

Sunday, March 31, 2019

Worship Notes:

Your offerings and tithes may be placed in the offering box before worship, during the time of greeting or following the service. The offering box is located at the rear of the sanctuary.

Our Community Gathers

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship** (**you are invited to stand if you are able*)

Leader: Be glad in our GOD and rejoice, O righteous ones.
Shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

ALL: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Therefore, we worship our God and rejoice.

Leader: In Christ, we become as a new creation.
Everything old has passed away.
See how God makes things new.

ALL: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven and whose lives become new. Through our worship, we praise God who makes us new. Amen

Invocation *Pastor Rich*

***Opening Hymn** **'My Life Flows On'** Ch #619
vs 1, 2 & 4

Old Testament Reading **Psalm 32** *Ellie Wells*

Prayers of the Gathered

The Lord's Prayer (sing) *Ch #310*

Our Community Hears the Word and Responds

Sacred Reading Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32 (pg 78 NT)

Morning Message **'If The Father Can Forgive, Can We?'** *Rich Pate*

Our Community Celebrates the Sacred Table

We celebrate a fully open communion table. All those who believe in Christ our Savior, are invited to receive the Bread of Life and Cup of Hope.

Communion **'Through It All'** (2 x) *Ch #555*

Passing and receiving of Bread and Cup
You are invited to eat the bread once you receive it. Please hold the cup until you are invited to drink together.

Prayer of Offering and Dedication *Ellie Wells*

Thank you, O God, for loving us and laboring with us as we seek you and as we help others in their seeking. Bless these offerings which we return to you, that in our seeking and our serving, we may help others to feel the embrace of your welcome. Guide us in your wisdom and love that we may use these gifts to manifest your righteousness in the world in all that we do. Amen

Crown of Thorns *Ellie Wells*

***Sending Song** **'I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me'** *Ch #529*

Blessing
Holy God, through the discipline of these 40 days, make your Spirit's cleansing fire burn within us. Lift us from the dying embers of our inattention. Mark us with the sign of your Holy passion. Make us ready to respond to the call of Jesus Christ. Amen

"Our Worship has ended - - Now our Service begins

Scriptures for Sunday, April 7th

Elder Old Testament reading: Psalm 126

New Testament reading: John 12: 1-8

Random Act of Kindness

For our Random Act of Kindness: starting March 3rd through Easter (April 21st), we will again help the Ashland Pregnancy and Care Center by collecting loose change for their Baby Bottle Campaign.

Shut-ins

Please pray for our shut-ins and homebound

Joyce Bradley, Sherry Burns, Jane Foster, Dick Gordon, Carol Imhoff, Betty Imperio, Bernice Lambert, Jane McVey, Kate Miller, Wanda Mish, Dick Scott, Wayne Smith, Gertrude & Keith Sparks, Dale Wells & Al & Bev Zimmerman. Please keep Mary Ann Welch and her family in your prayers. A visit, call or a card means so much to those members and friends who can't be here with us each week. Albert Zimmerman is now at Lutheran Village Room 112.

Lent Calendar

March 19 – April 9 Tuesday Bible Studies 10:30 & 6:00
April 14 Psalm Sunday
April 18 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 p.m.
April 21 Easter Sunday Breakfast 9:30
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Leadership Meeting
Sunday April 7th 9:15

Fourth Sunday in Lent **March 31, 2019**



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