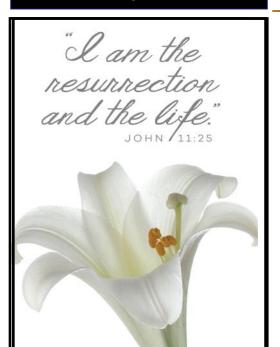




## The Voice of Peace

#### PEACE MISSION STATEMENT . . .

To witness and live as followers of Christ; serving one another in Christian love, so that God's Holy Spirit may save the lost and strengthen the saved.



"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you PEACE." Numbers 6:24-26

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Dear friends,

<sup>34</sup> And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. Luke 23:34

Even at the time of death, Jesus was looking to forgive. It is at this time, as we follow Jesus on his journey to the cross, that we too reflect on God's love and sacrifice for the sins of the world and most especially the forgiveness that you and I have received.

The cross and Good Friday are in front of us, but so is the empty tomb.

"Father forgive them" is proclaimed by Jesus from the cross but the reality of this Good News springs forth from the tomb on Easter morning. This good news is yours and mine as we remember our baptisms daily that God, in Christ, has marked us as his redeemed and we, live in that forgiveness daily.

Every sin has been paid for at the cross and so what do we do as sinners in a sinful world? We stay connected to Jesus and his word. When we stumble, we repent and hear the blessed absolution proclaimed from the pastor,

"Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit" Amen!

Blessed good news indeed!

As we come to the end of Lenten season and all that Holy Week leads up to, let us fix our eyes on the work of Jesus, who came to redeem the lost and to save and restore us all to the Father through his loving sacrifice for the sins of the world!

Blessed Easter!

Pastor Tkac



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#### In the Office

Pastor Tkac: Monday—Thursday Peggy Madsen: Tuesday, Wednesday Hours: 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

#### **Worship and Class Schedule:**

Saturday Divine Worship ..... 6:30 p.m.

Sunday Divine Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.

Note: Unless otherwise noted, no classes Memorial Day — Labor Day

Sunday School for Adults is at 9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School is held at 9:20 am

#### **Adult Bible Class**

Midweek Bible class is held on Thursdays at 2 pm.



# APRIL Birthdays

4/1 Mike Stasiuk

4/6 Jill Wilton

4/7 Charlie Dow

4/9 Mark Bunarek

4/10 Don Pilot

4/15 Christopher Klein Charlene Temple

4/16 Ian Tilley

4/18 Pastor Tkac

4/23 Janine Daugherty

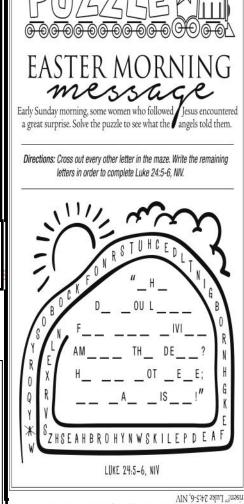
4/28 Gloria Rappuhn



4/6 Bob & Donna Burns 68th! Congratulations!!



Our Gifts Missions Flowers







SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Prepa	ring for ser	7 pm Monthly Prayer Meeting	6 pm Dinner 7 pm Lenten Worship Service	3 2 pm Midweek Bible study	4	5 6:30 pm Worship Service
9:30 am Sunday School/ Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Worship Service	7 10 am Bible Reading Class 6-7 pm Confirmation Class	8 6:30 pm Ladies Guild 7 pm Elders Meeting	9 6 pm Dinner 7 pm Lenten Worship Service	2 pm Midweek Bible study	11	6:30 pm Worship Service
9:15 am Sunday School Easter Par- ty & Egg Hunt 9:30 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Worship Service	10 am Bible Reading Class	15	16	17  Taundy Thursday  7 pm Worship Service	18 7 pm	6:30 pm Worship Service
9am Easter Breakfast 10:30 am Worship Service He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!!!	21  10 am Bible Reading Class  6-7 pm Confirmation Class	22	23	24 2 pm Midweek Bible study	25	26 6:30 pm Worship Service
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## Ladies Guild will meet at 6:30 on April 8 @ 6:30 pm

Elders Meeting will be on April 8th at 7pm



Thursday's Midweek Bible Study will be held at 2 pm



Monthly prayer meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 1st, at 7pm

Elders serving during the month of March are Mark Bunarek & Jon Parlette on Saturday & Skip Bushart and Olaf Six on Sunday.

Serving our altar during the month of April is Nicole Catanzarro

Altar TGuild

St. Paul's is in dire need of items for their food locker. After the holidays their food locker is pretty depleted. There is a new list of needed items on the bulletin board. Please help as you can for this worthy cause. In January they served to 564 people in 141 families.

The Sunday School Class will have an Easter Party with an egg hunt on Palm Sunday, April 13th. Party will be 9:15 am to 10:15 am

Easter Breakfast will be served on Easter Sunday from 9 am to 10 am. Please join us for this wonderful event celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord. A sign up sheet is available for you to indicate how many are coming and/or to indicate if you can help.

Susie Manning, one of our new worshippers, is hoping to get a group of people interested in playing the bells for Christmas. If you are interested please contact Susie at 248-219-4569

Susie indicated that you do not need to know the notes!





Romans 6:5 reveals the hope we have because Jesus rose from the dead on Easter.



Directions: First solve the math problems. Then put the corresponding words in the blanks; for example, the word next to the answer "1" goes in the first blank, the word next to the answer "2" goes in the second blank, and so on.

2+2 = united	2x3 = death	7+6 = resurrection			
3x3 = certainly	18-16 = have	4-1 = been			
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his." Romans 6:5, NIV					

Answer: For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. Romans 6:5, NIV



### Our 2025 Budget vs Offerings Received Year to Date

2025 Budget as of 3/31/2025 \$41,250.00

2025 Offerings received as of 3/31/2025 \$45,688.00

As of 3/31/2025 our offerings received are <u>over</u> our budget, year to date by \$4,438.00