



Monthly Newsletter

March 2024

# Community Lutheran Church

Jesus said,  
"Whoever  
believes in me,  
streams of living wa-  
ter will flow from with-



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**Pastor Tim Eighmy**



**OFFICE HOURS:**  
Tues.– Fri., 9 am to 1 pm;

**SUNDAY WORSHIP:**

\*Sunday, 9 & 11 am  
Last Sunday of every  
month: 10:00 am

\*9:00 am only during  
summer months starting  
May 5th Thru Oct 27th

**Mission Statement of Community Lutheran Church:**  
*Living Christ's love in all we do.*

## A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR TIM



### The March of Spring and New Life

March is here and spring has sprung. Daylight Savings Time begins in Nevada and California on March 10th and again Arizona, Nevada, and California will be at the same time for the next seven months. We celebrate the Irish heritage on St. Patrick's Day on March 17th . And then we have the first day of spring on March 19th when the days grow longer. And finally, Easter Sunday will come on March 31st .

The season of Lent gets its name from the lengthening of days at this time of year. The new life we have in spring reminds us of the fullness of new life that God gives us through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Maundy Thursday is when we commemorate Jesus' last night with his disciples and his final instructions for them. On March 28th , we will have a joint Maundy Thursday Service at Hope United Methodist Church, 1325 Ramar Road, at 6 pm. And on March 29th for Good Friday, I will be leading the Stations of the Cross in the Memorial Garden at 2 pm.

Our annual Easter Cantata will be at 3 pm on Palm Sunday, Mar. 24th , and at 7 pm on Good Friday, Mar. 29th .

And on Easter Sunday, we will have our Easter Sunrise Service at 7:30 am in the Memorial Garden, Easter Breakfast served at 8 am, and our two worship services with Holy Communion at 9 am and 11 am.

Through his death and resurrection, Jesus Christ has saved us for a new life of God's love that unites us in Christian community. And we – along with Hope United Methodist Church and with Holy Spirit Episcopal Church – are celebrating the fullness of God's salvation this March.

I hope you will join us in our joint Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter festivities. And may you know Christ's peace and salvation as you live your life in the most loving way.

In Christ's resurrected peace,

Pastor Tim

Council Corner by Dave Brusby

February has been a very busy month with Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. While most Christian holidays are basically a one day event, Lent extends for several weeks. This gives us a longer period to reflect on the significance of the season. As we approach Easter, let us remember the events that culminated in the resurrection of our Lord.

As you know, we elected new council members at our annual meeting in January. The makeup of the council follows. You can contact any board member through the church office or look them up on the church directory which you can find on our website [clcbhc.com](http://clcbhc.com).

Your new council: David Brusby, President; Pete Wold, Vice President; Linda Crawford, Secretary; Joann Hoffmeyer, treasurer; Lou Padilla and Chad Lelm, members at large.

*CHURCH CHOIR Notes*

The choir rehearsals have resumed every Wednesday at 6 pm except during lent, they will be practicing at 7:00 pm following the Lenten services, February 21st to March 20th.

They are always looking for people to join. They will be practicing for regular church sessions and for the Easter Cantata. You are welcome to join both or either



Easter Cantatas

March 24th at 3:00 pm

March 29 at 7:00 pm

Colors of Grace: Lessons for Lent,

By Joseph M. Martin

# Lenten thoughts about wealth

*Jesus taught, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.” -Luke 12:15 (NIV)*

For centuries, Christians have observed the season of Lent by taking on new spiritual practices (such as special prayer or bible reading) or abstaining from things that are enjoyable or extravagant (such as tobacco, chocolate or alcohol).

Lenten disciplines assist us in looking inward, seeing ourselves for who we really are, and with God’s help, identifying things that keep us from drawing closer to God. With these awarenesses, and with God’s help, we can then do something about them.

It’s only fitting that Christians look at their relationship with wealth. Jesus had no problem with wealth, per se, but he repeatedly warns that wealth can distort our values and put a wedge between us and God. Or, worse, that money can supplant God as ruler in our hearts.

For those of us who are comfortable in our incomes and possessions, Lent invites us to look at our relationship with wealth. Here are some ideas for thought and prayer:

Jesus says, “Life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.” How is that different from the relentless message our consumer culture gives us? In what, then, would Jesus say our life consists? In what does your life consist?

For Lent, keep a journal of everything you buy. At the end of Lent, analyze what your purchases say about your values, identity, and relationship with wealth.

For Lent, buy only things you *need*, and NOT things you merely *want*. What do you learn in the process?

For Lent, double your regular giving to charity. Or simply give to the point where it is a sacrifice.

If you dare, try tithing – giving 10 percent of your income to God’s work. What do you learn about yourself?

