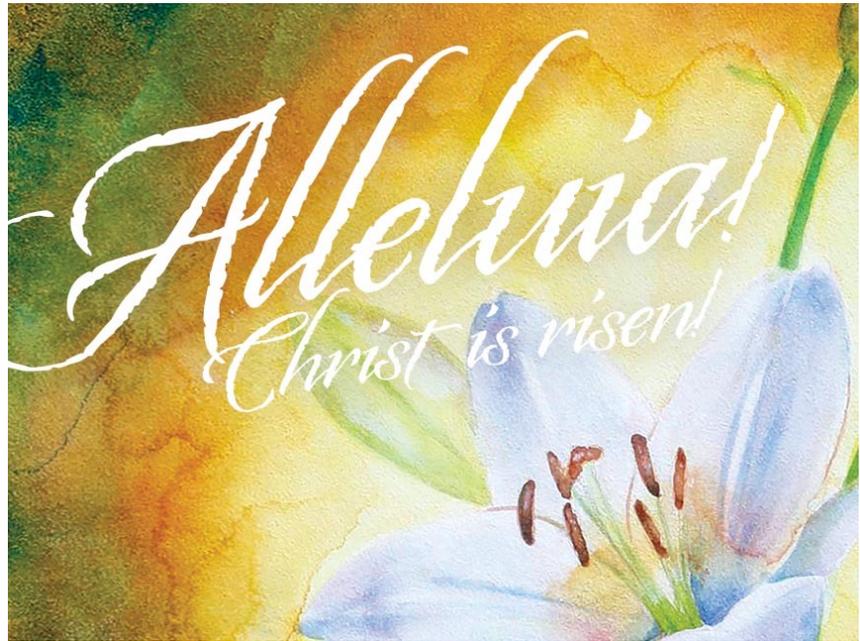


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### *Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!*

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Make sure to attend one of the services and invite your friends to join you for our festival resurrection services.

## Midweek Lenten Services & Holy Week Services

Wednesdays, April 3 & April 10  
5:30pm Meal & 6:15pm Service

- 4/14 Palm Sunday Service 9:30am
- 4/18 Maundy Thursday Service 7pm
- 4/19 Good Friday Service 7pm
- 4/20 Easter Vigil Service  
@ St. Luke's in Sister Bay 7pm
- 4/21 Easter Services 9am & 11am  
Easter Breakfast 10am  
Children's Easter egg Hunt 10:30am

The Parish Door monthly newsletter can be found in full color on our website, [shepherdofthebay.org/newsletters](http://shepherdofthebay.org/newsletters). If you would like to be added to the monthly email list, contact the church office at 920-854-2988 or [sotboffice@yahoo.com](mailto:sotboffice@yahoo.com).

"We had hoped. . ." they said. Two men who had been followers of Jesus were walking on the road with Jesus on the same evening that he had risen from the dead. "We had hoped. . ." they said. It's a powerful thing, hope is. The unemployed woman hopes for a job. The troubled teen hopes for a better relationship with his parents. The young woman hopes to find a suitable life partner. The sick man hopes for a new treatment for the disease that persists in eating away at his body.

It's hard to hope without the impish fear that stands in the corner, whispering, "What if?"

What if there are no jobs? What if my parents never understand me? What if I never find the right man? What if I die?

When hope is threatened, we need go no further than the truth and reality of Jesus' resurrection. To the conscious and the unconscious fears, to the suspicion that life is meaningless, to the doubt that life can be fulfilling, to the cynical mindset that eternal life really doesn't matter, the Christian proclamation of Easter, of resurrection, is a mind-shivering affirmation. Listen to these words from the First Epistle of Peter, and listen with Easter ears:

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.*

The resurrection of Jesus is at the heart of what we believe. It is an historical fact upon which our life with God depends, upon which our hope for tomorrow depends, upon which our confidence of life after death depends. If Jesus did not really come back from life, forget it! Go home, turn on HBO, revel in violence or sex or any other kind of self-indulgence. But don't waste your time on a Christ who simply lives in our memories, simply in our hearts, simply in a sentimental picture on a church wall. That Christ deserves to stay dead.

