



*This month I am sharing with you a excerpt adapted from an article in the current issue of The American Organist, the journal of the American Guild of Organists. As the author notes, new hymnals of many denominations have made radical changes to traditional hymns and liturgy. A noteworthy exception is the new LCMS hymnal, Lutheran Service Book, published in 2007. LSB actually reversed some inept "modernizing" from our previous hymnal, and retains traditional language in many places in the hymns and liturgy. Interestingly, compared to other recent hymnals, LSB has been phenomenally successful and well received, not only within the LCMS but by outside reviewers.*

## **Old Hymns in "New" Language: The Destruction of Imagery and Meaning**

*by Don E. Kerr*

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The American Organist, March, 2010*

Recently, a parishioner said to me, "I love some of the new hymns in our hymnal, but I would rather that we just don't sing the old favorites anymore if we have to sing them with half of the words changed."

Like many others, this lady responds positively to newly written hymns, but she is put off by textual changes in familiar hymns. There are many new hymns that are good poetry set to good music, either new tunes or classic ones. But, unfortunately, there are also many new hymns, as well as the so-called contemporary Christian songs, that are sung to lowest-common-denominator commercial junk music, with self-serving, self-indulgent, self-congratulatory, trite, or merely banal lyrics that insult the intelligence of a ten-year-old and contain egregiously degraded theology and unsound teaching—and many parishioners' principal knowledge of theology comes more from the hymns they have sung over the years than from what they learned in Sunday School or catechism.

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Reforms, even when badly needed, often end up throwing out the baby with the bath water. The revised texts of classic hymns clearly show the results of this excess of zeal and are living proof that a camel is a horse designed by a committee. Many of the editors of revised hymnals were driven by an agenda. We have gotten to the point where any male reference, ever, is unacceptable. We can no longer call God our King, because we live in a democracy. God is apparently now our CEO—meaning, I suppose, that we are

free to replace God with someone else if we don't like the way things are being run. We can no longer call Jesus our Shepherd, because doing so makes us sheep and is, therefore, demeaning. The list of banned words continues to grow, with the word Father near the top. Jesus himself often used that word—should we leave it out when we read the Scriptures and pretend he never said it? If we pull too hard on this thread, we may well unravel the entire fabric of Christian doctrine.

The powerful, deeply moving poetry of classic hymns has been reduced to vacuous twaddle by messing about with classic hymns to make them "relevant." Textual revisions have destroyed the essence of the poetry, transformed into prose that is at best mundane and pedestrian. What person of sound mind would endeavor to take the entire canon of English literature and rewrite it in a way that makes all of it politically correct? The people in the pews are not as stupid as some contemporary theologians, liturgists, and hymnal editors seem to think they are. Imagine the public reaction to "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" rewritten in "contemporary language." Perhaps it would go something like this:

*Our country, it's of you,  
Tippecanoe and Tyler, too,  
Of you we sing:  
Land where the natives died,  
Victims of genocide,  
From every mountainside  
Let correctness ring!*

Hymns that some of us have sung for 30 years or more have become a part of who we are as Christian people. We know the words by heart, and textual changes are unsettling indeed, especially since they force us to pay careful attention to individual words as we try to substitute the new ones while we sing. We lose the forest for the trees, since an automatic response to the

hymn from deep within is made impossible. A friend once told me that he retained his sanity in Marine Corps basic training only because he kept every hymn he knew running through his head as he endured forced marches, endless push-ups, and tongue lashings from his drill instructor. Many of us, in stressful times, have had the experience of having a hymn or a Bible verse force itself into our heads to console and strengthen us. Destroying this blessing by mangling perfectly good texts for the sake of political correctness is a very high price to pay.

Small changes can sometimes be made in classic hymns without laying violent hands on the poetry or the meaning. I recently changed an anthem text from "on men thy love, which knows no measure," to "on us." It did not damage the text as a whole. However, a subtle change in semantics did occur: "men" means all humanity, while "us" could be thought of as us here in this church, our church, but maybe not in some others. The compromise seemed worth making in this case, but it shows how far-reaching little changes in text can be. Hopefully, future hymnal editors will keep in mind that even small changes in original texts may have unintended consequences. The art of poetry is the art of choosing words with extraordinary care and precision.

