



# *the Voice*

February 2009

The Official Newsletter of Hosanna Lutheran Church

From the Pastor

## **"STEWARDSHIP IS EVERYTHING WE DO AFTER WE SAY WE BELIEVE"**

Sometimes we think of stewardship as the church's spin on financial giving. So, when we hear the word "stewardship", we think of dollars and cents, and what we spend for the church's ministry. Financially, we have met our giving goals for 2008. In fact, your giving has exceeded our budget for 2008 through your generosity. This is wise stewardship of the resources God gives us, and a cause for jubilation. We have been greatly blessed.

Yet, there is more to stewardship. It is a wholistic care for all that God gives us. Because "stewardship is everything I do after I say I believe," the life of a disciple of Jesus is marked with service using one's special gifts from God; when we follow Jesus, as stewards, we use our particular spiritual gifts, our time, and our talents to serve, and to build up God's kingdom.



If you do not know how God has gifted you spiritually, take a look at the chart of spiritual gifts in this newsletter. See where you might find yourself.

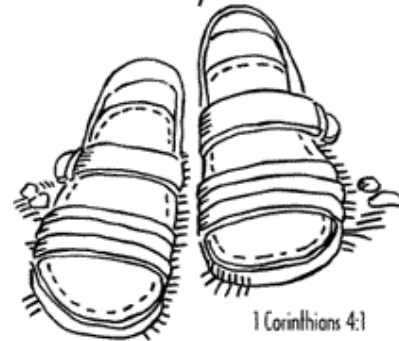
Also, take a look at the stewardship of our property celebrated by Fred Kaufman and the property committee.



Hosanna is forming a subcommittee of stewardship that will help to make us all aware of the many ways that we do ministry, care for creation, for each other, for the community, etc. If you would like to be a part of this effort, speak to Pr Ann Marie, Billy Bauchmoyer-Riedel, or Debbie Snider. And watch for the "Stewardship Corner" articles in coming announcements and newsletters.

Serving with you,  
Pr. Ann Marie

Think of us in this way,  
as servants of Christ  
and stewards of  
God's mysteries.



**Continuing Prayers of Concern:**

Many suffer ongoing challenges to life and health. Please keep these names near at your times of prayer and hold them before God who knows our every need: Jeff Konkler, Erv Babbert, Leisa Davis, The Larry & Nicole Walker Family, Charlene Williamson, Colette Jones and her premature daughter Alaine, Donna Roberts, Brook Tracy, Pat Howell, Diane Arps, Donna Keaton-North, Bob & Yoshi Campbell, Chris Ellis, Linda Rodichok, Ruth Hoesman, Bud Parker, Dr. Jeff Miller, Evelyn Hosler, Hazie Huston, Earl Davis, Tom Johnson, Barb Strong, Andrea Witt, Dorothy Clayton, Gary Moore, and, all those who continue to suffer from illness.

For all those who risk their lives for the sake of freedom from oppression, especially men and women in uniform.

**Sunday Worship Hours:**

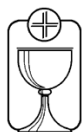
**9:00 AM & 11:00 AM**

**Sunday School 10:10 AM**

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• **The Newsletter Deadline** is the third Sunday  
• of each month. **The FYI Sunday**  
• **Announcement Page Deadline** is  
• Wednesday by Noon. Please email your  
• articles to: [office@hosanna-lutheran.org](mailto:office@hosanna-lutheran.org)  
• .....

**Our Shut-ins**

Mary Bauerle, Irene Krafft, Harry Siebert, Ruth Wood.



**Communion Visits...**

Please be aware that if you, as a member of Hosanna, become seriously ill and cannot attend one of our Sunday Worship Services, you may contact the church office at 740-927-3548

to arrange to have Holy Communion brought to you at your home.

**The Church Office & HLCC  
Preschool will be closed on  
Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> in  
observance of President's Day.**



**February 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Worship Service 7 PM**

**Thank you from our Pastors...**

The end of 2008 was a great blessing to us. The celebrations surrounding Christmas were filled with joy and good will. The generosity of the congregation for families in need was inspiring. The commitment to Christ's ministry through your offerings was very exciting. Hosanna finished the year 15,000+ over expenses and a generous \$14,000 was paid in benevolence to the ELCA. We would be dishonest if we didn't tell you how much we appreciated your kindness through many personal gifts and the congregational "purse" for your pastors. We've had fun spending your gift; and although it's never "expected," it is certainly enjoyed. So, Happy New Year; and thank you so much. We are grateful for being your pastors.

