

# Newsletter

April 2022

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Photo: Little Lambs Preschoolers

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

- Soup Supper, 5:30 pm
- Lenten Service, 7 pm

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

- Soup Supper, 5:30 pm
- Lenten Service, 7 pm

### PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 10

- Traditional Service, 9 am
- Contemporary Service, 10:45 am

### MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 14

- Service, 7 pm

### GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 15

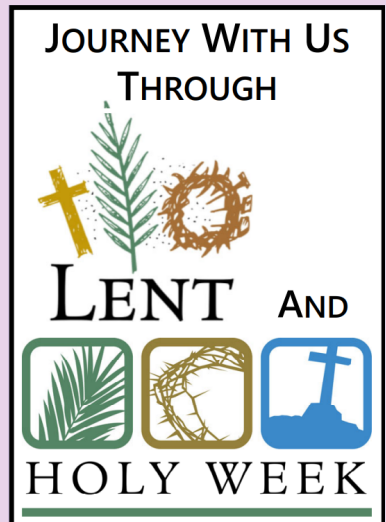
- Children's Service, all are invited, 10 am
- Evening Service, 7 pm

### HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 16

- Service 5 pm

### EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17

- Traditional Service, 9 am
- Contemporary Service, 11 am



## **FOOD DRIVE**

**SUN, APRIL 3  
8:30 - 10:45 am**

**Shepherd  
of the Prairie  
10805 Main St  
Huntley**

*Collecting non-perishables, cash,  
& checks made out to*

**GRAFTON FOOD  
PANTRY**

### **Needs this month:**

Peanut Butter  
Jelly/Jam \* Juice  
Cooking Oil  
Dish Soap  
Detergent  
Personal Care Items  
**PAPER PRODUCTS  
NOT NEEDED**



## A Note From Pastor Mark

Dear Friends:

There is a line in the movie Shawshank

Redemption that struck a chord with me when I first heard and every time I watch the movie I wait for it with anticipation. The line is spoke by Red and it goes like this..."hope is a dangerous thing."

Indeed it is....

Living without hope, I think, is like suffering the death of a loved one.

Everything appears bleak.

You lose your direction and your purpose, your will to go on. Proverbs 29:18 says: "Where there is no vision, the people perish."

Encouraging those who have lost hope is not an easy task. Words don't come easily and our mental attitude when we attempt to be of help to others may be different than theirs.

Also, our faith makes a huge difference in believing that whatever the problem, God is in control.

Do you remember times when you felt surrounded by darkness, worry, anger, and grief? Have you ever felt that nothing could ease the turmoil overwhelming you? Did you find comfort in a friend's support, mental or spiritual, or did you rely on yourself to try and tough it out? If so, what was the result? How did that go?

While it was still dark on the morning of the third day, the followers of Jesus Christ were in distress. They were filled with a great deal of sorrow, disappointment, and confusion. Mary Magdalene doesn't find the body of

Jesus in the tomb where it is "supposed" to be. What does this mean?

Imagine the disciples' mounting fear, anxiety and grief. They're probably wondering why, only days before, the man they expected to be their king was instead arrested, treated like a common criminal and put to death in the most degrading and cruel way.

Indeed, they experienced "hope as a dangerous thing."

But, suddenly, on this particular Sunday morning, despair changes to joy when they understand that Christ has risen from the grave and had appeared to a few of his followers.

Suddenly gloom changes to hope. Suddenly they believe that all will be well, just as he had told them. Now they, too, can look forward to a new life.

I can recall Easter Sundays from my childhood when the sanctuary seemed like a flower garden.

New dresses and hats, all in pastel colors, bloomed throughout the congregation. It seemed like spring had arrived, and everything felt fresh and alive.

Easter Sunday is like that. It's a time of celebration, when we give thanks and rejoice at our new life in God's Kingdom. This is a time of renewed hope.

Rejoice and come join us in worship during this season of hope. He is risen, indeed!

Alleluia!