No, our Christ is alive. Alive now. More alive than you and I have ever been. Alive as God, alive as the human being that shared our humanity. Alive for us, for you and me. Alive for rebirth, alive for transformation.

There's this one, big Easter event, upon which everything else depends. But God isn't about just this one resurrection. God is in the resurrection business. God is about transforming our lives every day.

When I was a young pastor, I was invited to a two-week leadership training event. We were required to leave our parishes and spend 6 full days together in a retreat center. I had been out of the seminary only about 4 years, and I remember how so much of what I learned in those two weeks shook so many of my foundational assumptions about the church and ministry.

For instance, I was trained in a system where the clergy were pretty important. Granted, I may not have been listening very well in my seminary classes, but the impression I got, and the teaching that I took away was that the job of the pastor is to have the right answers and teach the people what to think.

I still remember Ron standing up in front of the group and telling us that when it comes to ministry, "The gifts are in the people." Now, that may sound self-evident to you, but for me it was news! My "theologian" juices started flowing and I started mentally listing all the ways I would refute his argument.

But here's what happened: over the course of the next several days, the teaching, the experience, the conversations with other participants began to change my mind. And when my mind was changed, it began to open up whole new possibilities for how parish ministry might work. It was for me a moment of transformation, a moment of resurrection, a moment of new life that would influence my life from that moment on.

What are your moments of transformation, of resurrection, of new life? Where have you found them in your faith journey, in your relationship life, in your vocational life?

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A blessed Holy Week and Easter celebration to all!  
Peace, Pr. Jim Honig



There is an old joke that most musicians have heard and enjoyed throughout their careers. It goes something like this:

**A pedestrian on 57th Street sees a musician getting out of a cab and asks, “How do you get to Carnegie Hall?” Without pause, the artist replies wearily, “Practice, practice, practice.”**

I might apply this humorous example to our church choir musicians preparing for the Easter season in the church year. Their “Carnegie Hall” destination is Holy Week and the practicing is intense and purposeful. What, you say? The choir makes everything look and sound so easy. They’re having such fun singing with their colleagues. How can this be described as “intense” and “work”?

Ah! You might be misreading the situation a bit. This group of dedicated singers *is* having fun every Thursday evening and *does* enjoy singing for the worship services at Shepherd of the Bay. True! However, in order to bring such vocal beauty to our Sunday services throughout Lent and, by extension, the many worship experiences from Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday, this mighty choir diligently and mindfully prepares all the music needed to support the worship and add beauty and substance to each service. They are constantly learning new skills, encountering new music in their weekly rehearsals and assuming the role of worship leaders every time they are called upon to sing.

What a gift they offer to the church community! By combining their time, their efforts and their impressive talents, each of these dedicated church musicians ends up creating musical worship opportunities as a choir greater than they could achieve on their own. They continue to accept the challenges from their director to sing a wide variety of choral styles, from the Lutheran bedrock of Bach Chorales to the delicacy of John Ferguson’s arrangement of “Jesus Loves Me” to the highly energetic African-American Spiritual of “Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land” and occasionally to be joined by younger instrumental musicians, adding triangles, tambourines and drums to the Sunday choral sounds.

What’s not to love? What’s not to celebrate? These sanctuary choir musicians **rock!**

And who could be happier than I to have a part in creating music with them every week?

How do we get to Carnegie Hall/Holy Week? Practice, practice, practice. True enough. But the family that creates music together, our sanctuary choir family, continues to create wonderful, worshipful moments together at Shepherd every time they are called on to contribute their talents and efforts. Their musical journey is filled with promise and determination ... and they continue to sing their songs boldly, reaching their weekly worship goals with beauty and vocal skill.

There are still a few seats available in the choir loft. Come and join us! There is a wonderful family of singers waiting to welcome you to the Sanctuary Choir! See you on Thursday evenings at 7:00.

Judith Jackson

Sanctuary Choir Director

## STEPHEN MINISTRY

*Galatians 6:2 Carry Each Other's Burdens*

Are you experiencing a life changing event, feeling lost, alone, frightened, or angry, trying to cope? **YOU DO NOT NEED TO DO IT ALONE!**

A trained Stephen Minister can walk through this with you, to listen, and just be present. There is no long term commitment, no personal questions asked, no judgements made. Just a caring, compassionate person who wants to help.