## Crossnotes

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More than anything else, a little common sense is in order. Why can we not live with a healthy mixture of new and inspiring hymns and worthy old favorites in their original state? Why should we allow ourselves to be held spiritually hostage by a handful of dissidents who insist on recreating the church in their own image—who will ultimately leave anyway when they find something else with which to take offense? Why should we, against our better judgment and nature, allow revisionist liturgical "experts" to be our self-appointed kings and patriarchs who treat us as ignorant children and condescendingly tell us what it is that we really want? And why, above all, do we tolerate the destruction of classic imagery in our hymns—inspiring imagery that is the very breath of spiritual life?

Good sportsmanship is essential to any liturgy. What may not speak to me may indeed be spiritually uplifting to my neighbor in the pew. And when the next hymn comes up, the situation may reverse itself. Any person of the cloth, any music director, knows that madness lies in trying to keep everyone happy all of the time. But, arbitrarily marginalizing people—often the very people who pray and pay—in the name of political correctness, and embracing every trendy novelty that comes along, hardly builds up the worshipping community.



### As of February 28, 2010

Total Offerings Budgeted	
Year-to-Date .....	\$34,443
Total Offerings Received	
Year-to-Date .....	\$24,330
Total Budget Surplus/Deficit	
Year-to-Date .....	(\$10,114)



March 3 (Lent Service III)  
*"The Sounds of Lent: Mocking,  
Flogging, and Spitting"*  
Matthew 27:26-30

March 7  
*"Crossing the Red Sea—A  
Symbol of Holy Baptism"*  
1 Corinthians 10:1-2

March 10 (Lent Service IV)  
*"The Sounds of Lent:  
Washing Hands and Cross  
Scraping on Back"*  
Matthew 27:20-26

March 14  
*"The Parable of the  
Sinful Sons"*  
Luke 15:11-32

March 17 (Lent Service V)  
*"The Sounds of Lent:  
Sneering and Weeping"*  
Luke 23:24-32, 49

March 21  
*"The Parable of the  
Wicked Tenants"*  
Luke 20:9-19

March 24 (Lent Service VI)  
*"The Sounds of Lent: Pounding  
Hammer, Spurting Water and  
Blood, and Confessing"*  
John 19:31-37

March 28  
*"The Sounds of Lent:  
Donkey's Hoofs, Cheering  
Crowds, and Jeering Crowds"*  
Matthew 21:1-11



Holy Cross youth will be meeting Sunday, March 7, from 6:00pm-8:00pm. All youth ages 5th-12th grade are encouraged to attend for fun, fellowship and food! Pizza and beverages will be provided.

We will be meeting in our new Youth Room, in the area upstairs above the Gathering Room

If there are any questions please contact the Youth Group counselors, Heidi Finkral, Larissa Kommes, Katie Freese, Tony Waybright, or Margaret Waybright.

Hope you can attend—see you there!



During the season of Lent we are having a Lenten Food Drive to benefit the Gospel Mission. Thru Good Friday there will be a box in the Gathering Room for donations of non-perishable food items.

This is also a great opportunity to get your children involved and teach them the joy of sharing with those in need.

*"Share with God's people who are in need, and extend hospitality to strangers"(Romans 12:13).*



## ***2010 Lent Services Wednesdays, 7:00pm***

March 3 – Lent Service III

**"Mocking," "Flogging"  
& "Spitting"**

March 10 – Lent Service IV

**"Washing Hands" &  
"Cross Scraping on Back"**

March 17 – Lent Service V

**"Sneering" & "Weeping"**

March 24 – Lent Service VI

**"Pounding Hammer,"  
"Spurting Water and Blood"  
& "Confessing"**

March 28 – Palm Sunday

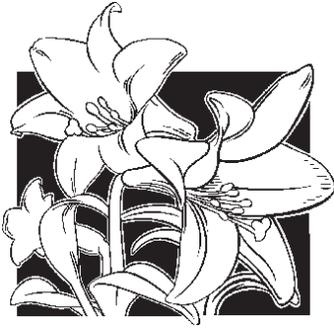
**"Donkey's Hoofs,"  
"Cheering Crowds,"  
& "Jeering Crowds"**