May this Lent be a time when you draw close to the Lord your God.

–Rob Blezard

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## Lenten and Holy Week Services

Some services will be held jointly with Hope Methodist Church.

### Lenten Services

March 5th to March 26th

March 6th to March 20th

Noon: Soup & Study at Hope Methodist

5:30 pm soup supper at CLC:

6:00 pm Lenten service “

7:00 pm choir practice “



### Holy Week

March 24th Palm Sunday

March 28 Maundy Thursday

March 29 Good Friday

March 31st Easter Sunday

9:00 am & 11:00 am with communion at CLC

6:00 pm at Hope Methodist

Prayer vigil 12:00 noon to 7:00 pm at Hope Methodist

2:00 pm Stations of the Cross CLC

7:30 am Sunrise service at CLC

8:00 am Easter Breakfast

9:00 am & 11:00 am worship service with communion at CLC

# ANYTHING CHOCOLATE



Becky serving up some yummy chocolates



Bev manning the drink station!



Beautiful baskets that were raffled off!!



Reva serving more yummy chocolates



Pokeno Prizes

## Outreach Committee

Their mission is to send cards to people who are ill, people who can't come to church for whatever reason and people who have not attended in a long time. So if you know someone in these categories, let Toni Wold or the office know.



## Women's Group

Women's Group Next Women's bible study is March 5th at 9:30 am. There will be a short business meeting at that time also. All women are invited and encouraged to attend.

## Anything Chocolate Festival 2024

On Saturday February 10, 2024 from 11am to 2pm the CLC Women's Group hosted the annual 'Anything Chocolate Festival' where guests were greeted at the door by the smiles of Lynda Crawford to purchase their boats for the potatoes & chocolates and Shirley Cutler to purchase tickets for their chance at winning from the 13 raffle baskets and variety of 20 gift cards. The kitchen was busy with our amazing spud-masters Chad Lelm & Pete Wold manning the potato bar and loading spuds with ALL the toppings a heart could desire! Then our guests would grab a refreshment from Bev Christopherson at the little beverage station before moving on to the lovely Reva Sparks & Becky Mlekush to load up and indulge in the vast array of chocolate treats available!

While enjoying the potato meal and chocolate deliciousness, Toni Hill Wold provided fun entertainment with the game po-ke-no for fun prizes too! Thanks to all the volunteers who 'floated' and filled in the gaps as needed! A huge shout out to the setup & cleanup crew for all the help making the behind the scenes flow so smoothly! Congratulations to all our basket & gift card winners! A huge thanks to all our donations that made it possible for Tori to create these fun baskets!

THANK YOU:

Roger Cudnohufsky, Shirley Cutler, Bev Christopherson, Becky Mlekush, Peggy Boone, Barbara & Dean Leuthauser, Toni Hill Wold, Reva Sparks, Lynda Crawford, Chad & Tori Lelm, Veronica Dresden, JoAnn Hoffmeyer, Bea Padilla, & Sheryl Berg. Bev Christopherson did amazing collecting gift cards from local businesses for our raffle!

THANK YOU: ACE HARDWARE, MOHAVE STEAKHOUSE, PERKINS, BULLHEAD STRENGTH & CONDITIONING, WALMART, PRO•FIT•KITCHIN, DENNY'S, CULVER'S & LYNDIA CRAWFORD.

The CLC Women's Group used this fundraiser to raise funds for the new scholarship program being designed to assist families in need of funds for childcare in our area. With the support from all our guests coming to enjoy our festival we were able to raise over \$2,100 (before expenses) and want to THANK EVERYONE for making this happen! We are excited to watch this program come to fruition and look forward to blessing others in need with this scholarship program!

Women's Group  
~Tori Lelm



# March

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:00 & 11:00 am worship service with communion <i>Choir</i> <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent</i>	4 Office closed	5 9:30 Women's Group bible study 12:00 pm Soup & Study at Hope Methodist	6 5:30 pm soup supper 6:00 pm Lenten service 7:00 pm Choir practice	7 2:00 pm Pastor's bible study	8	9
10 9:00 & 11:00 am worship service with communion <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent</i>	11 Office closed	12 12:00 pm Soup & Study at Hope Methodist <i>Shirley Off</i>	13 5:30 pm soup supper 6:00 pm Lenten service 7:00 pm Choir practice	14 2:00 pm Pastor's bible study 6:00 pm council meeting	15	16
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24 <i>Palm Sunday</i> 9:00 & 11:00 am worship service with communion <i>Noisy Offering</i> <i>3:00 pm Cantata</i>	25 Office closed	26 12:00 pm Soup & Study at Hope Methodist	27 6:00 pm Choir practice	28 No Pastor's bible study 6:00 pm <i>Maundy Thursday</i> service at Hope Methodist	29 <i>Good Friday</i> 12:00 pm – 7:00 pm Prayer vigil at Hope UMC 2:00 pm Stations of the Cross at CLC <i>7:00 pm Cantata</i>	30
31 <i>Easter</i> 7:30 am Sunrise Service 8:00 Easter breakfast 9:00 & 11:00 am worship service with communion <i>Choir</i>	Office closed					

