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April 2014

Holy Week Worship at Faith

Sunday of the Passion-Palm Sunday

April 13

8:30 am, 11:00 am, 6:00 pm

This Sunday begins with the Procession of Palms. The assembly will begin in the Gathering Area and process around the outside of the building, waving palms and singing "Hosanna in the Highest," then enter the Worship Area to the strains of the traditional Palm Sunday hymn, "All Glory, Laud, and Honor." After this triumphal entry, the service changes its focus to Christ's passion, and the assembly leaves anticipating the upcoming events of Holy Week.

Maundy Thursday—April 17—7:30 pm

The first of the Three Days, the word "Maundy" in Thursday's service comes from Jesus' "command" to love one another. The service begins with Reconciliation, includes the celebration of the last supper, and concludes with the solemn Stripping of the Altar as the cantor and choir sing Psalm 22. There is no benediction and the assembly leaves in silence.

Good Friday, April 18

Noon and 7:30 pm

Continuing the progression begun the day before, Good Friday services center on the trial, suffering, and crucifix-

ion of Jesus as recounted in the reading of the Passion of St. John. On this day, we join in prayer for the whole world and in adoration of the cross, by which Christ redeemed the world. A silent prayer vigil follows the noon service until 3:00 p.m. in the worship area for all who wish a time of quiet reflection.

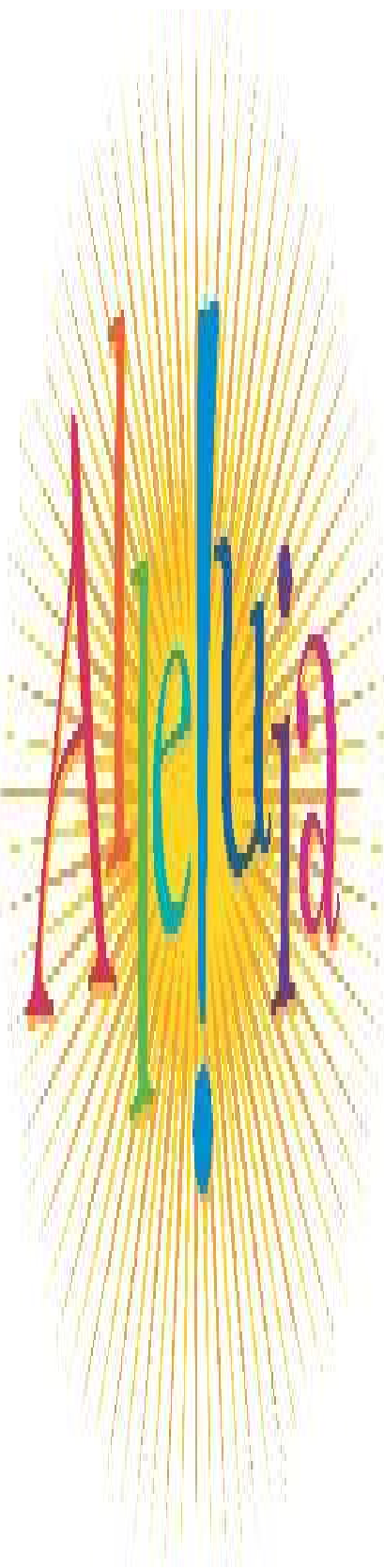
Vigil of Easter, April 19 —7:30 pm

The culmination of the Three Days and the pinnacle of the church's year, Easter Vigil is the oldest and most dramatic of Christian liturgies. Beginning outside gathered around the new fire, we follow the paschal candle through an evening that includes reading the ancient stories of our faith, affirming our baptism, and celebrating the first Eucharist of Easter.

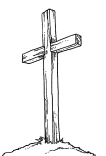
Easter Day, April 20

8:30 am, 11:00 am.

Christ is raised; Alleluia! At Faith, morning celebrations of Holy Communion will be accompanied by the Parish Choir, brass ensemble and organ. **Please note there will be no 6:00 pm service on Easter Day.**



Mission Statement: As followers of Jesus Christ, we embrace, reflect and proclaim God's unconditional love.



—From our Pastoral Care Coordinator—

"What did you give up for Lent?" I grew up hearing this question and often thought Lent was like a second chance at a New Year's resolution. (One of my aunts gave up pheasant under glass or caviar every year!) We always ate fish on Friday during Lent and it was even served in the school cafeteria. Living in East Texas, we were very near Louisiana with all the festivities and excesses of Mardi Gras. Party! Then there were those odd folks seen with ashes on their foreheads on Ash Wednesday. What does it all mean?

Lent is one of the oldest observances on the Christian calendar. Like all Christian holy days and holidays, it has changed over the years, but its purpose has always been the same: self-examination and penitence, demonstrated by self-denial, in preparation for Easter.