*Pastor Mark*



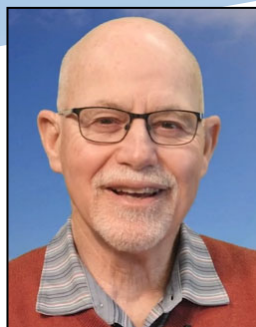
## Adult Education

### With Pastor Bill

Throughout the season of Lent, our focus has been on **Pastor Mark's preaching texts** each week. Carefully unpacking these stories the week before, we then listen to them proclaimed as Word of God on Saturday and Sunday. We'll continue that format up to and including Easter. Then, following the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord, we'll delve into...I'm not quite sure yet! I have some ideas bouncing around in

my head, and as soon as I settle on something, you'll be the first to know! At any rate, **we continue to meet every Sunday at 10:20 and on Wednesday at 11:00.** We hope you'll join us!

*Pastor Bill Waxenberg*



## Ministry Musings

### With Donna

Recently I have been walking with several people through a season of sadness. One thing I hear often from them and others is the idea that being sad is somehow a bad thing. Sadness is a very valid and appropriate emotion to feel when we have experienced some type of trauma or loss. That loss could be the death of a loved one, loss of a job, a relationship that has been broken, the loss of physical health, a financial set back, the loss of a pet, a dream that has ended and many other things.

When we experience a loss, we often think that showing our sadness is a sign of weakness. My late husband's father died when Russ was only 8 years old. When he started to cry at the

visitation, he was taken aside by a family member who told him roughly to stop crying because Kellys don't cry! He learned early that sadness was weakness. (Luckily as an adult he learned it wasn't true). Unfortunately, so many of us do believe sadness is weakness to be true. In the past, society, especially our northern European cultures tell us to "chin up", "stand tall", "don't let it get the best of us", "be strong", and "put on a happy face". We think we are doing well when we don't let our emotions show.



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## Ministry Musings With Donna (Cont.)

But sadness is just as essential an emotion as joy or hope. Granted sadness is not as pleasurable to go through as feelings we deem more positive; but sadness is important and even valuable to experience during an appropriate time in our lives.

When you are grieving any kind of loss, it is normal to feel sad, in fact it might even be necessary to feel that sadness. Sadness gives us time to slow down, pause and experience our loss for what it is. I believe the only true path to the healing of our heart, mind and spirit after a trauma or loss is to embrace the painful feelings, give ourselves permission to feel them and then to begin letting go of them. The pain and sadness that goes alongside

loss doesn't just go away because we decide it's time to do so. Grief and sadness often come in waves, like the waves in the ocean. Sometimes the waves are high and mighty and wind driven, and they knock us down when they hit us. At others times they may be gentler and just tickle our feet as

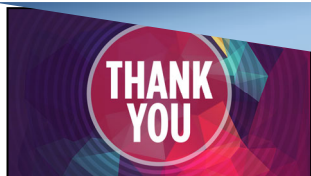
the come in.

As time goes on and we begin to heal, the waves that come tend to be more of the gentler kind and there are fewer high and crushing waves.

Part of sadness is tears. As I walk with those in sadness, I encourage them to give way to their tears. Tears are like a cleansing agent. When we allow ourselves to cry, the tears can be like taking a refreshing shower, where we empty ourselves of the stored-up pain and anguish, take a deep breath and take a few steps forward. And don't forget to give yourself permission to feel ok or even good when that's how you are feeling. Feeling happy at times during or following a trauma is just as valid as the sadness.

I have found that more quickly and deeply you can embrace your sadness, the more quickly you can learn how to live with it or move past it. So, embrace your sadness so that soon you can embrace your joy!

*Donna Kelly*



A special thank you to all who helped out during our Lenten Soup Suppers; those who helped plan, served as hosts or provided soup.

## SOUP SUPPERS THANK YOU!

A special thank to our  
7s Discipleship Small Groups for their  
help.

Blessings on you this Easter Season!

*Donna Kelly*  
*donna@sotpmail.com*

## Candy donations

# CANDY COLLECTION

Collecting wrapped candy  
Feb 16 - April 6  
For Easter Egg Hunt at SOTP on April 9

Contact: Tessa DeLong  
tessa@sotpmail.com

### Drop off locations:

- Sundays:  
candy  
collection  
box in  
gathering  
area
- Other times:  
in church  
office

## Dessert club

### CALLING ONE AND ALL

to join the Spring/Summer Dessert Club beginning in May. Now that the pandemic is waning, it is time to resume this fellowship activity.

This club provides the opportunity for meeting other church members and getting to know your SOTP family in a different setting. Come and share dessert and fellowship with other Shepherd of the Prairie members. The YELLOW Dessert Club SIGN UP SHEETS are on the bulletin board in front of the office or you can sign up online.

