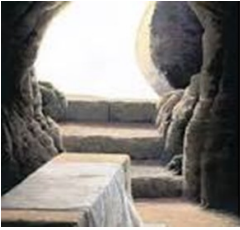


Holy Lamb Lutheran Church

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The Resurrection of Our Lord



“Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God’s wrath through him! For if, while we were God’s enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!” Romans 5:9-10

Some time ago, I went through the photos on my cell phone looking for a specific picture I had taken when we visited Jerusalem. I filed passed a group of pictures I had taken in a meditation garden we visited. In one photo, Caren is exiting a tomb. The open tomb is presumably like the one in which our Lord was laid to rest.

That’s how many of us want to picture Jesus, exiting the tomb, bursting the bonds of death, or maybe sitting in front of it speaking to Mary. I remember a print that hung in our Sunday School room when I was little, Jesus in a beautiful garden. There were children in the picture, one of them sitting on his lap—a beautiful Savior he was. But every so often, I have had to defend the image of Christ crucified—Jesus hanging from the cross. I thought that argument was put to rest at my former congregation until we were offered a large crucifix to hang over our altar. (Holy Cross Lutheran had closed, the building sold. The district had to remove all the contents of the building.) The cross would have been a beautiful improvement to our sanctuary.

But no doing. In their minds, Christ had come down from the cross. The simple wooden cross at the head of our sanctuary was just fine. They didn’t need or want to think about Jesus dying any more than they had to. However, Romans 5 tells us that our reconciliation with God happens through the suffering and death of Jesus. His blood makes atonement for our sins. In 1 Corinthians 1:23 St. Paul writes, “we preach Christ crucified,” which is a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles. He is our strength. Again, Paul says, “I decided to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ crucified,” 1 Corinthians 2:1.

The cross, in its numerous iterations, and not the open tomb, is the universal sign of Christendom. The cross and particularly a crucifix stands for the whole story. We may sing about the cross, “emblem of suffering and shame,” “glory in it,” or even “lift it high” but in the end it is Jesus himself who lived, suffered and died for us on the cross—a fact we dare never forget.

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St. Paul witnesses to us, “I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes...” (Romans 1:16) “Not ashamed” of how Jesus died for us. His death was the result of the cross. Writing about it Paul uses the words “even death on a cross.” (Philippians 2:8) There were a lot of ways Jesus might have died. But he dies as a result of human sin, as a result of injustice. He dies with criminals. “I am not ashamed,” says St. Paul.

Among Lutherans the gospel is never to be confused with the law of God, a distinction must be made. In the end the gospel is God’s free gift to believers. “The wages of sin (what we earn) is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (6:23)

In Romans 6, Paul writes that by Baptism we are united to Christ crucified (6:3). United in his death and burial, and throughout our lives, we remain united with him. In his death is our life. And in his resurrection, d we have the hope of eternal life. All this adds up to that Friday’s events being for us a Good Friday. Jesus paid the price for us; our debt is paid in full. “It is finished,” he said.

On Easter, we gather to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Easter is our victory festival. Sin, death and Satan could not keep Jesus in the grave. We are reconciled to God by Jesus’ death. That good news gets even better when Paul tells that there’s more, much more: Salvation. In Jesus we have life, eternal life; and thus we have every reason to shout Alleluia! “Praise the Lord.”

Pr. Steve

LWML News

Please remember to deposit the money from your mite boxes into the large mite box in the Narthex by March 3rd. If you are turning in the box, please pick up a new one or put your money in a plastic bag. Checks are also accepted made out to Holy Lamb and mark on the memo line: MITES. Thank you for your support. Our next meeting is Saturday, March 9th at 10:00 am. Pat Marquardt will be the Bible study leader.



Our next project is collecting toiletries and school supplies for *Help4Kids*. All items collected will be FULL SIZE (NOT Travel size). During the month of March, we will be collecting soap and washcloths. At the end of each month, items will be taken to *Help4Kids*. Thank you very much for all your donations.

Karen Bombria, President, Holy Lamb LWML

Praying in Color Gathering

The last day to sign up for the Praying in Color gathering is Sunday, March 3rd. Our gathering is Saturday, **March 9th** after the LWML meeting about 11 AM. We will have a light lunch before we do sharing, door prizes and surprises. All are invited, men too!

You are also invited to join us for the LWML meeting and find out what we are all about.

