



THE COMMUNICATOR

APRIL 5, 2023

PRAYER MINISTRY

Join us for prayer on Saturday mornings at 7am via Zoom or in person in our chapel.

People can join via video or using the call-in number if video is not an option.

Join via phone: (346) 248-7799

Meeting website:
<https://zoom.us/j/862139432>
Meeting ID: 862 139 432
Password: 853781

Call Shawn Blom at
605-940-6702 with questions.

MISSION OF THE MONTH

Bishop Dudley House
The Bishop Dudley Hospitality House offers a warm, safe and secure place to start the road back to a more stable, long-term way of living.

CLYDE'S ARTICLE

April has arrived. We are melting snow now. I can only hope that things will start to warm up, but I know how these things can go. Spring is coming and I am very ready for that. I can finally see the grass in my lawn after a long winter. This is one we will remember for a while. I have had people say the gravel side roads are a mess as well. When the frost comes out of the ground that sure happens. That is a sign that change is coming. I like the sound of that!

Last week, we did our final MidWeek of the year. It was a good night with plenty of pizza and some good singing afterwards. I was impressed with the children. They can really sing! They were the hit of the night for me. I love the energy they bring to the room. We took some time to recognize all the folks who helped us out on all those Wednesday evenings. It takes an army to get all that work done. Janet Bartcher is our director of the kitchen workers, but she would be the first to say that those head-cooks for each week, are the real workers and organizers. They all do that with great enthusiasm, and it makes a huge difference in how we do that meal. There are also lots of volunteers who teach and help with the kids in the kid's wing. We can't do any of that without them. Another year is in the books. It was a good one! Thanks everyone!

Our verse this week comes from Mark's gospel chapter 15 verses 17 and 18. They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him.

And they began to call out to him, "Hail, king of the Jews!"

This is Holy Week. All churches are gearing up for special services and preparing worship settings to help us remember all that took place so many years ago. When I read those two verses in Mark, I am struck by the sad irony taking place there. They dress Jesus up to look like a King. It's all a mockery of this man who everyone thought was an imposter. For them it was all a game of sorts. Even the Jewish crowd had given up on Jesus who could be someone they could place their trust in. For them he had some promise, but after what they had witnessed in those last hours, had convinced them he was nothing. Another failure! Yet, the robe and the crown were setting on the head of a King. A King like no other! Who was on a mission like no other! Jesus our Lord! He is like no other!

This coming Thursday evening we are gathering for communion. Jesus in the garden is our theme. There is a lot on his mind on that night. He is about to do what none of us can do. He is going to pay the price of our guilt. He is going to endure our shame. I pray we come into that place with hearts seeking to be moved. Love is on display!

Sunday is Easter. No more wandering in the desert. It all will change on Sunday. What does the Resurrection mean? Is it only about Jesus coming back from the grave? Maybe there is more to it! What does it mean for us? Oh, so many questions. We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!

YOU
BELONG
HERE

UPCOMING DATES

Thursday, April 6th 7:00pm- Maundy Thursday Service

Join us at 7pm for the Maundy Thursday Communion Service!
We'll also Livestream this service.

Sunday, April 9th 8:00, 9:00 & 10:45am

No Sunday School
He Is Risen! Come celebrate Easter with us!

Sunday, April 23rd Congregational Meeting 10:10am

This congregational meeting will be to draw
for consistory members. Those nominated for deacon include:
Sean Fantroy, Justin Hinks, Joel Kraayenbrink
Eric Van Donge, Tom Weerheim, Tyler Wolf.

Those nominated for elders include: Mike Boyenga, Susan Bierwagen,
Kris Dunlap, Darren Ellwein, Doug Harms, Harvey Odens.

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WELCOME TEAM

Every week volunteers on the Welcome Team make Community feel like home to every person who walks through our doors.

WHAT: We're looking for volunteers to be on the Welcome Team.

WHEN: You'll be on a team that serves on the same week each
month. For example, if you're on Team 2, you'll serve every second
Sunday of the month.

CHOOSE ONE OR BOTH TIME SLOTS TO SERVE ON YOUR ROTATION:
8:45am-9:10am
10:30am-10:50am

Email Holli at connect@communityrc.org to sign up or for more info!