April 1 – Maundy Thursday

**"Singing,"  
"Breaking Bread"  
& "Pouring Wine"**

April 2 – Good Friday

**"Dice" & "Death Cry"**



## Donate Lilies for Easter

Sign up on the table in the Gathering Room to donate lilies to beautify our church at Easter, which falls this year on April 4. Please note whom or what they are in memory or honor of. As we focus on the promise of the resurrection, Easter is a wonderful occasion to remember loved ones.

Lilies will be obtained again this year from Mosher's Garden Center. Cost is \$11 per plant and the deadline for signing up to order is Palm Sunday, March 28. Put payment in offering marked "Easter Lilies."

You are also *welcome* to bring plants you purchase elsewhere or receive as gifts. Please still sign up, noting that you will bring your own plants, and drop them by the church during Holy Week.



Services for Maundy Thursday on April 1 and Good Friday on April 2 are at 7:00pm. The Maundy Thursday service will include Holy Communion.

Bring your family to meditate on our Savior's sacrifice for your salvation.



## SATURDAY Worship

### Summer Saturday Service Scheduled

At the Quarterly Business Meeting in January the Voters Assembly voted to hold a Summer Saturday Service this year, during the months of June, July, and August.

The Saturday service will be at 5:30pm and will be a shortened version of the service for the following Sunday, with the same sermon. Holy Communion will be celebrated at this service each week.



### Altar Flowers

The flower calendar for 2010 is now on the table in the Gathering Room. Occasions to remember include anniversaries, birthdays, in memory of loved ones, etc.

Flowers may be obtained anywhere and you may provide your own vase or use one of the assortment in the Coffee Bar. They may be delivered during Office Hours, Tuesday thru Friday from 9:00am-11:00am, and placed in the flower cooler in the Sacristy west of the altar area. Or, you can simply bring them early on Sunday morning.

February 14

Steven & Susanne Stoeger-Moore

March 7  
Ron & Jeannette Yockey  
In Memory of Eric Yockey

April 4  
Denise & Patrick Honner  
Emma's 1st Birthday

April 11  
Scott & Shannon Feese  
Chance's Birthday



Our congregation has designated a title of 10% of our general offerings to support the work of our District and Synod. Each month we remember in prayer in our worship services specific missionaries around the world who are supported in this way by our congregation.

March 7  
Rev. Frederick Reinhardt  
Senegal

March 14  
Phil and Carolyn Hedemann  
Indonesia

March 21  
Rev. Phil and Kerri Schielke  
Kazakhstan

March 28  
Erin Mackenzie  
Mexico



We list members' birthdays and anniversaries in the newsletter each month and the bulletin each week. However, our records are not complete.

If your information is missing or inaccurate, please accept our apologies and notify the church office at 232-9117 or email [holycross@longlines.com](mailto:holycross@longlines.com).

Ashley Bargstadt, March 1  
Jackson Amunson, March 2  
Kay Hageman, March 5  
Gail Dorr, March 6  
Tim Fletcher, March 6  
Scott Winborn, March 6  
Tamela Mahrt, March 11  
Doug Martin, March 14  
Madeline Smith, March 14  
Susan Amunson, March 17  
Caden Peters, March 18  
Brady Schroeder, March 19  
Paul Eickhoff, March 20  
Katie Freese, March 22  
Rose Chapman, March 24  
Mark Krause, March 25  
T.J. Michels, March 25  
Merlin Schincke, March 25  
Melanie Melstad, March 27  
Gracee Miranda, March 31  
Darrel & Jacquleen Baker  
March 9, 1974



## **Sunday Bible Class on "Speechless: Silencing the Christians"**

During March we will conclude our Sunday morning Adult Bible Class on "Speechless: Silencing the Christians."

