NEWS AND NOTES

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Pastor: The Rev. Terry L. DeGiovanni (785 396 4411)

Organists: Pam Steinmeyer and Gloria Falk

Chairman: Bruce Abitz Vice Chairman: Alan Fischer

Elders: Tom Kasten and Martin Henneberg

Altar Duty for April: Ireta Schwant

Saturday and Sunday EASTER: April 19 and 20, 2025 Attendance: April 12 6 April 13: 51

Maundy Thursday 25

In the Word

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

Of the Word

The storm crashed around the house. Lightning flashed, thunder roared, hail pounded against the windows. And then the power went out. The family huddled in darkness, fearing that the fierce winds would demolish their home. When morning came, they inspected the damages and prepared for the day. Breakfast? No power meant no hot coffee, no warm toast. The air was unbearably hot. No power meant no air conditioning. How had the rest of the city fared? No power meant no radio or TV to catch the news. No power to begin the ordinary routines of the day.

When Jesus was arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane, His disciples were without power. In fear and dismay, they deserted Him and ran. After His resurrection, Jesus met with them. He spoke to them, and their fears dissolved. They believed His words, and power was restored — power from the Holy Spirit. Electric power outages are to be expected now and then, but never will we experience an outage of Spirit power. This is Jesus' promise to us, His disciples of the twenty-first century

Walking with my Lord

Dear Lord, thank You for the power of the Holy Spirit in my life. When I feel weak and helpless, remind me of the power that You and You alone can give. In Jesus' name. Amen

We pray for those who are Residents of Our Care Facilities

Onaga Health and Rehab: Cynthia Althouse Ann and Eugene Abitz
Eastridge (Centralia): Gary Kolterman
RedBud Assisted Living: Joan Kolterman, Lavona Biesenthal,
Westy Care Home Assisted Living: Dorothy Schwandt Guth
Remembering in our prayers:, Joe Harder Judy Kocher, Ann Abitz, Eldon Falk,

Janet Kufahl, Carley DeChant, Karla Rice and Dorothy Guth

April 20 – Resurrection of Our Lord – Lethal measures like abortion and assisted suicide claim to express autonomy, but they really embody surrenders to death. Jesus Christ, sacrificed and arising again, liberates from submission to this ultimate enemy (1 Corinthians 15:26). Neither we nor our neighbors need equate human worth with length of days or lack thereof (Isaiah 65:20). Who will tell them? Why not us

Sunday School Co Superintendents: Linda Falk and Ireta Schwant

Sunday School and Staff: April birthdays: Kamryn Thorson, Hazel Ubel

Jaime Schlegel Holden Stout High School: Addison DeChant

Staff: Brenda Schlegel

Sunday School Attendance Awards

March 16: 15 Sundays: Elsie and Micheal Henneberg

March 30: 30 Sundays: Hazel and Olive Ubel (Perfect Attendance)

15 Sundays: August Falk and Rayna Meyerkorth

April 6: 5 Sundays> Luke and Rylee Wren

25 Sundays: Clancy Revell

Note from Karen Harder, Church Treasurer: March Operating Income: \$6,163.22 March Operating Expense: \$7,760.13 March Operating Net Cash Flow: negative \$1,596.91

LWML will meet on Wednesday April 23 at 2 p.m., in the church basement.

Opening and Closing Devotions: Linda Falk Bible Study

Roll Call: Bible Verse how to deal with prejudice Business

Mite Box collection Happy April birthday to Brenda Schlegel

Thank you to everyone who brought Easter flowers for our altar this day.

Voters' Meeting will be held Sunday, April 27th after morning worship. Church council will meet Wednesday, April 23rd at 7:30 pm

Pastor Terry will be at Trinity, McFarland this Wednesday. If needed, call his cell # 412 334 4280 or Trinity church office at 785 766 3755