As we enter into confession each week in worship, we are acknowledging our "bent to sinning," asking for, and receiving forgiveness. There are those (yes, even believers) who find this odd and even depressing wanting to believe that being a Christian is all sweetness and light. They don't want to do self-examination for fear of what they will find or dwell on the sacrifice of Christ. It is too ugly and it is too painful.

Yes, it is. Yet on Ash Wednesday we heard, "from dust you came, and to dust you shall return," and on our fore-

head was made *the sign of the cross* which hints at the good news to come. As believers, we acknowledge and own the past while embracing and living into the future given to us through the Resurrected Christ. We must go through Lent to get to Easter.

This is a lovely prayer by a seventeenth-century Russian bishop, St. Dimitrii of Rostov that emphasizes a bit of the paradox we experience during Lent.

Come, my Light, and illumine
my darkness.

Come, my Life, and revive me
from death.

Come, my Physician, and heal
my wounds.

Come, Flame of divine love,
and burn up the thorns of my sins,
kindling my heart with the
flame of thy love.

Come, my King, sit upon the throne
of my heart and reign there.
For thou alone art my King and
my Lord.

May we continue to keep a holy Lent, Patti



Looking for child care/summer camp?

Come to Lexington Family Magazine's 12th

Annual Summer Camps & Activities Fair at Lexington Christian Academy **Saturday**

April 12 between 10 am & 2 pm. Ms. Charla will be there with a table of information about FLCC! Please stop by and say hello!

We also invite you and your children, nieces, nephews, grandchildren, neighbors,

and friends to our **SPRING FLING FRIDAY APRIL 25 5:30-7:30!** We will have games, inflatable slides, dinner, and a raffle, located in the parking lot of FLC. **We need MANY volunteers, so if you are interested and able, please follow these steps:**

1. **Click this link** to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/eANcun>
2. **Review** the activities listed and choose the one(s) you like.

3. **Sign up!** It's Easy — you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on VolunteerSpot.

Do you like children's books? Come shop our Scholastic BOGO Book Fair, April 21-28 in the room across from the Sunday school supply room. **Volunteers to work the book fair may also sign up on the above site.**

Thank you and have a blessed month!

Charla Heersche
FLCC Director



Dear Faith Lutheran,

There is a Haitian proverb that says "Anpil men, chay pa lou." And it is true, "many helpers make a job easier." And so it is with an orphanage that depends on the good hearts and support of others.

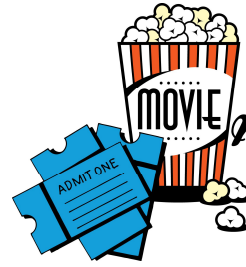
We come to you on behalf of Chez Moi Orphelinat de la Grace (Chez Moi), an orphanage inspected and registered by the Haitian government. Chez Moi Orphelinat de la Grace provides quality care and education for abandoned girls in Haiti. The orphanage is supported by Grace Missions, Inc, a registered non-profit organization in the United States. Grace Missions, Inc was born at Faith Lutheran Church and this church has been faithful in its support ever since.

Yes, the needs are many and we again ask the membership of Faith Lutheran to help some more.

One of the major expenses of the orphanage is to pay staff. The staff of Chez Moi consists of a social worker detailed by the Haitian government to maintain registered status. There is a nurse who visits once a week. And there are four full-time on-site staff consisting of a house manager, a house mother, and her assistants. Total staff salaries average \$735 each month. This is 32 per cent of the total operating monthly expenses for Chez Moi. **If 30 people, each gave \$25 per month toward staff salaries, staff would be assured that their wages will be paid each month. If 40 people gave \$18, the goal would be reached. To have 30 or 40 members committed to the amounts listed would be a such a blessing. You would give your gift to Faith Lutheran indicating that your gift is for Grace Missions.**

Please let either Sherri Greer or Pat Mundt know if you can help in this way. And, if you would like to visit Chez Moi one day, just give the word.

April FLYer



4/6—6:00-8:30 - High school (9th-12th grade) movie and dinner at the Zollers. Movie to be determined by RSVP - please let Kevin know by 3/30 (1) if you can come, (2) your favorite movie genre, and (3) any specific movies you'd be interested in checking out.

4/13 — 12:45-1:30 - planning lunch at Puccini's. Please bring \$5 toward your meal and lots of ideas for May and June.

4/19 — 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. - prep for Easter brunch.

4/20 — serve Easter brunch between services - fundraiser for 2015 National Youth Gathering.





DATE: May 3

TIME: 4:00 pm till....

PLACE: Location to be determined.

MENU: Hors d'oeuvres; Burgoo; Cornbread; Salads; Derby Pie.