Featuring real-life accounts of discrimination against Christians, this DVD series looks at current social and cultural changes from a Christian perspective. Upcoming topics include:

March 7—Can Christianity be detrimental to your job? In this episode you'll learn how some employers are

## **Easter Egg Hunt**

*Saturday, April 3  
10:30am*

*On Church Grounds  
Up to Age 10*

*All Children Invited!*

*Non-Members Welcome!*

*No Charges or Fees*



## **Easter**

### **Breakfast**

*Easter Sunday, April 4  
8:00am-9:00am*

*Holy Cross Fellowship Hall*

*Sponsored by the Youth Group*

*Free-Will Donation*

***All Invited—Everyone Welcome!***



## **Community Sunrise Service**

*Easter Sunday, April 4  
7:00am*

*Second Easter Service  
at 9:15am*

*Both Services at Holy Cross*



invading the personal lives of employees and punishing those who express their beliefs, even in private. You'll share the stories of a University of Toledo human resources executive and a corporate fraud investigator at a Fortune 100 company. Both were fired just for stating opinions based on their faith, when not even on the job. Find out the far-reaching implications of this disturbing trend and how it can impact you.

March 14—America's centers of higher learning were established to teach the Bible and Christian values and often

considered a free marketplace of ideas. But, increasingly, Christians are no longer welcome in these "bastions of tolerance." In this episode faculty and staff at public universities learn that having a Christian worldview is not acceptable. Learn why an assistant professor at the University of North Carolina Wilmington was denied promotion. Hear the story of a librarian at Ohio State University at Mansfield who lost his job simply because of a few book recommendations. Will this intolerance strike you?

March 21—Are we teaching our future leaders tolerance at the expense of moral convictions? In this episode a Georgia Tech student leader receives death and rape threats after she opposes the school's liberal feminist policies. Share the struggles of a social work student at Missouri State University who is told she must violate her conscience or give up the chance to work in her chosen field. Learn the price being paid for an educational environment where "tolerance" increasingly has become the cover for "intolerance."

March 28—Is "freedom of speech" dead in America? This episode examines the growing number of cases in which guaranteed rights are being denied. You'll see how a California church was refused the use of a public facility because of the faith content of their meetings. You'll hear the convincing insights of U.S. Senator Jim DeMint and Clemson University professor J. David Woodard, who discuss their book, *Why We Whisper, Restoring Our Right to Say It's Wrong*, and offer practical steps everyone can apply. This is an important and timely discussion, with implications for every American.

Join in Sunday mornings at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall for an interesting study of this contemporary topic!



Isn't it nice to have snack time after worship? We need volunteers to help! In the Gathering Room there is a new sign-up sheet to bring snacks for fellowship time after worship in 2010. Why not sign up for a birthday or other special event?

You are welcome to bring whatever snacks you wish. Those serving snacks are also asked to prepare the coffee and juice, which along with cups, napkins,



## Preschool & Afterschool Care Spring Open House

Tuesday, March 23, 6:00pm-7:30pm

See the Facility Meet the Staff

Register to Reserve Your Child a Place for Next Fall

- Providing quality Christian education in Dakota Dunes since 1996
- Preschool classes for Ages 3-5
- Mom's Day Out program for 2 year olds
- After School Care for Kindergarten thru 6th Grade, with bus service from Dakota Valley and Sacred Heart
- Christian atmosphere
- Excellent facility

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plates, etc. are available in the Coffee Bar. Thank you to all those providing snacks!

### Snacks for March

March 7 ..... K. Hageman  
 March 14 ..... Vogts  
 March 21 & 28 ..... Need Volunteers



Ignore the snow on the ground, and come on in to help with the spring cleaning of the church! Following the March 10 Women In Mission meeting, we ask that you bring your favorite cleaning supplies, rags, and your vacuum cleaner with hose attachments and we'll just see what a little elbow grease can

do to put a shine in the sanctuary, gathering room and entry. To entice you to stay and help a soup luncheon will follow. And, yes, you will have to work for it!