Call: Pastor Jim Honig at 920-854-2988 or Stan Whiteman 920-839-5481 for more information. All conversations are confidential.

On March 17, on my first Sunday back after a 3 week vacation from the long winter, I was pleasantly surprised when Pastor Jim recognized the 14 women who are members of our quilting group. Although they are often mentioned in this column, I am glad the whole church recognized their contribution to missions around the world. Thank you ladies and keep up the good work. If anyone would like to join the quilters they are always looking for more helpers. Call Barb Tuttle (920-883-7011) for more information. I would also like to thank Mary Perdue for organizing the February birthday party at the care center at Scandia. Although I was out of town, I understand everyone had a good time and consumed a healthy amount of birthday cake.

**The WELCA Board will meet on April 9<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in the parlor. If you would like to know more about what WELCA does, you are welcome to join us.**

**PRAYER SQUARES are FREE** and available in the Narthex. Take one for yourself and for friends to remind you to pray when you touch it in your purse or pocket.

**PRAYER CHAIN** If you have a prayer request that you would like added to the prayer chain, email Bonnie Hanson at [jnbhanson@gmail.com](mailto:jnbhanson@gmail.com) or the church office at [sotboffice@yahoo.com](mailto:sotboffice@yahoo.com). When email is not possible, call Bonnie H. at 854-5569 or (763)567-9559; or Cheri Boock at 854-5493.

Don't forget to use the **CHANGE BUCKET**- you can make a change in someone's life by putting a donation in the CHANGE BUCKET on Sunday during the Fellowship Hour. Your donation goes to purchase gift cards for the Piggly Wiggly that are given to help those in need to purchase needs not covered by SNAP cards.

**Social 6** Watch this space. If there is interest, social 6 will start up in the spring.

## Book Group Selections

**April 18** – Church Parlor– Tara Westover's Educated, 2018. One of the year's best sellers. Memoir of a young girl raised by survivalists without any public education who earns a PhD from Cambridge University in England.

**May 16** – Jonas Jonasson's The 100-Year Old Man Who Climbed Out of a Window and Disappeared, 2012. While his birthday party is being planned, Allen Karlsson, who is in excellent health, escapes his nursing home and embarks on a series of adventures, something like the life he has had in the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

**June 20** – Kristin Hannah's The Great Alone, 2018. Novel of Erndt Allbright, a former POW from Vietnam, who moves his family to the Alaskan frontier because he is having trouble adjusting to life; his wife and daughter find their new conditions fraught with danger.

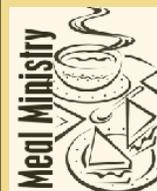


**He Is Risen!  
He is Risen indeed!  
May everyone have a Happy  
and Blessed Easter.**



## *APRIL EVENTS*

- April 4, 11, 18, 25  
- **Quilting Group**  
- 9:15-2:00pm Fellowship Hall
- April 09- **Board Meeting**  
- 1:00pm Parlor
- April 18- **Book Group**  
- 9:30am – Parlor



**MEAL  
MINISTRY**  
contact  
for

**April**  
is

**Barb Tuttle (920-883-7011)**

If you know of a family or individual who could use our attention for providing a meal when in need or would like your name added to the list of women willing to prepare and deliver meals, please call: PAT SKOGSBAKKEN at 854-1133.

# Building and Grounds Committee

If you have any concerns or suggestions regarding the building or grounds, please feel free to mention them to any of the Building and Grounds committee members, Jon Hanson, Eloise Lindem, Karl Omernick, Joel Thomas, Scott Theis or me. If none of us are around, drop a note in the message holder on the custodian's closet door in the narthex (the door between the 2 restrooms). Thank you for using the message holder and helping to identify things that need to be done.

## Projects

- **Sanctuary New AV System** – The new system has been well received and is operating very well. A number of people have commented about how well the T-coil system is working, so apparently there has been a significant improvement. An Issues List has been shared with Camera Corner and is the process of being resolved. The two most significant issues are; 1) being set-up and trained to live stream, 2) getting acceptable sound levels of the choir and piano on the recording. The sound level for the pastor or speaker are very good, however trying to record an acceptable volume of the choir anthem and congregation has been difficult. Two additional volunteers have stepped forward to operate the system and additional operators are being sought. The system is very easy to use.