# April

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <i>April Fool's Day</i>	2 9:30 am Women's bible study	3 No Choir practice	4 2:00 pm Pastor's bible study	5	6
7 9:00 & 11:00 am worship service with communion	8 Office closed	9	10 6:00 pm Choir practice	11 2:00 pm Pastor's bible study 6:00 pm Council meeting	12	13
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## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### March Birthdays

- 6—Brenda Buth
- 6—Kelly Buth
- 6—DiAnne Kaul
- 9—Becky Mlekush
- 10—JoAnn Blaalid
- 10—Milton Vanerstrom
- 10—Julie Vanfossan
- 11—Don Flatt
- 13—Monty Ostgaard
- 14—Michele Werchau
- 21—Toni Hill Wold
- 22—Marvin Leonhardt
- 22—Chelsea White
- 25—Nicole Nielsen



### March Anniversaries

- 18—Kelly & Brenda Buth (35)
- 18—Kurt & Nicole Nielsen (1)
- 24—Luther & Carole Johnson (73)

## Mark your Calendars!

### Women's Bible Study:

March 5, 9:30 am

### Wednesdays 7:00 pm

Choir Practice  
except March 27 at 6:00 pm

### Pastor's Bible Study

Thursdays at 2:00 pm  
No bible study March 28th

### Council Meeting

March 14 at 6:00 pm

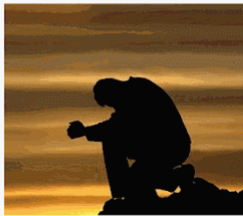
### Lenten Services: March 6 to March 20

Soup supper 5:30pm	CLC
Lenten Service 6:00pm	“
Choir Practice 7:00 pm	“

March 5th to March 26th  
Noon: Soup & Study at Hope Methodist

### \*See page 3 for Holy Week Services

## Prayer Corner



## PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



*Please continue to pray for all the persons whose names have been offered up by members and friends of the congregation.*

*We pray for healing, comfort, guidance, strength, recovery, safe travel, and unrevealed needs, as well as for those with thankful hearts and for those who grieve.*



Let us remember the ones God called home out of our midst, and keep their families and friends in our prayers.

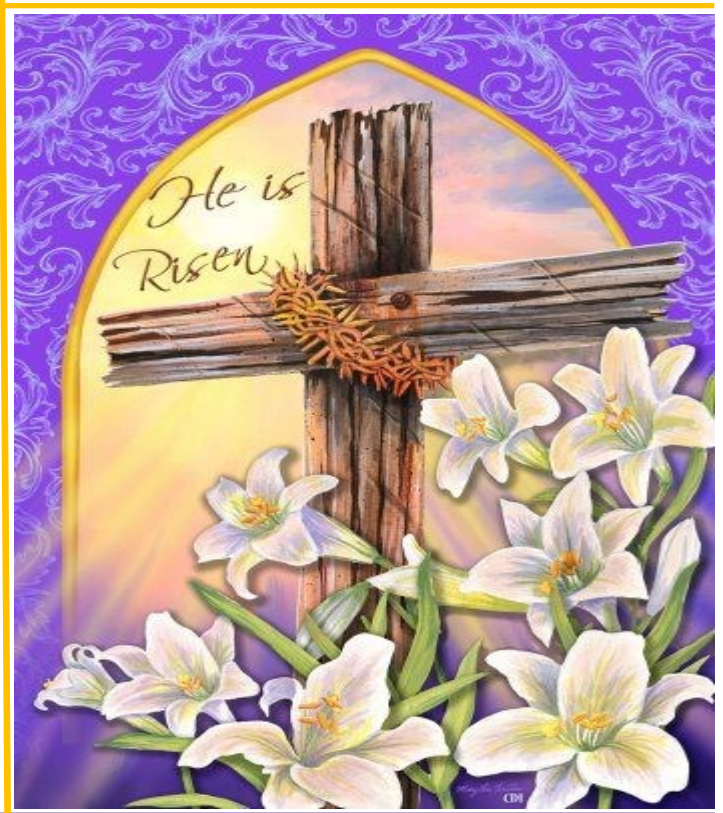


*If you know someone who would like to be included in the ongoing monthly prayer list, be it for prayer or thanksgiving, please let the office know!*



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