Sign up online at:

[www.bit.ly/SOTPsupperclub](http://www.bit.ly/SOTPsupperclub)

We meet in groups of 5-7 people approximately 4 times from May through August and the host rotates

among the participants in the group. Once all have hosted, then it's time for another session of Dessert Club.

Singles Welcome!

Questions? Contact Marilyn Sauerberg at ggmar35@gmail.com or call 847-544-6454.

**April 30th is the deadline for registration** for SOTP Dessert Club starting in May 2022.

We want to meet NEW people as well as those who have been members for a few months or a few years! Sign up on the Yellow sign up sheet on the bulletin board in front of the office or online.

Contact: Marilyn Sauerberg  
ggmar35@gmail.com



*Lent at sotp*

**Soup Suppers  
Before Lenten Services**  
Join Us for Soup 5:30–6:30 pm



**Sign Up to Bring a Soup**

[www.bit.ly/SOTPsoupsupper](http://www.bit.ly/SOTPsoupsupper)

Contact: Donna Kelly Donna@sotpmail.com

March 9 – April 6

Wednesday  
**Lenten**  
SERVICES



**Wednesday Nights**  
**7:00 pm**

## FINANCIAL RECORDS

Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church only keeps financial records on members and non-members that have envelopes assigned. If you are not a member and want envelopes, please contact the Church office.

## SAVERS COLLECTION Youth FUNdraiser



Your  
Donations = \$

**Collecting:**  
**MARCH 13 - APRIL 23**

**At Shepherd of the Prairie**

Contact: Youth Team youth@sotpmail.com

**CLOTHES** men's,  
women's & children's: coats,  
shoes, scarves, handbags,  
wallets, fashion accessories, ties,  
belts, backpacks, etc

**HOUSEHOLD  
TEXTILES:** bedding,  
comforters, blankets,  
sheets, towels, linen,  
tablecloths, curtains,  
pillows, etc.



## PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church



**LITTLE LAMBS  
PRESCHOOL**

**NOW ENROLLING  
FOR 2022-2023**

**2, 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS**

**PRESCHOOL**  
  
**Registration**

More Info: **[www.bit.ly/SOTPLambs](http://www.bit.ly/SOTPLambs)**  
Contact: Jill Gillming [LittleLambs@sotpmail.com](mailto:LittleLambs@sotpmail.com)

## Social Media Follow Us



Follow us on  
**Instagram**

**@shepherdoftheprairie**

## Grief Journey

GRIEF JOURNEY  
GROUP  
TUESDAY MORNINGS  
10AM TO 11 AM  
SOTP LIBRARY

CONTACT: DONNA KELLY, [donna@sotpmail.com](mailto:donna@sotpmail.com)



## MEALS NEEDED

### McHenry County PADS **HELP NEEDED**

**Make a meal for 40-50 people on a Monday.**

- Use disposable pans
- You can deliver or delivery available.



Contact: Vik Bekeris  
vikbek66@yahoo.com

## Name Tags

Now that most people are not wearing masks, you may not recognize them. This would be a good time to wear your name tag. If you misplaced

your name tag, you can order a new one by contacting Michelle.

Contact: Michelle Rankin  
michelle@sotpmail.com

## Av team Is growing

# JOIN THE AV TEAM



**CREATING AN INVITING  
AND ENGAGING WORSHIP  
EXPERIENCE THROUGH**

- SOUND
- VIDEO
- GRAPHICS
- LIGHTING

Contact: Mike Yndestad  
mike@sotpmail.com

**WELCOME!**  
*New Members*

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**Gloria Beavis \* Bob & Arja Kasper  
Doug Nagel \* Denny Schwartz  
Shirley Ulmer \* Valerie Ulmer  
Nancy Wilson \* Rick & Linda Wright**

**CELEBRATE RE-ENTRY**  
*Mentors Needed*



**MENTORS NEEDED**  
FOR ALL RELEASED  
INMATES

**Contact: Vik Bekeris**  
vikbek66@  
yahoo.com

**THEY TALK, WE LISTEN.**  
CALL IT FRIENDSHIP.  
[celebrate-reentry.org](http://celebrate-reentry.org)

**MENTOR; OBSERVE; JOIN; ORDER**  
(M.O.J.O.)



## *2022 offering envelopes*

If you haven't picked up your 2022 offering envelopes, you can get them during the week from Michelle, or on

Sunday from Ralph Wehnes.