- **Sanctuary LED Conversion** – The new LED lighting in the sanctuary and 1<sup>st</sup> floor hallway will make a positive impact on the monthly electric bill. We will be starting to track these costs to determine how much. It has allowed us to get light from all the fixtures in the sanctuary and done it with very little change to the ambiance inside. Thank you to the donor of this gift. The dimmer control company is scheduled to come in May to update our dimmer control. They have informed us that due to the much lower current draw of the new LEDs and the age of the control there are limitations to what can be done. They will do as much as possible to allow dimming and to prevent “flickering”. During the intermediate time, we have had to leave a few “old” bulbs in to minimize the flickering. Thank you, Joel Thomas, for coordinating this activity.

- **Interior Painting** – Painting of the Fellowship Hall will be postponed to next winter.

- **Redecorating the Newly Painted Areas** –

- **Narthex** – 2 bulletin boards have been rehung. A smaller Usher/Flower/General Announcements board was hung on the kitchen wall across from the Nursery. The WELCA board was hung outside the church office in the hallway leading to the choir room. Two chairs and a mirror gifted to us from our sister church (Reformation Lutheran, in Milwaukee) were moved from the Parlor into the Narthex to create a sitting area along the kitchen wall. The new end-table between the chairs was donated. The oak pamphlet rack matching the oak table with the children's busy bags, was be rehung above the table in its new location on the Parlor wall. This arrangement warms the atmosphere and provides flexibility to clear the space for special events.

- **Fellowship Hall** - The children's tile mural was temporarily taken down to make room for the new monitor. It will be rehung on the north wall of the Fellowship Hall opposite where it was and the prayer sign currently there will be moved to the southwest corner above the stacked chairs.

## Building Maintenance

- **Narthex Bubbler** – The leaking narthex bubbler has been repaired.

- **2x4ft Fluorescent Fixtures** – All the burnt-out bulbs in the 2x4ft fixtures on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floor have been replaced. If a fixture is partially or completely dark now it is because the fixture is faulty. If there is any money left from the sanctuary LED gift, we will replace as many of these fixtures as possible.

- **2x2ft Fluorescent Fixtures** - The replacement of the 2x2ft fluorescent fixtures with new flat panel LED fixtures continued with new lights in the Women's narthex restroom, making it much brighter. Thank you, Joel Thomas.

- **Outside Lighting Times Change** – Don't be alarmed if you pass the church and it is not as brightly lit as it has been in the past. In response to the church's end-of-year financial report the outside lighting of the building has been cut back. The steeple and road sign will remain lit every night from dusk until midnight. There will be no change to the time the security lights over all the exterior doors stay lit (dusk until dawn). The ground flood lights on the building and parking lot/driveway lights will only be lit on Wednesday (Vesper service) and Thursday (choir practice) from dusk until 11pm. If special activities or events require night lighting outside these regular hours contact Tom Tuttle.

- **Building Operating Costs** – The Buildings and Grounds Committee is starting to investigate other ways to reduce the operating cost of the building. If you have any ideas contact Tom Tuttle or any of the Committee members.

- **Kitchen Garbage Disposal** – The disposal stopped working during the Wednesday night diner March 20<sup>th</sup>. It was replaced before the diner on the 27<sup>th</sup>. The switch for the disposal has been moved from the dishwasher (under the table) to the wall to the left of the sink. Thank you, Joel Thomas.

Thomas Tuttle - Chair Buildings and Grounds

# Youth and Family Ministry News

from Jane Burress



Little Lambs Pools Party  
Thank you to Eloise Lindem  
for helping with clean up.  
(Photos right and below.)