THIS WEEK

Wednesday, April 5 NO YOUTH GROUPS

Thursday, April 6 7:00pm- Maundy Thursday Communion Service

Saturday, April 8 7:00am- Prayer Ministry 10:00AM- AA

Sunday, April 9 8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM- Worship Service NO Sunday School

Monday, April 10 OFFICE CLOSED Noon- Senior Citizens (E. Pizza Ranch) 7:00pm- DMV- Discipleship Men's Version

Tuesday, April 11 9:30-11am- Play Group

Wednesday, April 12 6:00-7:00pm- Meal for High School Youth Group 7:00-8:30- High School Youth Group

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AA BIG BOOK MEETING

AA meeting via Zoom or in person at the
church on Saturday mornings at 10am.
Please contact Tom Jacobs
(tjstonegate@gmail.com) for meeting
access.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens will meet on Monday,
April 10 at noon at the East 10th
Pizza Ranch. Questions, please call Connie
Parmley, 605-275-0030. Everyone welcome!

BOOK CLUBS

The evening book club will meet on
Tuesday, April 18, at 7 pm at the church. We
will be discussing The Silent Patient.

The morning book club will meet on
Wednesday, April 19, at 9 am at the Bagel
Boy on Minnesota Ave. We will be discussing
Mind of Her Own.

HOPE CIRCLE

Hope Circle will meet on April 18th at
7:00pm. Carol is hostess and Marjie has the
lesson.



An evening of celebrating what God is doing, raising funds for the general budget, and looking forward to what the next couple of years will bring.

Please email Breanna at breanna@mission-haiti.org to RSVP your spot by April 10th.

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FINANCES

Sunday, April 2, 2023

General: \$11,857

Vision: \$730

Missions: \$410

Wednesday Night: \$312

General YTD: \$213,948

Vision YTD: \$18,177

Vision Account Balance: \$32,283

PRAYER REQUESTS

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

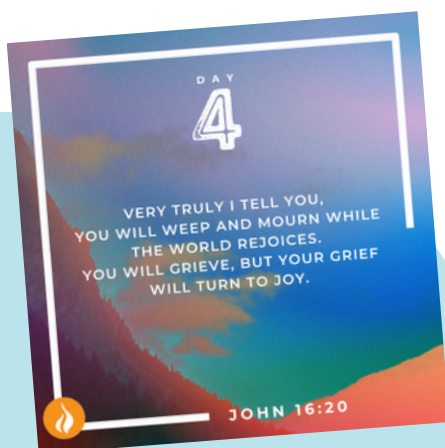
- Ellen Nelson Garner (chronic airway disease)
- Leah Reuwsaat's mom, Marie

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Rick Hansen (neck pain)
- Jeff Veltkamp (shoulder surgery)
- Kyle Wigg (liver disease)
- Joe Johnson (traveling to China)
- Verle Valentine (hip surgery recovery)
- Marv Sturing (new chemo for cancer)
- Brian Frisbee (ongoing rehab)
- Aaralyn Van Der Slood
- Carrie Valentine (fractured ankle/foot)
- Lexi Valentine (auto-immune disease)
- Marv Vos (double hip replacement)
- Angie Bonnema's dad (whipple surgery)
- Rick Norris (cancer)
- Cherri Price (ongoing chemo)
- Glenda Van Den Hoek
- Nicole Ryan (deployed for 6 months)
- Gina Jean Baptiste- teacher from Frederique school in Haiti (amputated leg & lost pregnancy after accident)
- Karen Johnson (heart issues)
- Pete & Jan Mellema's son-in-law, Chris (surgery recovery)
- Randi Van Der Slood (cancer treatments)
- Marcia Groeneweg's brother-in-law (leukemia)
- Irwin Van Leeuwen (cancer treatment)
- Steve Lee (lung transplant postponed)
- Jenna Hoogendoorn (transplant recovery)
- Melanie Oden's uncle, Bruce (cancer)
- Marcia Groeneweg's daughter, Rhonda (chemo)
- Kristy Mouw's sister-in-law, Mindy (cancer)
- Susan Bierwagen's uncle, Darrell (cancer)
- Jodie Jensen (cancer treatments/heart)
- Darla Anderson's friend, Vonnie (cancer)
- Tracee Ellwein's dad (skin & muscle graft)
- Harvey & Karen Odens' great niece, Lydia (cancer)

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences go out to Brian Bartscher for the passing of his brother, Tim. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.



DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT THE EASTER DEVOTIONS!

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REQUESTS FOR MEMBERSHIP & BAPTISM...

**If you would like to request membership or baptism, please
e-mail the church office at connect@communityrc.org.
We are doing individual family baptism after the 10:45am
service until further notice.**

NEED GROCERIES? OR GAS?

**Gift cards for HyVee, Fareway & Sunshine can be purchased
every Sunday morning at the coffee bar. 5% of that purchase
will go toward our Vision Fund at church.**

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