

## Holy Week

It's called "holy" because of the Holy One of God who entered, died and rose during that week. No week of the church year is more important and filled with the basics of the Christian faith than Holy Week. Join us for each of our Holy Week services as we follow Jesus' final steps to the cross and then his first steps from the grave. Any of these services would be the perfect opportunity to bring a friend, by the way. What follows are the themes for each special service. Make sure you take a calendar home for the correct times for worship.



- Palm Sunday                      His Final Steps Led to a Donkey
- Holy Thursday                    His Final Steps Led to the Upper Room
- Good Friday                        His Final Steps Led to the Place of the Skull
- Easter Sunday                     His *First* Steps Led Outside His Tomb

**Holy Week Devotional** To assist you in your Holy Week observance this year, Martin Luther College is providing a set of devotions as a gift to you: **7 + 1 Words from the Heart of God.**



In these devotions, we'll ponder the well-known Christ's seven words from the cross—plus an additional Easter word. As Jesus suffers, what are his thoughts bent toward? What is he most concerned about? What is he personally experiencing? His own words give us a glimpse into the heart of the omnipotent God himself, who somehow feels sorrow and suffering as he defeats sorrow and suffering. Some of Jesus' words are somber. Some are sublime. Others signify victory. And all of them matter.

Instead of a devotional booklet this year (due to the overwhelming

response the last couple years and the cost of production), you can access the devotions in several online formats, beginning tomorrow, March 27<sup>th</sup>. You can also request that the devotions be sent to your personal e-mail on a daily basis from Palm Sunday – Easter. You can choose between reading them or listening to them. Simply go to [www.mlc-wels.edu](http://www.mlc-wels.edu) and click on the link for the devotions.

**Test Your Holy Week Knowledge** Below are several questions which deal with the events that took place during Holy Week. See how well you do with them.

1. Put the following Holy Week events in order:
  - a. Jesus rides into Jerusalem
  - b. Jesus is crucified
  - c. Jesus is betrayed by Judas with a kiss
  - d. Jesus prays in Gethsemane
  - e. Jesus goes on trial before Pilate
  - f. Jesus institutes the Lord's Supper
  
2. Who were the 3 disciples with Jesus when he was praying in the Garden of Gethsemane?
  - a) Peter, Paul, Mary
  - b) John, James, Mark
  - c) John, Peter, James
  - d) Matthew, Mark, Luke
  - e) Peter, James, Simon
  
3. What did the priests do with the money Judas returned to them?
  - a) gave it to the poor    b) bought new robes for themselves
  - c) buried it    d) bought the Potter's Field to bury strangers in
  
4. Which of the following did NOT examine Jesus on Maundy Thursday-Good Friday?
  - a) Sanhedrin    b) Caiaphas    c) Ananias    d) Annas    e) Pilate



5. This man was pleased when Jesus was sent to him because he thought he was going to be entertained by Jesus' miracles.  
a) Annas b) Herod c) Pilate d) Caiaphas
6. This person carried Jesus' cross when Jesus was not able.  
a) Barabbas b) Simon Peter c) Simon of Cyrene d) Alexander
7. Which of the following was NOT the place where Jesus was crucified?  
a) Golgotha b) Calvary c) Via Dolorosa d) the Place of the Skull e) a hill outside Jerusalem
8. Jesus spoke \_\_\_\_\_ words (or phrases) from the cross.  
a) 6 b) 7 c) 8 d) 9 e) none of the above
9. Jesus was crucified at \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) 9 a.m. b) 12 p.m. c) 3 p.m. d) 10 a.m.
10. Jesus' wondrous love was shown ultimately when he died \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) for all people b) for the Jewish people c) for sinners  
d) for the Gentiles e) all of the above

Answers : 1. a, f, d, c, e, b 2. c 3. d 4. c 5. b 6. c 7. c 8. b 9. a 10. e

## Congregational News

**Membership Actions** At our March Council meeting we transferred Karen Brazee to St. Paul Lutheran in Mauston. We wish her God's blessings at her new church home.