Pr. Wayne and Pr. Ann Marie

**Prez's Corner**

WOW!

In the last several years we've had some struggles as a congregation, but right at this moment, we are doing really well. I see so many positives.

The Adult Sunday School Class on the Shack is huge.

Annette Tracy and Gary Fettrow have Hosanna House to the point where painting will be coming up soon, and after a few more details, we'll be able to get the occupancy permit sometime this spring.

There was a \$3,500 donation to Hosanna that was given to other than the general fund, and Council directed those monies to Hosanna House to help with the finishing touches.

We finished the year of 2008 with approx. \$7,000 over expenses. We no longer operate with a deficit like we have the past several years.

Everybody should thank Ray Mauer for his dedication to the task of getting the parking lot lit. During the research with the electric company over installing new poles, he discovered that we have been charged for 2 security lights, that weren't there, for the last eight years. We will be getting a substantial refund. We will also be getting some wood poles with security lights. The poles in the islands are simply costing us too much in both—maintenance and kilowatt hours. Good job Ray.

Did anybody pickup on the Flyer that the Evangelism Committee had inserted into the Pataskala Standard? There is no better time to reach out to the community than right now with a world loaded down with uncertainty.

We're doing God's work.

Your brother in Christ, Fred McLeod



**Money Matters and Figures**

Hosanna's financial operating position through December 31, 2008 is as follows: Total operating income from all sources thru 12/31- \$369,812.52 Total operating expenses paid thru 12/31- \$354,639.85 Income over expenses thru 12/31: \$15,172.67 Beginning operating balance for 2008 (deficit from 2007): (\$8,013.31) 2008 YTD Overage: \$15,172.67 YTD Net overage: \$ 7,159.36

We have made up a positive impact to the 2007 deficit carryover. Good Job, Hosanna!

Benevolence for 4th quarter 2008 was paid \$4,200.06. For the calendar year 2008, we paid a total benevolence of \$14,323.95.

In December, our income exceeded our expenses:

December 2008 Income \$ 43,172.89  
 December 2008 Expenses 35,375.06  
 December 2008 Overage: 7,797.83

Now that we are into the new year, how many resolutions have been broken? Let's try to stick to one resolution this year and try not to break it. That resolution is: To stay current on your pledged contribution amount for 2009. This will greatly benefit the workings of our CHURCH.

Thank you.

From the Treasurer: Mary Seal



**KNIT AND CROCHET AT HOSANNA**

Please mark your calendars for Monday, February 16th at 7:30 PM.

We continue to make blankets for Project Linus of Central Ohio, which provides security blankets for sick or needy children and gives them to many local organizations and hospitals. We also continue to knit full-size prayer shawls and mini-shawls for the Stephen's Ministers and others in need. The mini-shawls should be about 4" by 5" and rectangular or square in shape. A tassel is a nice addition to give them something to hold onto while they pray. All shawls can be made with any yarn and any pattern. Patterns for all of the above projects are available from Liz on request. Everyone is welcome to our meetings! Please contact Liz Ellis at 740-964-6007 or e-mail elizabeth\_d\_ellis@yahoo.com for more information or see our brochure in the Welcome Center in the Narthex.



**LUNCHEON**

Once again it is time to reveal our 2009 Secret Sisters and draw for 2010 Secret Sisters. The luncheon will be Saturday,

February 21st at 11 AM in the Fellowship hall.

Secret Sisters' goal is to promote friendship and to bring the women of Hosanna together who may not previously know one another. All are invited to come to the luncheon and participate throughout the year.

This is the only Hosanna group that only meets once a year!

The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway by the Pastors' offices. Please sign up to bring a salad or dessert to share at the luncheon. The main dish and beverages will be provided. There is a basket on the bookcase with sign up forms and a box in which to put the completed forms. Please fill out the forms by Sunday, February 15th. Names will be drawn at the luncheon, then throughout the year, remember your Secret Sister with cards or small gifts at her birthday, anniversary and/or holiday times. To be included in the draw at the luncheon, you must fill out a form. If you are unable to attend the luncheon, please fill out a form and place it in the box and a name will be drawn for you and given to you afterwards.