PURPOSE: Fun and Fellowship.

SUGGESTION: Invite a friend and/or a new member.
Name tags to get us better acquainted.

COST: Please sign up for an hors d'oeuvre or salad and \$4 to cover burgoo and beverages.

RESERVATIONS:
Call Nancy George at 277-7609 to make reservations and specify your choice of salad or hors d'oeuvre .



First Communion Workshop:

1:00-2:30 p.m.

Saturday May 10

Children interested in taking their first communion may come to this workshop to find out how Jesus makes us stronger and more loving in communion.



THRIVENT FINANCIAL®

BEER TASTING & LIVE MUSIC Sunday, April 6th from 2:00-6:00 pm

Fundraiser presented by Thrivent Financial
Proceeds from event will help Military Missions pay for postage and supplies to send care packages to our soldiers overseas.

The event will take place at Blue Stallion Brewing Co. 610 W 3rd St, Lexington
Live music from IRONWORKS

Don't miss this fun rock band, playing from 2-4:30

Remember the sixties?...

The Indiana-Kentucky Synod CORE Team is sponsoring "A Synod-Wide Day of Concern" on **Saturday, April 26**

The concern that we will be addressing is the usurious/bloated/scandalous/sinful interest rates that are charged by payday loan institutions. You have surely heard about these rates through our Justice Ministry Network members and from Pastor's sermons... **391% apr.**



How will we express our concern? Just as some of us did in the sixties, we will hold a peaceful demonstration outside at least two designated payday lending storefronts. Some of us will hold signs that say something like "Lutherans are Concerned about Payday Lending." Others of us will hand out fliers to anyone going into the storefront that offer information about payday loans and some alternatives that might be considered. No raucous

behavior, no shouted chants, no one gets arrested. This is just part of an effort the CORE Team is making to move legislators in Indiana and Kentucky to pass legislation that will **cap payday loan interest rates at 36% apr.**

Our schedule will be:

- 9:00 Meet at Faith for a brief training on "demonstrator etiquette," get protest signs, etc. Travel to designated area.
- 10:00 - 12:00 Peaceful demonstration.
- 12:15 Meet back at Faith for LUNCH and a debriefing.

Please join us. We will have a designated sign-up area in the narthex beginning April 1.

If you have questions, please contact Gail Swanson at 273-4601 or gailandjoe@windstream.net

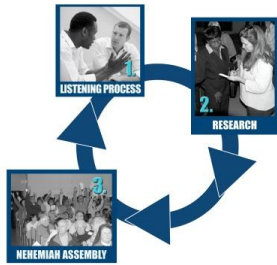
He Qi Exhibit

Wayne Schedler is interested in organizing a group to caravan up to see this exhibit at Servants of Christ Lutheran in Indianapolis (Pastor Al Rider's church). A preliminary poll has created a number of interested folks and we are hoping for more to join! Suggested weekday dates would be after April 1st and before Holy Week. Any one interested in joining in and/or driving for this trip, contact Wayne: 859-552-4268, or wasweetandlow@yahoo.com

He Qi (pronounced huh chee) is the artist of many of our service folder covers and many may remember his 30'+ banner we procured and hung when we hosted the IK Synod Assembly here in 2008 in Heritage Hall. More information about the exhibit can be found in Faith Notes.



...will be held on Easter Sunday, April 20th from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Faith Lutheran Youth will be providing egg casseroles, fruit, pastries, milk, coffee and juice. Free will donations will be accepted. Proceeds go toward the 2015 National Youth Gathering trip in Detroit.



Justice Ministry

Come to the Nehemiah Action Assembly on April 8th

We are Striving for 52:1

Everyone is invited and urged to attend the Nehemiah Action Assembly on Tuesday, April 8, at 7:00 PM at Porter Memorial Baptist Church, 4300 Nicholasville Road.

- ◆ Doors open at 6:30 and carpooling is encouraged.
- ◆ Our Assembly is modeled after Nehemiah's Great Assembly (Neh. 5) at which a large number of people in Jerusalem gathered and asked the officials to make commitments to correct terrible injustices.

Our 2014 Nehemiah Action Assembly attendance goal is 52:1 That is, each BUILD congregation will strive to turn out its average annual Sunday worship attendance: 52 Sundays for worship, 1 day for justice!