*Contact: Ralph Wehnes*  
[ralphwehnes@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ralphwehnes@sbcglobal.net)

## FRIENDS BIBLE STUDY

### Women's Bible Study

"Pride is one of the deadliest of all vices, a haughty spirit before a fall" (Proverbs 16:18).

How often we have heard this phrase. The book of 1 Kings is a study of the effects of pride. While reading and studying 1 Kings, we are learning that the Lord gave Solomon the choice to take responsibility for his character flaws by walking in His ways according to His Word.

Come and join Friends Bible Study as we read and discuss two books in the Old Testament, 1 Kings and 1 Chronicles. Our previous study focused on King David and led us to

continue learning about a future king, David's son Solomon.

Friends Bible Study meets **every Monday from 12:30-2:00** in the Willow Room at Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church.



**Be Responsible:**  
**Being Good**  
**Stewards of**  
**God's Gifts** by Warren Wiersbe is the current guide

book we are using to aid in our study and discussions.

New members are always welcome to join in this Bible study group. For more information contact Linda.

Contact: Linda Dungey  
[lindajsd88@gmail.com](mailto:lindajsd88@gmail.com)



## PRAIRIE POINT QUILTERS

something you can help with that is not hard to do.

We meet on the **first and third Tuesday from nine o'clock until eleven**. We are not back to treats and coffee as of now.

We will be dedicating 80 quilts on May 15th. The quilts will go to Home of the Sparrow and Lutheran World Relief.

Contact: Beverly Kenny  
[krkbjk@comcast.net](mailto:krkbjk@comcast.net)

We are back to quilting at church the . Thanks to all the quilters who have returned. Looking forward to seeing more quilters along with any new members who would like to join us. We sew, lay out squares, cut squares, layer quilts and then tie them together. We can always find



## **EASTER OFFERING**

### *For Ukraine*

#### **Easter Special Offering for Eastern Europe Crisis**

This year's Easter special offering will be designated for Lutheran Disaster Relief and the Eastern Europe Crisis Response. The current war in

Ukraine has put millions of people in danger. As Ukrainians shelter from bomb blasts or flee their homes, many need medical attention, food, water

and basic sanitation. Lutheran Disaster Response is accompanying our companions in Ukraine, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia, as well as such



ecumenical partners as Lutheran World Federation and Church World Service, in their humanitarian response to the crisis. These partners provide refugees with immediate support and supplies such as food,

blankets, water and hygiene kits. Your Easter offering gifts for "Eastern Europe Crisis Response" will be used entirely (100%) to provide support for

people impacted by conflict in the region. Please give generously.

*Contact: Becky Wright  
rawright48@gmail.com*

## **Lent offering**    *Distribution*

With humble thanks for Jesus Christ giving up his life during this Lenten period, SOTP will give up all Lenten offerings (including Maundy Thursday & Good Friday) to be divided among;

- ⇒ Doctors Without Borders
- ⇒ Home of the Sparrow
- ⇒ Turning Point

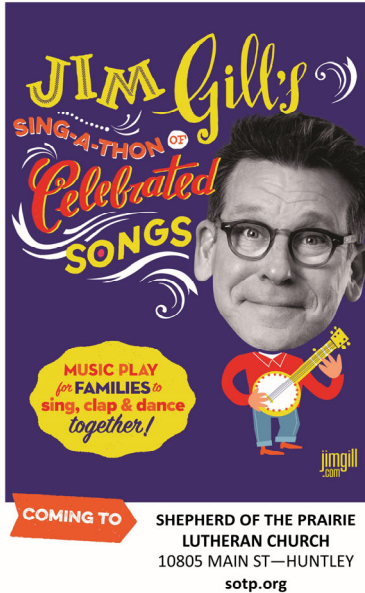


*Contact: Mission Team Chair  
Sandy Hupert  
sandyhupert@gmail.com*



Shepherd  
of the  
Prairie  
Lutheran  
Church's  
Artist  
Series  
Proudly  
Presents

**FREE  
CONCERT!**



**SUNDAY,  
MAY 22,  
4:00 PM**

*Distinctive music play,  
creating the spirit of a  
family room & inviting  
children, parents and  
grandparents to sing  
and play together!*