The hostesses this year are Diane Arps, Darlene Butler & Bobbi Dopslaf. We hope to see you there!

**HELP WANTED - LSS FOOD PANTRY**

The Lutheran Social Services Food Pantry needs 4-6 volunteers on February 17, 2009 and August 13, 2009 between from 10 AM-3 PM to walk along with recipients of food to make sure they receive all the items that are allotted them at the Food Pantry. The clients choose, pack and transport their own groceries. No heavy lifting is involved for the volunteers.

The Food Pantry is located near Champion and Frebis Avenues in SE Columbus. Directions and a map will be available.

Please consider volunteering for the five hours on at least one of the days listed. Contact Bobbi Dopslaf at 614 861-4313 to volunteer or, for further information.



**MORNINGSTAR BIBLE STUDY**

Due to inclement weather, Morningstar Bible study did not meet in the month of January. We will continue our study in Book 26, Lesson One, Part II,

at Judy Taylor's, 76 Boyher Ave., on February 19th at 10 AM (weather permitting). See Darlene Butler for a copy of Book 26, price \$6.00.

## Souper Bowl Sunday February 1, 2009

Are the statements below true or false?  
See how you score.

An estimated 14,500 tons of snack chips will be eaten during the Super Bowl.

8 million pounds of guacamole will be consumed on Super Bowl Sunday.

Four million non-elderly low income families said they had used a food pantry at least once during the past year.

One in four people in a soup kitchen is a child.

LSS Food Pantries are experiencing a 25% increase in people served this year.

If you answered True to each of these, you're correct.

Our Hosanna youth will be collecting on Souper Bowl Sunday—February 1st. All money raised will directly benefit the LSS Food Pantries in Columbus, Lancaster and Caldwell, Ohio.

*Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat.*



### Hosanna Red Hat Honeys...

January's meeting was cancelled due to the cold and snow. Our next meeting will be held on Saturday, February 7th at 11 AM in the Hosanna Fellowship Hall. Please bring your ideas for outings in 2009 along with a dish for lunch. Please

RSVP no later than Wednesday, February 4th to Karen Schwartz at 964-0324. All Hosanna women age 50 and over are invited to join us.



### Hosanna House...

We need volunteers to work on the Hosanna House....Any skill level welcome. Mondays 5-9 PM,

Thursdays & Saturdays from 8 AM – 4 PM. Call Annette Tracy to sign up at 964-2700.



## YOUTH NEWS

**Kids' Klub will resume meeting on Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.** The group

typically meets on Sunday evenings after dinner from 6:00 – 7:30 PM. Kids' Klub is an extracurricular activity for children ages 3 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Each Sunday evening is filled with music, crafts and games. Contact Melissa Fettrow with any questions [kidsklub@hosanna-lutheran.org](mailto:kidsklub@hosanna-lutheran.org) or 740-739-2257.

## Summer Seminary Sampler

Have you noticed a passion and/or potential for ministry in the youth of your congregation? Consider encouraging them to participate in the Summer Seminary Sampler program offered by Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio. This fantastic three-week program is open to high school sophomores, juniors and seniors from across the country. Youth explore their gifts for ministry through service projects, seminary classes, special worship services and more. The program has influenced college choices, majors, volunteer activities, and vocational direction for over 200 faith-filled teens. If you know someone who would be interested in Summer Seminary Sampler, please direct him or her to [www.summersampler.com](http://www.summersampler.com) for more information. The application deadline is April 15, 2009. Please contact Pr. Ruth Fortis at 614-235-4136, Ext. 4619 with any questions.

## Preschool Opportunity

Do you have a passion for working with children? Do you have leadership, education or organization skills you want to keep sharp? Then we'd like to hear from you! The Hosanna Lutheran Childhood Center (HLCC) Board would like to invite you to check us out & learn how you can contribute to a very rewarding cause. You do not need to have a child enrolled in the HLCC to contribute to this mission of Hosanna Lutheran Church

The HLCC Board is the governing body for the Hosanna Lutheran Childhood Center. We meet monthly the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month, at 7 PM at Hosanna Lutheran Church. We are specifically looking for new members that possess the following skills:

- Accounting/Finance
- Organization & Communication Skills
- Human Resources
- Leadership & Planning

If you are interested or have questions and would like to learn more, please contact Katie Belt, HLCC Board President at 740-587-2949 or, the HLCC

office at 740-964-6333 and ask for Jennifer Garey or Amy Mohler.