**Easter Breakfast** Yes, you can look forward to a delicious Easter breakfast again this Easter after the sunrise service (approximately 7:00 a.m.). To



help out, there is a signup sheet on the bulletin board with the many items that need to be donated for the breakfast. If you are able to help out by contributing an item or two, sign up before Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Spring Cleaning** We need your help on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. We want to give our church and grounds some TLC after a long winter. Whether you can come for some or all of the morning doesn't matter...we just need the help. There will be *something* that you can help with! If it turns out to be a bad weather day on the 15<sup>th</sup>, our backup work day is scheduled for April 29<sup>th</sup>.

**New Bible Study** What is your calling? Do you have one? God says you do but it might not be what you're thinking it is. We recently began a new Sunday morning bible study on the top of vocation. In our study we hope to be reminded that our vocations are gifts from God, that all vocations are equally important before God, and to view our vocations as opportunities to serve God and one another. Try it. Your faith will be strengthened as we dig deeper into God's Word.

**Building and Grounds Updates** A new furnace was installed recently in the fellowship hall, replacing one that was at the end of its life span. Also, at the beginning of March, the old tile floor was removed from the old



church basement to make way for an epoxy-type floor. The new floor was poured on March 13-14 and looks beautiful. We do have to do some work with the floor and post trim work, reinstalling the bathroom furnishings, and then we can think about furnishing it. The thought is for a conference table (for meetings and classes) and then some comfortable chairs near the fireplace. The fireplace is not in working order just yet, but that is being looked at as well. God willing we'll be able to finally finish the basement project in the near future. Thanks to all who contributed in many ways: money donations, time and talents donations....It will be a useful space for many years to come!

## Area Events, Invitations & Opportunities

**Easter Vigil** Crown of Life Lutheran Church in Hubertus invites the members of the WELS and ELS congregations in our area to attend its

Easter Vigil service on **Holy Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>**, from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. The Vigil begins at sunset on Easter Eve, and anticipates the resurrection of Jesus through Scripture, song, silence, and prayer. The joyful announcement of Jesus' resurrection occurs near the end of the service, marking the transition from Lent to Easter, and the service concludes with the Lord's Supper. You are cordially invited to attend this unique Holy Saturday service at Crown of Life Lutheran Church, located at 1292 Tally Ho Trail in Hubertus.

**Youth Event** Teenagers from 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade...you are invited to a youth night at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Fond du Lac on **Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**, from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. The time will include games, music, a Bible topic on dealing with anxiety, small group discussions and plenty of fun! The goal is for our youth to see that they are not alone and to be encouraged to enjoy the faith they share with others. Hot dogs, chips, soda & water will be provided. Here's the link to register:

<https://forms.gle/VpFTG44qdMYPsWWQ8KML>

**Family Music Fest** The KML Music Department is busy planning for this year's edition of Family Music Fest. Please plan to join us for a night in the Wild Wild West on **Friday, April 14**, from 5:00-9:00 p.m. Monies raised at



this event will go toward the improvement of technology within the KML Music Department. This event features elementary and high school musical performances, games, live auctions, and Art Fair projects from our Lutheran

Elementary School students. Food options include a fish fry, concession items, and a dessert bar. Join us for a night of music, food, and family fun! Adult admission is \$5. Children/students get free admission. The fish dinner is \$15. Adult admission with the fish dinner is \$18.

Donations of fancy desserts for our live auction would be happily accepted! We would ask that food items be dropped off on Friday, April 14, from 12-3 pm if at all possible. Refrigerators and freezers are available if your dessert needs to be kept cold. We are also in need of desserts like

cookies, bars, and pies for the dessert bar. If you would like to donate or would like to volunteer to help with the event, please contact Angela Hohenstein (angela.hohenstein@kmlhs.org). You can also visit [www.kmlhs.org/fmf](http://www.kmlhs.org/fmf) for donation forms, volunteer signup forms, and more information. We hope to see you for some fun in the Wild Wild West on April 14!

