

A blessed greeting to all of you in the Name of Jesus Christ, Who is, Who was, and Who is to come.

The Holy Season of Lent is soon upon us and we will once again offer devotional services on Wednesday evenings. This is a wonderful time for us to repent, reflect and rejuvenate our spiritual lives. All believers in Christ are called to repent to the Lord and He will forgive their sins. We can also reflect on our own lives and what amazing things God has done for us and through us. Lent is also a time to rejuvenate. We need a good “boost” once in a while through all of the sorrow and through all of the good times of life. “Help us O Lord to see the world in Your Hands and not in the hands of the evil one.”

This year the Vicar and I have put together a series for Lent entitled: “The St. John Passion.” Through the Gospel of John different events in the life of Jesus will be examined during His time on earth. Vicar Spangler will preach each Wednesday worship. Services will begin at 6:30 pm.

In addition, we will once again enjoy a meal at 5:15 pm in our Fellowship Hall. This year we are pleased to once again have our own “chef in residence” Mike Scherger who will prepare homemade meals for us! We thank him!

The Sunday worship hours under the theme “Lent is about Jesus” are also listed for your Sunday preparation. Pastor Halboth will preach every Sunday during Lent.

May the Lord bless and keep you! See you in worship!

*Pastor Tim*



## *“The St. John Passion”*

### **Ash Wednesday - February 14, 2024**

Holy Communion

“The Powerless ‘I Am’”

John 18:1-11

### **February 21, 2024 Midweek One**

“The Two Interrogations”

John 18:12-27

### **February 28, 2024 - Midweek Two**

“What Kind of King Is This?”

John 18:28-40

### **March 6, 2024- Midweek Three**

“Whom Do We Follow?”

John 19:1-16a

### **March 13, 2024 - Midweek Four**

“A Friend on the Cross”

John 19:16b-27

### **March 20, 2024 - Midweek Five**

“The Battle is Finished”

John 19:28-42

All Wednesday Services will be held at 6:30 pm. Holy Communion will be celebrated on Ash Wednesday with Imposition of Ashes



Join us for our annual Lenten Dinners in the Fellowship Hall. Serving will begin at 5:15 pm (except for Ash Wednesday).



**Worship Hours at 9:15 am and 11:00 am**

***“Lent Is All About Jesus”***



February 18, 2024  
Holy Communion  
Get Behind Me, Satan  
Mark 1:9-15



February 25, 2024  
Get Ahead of Me, Jesus  
Mark 8:27-38



March 3, 2024  
Holy Communion  
Disrupt The World, Jesus  
John 2:13-22



March 10, 2024  
Love Us, Jesus  
John 3:14-22

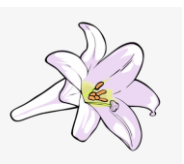


March 17, 2024  
Holy Communion  
Serve Us, Jesus  
Mark 10:35-45

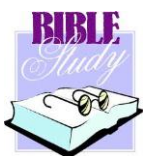


Sunday School is held every Sunday during the 9:15am Worship hour.

***“Let the children come to Me” Luke 18:16.***



There will be NO Altar flowers during the Lenten season. Please watch your bulletin for Information about Easter Lily orders.



There will be NO Tuesday Evening Adult Bible Class during Lent.



### **Palm Sunday - March 24**

Worship at 9:15 am and 11:00 am  
Whose Glory?  
John 12:20-43  
Holy Communion  
Vicar Spangler



### **Maundy Thursday-March 28**

Worship at 7:30 pm  
The Blood of the Covenant  
Mark 14:12-26  
Holy Communion  
Vicar Spangler

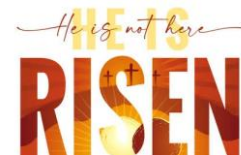


### **Good Friday - March 29**

1:00 pm Worship with Holy Communion  
7:30 pm- Office of Tenebrae with Holy Communion

**Life After**

**Good Friday**  
Mark 15:33-34  
Pastor Halboth



### **Easter Sunday - March 31**

9:15 am and 11:00 am  
A New Reality  
Mark 16:1-8  
Pastor Halboth

We will enjoy special music by our Music Ministry!

### **Lenten Dinner Menus**

February 21 - Spaghetti & Meatballs, Salad and Bread.

February 28 - Chicken Casserole, Salad and Bread.

March 6 - Meatloaf, Potatoes, gravy corn, Salad and Bread.


March 13 - Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw and applesauce.

March 20 - Sloppy Joes, Tater Tots and applesauce.




I would like to thank our music ministry for their hard work this past year! Our director of music, our organists, our Chancel Choir, Handbells, and Chamber Ensemble deserve a great thank you for all that they have done this year and will continue to do during the Lenten Season. We appreciate it! Pastor Tim

***“Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.” (Psalm 47:6)***



The 60th Annual Council of Lutheran Women's Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024. Women from across the Detroit area will join in a luncheon, fellowship, and to honor our hard working women within our parishes. This year Grace Church will honor Joan Calleja as our Lutheran Woman of the Year. The luncheon will be held at The Mirage in Clinton Township. More information will be provided throughout the next month! Plan to join with our women.



The Women's Ministries continue their ongoing opportunity to raise funds! Furniture and home decor items that are fit for resale can be sold through New-2-You in Northville. Please call Happy Westmeier with any questions or to set up a meeting time (248-349-5818). All proceeds from the sales go to Women's Ministries. We thank Happy for her many hours of service for our church and the Women's Ministries.

***“I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for Me.” (Matthew 25:40)***



Many wonderful events have happened this year as we have reached out to our Synod and community with Christmas gifts for children; underclothes, pajamas, toys and other items. We have joined with Redford Interfaith Relief to help those who are less fortunate. Grace Church has been a presence in our community for 83 years and we will continue to thank God for His blessings and show Redford Township that we are here to share our gifts. A special thank you to our Women's Ministries for organizing these outreach events.

We will also once again conduct our annual Community Food distribution. Over 100 people were served last year and we pray for the same this year. This year's Distribution will be held on Saturday, Feb. 24. We are asking for donations of non-perishable food items, canned protein choices and other “staples.” Please check the expiration dates! See the Vicar for more information or to volunteer your time! Thank you!



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