### STEPHEN MINISTRY®

Your Stephen Ministry team would like to introduce our new trainees. We are proud to introduce, Mrs. Loretta Thatcher, and Mrs. Elaine Willey, who will become your new Stephen Ministers when they are commissioned in May of this year.

We are very happy with the response to our call to the congregation. We want to, once again, thank you for your support.

Your Stephen Ministry team: Pastor Ann Marie, Lori Starn, Darlene A. Gillenwater and the Care Committee

### ALTAR GUILD

The Lenten Season begins on Ash Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>. The parament color will be black, the color of ashes, humiliation and mourning. Then, the five Sundays in Lent, the parament color changes to purple, the color of penitence. The purple drape and crown of thorns are placed on the front wall in place of a banner.

At our next regular meeting, Thursday, March 12th at 7:15 PM, preparations for Holy Week services will be discussed and all members are encouraged to attend. Please check your schedules for routine duty for Wednesdays and Sundays.

New members are always welcome to join Altar Guild. For further information on duties and involvement, please call Terrie Baker at 927-6562 or Rini Terry at 927-8806.

### TAKE THE PLEDGE? *From Christian*

**Century Jan. 2009...**A Study conducted at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health concludes that teens who take a chastity oath are just as likely to have sex as those who don't—and they're less likely to use protection. In fact, those who took the pledge were 10 percentage points less likely to use condoms than non-pledgers. Pledgers don't differ from non-pledgers in the age at which they become sexually active. According to researcher Janet Rosenbaum, "Abstinence education comes from this idea that if you teach birth control, that's going to cause kids to have sex." But dozens of tests show that this notion doesn't have "any basis in reality.": She says parents talking repeatedly with their children about sex—including about contraception—is the most effective means of delaying sexual activity.

Hosanna's Calendar of Events is online at [www.hosanna-lutheran.org](http://www.hosanna-lutheran.org) Scroll to Resources and double-left click.

### THANK YOU!

LEADS pantry is stocked for now, in part from over 25 bags/boxes of non perishable food donated by Hosanna members and delivered to LEADS by Karen and Bruce Schwartz...many thanks to them. There is always an ongoing need for food donations so, please continue to bring in food items and put them on the shelves in the south hallway.

The Rose of Concern Fund will benefit from over 2 pounds of used stamps, (there are 1300-1600 stamps per pound,) which were brought in and sent to the Lutheran Village Rose of Concern Fund.

We've heard a rumor that there are more used stamps to be brought in... Please put them in the Stamps for Missions basket; it is on the bookcase in the south hallway by the Pastors' offices.

All these donations are greatly appreciated and will assist both these organizations in their missions to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

CARE Committee

### ***A thank you note from one of the families that we helped at Christmas.***

Hosanna Lutheran Church,  
My family and I would just like to take the time to tell you how much we appreciate all that you have done for us this Christmas season. We would not have been able to give our children a Christmas like the one that your church has helped us to provide for them. Thank you so much and we wish all of you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year!

### **Nominations for Hosanna Church Council...**

The Nominating Committee is now accepting nominations for the following positions for Church Council:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer (Incumbent running for office)
- Secretary (Incumbent running for office)
- Worship Committee (Incumbent running for office)
- Care Committee (Incumbent running for office)
- Trust Fund Committee-One person needed

If you are interested in serving in any of the positions or, you know someone who would like to serve in a position, please contact a member of the Nominating Committee. The members of the Committee are as follows: Pr. Wayne, Pr. Ann

Marie, David Bauchmoyer, Ron Cross, Darla Spring, Denny Weinzierl. If you are recommending someone for a position, you must first receive permission of the person who you are nominating.