The Wonderful  
Wednesday  
Children have  
been busy making  
quilts for our high  
school graduates.  
(photos left)

Little Lambs at  
the Meadows.  
Mrs. Loving  
letting the  
children use  
her walker.  
(photos right  
and above)



The Wonderful Wednesday Children had a great weekend at Imago Dei Village Camp. Activities included Bible study, worship, crafts, games, and team building. Ask the children to share a highlight of the weekend with you. Thank you to Les Keeper for his leadership over the weekend. (group photo left)



Watching the sunrise at camp.  
(right)



*Please pray about how you  
can be involved in this ministry.  
The laughter and smiles you  
will receive are priceless!*

Thank you to the confirmation youth for participating in the Wednesday night services and to Jeremy and Cindi for leading them. Thank you to everyone who helped with meals on February 27, and March 20: Sarah Martin, Cindi Schwab, Amy Gorham, Eloise Lindem, Kendall Koehler, Lisa Voight, Shirley Hansen, Sylvia Davis, Mike Ashley, Christy Resien, Evan Henry, Ray Birnschein, Cathy Henry, and confirmation youth.

**If you would be willing to donate a coffee cake for Easter breakfast, please sign up on the bulletin board.**

If you are interested in helping with V.B.S. or want to register your children or grandchildren, please call Winnie Jackson at the First Baptist Church.

# Guatemala Mission Trip 2019

*But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?*

*Romans 10:14*

From March 22-30, 2019 the Shepherd of the Bay Mission Team shared the love of God and His word with the people of Guatemala. We shared the story of Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-10). We emphasize that God see each person (even in the mountains in Guatemala), He knows their name, and He loves them. We also give each family an audio bible in their native mayan language of K'iche'. It is solar powered and contains the new testament and other bible stories. The area around Chichicastenango, Guatemala where we serve is still a center for Mayan polytheistic religion based on nature gods including those for the sun, moon, rain and corn for example. Many people may have heard of Jesus but few can explain who he is, the son of God who died for our sins. Please pray that the seeds we planted will take hold and grow in their hearts.

***Please pray about how you can participate in this mission activity....***

***Think about it..... Pray about it..... Join us .....***

*James 1:27 (NIV) "Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world."*



John sharing the story of Zacchaeus with Juana and her daughter after building a bathroom with them.



Carol sharing the story of Zacchaeus with Sebastian and her daughter after installing a water filter.



Edee showing Rosa and her family how to use the solar powered audio bible after installing an efficient cooking stove. Notice the tortillas cooking on the stove. We took fresh masa to the family and they cooked tortillas for us.

## Shepherd of the Bay Council Meeting March 18, 2019

Meeting called to order by Alicia Kropuenske at 5:02 pm.

Members present: Alicia Kropuenske, George Cobb, Les Keepper, John Skogsbakken, Pastor Honig, Lori Pothast, Cheryl Becht, Ron Hupe, Edee Madsen, Scott Eckdahl and Scott Henry via phone.

Alicia Kropuenske opened with a devotional.

The meeting began with discussion and election of officers for the 2019 Church Council year. Scott Henry was voted in as President, Scott Eckdahl as Vice President and Alicia Kropuenske as Secretary. Motion made by Cheryl Becht, second by George Cobb. Motion carried. At this point, Scott Eckdahl took over leading the meeting as Scott Henry was listening via phone.

The minutes from the February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting were reviewed with a motion made by Cheryl Becht, second by Alicia Kropuenske.

Ron Hupe presented the Treasurer's report. He spent some time explaining line items, the P & L Statement, the Balance Sheet and the checking activity. The actual offering /income is under budget by \$10,530 for the month. The expenses were under budget by \$3,329 for the month. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as given was made by Alicia Kropuenske, second by John Skogsbakken. Motion carried.

Committee Reports were reviewed. We discussed keeping the Outreach committee even though it is not an active committee at this time. A motion was made to add a Fellowship committee which could include any of our food fellowship at Shepherd of the Bay. Alicia Kropuenske will work to get this going. A motion to approve the addition of the Fellowship committee was made by Edee Madsen, second by George Cobb. Motion carried.

Property & Grounds sent in a report. We would like to thank Tom Tuttle for his continued work on the new AV System. They continue to seek volunteers to help with the new system.

A motion to approve all Committee Reports was made by George Cobb. Second by Edee Madsen. Motion carried.

