

# Pew's News

April 20, 2014  
Happy Easter!

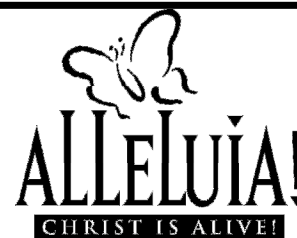
*Reflecting the Light of Christ in Crystal*

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

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## Easter Plants Given By:

*Anderson, Dave in honor of my mother, Irene Anderson*  
*Anderson, Jerry in memory of Shirley Anderson*  
*Anonymous, in memory of Rita & Bill DeBruyn*  
*Blom, Connie in honor of Luke, Abby, Noah, Jacob & Grace*  
*Brooker, Nadine in memory of my family and husband*  
*Brown, Mary in honor of the community family of St. James*  
*Burns, Andy & Amanda in honor of our children Lydia & Parker*  
*Butcher, Vicky & Arlin in memory of our mothers Norma Sondrol and Mabel Butcher*  
*Decker, Judy & Jim in memory of son, Todd Swaningson*  
*Franklin, Eleanor in memory of loved ones*  
*Hansen, Violet in memory of Paul Hansen*  
*Hanson, Melodie, Katie & Rachel in memory of Omer & June Tharaldson*  
*Harlow, Jackie in memory of my sister Beverly Stoker*  
*Held, Joyce in honor of my children and grandson*  
*Hellen, Ozzie in memory of loved ones*  
*Johnson, Roger & Robin in memory of family & friends that are dearly missed*  
*Jones, Barb & Rick in memory of grandson Luke, nephew Jeff, and our parents*  
*Judge, Stan & Linda in memory of Jane & Alf Larson, beloved mom & dad*  
*Kistner, Bill & Eunice in honor of granddaughters, Taylor & Brooke*  
*Lohmann, Nancy in memory of Gary Lohmann*  
*Looft, Karon & Wayne in honor of our children and grandsons*  
*Nelson, Audrey in memory of Marvin, Don and others*  
*Nelson, Lois in memory of Quadie Nelson*  
*Olsen, Jim & Judy*  
*Parsons, Lloyd & Barbara in honor of our children and grandchildren*  
*Reinking, Donna in memory of my family*  
*Rykken, Maxine in memory of family and friends*  
*Smith, Tim & Becki in memory of loved ones*  
*Thomsen, Margaret in memory of Pearle & John G. Thomsen*  
*Teigen, Terry & Lana in honor of our children and grandchildren*  
*Tutila, Peg in memory of Erv Tutila*  
*Valentine, Jim & Jeannette in memory of Katie Scarlett Valentine*



## Lenten Offering Banks

Please return your Lenten offering banks. Thanks!

## 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., May 18. 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!

## Office Closed

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

## First Quarter Statements

If you would like a copy of your first quarter giving statement, please contact Financial Coordinator Lana Teigen at 763-537-3653 or lteigen@stjamesincrystal.org.

## Kid Pack Thanks

A huge thank you goes out to the St. James community for giving so generously to the Kid Pack fundraiser. We have nearly doubled the goal of \$1,250 by April 15th. Way to go! There is now enough to cover the May Kid Pack distribution.

## 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 saclttikkanen@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 20: Easter Sunday

8:45 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Worship

### Monday, April 21: Office Closed

10:45 a.m. Dinner at Your Door

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

7:00 p.m. Council

### Tuesday, April 22:

9:30 a.m. Quilting

6:30 p.m. Bells

7:00 p.m. Kung Fu

### Wednesday, April 23:

6:30 p.m. Confirmation

7:00 p.m. GA / Choir

### Thursday, April 24:

9:00 a.m. Archives

7:00 p.m. Kung Fu

### Friday, April 25:

4:00 p.m. Violin

6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

### Saturday, April 26:

### Sunday, April 27:

8:45 a.m. ELW Worship

9:57 a.m. Adult Ed / 9:57

11:00 a.m. *Now the Feast* Worship

## Last Sunday's Statistics

- Mission & Ministry: \$4,199  
Received to date: \$111,317
- Capital Fund: \$473  
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- Special Offering (*Feed My Starving Children*): \$90
- Kid Pack: \$2,440
- Attendance: 155

## 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

## Next Week's Texts

*1 Peter 1:3-9*

*John 20:19-31*

## Contact St. James:

6700 46th Place North

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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.

## March Food Drive Update

Thank you and congratulations! During the March food drive, you accepted the challenge to "Fill the Trailer to Feed the Hungry," and you did it. The Bonfire Ministry congregations, of which you are one, contributed \$11,320 in cash and another 830 lbs. in food during March to support the NEAR Food Shelf and the PRISM Food Shelf. Thank you! The food shelves figure that one pound of food is worth \$1.00, so if you added all that was received together, you raised the equivalent of \$12,150. We didn't quite "Fill the Trailer" twice, but we came very close. Thank You, again!

## 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 [judgelinda@msn.com](mailto:judgetlinda@msn.com)).

## Office Hours

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

## Over 55's

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.

## 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.

## Spring Clean Up

Many hands are needed to make the Spring Clean-Up Day a success. Come for as long as you are able on Sat., May 3, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided.

## First Communion Milestone

Scholastica Davies

Ryan Guthmiller

Piper Harms

Sophia Jermstad