Join the Women In Mission on Wednesday, April 14 for a fun program by Fran Briggs as she presents her Washday Program at Stoneybrook Assisted Living. Come enjoy fellowship with the residents and with your Sisters in Christ. The program starts at 9:30 am at Stoneybrook.



Elders for March  
 Carroll Gustmann & Ron Yockey

Ushers for March  
 Doug Martin, Kendall Martin,  
 Kaleb Martin

Chancel Care for March  
Gail Dorr & Terri Vogts

Acolytes for March

March 3 (Lent) ..... Claire Johnson  
March 7 ..... Stephanie Stoeger-Moore  
March 10 (Lent) ..... Gracie Nelson  
March 14 ..... Bryce Schroeder  
March 17 (Lent) ..... Kathleen Soukup  
March 21 ..... Anna Vogts  
March 24 (Lent) ..... Kasey Michels  
March 28 ..... Claire Johnson

Crucifers for March

March 3 (Lent) ..... Ashley Bargstadt  
March 7 ..... Kasey Michels  
March 10 (Lent) ..... Tiara Selby  
March 14 ..... Megan Winborn  
March 17 (Lent) ..... Nathan Soukup  
March 21 ..... Emily Steemken  
March 24 (Lent) ..... Myron Bose  
March 28 ..... Jace Waybright



**Lutheran Lecture  
Series April 24**

You are invited to a *free* lecture series featuring four interesting Lutheran speakers. The *Lutheran Lecture Series—Midwest* will be held on Saturday, April 24 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Marcus, Iowa. This year's topic is, "The Church and the Civil Realm."

- Dr. Adam Franciso of Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne, Indiana will speak on "Making Sense of Pluraism: A Worldview Overview."
- Dr. Korey Maas of Concordia University, Irvine, California will speak on "Church, State, and Abortion: What Can We Learn from Antiquity?"
- Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller of Hope Lutheran Church, Aurora, Colorado will speak on "The Ten

Commandments in the News:  
Understanding Contemporary  
Events in Light of the Catechism."

Registration, coffee and donuts begins at 9:00am. The formal activities start at 9:45am and will continue until 11:45am when everyone will break for lunch, which will be provided by the host congregation's youth group. The afternoon's lectures will begin at 1:00pm and finish by 3:30pm. A short service of Vespers will follow, and the day's activities will conclude by 4:00pm.

This is a great chance to hear some interesting Lutheran speakers close to home, and there is no charge.

From the south edge of Marcus, Trinity Lutheran Church is four miles south of the interesection of Highway 3 and 143 (Marcus Junction Cafe on corner) and then turn west on C-38 and go one mile.

If you plan to attend please email Jon Dorr (jdorr@midlands.net). You can also speak with Jon for more information.



You are invited to a Community Sunrise Service at Holy Cross on Easter Sunday, April 4 at 7:00am. This simple service will feature the Easter story and favorite Easter hymns. A second Easter Service, with Holy Communion, will be held at the regular time of 9:15am.

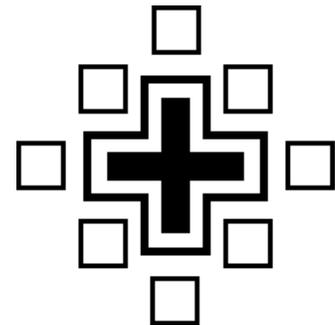
Easter Sunrise Service is one of the most moving and meaningful worship opportunities of the year. Bring your family and holiday guests to celebrate the real significance of Easter. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite family, friends, neighbors, etc.—everyone enjoys Easter Sunrise services!



**Bee-Lievers  
in Christ**

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School at Holy Cross, Tuesday thru Friday, June 1-4, from 9:00am-11:30am. This year's fun theme is "Bee-Lievers in Christ."

Classes are for children 3 years of age thru those that just completed 4th Grade. The fun and learning includes Bible lessons, crafts, songs and refreshments. There are no charges or fees and non-members are welcome!



