

# Pew's News

April 13, 2014

*Reflecting the Light of Christ in Crystal*

St. James Lutheran Church, 6700 46th Place North, Crystal, Minnesota 55428

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## Holy Week Worship Schedule

### **Maundy Thursday**

April 17, 7:00 p.m.

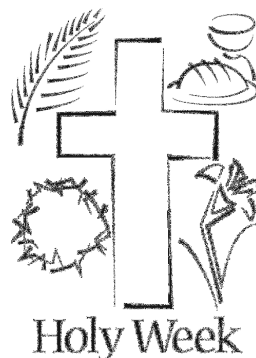
### **Good Friday**

April 18, 7:00 p.m.

*A joint Bonfire service at House of Hope (48th & Boone)*

### **Easter Sunday**

April 20, 8:45 & 10:00 a.m.



## Lenten Offering Banks

There is still time to take a Lenten offering bank home! Money collected will go to Lutheran Social Service. Please begin turning in the banks on Easter.

## Flower Fundraiser

St. James children will be selling hanging baskets and pot fillers in the narthex this morning as a fundraiser for summer camp. Flowers will be here Sun., May 4.

## Day Camp

June 23-26 at St. James

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each day

\$20 per child

Registration forms are due in the church office by Sun., Jun. 8. We are considering before and after camp childcare if there is enough interest.

See registration packet (located on the children's bulletin board) for all the info. Contact Shayna or Pastor Kristen with any questions!

## Kid Pack

The future of the Kid Pack program is uncertain since the money funding this program is nearly gone. Each Bonfire congregation has been asked to raise \$1,250 by April 15 for a matching gift.

## Butter Braids are Here

If you ordered Butter Braids from the youth, they are available for pick-up today!

## Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are given by Terry & Lana Teigen in celebration of their 45th wedding anniversary.

## Over 55's Reservations Needed by Tomorrow

The Over 55's will enjoy a gourmet meal at Hennepin Technical College (9000 Brooklyn Blvd.) on Mon., Apr. 28 with serving starting promptly at 11:30 a.m.

Choose from two entrees: walleye or New York strip medallions. Each entrée is served with house salad and dressing, potato, vegetable, dinner rolls and butter, dessert and choice of beverage. The price is \$19 and includes tax and gratuity/service charge. Checks should be made out to Over 55's.

Reservations and payments need to be given to Ozzie Hellen (763-533-3543) or Carol Koosmann (763-533-1356) or placed in the Over 55's box in the church office by April 14.

## Palm Sunday

This Palm Sunday, St. James will proudly wave Eco-Palms in partnership with Lutheran World Relief.

Through this simple act, we help palm harvesters, their families, communities and the environment by:

- Ensuring palm harvesters receive a fair price for their palms.
- Promoting sustainable harvesting practices that protect and sustain the environment.
- Empowering palm harvesting communities, who receive a premium for each palm we wave.

As we rejoice in Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, let us light up palm harvesters, their families and communities by joyfully waving our Eco-Palms!

## God's Amazing Race

A new summer event is being planned for all ages of children to learn, grow and have fun!

There will be three race nights: June 11, July 9 and August 13, 6:30—8:00 p.m. On a race night, there will be games/challenges, Bible study/devotions, crafts/art, music, snacks and plenty of fun. Cost is \$15 and includes three nights of fun this summer and a sweet t-shirt. If a parent signs up to volunteer, their child's entry fee will be waived. Registration forms are available on the children's bulletin board.

## Fore! It's Time for Golf Leagues

It's time to commit to playing in a St. James golf league for the 2014 season.

Men's nine-hole-play is scheduled for Tuesday evenings at Theodore Wirth Golf Course, May 6 to July 22. If you are interested in some great fellowship and want to play golf with some fellow St. James members, contact Stan Tikkanen before April 30 (763-546-8155 or saaktikkanen@hotmail.com). Friends, co-workers or relatives are welcome to join as well.

The women's golf season will begin on Wed., May 7 at French Lake Golf Course at 9:00 a.m. and will continue all summer on Wednesday mornings. If you are interested or have any questions, please call Carol Koosmann at 763-533-1356.