There were several items on the New Business list:

1. Council discussed the need to set up a 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration for Shepherd of the Bay. We would like this to happen sometime this summer and are looking for volunteers to head up this celebration. We will table this conversation until next month.
2. The Youth Director position was discussed at length at the meeting. After much deliberation and brainstorming, a motion was made to authorize council to seek a full time Director of Youth & Family Ministry position. This position would combine the current Youth Director & Sunday School Director position to create one full time Director of Youth & Family Ministry position. The two salaries would be combined with an additional expense not to exceed \$10,000 over the current combined salaries. Motion made by John Skogsbakken, second by Les Keepper. Motion carried.
3. A short discussion occurred regarding our relationship with St Paul's Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. We will move this to the agenda for next month to discuss how we could see a partnership work with our two Churches.
4. The retirement party for Jane was discussed. Alicia Kropuenske will head up the committee to plan a celebration of Jane's ministry at Shepherd of the Bay.
5. A corporate resolution for the Thrivent Trust requires approval of check signers for the upcoming year. A motion was made to allow Ron Hupe, Werner Krause, Mark Glasser & Ben Pothast to be the check signers for the Thrivent Trust with two signatures required for any transaction. Motion made by Scott Eckdahl, second by George Cobb. Motion carried.
6. The Nicolet Bank account needs updated signers for the account for 2019. A motion was made to authorize Scott Henry, Scott Eckdahl, Ron Hupe & Alicia Kropuenske to be signers on the Nicolet Bank account. Cindi Schwab will be removed from the signer list. Only one signature is required for transactions. Motion made by Ron Hupe, second by Cheryl Becht. Motion carried.

Old Business items:

1. Policy Manual meeting is scheduled for Monday March 25<sup>th</sup>. This is a reschedule due to snow days. Pastor Honig, Alicia Kropuenske & Cheryl Becht will be meeting to work on the policy manual.
2. The Synod Stewardship program was well received by the Council. The information session was helpful and we thank Scott Eckdahl for getting the information out to all council members. An unnamed donor has volunteered to cover the cost of the program. A motion was made for Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church to move forward with the participation in the Synod Stewardship program. Motion made by Cheryl Becht, second by Edee Madsen. Motion carried. Les Keepper has volunteered to be the Council Representative for this program.
3. The Council members will be attending a Council Retreat on Friday night April 12<sup>th</sup> and Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. Next meeting will be Monday April 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alicia Kropuenske, Council Secretary

# Community News

## LIFE CELEBRATION



**Gary Martin and Julie Sara**  
**June 23, 2019 at 2 PM**  
**Refreshments to Follow**  
**Pheasant Park Resort**  
**2236 Mill Road Sister Bay WI 54234**  
**RSVP – Sarah Martin (410) 746-5322**

## Food Pantry Collection for April

**Bean Counters - Canned or dried Beans, Bean/ Lentil Soups, Refried Beans, Lentils, Soy, etc.**

Remembering tax day in April we will be collecting Beans and Bean products for the food pantry.

We always welcome food donations of every kind no matter what the theme is for the month. We also take cash donations for Piggly Wiggly Cards to buy fresh fruit, meat, milk, etc.

Please pray for those who struggle to make ends meet.



## HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL COMMEMORATION

The Door County Community is invited to attend the observance of Yom Hasho'ah, a nation-wide Holocaust Memorial Commemoration for the six million Jews and all those who were victims of Nazi Germany in World War II. Please join in this solemn service that will memorialize and tell the stories of the victims, honor the heroes, and fulfill the obligation to learn from the past by applying its lessons toward the building of a better, kinder world for today and tomorrow. In the words of the philosopher, Edmund Burke, "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good people to do nothing."

There is no charge for this event. For further information, contact Judith Miller at [jgmiller2540@gmail.com](mailto:jgmiller2540@gmail.com)

**Sunday May 5, 2 019 Donald and Carol Kress**  
**Pavilion 7845 Church Street**  
**Egg Harbor, Wisconsin 4:00 - 5:00 P.M.**

Join **LUCY ROSKE** for her  
**GOODBYE GATHERING OF**  
**GRATEFULNESS FOR 30 YEARS**

(Moving to VERO BEACH, FL)

### WHEN:

Saturday, April 13, 2019  
Open House: Noon - 3:00pm

### LOCATION:

Door County Bakery  
10048 St. Highway 57  
Sister Bay - Just north Cty Q  
**Contact:** [Lucy@920.421.0516](mailto:Lucy@920.421.0516)

# Lessons for April



## April 7 : Fifth Sunday in Lent

First Lesson : Isaiah 43:16-21  
 Second Lesson : Philippians 3:4b-14  
 Holy Gospel : John 12:1-8

**Introduction to the readings:** The Lord our God makes all things new. In the first reading God promises it. In the gospel Mary anticipates it, anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume in preparation for the day of his burial. In the second reading we recall the transformation of Saul, the persecutor, into Paul, the apostle. In baptism, God's new person (you!) rises daily from the deadly mire of trespasses and sins.