- ⇒ An American Celebration—Sunday, July 3, 7:00 pm
- ⇒ Monroe Crossing—Saturday, September 17th, 7:00 pm

Contact: [artistseries@sotpmail.com](mailto:artistseries@sotpmail.com)

## Fresh vegetables

### THE AARRK GARDEN

*Helping the homeless  
through agriculture*

**Interested in Purchasing  
Veggies Over the Summer?**

Contact: Vik Bekeris [vikbek66@yahoo.com](mailto:vikbek66@yahoo.com)

Fresh Vegetables brought to SOTP  
weekly all summer long.



# **BLOOD DRIVE**

*Mark Your Calendar!*

# **BLOOD DRIVE**

**at  
SOTP**



# **TUESDAY MAY 17TH**

**11am  
to  
1pm**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
*Sign Up Link Coming Soon.*

**Contact:**  
Marty Jacobson  
[martyjimjake@aol.com](mailto:martyjimjake@aol.com)

## **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

### *Elm Update*

3/9/22 Update:

Somebody call HGTV, as the Volunteers are putting the finishing touches on Elm and it is looking like a magazine cover!

Still lots of trim painting and wall touches to do, as well as door knobs, towel bars and other hardware items to install. And if the weather gets warmer again, we have garages that need plaster taping and painting.



Then once the weather finally improves, we will need to turn our attention to landscaping. So while it feels like we are close, there is still lots to do at Elm.

Contact: Carl Hupert  
[carlhupert@gmail.com](mailto:carlhupert@gmail.com)

*Easter egg hunt  
Bring Your Friends*

# **EASTER EGG HUNT**

## **AT SOTP**

**Saturday, April 9th**

**10:00 am**

**All ages welcome**

**Contact: Tessa DeLong tessa@sotpmail.com**

Outside the  
Church  
Weather  
Permitting

## **MINISTRY ENGAGEMENT**

If you have an interest in becoming involved in a ministry at SOTP but not sure where to start, go online to [www.bit.ly/SOTPministry](http://www.bit.ly/SOTPministry).

Our Ministry Coordinator will contact you.

*Contact: Donna Kelly donna@sotpmail.com*

## **Online giving**



**Remember: your offerings are a blessing.  
And blessings keep on giving.**

**Online Giving Available at:**

**<https://bit.ly/SOTPgiving>**

*Questions? Contact: Michelle Rankin Michelle@sotpmail.com*

# Regularly Scheduled At SOTP



## SUNDAYS

9:00 am **Traditional Worship**  
 9:00 am **Kids Connect**  
 10:10 am **Sonshine Choir**  
 10:20 am **Adult Education** (not on  
 4/17 & 5/8)

10:45 am **Contemporary Worship**  
 10:45 am **Kids Connect**  
 1:00 pm **FBW**  
 4:00 pm **7s Group**  
 (Mike & Julie Dahlin)

## MONDAYS

10:00 am **Staff Meeting**  
 10:30 am **FBW**  
 12:30 pm **Friends (Women's)  
 Bible Study**  
 1:00 pm **7s Group** (Annette Petersen)  
 6:00 pm **7s Group**  
 (Doreen Brangenberg's house)  
 6:30 pm **Boy Scouts Troop 200**  
 7:00 pm **7s Group**  
 (Alison Womac's house)  
 7:00 pm (2nd Mon) **Ministry Night**  
 7:00 pm (3rd Mon) **Council Meeting**

## TUESDAYS

8:00 am **Men's Coffee at McD's**  
 9:00 am (1st & 3rd Tues), **Prairie  
 Pointe Quilters**  
 9:00 am **Little Lambs Preschool**  
 9:15 am **AL-ANON Meeting**  
 10:00 am **Grief Journey Meeting**  
 10:00 am (4th Tues), **Barnabas**  
 6:00 pm **Cub Scouts, Lions  
 Meeting**  
 6:30 pm (1st Tues), **Scout Troop  
 200  
 Committee**  
 6:30 pm (1st Tues), **Boy Scouts  
 Patrol Leader's Council**

7:00 pm **7s Group**  
 (Rachael Yndestad)  
 7:00 pm **Adult Bells**  
 7:00 pm **Cub Scouts, Tigers  
 Meeting**  
 7:00 pm **FBW**

