Praying

MORE WORKERS Pray ... earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few ... (Luke 102 ESV)

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS Two young men from a Christian family were convicted under Pakistan's harsh blasphemy laws of blaspheming the Islamic prophet Mohammed. Conviction under these laws brings a mandatory death sentence. While these men appeal their cases, they remain on death row. Please pray for these men and their families as they struggle to pay legal fees and provide for the young men's needs in

PUBLIC SERVICE

- Our president, governor, federal and state representatives, mayor, city and county
- Firefighters and Emergency Medical Responders

HEALING

Those involved with the Israel & Russia-Ukraine Conflict, Juniper Power, Bryan Fevold, Jennie Stutsman & Hugo Sanchez (Angela's friends), Chris Schaffer (Rodney's friend), Rachel Meuchel, Brandon Kindred, Cole Houska (Jesse's nephew's son), Matt & Christina Smith family, Pat Rusk (Barb's friend), Harold Dragseth, Christy Hoffman (Lindsay's sister), Cattleya, David Fandrich

HOPE AND COMFORT

The Beard family for the passing of Chris, Bonny's niece The Iverson family for the passing of Lou, Merton's sister

FAMILY

Ashley & Alexis Marmon, Daniel, Sophia & Seth Marmon

SISTER CONGREGATIONS

Faith Chapel, Pastor Michael Natale, Cranston, Rhode Island



Faculty & Staff Dr. Eugene Boe, Research Professor of Systematic & Historical Theology Students Seth Vander Ley (Arianna & Lincoln)



REACHING THE UNREACHED

aul and Teresa Szobody direct a missionary training Community in a small Árab village on the édge of the Sahara in Aderé, Chad. Pray for then as they live, study and labor with Chadian families who are preparing to go as partners in mission to unreached tribes. Pray also for their relationships and ministry to the local people.



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PLANTING CHURCHES



arl and Emily are church, planting in Lincoln, ND, a community next door to Bismarck. It is CHURCHA COMMUNITY CENTER one of the fastest growing communities in the state, made up



largely of young families who need to hear the good news of salvation in Jesus. A successful children's ministry has been the major focus. Pray that the Lord will add dedicated members to the launch team as they prepare to begin having weekly worship services in the near future and that he will provide resources to embark on a building program.

Growing & Serving

MONDAY, MARCH 18

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6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

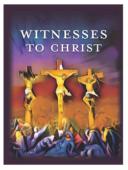
1:30 PM Coffee, Conversation & Courage

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

Supper: Baked Ham

Supper & Fellowship 6:00 PM Lenten Service

Pontius Pilate was a witness to Christ who consented to order lesus' execution. Pilate may wash his hands and proclaim his own innocence in the death of lesus, but Pilate is guilty. Pilate is caught between a rock and a hard place. Instead of doing what is right, Pilate has Jesus' flesh ripped, shredded, torn, dressed in purple, and crowned with thorns. His hard heart is complicit in the death of Christ. While it may be an uncomfortable thought, Pilate's failurés make us examine our own complicity



in the evil of others. How have we deceived ourselves in proclaiming innocence? How have we been pressured into allowing evil to occur? Thanks be to God that our journey to the cross shows us Jesus' forgiveness.





SUNDAY, MARCH 24

PALM SUNDAY - Please have your children meet Savannah Warren in the fellowship hall for the Procession of the Palms at 10:00

Morning Prayer 9:30 AM 10:00 AM Worship Service

BIRTHDAYS

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| Mar 18 | Ryan Odenbach | Mar 19 | Myrna Nelson |
| Mar 19 | Jared Boltz | Mar 20 | Ashley Marmon |
| Mar 21 | Anita Pedersen | Mar 24 | Linda Bundy |
| Mar 24 | Doug Thompson | Mar 26 | Jo Anne Ross |
| Mar 27 | Corey Hugelen | Mar 29 | Tim Pedersen |





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We're glad you're here to worship with us. If you're visiting with us today we hope you'll stick around for the first of the second of the state of the second of t with us today, we hope you'll stick around for a bit after the service. We'd love to get acquainted with you. If you'd like us to contact you, please scan our QR code on the back of the bulletin, or fill out a visitor card at our Welcome Center.

BIBLE CENTERED Through God's saving Word we have been adopted into God's Family and share in the saving work of Jesus Christ.

FAMILY FOCUSED As brothers and sisters in lesus Christ, we serve each other and worship, learn and work together.

MISSION DRIVEN We are engaged in lesus' disciple-making mission - winning souls for Christ by the preaching of the Word and personal witnessing, and strengthening believers through Christian fellowship in the Word and Sacraments.





Gathering Song *

Oh How Good It Is

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 119:9-16

Prayer

Songs of Praise

Battle Belongs This is Amazing Grace

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 5:1-10

The Apostles' Creed

Children's Message

Prayers of the Church

Tithes and Offerings

Hymn

Across the Lands

Gospel Reading

Mark 14:66-72

Sermon

Romans 10:1-17

How Will They Hear? Hymn

Go Light Your World

Benediction

Doxology

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Next Sunday's Readings: Psalm 118:19-29, Zechariah 9:9-12, Philippians 2:5-11, Mark 15:1-47



Talking about The Third Article of the Creed **Sanctification**

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Father

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in lesus Christ, My Lord, or come to Him, but the Holy Spirit has called me through the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, and sanctified and preserved me in the true faith, just as He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and preserves it in union with Jesus Christ in the one true faith, in which Christian church he daily forgives abundantly all my sins, and the sins of all believers, and at the last day will raise up me and all the dead, and will grant everlasting life to me and all who believe in Christ. This is most certainly true.

258 What gifts has the Holy Spirit given to believers in His Church?

The Holy Spirit has given many different gifts to His Church in order that the members of the church, like the parts of a body, may work together for the good of the whole church.

1 Corinthians 12:4-6 "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone."

Romans 12:5-8 "...so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually

members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness."

Ephesians 4:11-13 "And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ..."

Scriptures are noted in the English Standard Version

Witnesses to Christ **People from His Passion**

John tells us why he wrote his Gospel: "Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book: but these are written so that you may believe that lesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name" (John 20:30-31). Life! When we believe that Jesus is the Christ, God gives us lifeabundant life, forgiven life, and eternal life.

Historically, the Fourth Gospel is likened to an eagle-an image that suggests John soars to heights of glory and grandeur. That's because the evangelist paints a stunning portrait of lesus, who is the bread of life, the resurrection and the life, and the way, the truth, and the life. Life in Jesus. That's God's gift to you!

This Lent, our life in Christ will be strengthened as we hear the witness of those in John's Gospel who journeyed to the cross. Along the way, we'll meet villains, such as Barabbas and Pontius Pilate, as well as sinners, such as Peter (who denied lesus three times).

Please join us for supper at 5:15 and worship to follow at 6:00 as we hear the witness of these beoble in John's Gospel:

March 20

Pontius Pilate, John 19:1-16

March 29 (No supper) Good Friday: John, the Gospel Writer, lohn 19:25-37

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^{*} If you are able, please stand for elements of the service noted in bold.