## April 14 : Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday

Processional Gospel : Luke 19:28-40  
 First Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a  
 Second Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11  
 Holy Gospel: Luke 22:14 - - 23:56

**Introduction to the readings:** The voice of the suffering savior, Jesus, can be heard in the prophet Isaiah's words and the pleading of the psalm. We are invited into the agony of our Lord in the extended reading of the story of Jesus' passion. In the second reading, we who have put on Christ in holy baptism are urged to let the mind of Christ be our own. Lent leads us to this holy moment. Embrace it.

## April 18 : Maundy Thursday

First Lesson: Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14  
 Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26  
 Holy Gospel: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

**Introduction to the readings:** With nightfall our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. At the heart of the Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' commandment to love one another. As Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, we are called to follow his example as we humbly care for one another, especially the poor and the unloved. At the Lord's table we remember Jesus' sacrifice of his life, even as we are called to offer ourselves in love for the life of the world.

## April 19 : Good Friday

First Lesson: Isaiah 52:13 - - 53:12  
 Second Lesson: Hebrews 10:16-25  
 Holy Gospel: John 18:1 - - 9:42

**Introduction to the readings:** At the heart of the Good Friday liturgy is the passion according to John, which proclaims Jesus as a triumphant king who reigns from the cross. The ancient title for this day—the triumph of the cross—reminds us that the church gathers not to mourn this day but to celebrate Christ's life-giving passion and to find strength and hope in the tree of life. In the ancient bidding prayer we offer petitions for all the world for whom Christ died. Today's liturgy culminates in the Easter Vigil tomorrow evening.

## April 21 : Resurrection of Our Lord : Easter Day

First Lesson: Acts 10:34 - 43  
 Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26  
 Holy Gospel: John 24:1-12

**Introduction to the readings:** "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." God has indeed raised from the dead the one who was put to death "by hanging him on a tree." Alleluia! God allows Jesus to appear "to us who were chosen by God as witnesses" in holy baptism and invites us to eat and drink at the table of the risen Christ. Alleluia!

## April 28 : Second Sunday of Easter

First Lesson: Acts 5:27-32  
 Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4-8  
 Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

**Introduction to the readings:** In spite of all we have heard and all that we have seen, it is often hard to believe. Because it is hard to believe, we will invest ourselves in the Easter mystery for fifty days (a week of weeks). Because it is hard to believe, John the evangelist will provide sign after sign celebrating Jesus' victory over death. Because it is hard to believe, the Lord Jesus will return to us again and again in the mystery of the holy communion, inviting us to touch and taste his presence, and offering us his peace.

## April Coffee Hour Group

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## Readers :

April 7	Gloria Serkland
April 14	Gretchen Farwell
April 19	Werner Krause
April 21 Early	Cindy Beem
April 21 Late	George Cobb
April 28	Scott Henry

## Ushers :

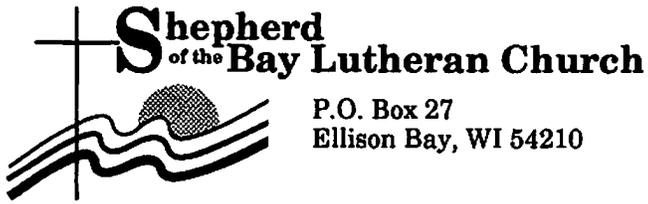
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## Midweek Lenten Services & Holy Week Services

Wednesdays, April 3 & April 10, 2019  
5:30pm Meal & 6:15pm Service

4/14 Palm Sunday Service 9:30am

4/18 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm

4/19 Good Friday Service 7:00pm

4/20 Easter Vigil Service @ St. Luke's in Sister Bay 7:00pm

4/21 Easter Service 9:00am & 11:00 am

Easter Breakfast 10:00am

Children's Easter egg Hunt 10:30am