## WEDNESDAYS

9:00 am **Little Lambs Preschool**  
 10:00 am **God's Girls**  
 10:30 am **Women's FBW**  
 11:00 am **Adult Education** (not on  
 4/20 & 5/11)  
 4:30 pm **Spirit Ringers**  
 5:20 pm **Joy Ringers**  
 5:30 pm **Soup Supper** (Lent)  
 5:30 pm **Suppers with Luther**  
 6:30 pm **Confirmation**  
 7:00 pm **Lenten Service**  
 7:15 pm **Adult Choir**

## THURSDAYS

9:00 am (2nd Thurs), **Prayer  
 Shawl Ministry**  
 9:00 am (3rd Thurs) **Volunteers from  
 SOTP at ReStore**  
 9:00 am **Little Lambs Preschool**  
 3:00 pm **7s Group** (Carol Bletz)  
 5:30 pm (1st Thurs), **Girl Scouts**  
 6:30 pm (2nd Thurs), **Lions Club**  
 7:00 pm **High School Youth**  
 7:00 pm **Cub Scouts (Bears,  
 Webelos & Wolves)**

## FRIDAYS

9:30 am **Sonshine Boys**  
 10:30 am **FBW**

## SATURDAYS

5:00 pm **Worship**  
 Times Vary **Habitat for Humanity**





## Upcoming Events

Join Us!

**FEBRUARY 16—APRIL 23 Candy Collection for Easter Egg Hunt**

Contact:

[tessa@sotpmail.com](mailto:tessa@sotpmail.com)

**MARCH 13—APRIL 23 Savers Collection (Youth Fundraiser)**

Contact: [youth@sotpmail.com](mailto:youth@sotpmail.com)

**SATURDAY, APRIL 2 First Communion Class (3 of 3), 3pm**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 3 Food Pantry Food Drive, 8:30—10:45 am**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 3 Communion from the Assembly Training, 10am**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 9 Easter Egg Hunt, 10am**

**WEEKEND OF APRIL 9 & 10 First Communion Weekend**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 9 Easter Egg Hunt, 10am**

Contact: [tessa@sotpmail.com](mailto:tessa@sotpmail.com)

**SUNDAY, APRIL 10, Palm Sunday Services, 9am & 10:45 am**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 14 Maundy Thursday Service, 7pm**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 15 Good Friday, Church Office Closed  
Children's Service, 10am  
Evening Service, 7pm**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 17 Easter Sunday  
Traditional Service, 9am  
Contemporary Service, 11am**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 24 7s Kickoff, Noon**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27 Adventure Club New Session Starts 5pm**  
Contact: [tessa@sotpmail.com](mailto:tessa@sotpmail.com)

**SUNDAY, MAY 8 Muffins with Mom, 10am**

Contact: [tessa@sotpmail.com](mailto:tessa@sotpmail.com)

**SUNDAY, MAY 15 New Member Gathering, 3pm**  
Contact: [donna@sotpmail.com](mailto:donna@sotpmail.com)

**TUESDAY, MAY 17 Blood Drive 11am —1pm**

**SUNDAY, MAY 22 Last Day of Kids Connect Before Summer Break, 9am & 10:45 am**

**SUNDAY, MAY 22 End of School Year Celebration, Noon**

**SUNDAY, MAY 22 Artist Series-Jim Gill, 4pm**

**THURSDAY, MAY 26 Little Lambs End of Year Celebration 6pm**

**MONDAY, MAY 30 Memorial Day Church Office Closed  
Parade: Decorate Float 9am  
Walk in Parade 11am**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 19 Donuts with Dad, 10am**