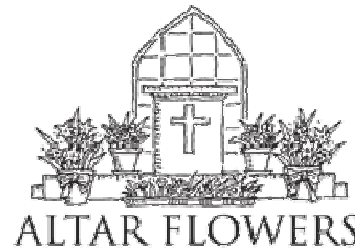


February	2	Sheryl Stewart
	2	Beth Frownfelter
	2	Kelsey Morris
	2	Luke Compton
	3	Diane Kristoff
	3	Terry Jackson
	4	Heather Carberry
	5	Todd Buxton
	6	Rhea Mathias
	6	Katie Belt
	7	Logan Key-Parks
	8	John Frownfelter
	8	Kellie McLeod
	9	Emily Shearer
	9	Hanna Siebert
	10	Mary Seal
	10	Doug Nolan
	11	Matt Mohler
	11	Leiadel Potter
	12	Kelly Buxton
	12	Tina Pagnanelli
	12	Mary Marvin
	12	Carl Mollenkopf
	13	Bruce Schwartz
	13	Aiden Winter
	14	Velma Van Deest
	14	Laura Stephens
	16	Cindy Kaufman
	17	Tim Thompson
	17	Todd Weisbarth
	18	Ronni Boehm
	18	Bruce VerWeire
	18	Daniel King
	18	Liam Kennedy
	19	John Shlepr
	19	Jacob Nelson
	21	Spencer Wilson
	21	Jacob Tromp Chacko
	22	Marisa Pagnanelli

	22	Charlee Beach
	24	Shirley Steinmetz
	24	Patrick Varnum
	24	Benjamin Connor
	25	Chelsea Storm
February	26	Linda McFerrin
	26	Lauren Buxton
	27	Becki Stockdale
	27	Denny Weinzierl
	27	Suzanne Von Ahn
	27	Carole McGonigal
	28	Linda Kroonemeyer
	28	Elaine Willey
	28	Sara Myers
	29	Trish Padley Hiscar



February	2	Bob & Jeri Hockstok 29 Years
February	13	Randy & Linda Rodichok 44 Years
February	13	Randy & Nancy Rich 21 Years
February	14	Chuck & Phyllis Marcum 35 Years
February	14	Mark & Ruth Mauer 22 Years
February	19	Adam & Sharon Gwilym 9 Years
February	23	Charles & Margaret Hegenberger 7 Years



February 1 <sup>st</sup>	In Celebration of Bob & Jeri Hockstok's 29 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
February 8 <sup>th</sup>	In Memory of Nick Butera, Jr. and In Celebration of Patsy Johnson's Birthday by Sandi Walters

February 15 <sup>th</sup>	In Memory of Lee Freeman by Georgiann Taylor
February 22	Open for your occasion

**Something to think about...  
The Window That We Look Through**



A young couple moves into a new neighborhood. The next morning while they are eating breakfast, the young woman sees her neighbor hanging the wash outside. "That laundry is not very clean," she said. "She must not know how to wash correctly or, perhaps she needs better laundry soap." Her husband looked on, but remained silent. Every time her neighbor would hang her wash to dry, the young woman would make the same comments.

About a month later, the woman was surprised to see a nice clean wash on the line and said to her husband, "Look, she must have learned how to wash the clothes correctly." The husband replied, "I got up early this morning and cleaned our windows."

*And so it is with life...What we see when watching others depends on the purity of the window through which we look!*



**Laugh Time...**

**UNTIMELY ANSWERED PRAYER**

During the minister's prayer one Sunday, there was a loud whistle from one of the back pews. Tommy's mother was horrified. She pinched him into silence and, after church, asked, 'Tommy, whatever made you do such a thing?'

Tommy answered, soberly, 'I asked God to teach me to whistle, and He did!'

**UNANSWERED PRAYER**

The preacher's 5 year-old daughter noticed that her father always paused and bowed his head for a moment before starting his sermon. One day, she asked him why. 'Well, Honey,' he began, proud that his daughter was so observant of his messages. 'I'm asking the Lord to help me preach a good sermon.' 'How come He doesn't answer it?' she asked.

**Why, Why, Why...**

Why do we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are almost dead?

Why do banks charge a fee on 'insufficient funds' when they already know there is not enough money?

Why do people constantly return to the refrigerator with hopes that something new to eat will have materialized?

Why does Superman stop bullets with his chest, but ducks when you throw a revolver at him?