**Tauren Wells Concert** Join Wisconsin Lutheran College in welcoming Tauren Wells with special guests Aaron Cole and Lakewood Music on **Friday, April 14, 2023 at 7pm!** In just five quick years, Grammy award nominee Tauren Wells has become one of the most listened to and most popular Christian artist out there. Tauren will be performing songs from his new album, *Joy in the Morning*, as well as some of his biggest hits like Hills and Valley and Known. Through his precise artistry, masterful lyrics, and dance-oriented performances, Tauren connects his contemporary Christian and Gospel sound with elements of pop, hip-hop and R&B.

Check out the video link to get a taste of what his April 14 concert will be like: <http://psalm96promotions.com/tauren-wells/> Tickets can be purchased at [www.itickets.com](http://www.itickets.com). We hope to see you there!

**LWMS Spring Rally** The LWMS 2023 Spring Rally is scheduled to be held at Good Shepherd Lutheran in West Bend, WI, on **Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>** from 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (registration at 8:30 a.m.). The guest speaker will be Stefan Felgenhauer, Director of World Missions Operations, who will speak on WELS Gospel outreach presently 44 countries including updates on Vietnam and WELS Learning Center in Hanoi.

**LeRoy Reed Memorial Golf Outing** The 7<sup>th</sup> annual charity Golf Outing supporting Christian Life Resources and New Beginnings – A Home for



Mothers is **Friday, May 19**, at Ironwood Golf Course, W270N6166 Moraine Drive, Sussex, WI. 9:30 a.m. is registration and time to use the range. The shotgun start will be at 10:30 a.m. The event cost is \$120 (\$400 for a foursome) and includes lunch and buffet-style dinner. Four-person scramble format with 18 holes of golf with cart, free-

range balls and other contests. Raffles and prizes too. To register, visit [www.christianliferesources.com](http://www.christianliferesources.com) or call 414-376-0594.

**Help Wanted** St. Paul Little Learners in Slinger is currently accepting applications for reliable people to work a flexible part/full-time schedule as teachers in our childcare. Applicants should be over the age of 18 and have a background in education or be willing to take classes. No nights or weekends! Come join an awesome state licensed, 5-Star childcare and work with wonderful, caring people! Contact Lisa Meissner if you would like more information at 262-644-8295 ext. 1 or e-mail her at [littlelearners@stpaulslinger.org](mailto:littlelearners@stpaulslinger.org).

**Save the Date for a Brewers Game** Back for another year by popular demand, WELS Night at The Brewers is on for 2023! Save the date and plan to join thousands of WELS members for an evening at the ballpark on **Friday, July 7** to watch the Brewers take on the Reds. Tickets for WELS members and guests are once again discounted up to 50% and are reserved together in all three seating categories. Individual tickets are available now and can be purchased online at [brewers.com/wels](http://brewers.com/wels). Check the poster on the bulletin board for more details.

**Taste of Missions is back!** Almost 500 people attended last year's event at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, and another 200 individuals participated online. It was a wonderful day of experiencing WELS mission work through



fellowship with home and world missionaries, various Q&A panels and presentations, delicious ethnic cuisine, and inspirational worship with brothers and sisters from around the world.

We want to invite YOU to join us again to learn about WELS mission work at

this year's Taste of Missions event that will be held on **Saturday, June 10, 2023**. Bring the family to Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon, Wis., to enjoy some ethnic food trucks and get to know some of your synod's home and world missionaries. Can't attend in person? Virtual attendees can watch all the events via livestream, view additional video updates

from missionaries, and try their hand at making one of the many ethnic recipes shared on the website.

For those attending the event virtually, everything will be livestreamed for your participation. You can witness the commissioning worship service, hear our speakers from home and world mission fields, and try the ethnic recipes that will be shared online. Save the date: June 10<sup>th</sup>

**Registration Open for KML Summer Camps** Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School will again be hosting various academic, fine arts, and athletic camps this summer. Please pass the information on to friends and family who would be interested in attending. Again this year, camp registration will be offered online only. Register and pay online in one easy step! Visit [www.kmlhs.org/camps](http://www.kmlhs.org/camps) for additional details and for the online registration link.