**JUNE 20—23 Vacation Bible School, 9am—Noon**

**SUNDAY, JULY 3 Artist Series-"An American Celebration" 7pm**

**MONDAY, JULY 4 4th of July Church Office Closed**

# Birthdays

## April

Date Name

2 ..... Roxanne Doremus,  
Summer Riley, Nicole  
Stoica, Mary Tabatt

3 ..... Robin Anderson,  
Kristen Bala, Dave  
Frederickson

4 ..... Amy Casablanca

5 ..... Ivan Frake, Mary Lee  
Rishel, Darlene Soest,  
Marilyn Wilhelm

6 ..... Jessica Monahan, Kay  
Schumacher, Janet  
Suksi

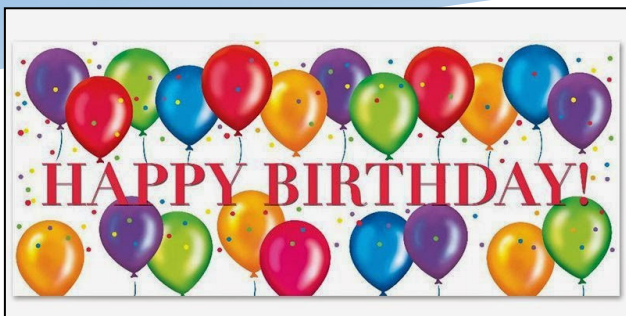
7 ..... Lynn Moran, Larry  
Scimeca

8 ..... Lindsay Sparks

9 ..... Roger Clausen,  
Edward Cuttle,  
Mitchell Flanagan,  
Carol Forsythe, Judy  
Krawczyk, Cole  
Raines, Addison  
Raistrick, Dave  
Ressler

10 ... Paige Cordle, Camden  
Dean, Tom Koegel,  
Donald Kundich,  
Kerry Miller

12 ... Colton Allegretti,  
Frank Cesario,  
Andrew Ressler,



Elloise Torkelson

Ulmer

13 ... Suzanne Alpert,  
Delainey Black, Jack  
Conti

21 .... Jeffrey Cordle, Noah  
Sparks

14 ... Catherine Johnson,  
Marc Piskule, Cecilia  
Ramey

22 .... Dean Dobrolinsky,  
Allison McCann, Dan  
Wentzloff

15 ... Kathleen Bloomfield,  
Kim Frendreis, Jianna  
Trevino, Wylder  
Weston

23 .... Kyle Frendreis,  
Matthew Kann, Jeff  
Roberts

24 .... Doris Pizzillo

16 ... Jill Behm, Linda  
Dungey, Jennifer  
Huston, Dennis  
Schwartz, Roberta  
Seroni, Lila Stegge

25 .... Carol Didricksen,  
Carol Larson, Kane  
Luedtke, Robert  
Mollis

17 ... Dan Hollow, Seth  
McCulloch, Kathy  
McGuine

26 .... Janice Burseth,  
Wayne Grayczyk,  
Rebecca Hennessy,  
Jill Lamb, Jamison  
Mathiesen, Kelvin  
Walker

18 ... John Boehler, Marcie  
Schlachta, Caitlyn  
Stech, Alan  
Torkelson, Fred  
Wilhelm

27 .... Andrew Brown,  
Ronald Elam, Evelyn  
Farnam, Darlene  
McGuigan

19 ... Angela Crase, Luke  
Palermo

30 .... Ken Lemke, Megan  
Librandt

20 ... Troy Fleener, Zachary

*Our amazing heavenly Father knew you before you were  
born. May His precious love and care warm your heart as  
you celebrate another year.*





## GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

Are you looking for ways to use your talents and participate in our church family?

Here are some ideas and who to contact for more information for each one:

- **ADVENTURE CLUB**—Tessa DeLong, tessa@sotpmail.com
- **ADULT CHOIR**—Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
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- **USHERS**—Andrew Szekely, Adrew.Szekely@outlook.com
- **WELCOME CENTER**—Rachael Yndestad, r.yndestad@icloud.com  
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- **WORSHIP BAND (SINGING & INSTRUMENTAL)**—Brian Buesing, brian@sotpmail.com