**...SERVE ONE**

To each, the Holy Spirit gives a talent.

**ANOTHER  
WITH  
WHATEVER  
GIFT EACH OF  
YOU HAS  
RECEIVED.**



1 PETER 4:10

“But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good... But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually just as He will.” 1 Corinthians Chapter 12 v 7-11.

A quotation from “He gave gifts” by Charles R. Swindoll. The first step to discovering your spiritual gift is to be informed—know what God’s gifts are for today. Next, be open—your gift may be different from what you think or prefer. Third, be available—serve in many ways; see what you like and what you enjoy. Finally, be sensitive to the feedback you receive from others. Pay attention to their responses and to your own feelings in the process. When you expressed this gift, was it enjoyable? Effective? Did it come easy?

I want to thank all of our members who volunteer their time and their “Talents” in serving our congregation. As for those who have stepped up when asked to help me I ask or, were already volunteering and serving in the area of Facilities Management. Ray Mauger, Dean Shrigley, Mike Drozdowicz, Bob Wood, Gary Fettrow and Bruce & Justin VerWeire. Never forget that your talent of service to our church and congregation is your God-given talent and treasure you store up in heaven. You and all of the other volunteers in our congregation are examples for the rest of our members. God Bless. Fred Kaufman



**New Testament Lists of Spiritual Gifts**

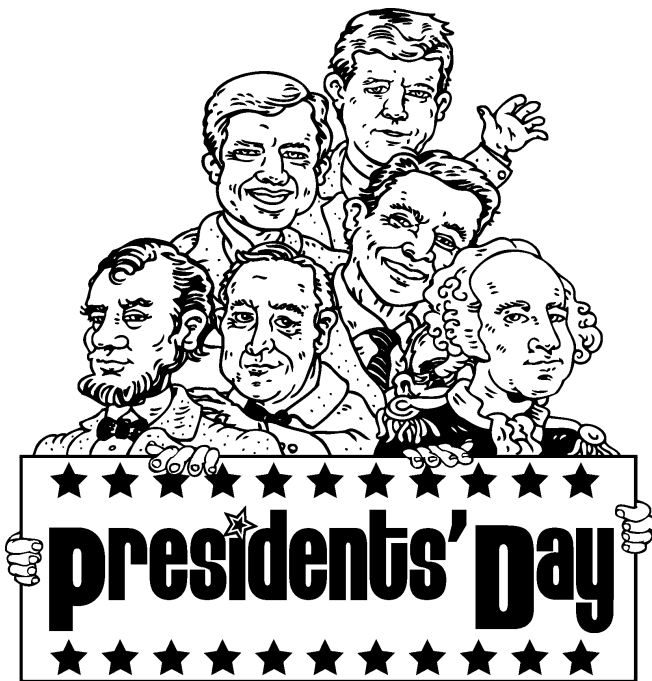
1 Corinthians 12: 8 – 10	1 Corinthians 12: 28	1 Corinthians 12: 29- 30
Word of wisdom	Apostleship	Apostleship
Word of knowledge	Prophecy	Prophecy
Faith	Teaching	Teaching
Healing	Miracles	Miracles

Prophecy	Helps	Tongues
Distinguishing of spirits	Administrating	Interpreting tongues
Tongues	Tongues	
Interpreting Tongues		
<b>Romans 12: 6 – 8</b>	<b>Ephesians 4: 11</b>	<b>1 Peter 4:11</b>
Prophecy	Apostleship	Speaking
Serving	Prophecy	Serving
Teaching	Evangelism	
Exhorting	Pastor-Teacher	
Giving		
Leading		
Showing mercy		



Valentine's Day is Saturday—February 14th

February 2<sup>nd</sup> is



Monday, February 16th

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<b>Ash Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 PM Worship Service</b>
<b>Lenten Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 PM Worship Service</b>
<b>Lenten Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 PM Worship Service</b>
<b>Lenten Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 PM Worship Service</b>
<b>Lenten Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 PM Worship Service</b>
<b>Lenten Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>7 PM Worship Service</b>
<b>Maundy Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 PM Worship Service</b>
<b>Good Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 PM Worship Service</b>
<b>Easter Vigil, April 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7 PM Worship Service</b>
<b>Easter Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9 AM &amp; 11 AM Worship Services</b>