**Good Friday supper:**

Mostaccioli: Patty Arians

Stuffed Shells: Julie Woessner

French bread: David Carrillo  
Debbie O’Brien  
Gary Fields

Tossed Salad:

Greens: Cheryl Gorman  
Duncans  
Donna Kendall  
Judy Bartel

Cherry tomatoes: Cheryl Gorman  
Mary Ordean

Cheese: Cheryl Gorman  
Duncans

Pepperoncini peppers: *Volunteer Needed*

Italian Salad Dressing: Hope Howell  
Mary Ordean

Your choice Salad Dressing: *Volunteer Needed*

Sliced Kalamata or Black Olives: Mary Ordean

Desserts: Janie Billings  
Mary Ordean  
Beverly Julien  
*Volunteer Needed*

**Next week – March 31**

Opener/Head Usher/Closer – David Carrillo

Acolytes – Arians family

Greeters – Bob & Judy Bartel

Ushers – John Renner, Dan Dir

Reader – Jim Gorman

Sound – Bradyn Arians

Coffee Fellowship – Dahleen Baptism Fellowship