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Ways to Serve*

# Involvement Schedules

## April 2022



		April 2 & 3	April 9 & 10	Maun Thurs & Good Fri	April 16 & 17	April 23 & 24	April 30
Assisting Minister	SUN 9:00 AM	Mary Holbrook	Sandra Johnson		Interested in Serving Here? Sign Up at: <a href="http://www.bit.ly/SOTPworshipteam">www.bit.ly/SOTPworshipteam</a>		
Communion Assistants Interested in Serving Here? Contact Judie Symbal <a href="mailto:judie.symbal@att.net">judie.symbal@att.net</a>	SAT 5:00 PM	Mary Holbrook	Ron Mudge		Sandy Scalise	Karen Eckert	Joy Nesta
	SUN 9:00 AM	Elaine Gillam Donna Allen	Interested in Serving Here? Sign Up at: <a href="http://www.bit.ly/SOTPworshipteam">www.bit.ly/SOTPworshipteam</a>				
	SUN 10:45 AM	Doreen Brangenberg Steve & Carol Legel	Marge Marlowe		Doreen Brangenberg Marlene & John Boehler	Doreen Brangenberg Marge Marlowe	
Counters	Mon	Donna Turner, Chuck Zindel & Dottie Bobzin					
Greeters Interested in Serving Here? Contact: Elaine Gillam <a href="mailto:suggillam@aol.com">suggillam@aol.com</a>	SAT 5:00 PM		Bob & Diane Peterson	Thurs 7pm Elaine Gillam			
	SUN 9:00 AM	Cheryl Adams Elaine Gillam	Eileen Gerald Sue Wehnes	Fri 7pm Elaine Gillam	Cheryl Adams Dottie Bobzin	Laura Attaway Elaine Gillam	
	SUN 10:45 AM	Carolyn & Bob Malm			Amy & Tom Koegel	Carolyn & Bob Malm	
Newsletter Mailing Prep		Marilyn Wilhelm & Lois Jensen Interested in Serving Here? Sign Up at: <a href="http://www.bit.ly/SOTPfolders">www.bit.ly/SOTPfolders</a>					
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“... always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord....” 1 Corinthians 10:31





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	SUN 9:00 AM	WALTER LEMKE Art Rydan Mike McCann	JACK CONTI Pete Thompson Don Kramlich Sandy Kramlich Andrew Szekely		WAYNE SCHMIDT Pete Thompson Vik Bekeris Andrew Szekely Mike Malczewski Dan Wentzloff	RALPH WEHNES George Attaway Ed Cuttle Carolyn Cuttle Jerry Darrow Pat Darrow	
	SUN 10:45 AM	BOB MCDUFFEE Vik Bekeris Chuck Peterson Annika Yndestad	MARK FRENDREIS Sandy Stewart Jessica Panella Andrew Szekely		{ 11am } VIK BEKERIS Don Koerner Judy Petrooulos Doug Nagel Andrew Szekely	VIK BEKERIS Bob Mollis Diane Mollis	
Welcome Center Contact: Rachael Yndestad r.yndestad@ icloud.com	SUN 9:00 AM	Interested in Serving Here? Sign Up at: <a href="http://www.bit.ly/SOTPwelcome">www.bit.ly/SOTPwelcome</a>					
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To start receiving any (or all) of the above, please e-mail your request to:

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If you aren't receiving other e-mail blasts from us, please reach out to  
Michelle Rankin at [Michelle@sotpmail.com](mailto:Michelle@sotpmail.com) to be added.

# Treasurer's Report

## Treasurer's Report as of February 28, 2022

**General Fund Report:** The Unrestricted General Fund Balance is \$338,903. Total income for the month was \$69,520 and total expenses for the month was \$69,011. Approximately 4.8 months of General Fund reserves.

**Mortgage Service Fund Report:** The Mortgage Service Fund Balance is \$78,147. Income for the month was \$17,344. The monthly mortgage payment is \$19,536. Approximately 4.0 months of Mortgage Service Fund reserves.

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b><u>This Month</u> Budget</b>	<b>Difference</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Income:	\$69,520	\$59,138	\$10,382	17.5%
Expenses:	\$69,011	\$70,005	(\$ 994)	-1.4%

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>YTD Actual</b>	<b><u>Year-to-Date</u> YTD Budget</b>	<b>Difference</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Income:	\$180,689	\$147,070	\$33,619	22.8%
Expense:	\$139,225	\$138,826	\$ 399	0.0%

### **Mortgage Service Fund**

Income for Month: \$17,344  
Income YTD: \$49,698  
Payments YTD: \$39,072  
Fund Balance: \$78,147

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**finances**

### **Council Action Item Approvals:**

During February 21, 2022 Council meeting, Finance team's recommendations to approve Trane BAS agreement, Parking Lot repair project, Downspout drainage tile project and new five year term on MIF Mortgage note were all accepted and approved.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Robert C. Mollis, Congregation Treasurer

## Prayer Requests Submit &/or Receive

To submit a prayer request, please go to [www.bit.ly/SOTPrayers](http://www.bit.ly/SOTPrayers) and fill out the form.

To join us & pray for those who need prayers, e-mail



your request to:  
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