**March  
Commemorations**

You may have noticed on our church calendar that in addition to members' birthdays and anniversaries there are also listed historic commemorations of some of our forbearers in the faith.

**St. Patrick, Missionary  
(March 17)**

Patrick is one of the best-known of the missionary saints. Born to a Christian family in Britain around the year AD 389 he was captured as a teenager by raiders, taken to Ireland, and forced to serve as a herdsman. After six years, he escaped and found his way to a monastery community in France.

Ordained a bishop, it is believed that Patrick made his way back to Ireland in the summer of 433, and there spent the rest of his long life spreading the Gospel and organizing Christian communities.

He strongly defended the doctrine of the Holy Trinity in a time when it was not popular to do so. His literary legacy includes his autobiography, Confession, and several prayers and hymns still used in the Church today. At least one tradition states that Patrick died in Ireland on March 17 around the year AD 466.

### **St. Joseph, Guardian of Jesus (March 19)**

St. Joseph has been honored throughout the Christian centuries for his faithful devotion in helping Mary raise her Son. Matthew's Gospel relates that Joseph was a just man, who followed the angel's instructions and took the already-pregnant Mary as his wife (Matthew 1:24).

In the Gospels according to Matthew and Mark, Jesus is referred to as "the carpenter's son" (Matthew 13:55; Mark 6:3). This suggests that Joseph had building skills with which he supported his family. Joseph was an important figure in the early life of Jesus, safely escorting Mary and the child to Egypt (Matthew 2:14) and then settling them back in Nazareth once it was safe to do so (Matthew 2:22).

The final mention of Joseph is at the time the twelve-year-old Jesus visits the temple in Jerusalem for the Passover (Luke 2:41-51). Joseph, the guardian of our Lord, has long been associated with caring parenthood as well as with skilled craftsmanship.

### **The Annunciation of Our Lord (March 25)**

The angel Gabriel appears to Mary and announces that God has shown her favor and will use her as the means for the Messiah's birth. So Mary conceives Jesus when the angel says: "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you" (Luke 1:35).

This same Spirit who hovered over the waters and brought forth creation (Genesis 1:2) will now "hover over" the waters of Mary's womb to conceive the creation's Redeemer. As the Holy Spirit comes upon Mary, she conceives Jesus "through her ear" (as Martin Luther says). The one who is conceived is called Holy, the Son of God. This is the moment of the incarnation of our Lord.

The date of the Annunciation falls on March 25, because the Ancient Church believed the crucifixion occurred on that date. In antiquity, people linked the day of a person's conception with the day of his or her death. Thus, in the Annunciation, the Church joined together both the incarnation of Jesus and the atonement He accomplished.



## **Sunday School Topics for March**

**March 7**—Today, the Sunday School classes learn about Jesus' miracle of feeding 5,000 hungry people (John 6:1-14). They learned that in His love, God promises to care for all our physical and spiritual needs and gives us the greatest treasure—His Son and the gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation.

*As a family, talk about the many ways that God has provided for both your physical and spiritual needs. In the catechism, look at the explanation to the First Article of the Apostles' Creed.*

**March 14**—The key point of today's Sunday School lesson is that, in our sin, we are lost from God and doomed to die, but God, in His love, sought and found us and keeps us with Him forever. The Bible story was about Jesus seeking the lost as recorded by St. Luke (Luke 15).

*In your family discussions, talk about how God keeps us through the work of the Holy Spirit in the Word and the Sacraments. In the catechism, review the explanation to the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed. How does this fit with the Bible story?*

**March 21**—In today's Sunday School lesson the children learn how in faith, a sinful woman lovingly anointed Jesus' feet. They also learned how in faith we grasp God's free mercy, receive the forgiveness of sins, and respond with acts of love and praise. As a family, consider ways that you might respond to God's mercy.

*Ask your children what sins God will forgive (all of them!), and in your catechism review, look at the section about the Confession of Sins.*

**March 28**—The key point of Sunday School today is that Jesus is our Passover Lamb, who with His very body and blood grants us forgiveness, life, and salvation. The children learned about the Last Supper, the Lord's Supper (Luke 22:1-23).