2014 Justice issues to be addressed

Affordable Housing

- ◆ *After years of studies and delays, the County Budget and Finance Committee has recommended to the County Council that 3.5 million dollars be set aside for affordable housing and homelessness initiatives. The final vote is scheduled for April.*
- ◆ *Mayor Gray said he will support the housing and homelessness recommendation and that he will attend our Nehemiah Action Assembly on April 8.*
- ◆ *We can all continue to express our support by emailing the mayor: mayor@lexingtonky.gov and all of our council members at once: councilmembers@lexingtonky.gov*

Payday Lending

- ◆ Progress is starting to be made in finding both a Democratic and a Republican sponsor for a payday lending bill in the legislature.
- ◆ Our Payday Lending Committee continues to work with the KY Coalition for Responsible Lending, CLOUT (BUILD's counterpart in Louisville) and a growing number of allies statewide to cap payday lending interest rates at 36%.
- ◆ The challenge is great. It was just learned that the Veritec company, who is hired by the state to oversee payday lending practices, is actually being paid by the payday lenders.
- ◆ Our committee continues to confer with our allies across Kentucky and encourage them to work with their legislators on this issue.

Crime and Drugs

- ◆ Our Listening Process last fall uncovered fears stemming from local crime and drugs activities.
- ◆ Meetings with police, counselors, judges, prosecutors, defenders and others revealed that: (1) a majority of crimes involve drugs, (2) drug treatment is heavily preferred over incarceration.
- ◆ It was further found that our Drug Court offers recovery as a highly effective alternative to imprisonment but it is underutilized, even though it is fully funded. BUILD's goal is to get full utilization of the Drug Court program.

We thank God for our BUILD team and network members. Please pray for and with them and for those they invite to the 2014 Nehemiah Action Assembly. And we thank God for the many ways people of our congregation participate in justice ministries.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Craig Price
- 2 Griffin Farrar
Mary Ann King
Jim Knauss
- 3 Scott Gralheer
- 4 Gary Chastain
- 5 Doug Palmer
- 6 Jeff Buchanan
Michael Iorio
Janice Plain
- 8 Dakin Cain
- 9 Adam Michel
- 10 Wade Christensen
Frank Whitehouse
- 11 Eric Burnside
- 12 Joseph Bower
Audrey Reed
Chloe Rexroad
- 14 David Fegley
Bridgette Kimel
- 15 Katherine Filchak
- 16 Dave McGrew
- 17 Patti Pasquarello
- 18 Brent Burnside
Jim McGrath
- 21 Richard Michel
- 22 Chris Reynolds
- 23 Gordon Grotrian
Madison Hines
Scott Rion
Gary Rose
- 24 Lucas Parsons
- 25 Eric Kelley
Kristofer Kelley
- 26 Ned Brown
Janel Watkins
- 27 Carol Akers
- 28 Kevin Carey
Nancy DeBilzan
Marian Lundborg
- 29 Ellery Brown
Daniel Lau
Leroy Elder

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Glenn & Pamela Thorstad
- 5 Britton & Stephanie Farrar
- 10 Alann & Kristi Karow
- 12 Brian & Tricia Brown
- 13 Bernard & Jeanette Woods
- 20 Richard & Cindy Heine
James & Laura Salyers
- 25 Dave & Barbara Palmquist
- 26 Neil & JoEllen McComb
- 29 Shane & Amy Hadden

The Daytime Sophia will meet Thursday, April 10, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Muzzy Hemken, 3381 Pimlico. They are reading, The Light Between Oceans, by M.L. Stedman. Newcomers are always welcome.

The Evening Sophia will meet Wednesday, April 16th, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Sandra Palmer, 9 Olde Village Drive, Nicholasville. They are reading, And the Shofar Blew, by Francine Rivers. For more information, contact Sandra, 806-7046.

| Attendance | Worship | Sunday School |
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| February 23 | 171 | 49 |
| March 2 | 169 | 45 |
| March 5 Ash Wednesday | 108 | |
| March 9 | 184 | 39 |
| March 12 Lenten worship | 43 | |
| March 16 | 180 | 40 |
| March 19 Lenten worship | 59 | |

Narthex Cleanup for April:
Christian Education



BAPTISM:

Bridgette Gayle Kelley, daughter of Kris and Danielle Kelley, was baptized March 9.

DEATH:

Rosemarie Kehres, mother of Marianne Kehres, died March 3rd, in Toledo, OH.



Thank you

I would like to thank Pastor Andy and Patty Pasquarello for their visits and prayers as well as all who came to visit with me or who sent cards. Most of all though, I would like to thank everyone for the many prayers prayed on my behalf and carried up to God who certainly heard them and who saw me through the difficult times. I was so glad to be back at worship (on my own) this past Sunday. I was also very appreciative for Pastor's sermons provided by email via the online Messenger.

I am so happy to be a part of this wonderful, caring congregation.

Louise Heiss



The OWLS will meet on April 17—12:30 p.m. at Sutton's Restaurant (**Kroger Parking Lot**)

Service Schedule

Sunday Worship 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 6:00 PM
(Nursery provided during the 8:30 and 11:00 AM services)

Sunday School (Sept. through May) 9:45 AM

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