

Pew's News

April 6, 2014

Reflecting the Light of Christ in Crystal

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

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Lenten Worship

The final Lenten worship service will be this Wednesday at **12:30 p.m.** and **7:00 p.m.** . All are invited to *bring your own lunch* and eat together in Wold Hall at 12:00 p.m. prior to the daytime worship service at 12:30 p.m. The Lenten series is based on "The Great Habits of Highly Effective Disciples." Topic for April 9 is *Anchored at the Center* (Luke 23:44-49)

First Communion Registrations Due Today

All ages interested in participating in Holy Communion for the first time are invited to register for our First Communion Classes. There are no age limits or other restrictions on who can participate in this class. The only requirement is that children under age 18 bring along a parent. Everyone is expected to attend both classes, which will be held at House of Hope Lutheran Church.

Cost: \$5 per registrant to cover materials. Please turn in registrations to Shayna or Pastor Kristen today.

Dates: Sat., April 12, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and Wed., April 16, 6 – 8 p.m. Celebration of First Communion on Thursday, April 17, 7:00 p.m. at St. James' Maundy Thursday service.

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.

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.

Holy Week Worship Schedule

Palm Sunday

April 13, 8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday

April 17, 7:00 p.m.

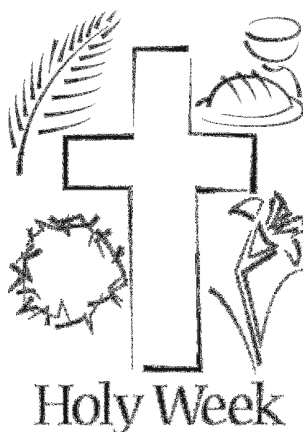
Good Friday

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.



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.

Easter Flowers

Today is the last day to order flowers for Easter Sunday. An altar guild member is taking order forms at the table in the coat rack area.

Second Sunday Singers

Come early next Sunday to rehearse and sing in the pick-up choir that sings the second Sunday of each month. Come at 8:15 a.m. and sing during the 8:45 a.m. worship service. All ages and abilities welcome!

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.

This Week's Events

Sunday, April 6:

8:45 a.m. ELW Worship
 9:57 a.m. Adult Ed / 9:57 / Bake Sale
 11:00 a.m. *Now the Feast* Worship
 3:30 p.m. Piano Recital

Monday, April 7:

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

Tuesday, April 8:

9:30 a.m. Quilting
 10:45 a.m. Dinner at Your Door
 6:30 p.m. Bells / Altar Guild
 7:00 p.m. Kung Fu

Wednesday, April 9:

12:00 p.m. BYO Meal
 12:30 p.m. Worship
 6:30 p.m. Confirmation
 7:00 p.m. Worship / GA
 7:45 p.m. Choir

Thursday, April 10:

7:00 p.m. Kung Fu

Friday, April 11:

4:00 p.m. Violin

Saturday, April 12:

9:00 a.m. First Communion (@HOH)
 6:30 p.m. Youth Movie Night

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

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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

Start going through your items to donate to the St. James garage sale held May 30-31 at Tim & Becki Smith's home. Please make arrangements to drop off items at their home by calling 612-812-2022.

Last Sunday's Statistics

- Mission & Ministry: \$3,142
 Received to date: \$96,068
- Capital Fund: \$2,143
 Received to date: \$25,193
- Special Offering (NEAR): \$2,840
- Kid Pack: \$770
- Attendance: 163

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

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]

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)).

Next Week's Texts

Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 21:1-11

Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are given by Roger & Robin Johnson in memory of Derek Peterson.

Office Hours

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

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Easter Flowers

If you would like to help provide plants for the worship center on Easter, please complete this form and return it to the office no later than noon today. Plants may be taken following the 10:00 a.m. worship service on Easter Sunday.

Type	# ordered	total
Hydrangea	_____ x \$14	= \$ _____
Azalea	_____ x \$13	= \$ _____
Lily	_____ x \$9	= \$ _____
Mum	_____ x \$8	= \$ _____
Rieger Begonia	_____ x \$8	= \$ _____
Bulb Garden Mix	_____ x \$8	= \$ _____
Tulip, Daffodil, or Hyacinth*	_____ x \$8	= \$ _____

Plants are given in (please circle one) **honor** or **memory** of: _____

Given By: _____

(*Plants delivered may be any one of these three bulb plants)

Total # Plants Ordered: _____ TOTAL PAID: \$ _____