*In your family discussions, talk about the benefits and blessings that we receive in the Lord's Supper. Talk about and remind the children that such benefits are theirs through their Baptism, in Holy Absolution (the forgiveness of God spoken by the Pastor), and through God's Word, which is preached and taught to them. In the catechism, review the Lord's Supper.*



Following the Easter Sunrise Service on Easter Sunday, April 4, the Youth Group will host an Easter Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. A free-will offering will be taken. Everyone is invited!



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>A</b>lmighty and everlasting God, grant us by Your grace so to pass through this holy time of our Lord's passion that we may obtain the forgiveness of our sins; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (Collect for Tuesday of Holy Week)</p>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 6:15pm Midweek School 7:00pm Lent Service	<b>4</b> 7:00pm Board of Elders	<b>5</b> 10:00am Board of Education	<b>6</b>  Gail Dorr Tim Fletcher Scott Winborn
<p><b>7</b> <b>3rd Sunday in Lent</b> 8:45am Choir Warm-Up 9:15am Worship with Holy Communion 10:30am Sunday School &amp; Bible Class 1:00pm Adult Information Class 6:30pm Youth Group</p>	<b>8</b>  Ashley Bargstadt	<b>9</b>  Jackson Amunson	<b>10</b> 9:00am Women in Mission 10:00am Spring Cleaning 6:15pm Midweek School 7:00pm Lent Service	<b>11</b>  Tamela Mahrt	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> <b>DAYLIGHT</b> SAVING TIME  <b>BEGINS</b>
<p><b>14</b> <b>4th Sunday in Lent</b> 9:15am Worship with Holy Communion 10:30am Sunday School &amp; Bible Class 11:30am Choir Rehearsal 1:00pm Adult Information Class  Doug Martin, Madeline Smith</p>	<b>15</b>  <b>Newsletter Deadline</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 6:15pm Midweek School 7:00pm Lent Service  St. Patrick Susan Amunson	<b>18</b>  Caden Peters	<b>19</b>  St. Joseph, Guardian of Jesus Brady Schroeder	<b>20</b>  First Day of Spring Paul Eickhoff
<p><b>21</b> <b>5th Sunday in Lent</b> 9:15am Worship with Holy Communion 10:30am Sunday School &amp; Bible Class 11:30am Choir Rehearsal 1:00pm Adult Information Class</p>	<b>22</b>  Katie Freese	<b>23</b> 6:00pm-7:30pm Preschool Open House	<b>24</b> 6:15pm Midweek School 7:00pm Lent Service  Rose Chapman	<b>25</b> 7:00pm Church Council  The Annunciation of Our Lord Mark Krause T.J. Michels Merlin Schincke	<b>26</b> 	<b>27</b>  Melanie Melstad
<p><b>28</b> <b>Palm Sunday</b> 8:45am Choir Warm-Up 9:15am Worship with Holy Communion 10:30am Sunday School &amp; Bible Class 1:00pm Adult Information Class</p> 	<b>29</b>  <b>OFFICE HOURS</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <b>Church Office Hours</b> Tuesday-Friday 9:00am-11:00am  Gracee Miranda	<div style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 10px;"> <p>Preschool Schedule            Monday-Friday Mornings            Chapel Wednesdays &amp; Thursdays 9:00am            After School Care            Monday-Friday, 3:15pm-6:00pm            Both Follow Dakota Valley Calendar</p> </div>		

**Deadline for Calendar Submissions or Changes is the 15th of the Prior Month**  
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# Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 3

10:30am

On Church Grounds

Up to Age 10

All Children Invited!

Non-Members Welcome!

No Charges or Fees



# Community Sunrise Service

Easter Sunday, April 4

7:00am

Second Easter Service

at 9:15am

Both Services at Holy Cross

# Easter Breakfast

Easter Sunday, April 4

8:00am-9:00am

Holy Cross Fellowship Hall

Freewill Donation



## All Invited—Everyone Welcome!

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

Dakota Dunes Boulevard & Bison Trail

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