## This Week's Events

### Sunday, April 13:

8:15 a.m. Second Sunday Singers  
8:45 a.m. ELW Worship  
9:57 a.m. Adult Ed / 9:57  
11:00 a.m. *Now the Feast* Worship

### Monday, April 14:

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Finance Committee

### Tuesday, April 15:

1:00 p.m. Library Work Day  
5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts  
6:30 p.m. Bells  
7:00 p.m. Kung Fu

### Wednesday, April 16:

10:00 a.m. Mary Circle  
12:30 p.m. Thrivent  
6:00 p.m. Youth  
6:30 p.m. Confirmation  
7:00 p.m. GA / Choir

### Thursday, April 17: Maundy Thursday

7:00 p.m. Kung Fu / Worship

### Friday, April 18: Good Friday

4:00 p.m. Violin  
7:00 p.m. Worship (@HOH)

### Saturday, April 19:

8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast

### Sunday, April 20: Easter Sunday

8:45 a.m. Worship  
10:00 a.m. Worship

## Last Sunday's Statistics

- Mission & Ministry: \$10,401  
Received to date: \$106,969
- Capital Fund: \$1,569  
Received to date: \$26,763
- Special Offering (*Feed My Starving Children*): \$45
- Kid Pack: \$1,905
- Attendance: 193

## St. James Staff

Pastor Dave Valen (612-499-1006)  
Pastor Kristen Brechler (651-307-6563)  
Shayna Anderson, Dir. of Family Ministry  
Lana Teigen, Financial Coordinator  
Amanda Burns, Director of Communications  
Ryan Walesch, Senior High Youth  
Ron Skalicky, Custodian  
Mary Brown, Organist and Bell Choir Director  
Deanna Loken, Choir Director  
Amy Jermstad, Sunday Morning Custodian  
Stephanie Charging, Assistant Custodian

## Contact St. James:

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## April's Outreach Partner: Feed My Starving Children

Every day 18,000 children die from starvation.

Feed My Starving Children teams up with over 500,000 volunteers each year to package over 133 million meals for starving children in nearly 70 countries all over the world. Each Feed My Starving Children meal provides the key nutrients a starving child needs to survive and thrive.

All special offering donations during the month of April will help provide the food materials to make FMSC meals.

## Garage Sale

The 5th annual garage sale benefiting St. James will be held at Tim & Becki Smith's home, 4301 Washburn Ave N, Minneapolis on May 30 & 31.

It's the Victory Neighborhood Garage Sale— and boy does it bring in the customers! We have sold plants, baked goods, furniture, books, golf balls, toys, kitchen items and tons of miscellaneous items.

Spring is in the air— time to clean out the cobwebs and dust bunnies. Bring items clean and in good condition to the Smiths to benefit St. James.

Tim & Becki will be accepting items brought to their house on the Wednesday and Thursday before the sale. Any questions, please call Becki's cell: 612-812-2022.

## Spring Craft Retreat

Attention crafters! We will hold the Spring Craft Retreat on Sat., May 17, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Wold Hall.

Each crafter will get at least 4 feet of table space, lunch, dinner, beverages, and a fun time! This is a time to come and work on those unfinished projects or start a new one!

The cost is \$35 and all proceeds go to the St. James Youth Group. Sign-up sheets are outside the church office.

## NEAR Update

St. James members donated \$5,595 and 240 pounds of food for the March Food Drive for NEAR. Thank you, thank you, thank you, for your continuing support. This means that you filled 291 3/4 boxes for the trailer that held 360. What a blessing you have all been to the community. The final update on how many trailers the three churches filled will come April 20th. Watch for it!

## The Page Turners Book Club

May's pick: [Too Bright to Hear Too Loud to See](#) by Juliann Garey.

In a look at mental illness that weaves together three timelines, Greyson Todd leaves his successful Hollywood career, wife and young daughter to travel the world, giving free reign to the bipolar disorder he has been forced to keep hidden for almost 20 years. Garey pulls no punches in her absorbing debut novel, a harrowing story of one man's descent into madness and his painful struggle to recover. [from [hclib.org](http://hclib.org)]

May's Book Club Meeting: Tues., May 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the Peter and Paul room. Join us! All are welcome.

June's pick: [An Irish Country Doctor](#) by Patrick Taylor

For more information, contact Linda Judge (at 763-533-4081 or [judgetlinda@msn.com](mailto:judgetlinda@msn.com)).

## Next Week's Texts

*Acts 10:34-43*

*Matthew 28:1-10*

## Office Closed

The church office will be closed on April 21 for Easter Monday. Please contact Pastor Dave in case of an emergency.

## Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Thursdays, 7:00—noon; Fridays, 7:30—10:00 a.m.

## Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast is Sat., April 19 at 8:00 a.m. at Fat Nat's (36th Ave. & Winnetka Ave).

## Kid Pack Packing Day

The next packing event is Tues., April 29 4:00-6:00 p.m. at Emergency Food Network (8501 54th Ave N— New Hope).

Contact Melodie Hanson 763-504-4981 if you are able to help.