Eileen St. Clair

Stewardship Committee Report

“for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.” Philippians 2:13

The Stewardship Committee meets on the 4th Sunday of the month after the 10:30am service.

Our current committee members are:

Cheryl Bingham, Chair; David Bingham, Ron Hajduk, Caroline Twentier, Bill Steele, and Reyne Harris.

In the month of February, Eileen St. Clair elected to step off the Stewardship Committee. She will continue to lead the Praying in Color ministry. The Stewardship Committee would like to thank Eileen for all her years of service on or leading the Stewardship Committee.

“Well done, good and faithful servant!” Matt 25:21

Here are some of the items the Stewardship team is working on.

Praying in Color: A gathering is scheduled for *Saturday, March 9th*. It is open to anyone who wants to learn more about this ministry. We ask ALL to Come and Join! If you have any questions, please contact Eileen St. Clair

First Time Visits with Local Guests: To date, for 2024 we've had several snowbirds visit and one local guest in which a visit is scheduled. We ask everyone to reach out and welcome anyone who joins us for service. We have Welcome Packets in the Narthex to provide information to them about Holy Lamb. If anyone wants to join the team, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.

Visitor Thank You Card Outreach: To date, for 2024 we've sent out 5 thank you cards to out of town visitors who've joined us for worship service. We want to plant seeds to those who've joined in hopes that they'll visit us again in the future. We ask everyone to reach out and welcome anyone who joins us for service.

Family Reads – The Holy Lamb team had our first opportunity to clean books for *Family Reads*. A team of 8 members got together to clean 240 books and prep them for Forrest Brook Elementary School. These books will be given away to support children reading. This is a great opportunity to come together in fellowship for a great cause. Our next cleaning will be tentatively scheduled for April 7th. Watch for the sign-up sheet to join.

Day Trip Opportunity: This is an opportunity to get to know and fellowship with other members of Holy Lamb. We are in the process of organizing a fun day trip to Georgetown Waterfront. It is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, March 30th. Watch for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

If you have any ideas or are interested in joining us, please let us know.

In His Service,

Cheryl Bingham, Chairperson



Evangelism/Expansion Ministries Committee

The expansion ministry committee meets once a month on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. We are working on or have completed the following projects. If you have any ideas for a ministry or questions, please contact one of the committee members, Darcy Taiani, Cheryl Bingham, Reyne Harris, Ron Hajduk, Phil Harris, and David Bingham.

Restaurant Dining Group

Thanks to all who attended the Restaurant Dining Group this past Tuesday at the Hot Fish Club. Our next dining group will be meeting at the Gauchos Brazilian Steakhouse at 6429 N Kings Highway in Myrtle Beach on March 26th at 5:15 pm. If you plan to attend, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.

Church Signs

We are looking at updating the church sign that is on Dick Pond Rd as well as looking at other possibilities of placing signs out with the church information. We contacted the Horry County Public Works, who let us know that our first step will be to get an Encroachment Permit through the SCDOT Department. More to come...

Microbrew Group

Thanks to all who attended the Luther Brew Crew meeting on February 24th, Grumpy Monk. Our next meeting will be at the Old Café Vienna on April 13th at 4:00 pm. The address is 1604 N Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach. If you are planning on attending, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham. Future meetings are TBD.

“Whoever drinks beer, he is quick to sleep; whoever sleeps long, does not sin; whoever does not sin, enters Heaven! Thus, let us drink beer!” Attributed to Martin Luther.

Ziplocs for the Less Fortunate

We are working on the Ziploc bags available for the less fortunate to have these in the narthex for members to take and give out. We will have 40 bags available containing a bible, bottle of water, snack bar, a gift card for a local food place, a pair of socks and the 'What We Believe' pamphlet.

Dining with Friends

Thanks to all who attended the Dining with Friends on February 17th with Chef Tom. For March, we will be having a potluck at the church at noon on the 16th. If you are planning on attending, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.

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Myrtle Beach History Trolley and Step-On Tours

We are beginning to look at trolley tours that are offered in Myrtle beach: History, movies and music, early Myrtle Beach history and the WWII years and the area ghosts, pirates and historic families. These tours are done in an enclosed, climate-controlled trolley on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from 10:00 am to noon. Per the information below, the group price is \$30.00 and individuals can cancel up to 24 hours before the tour and receive a full refund. We are looking at a date in early June. If you are interested, there is a signup sheet in the narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham. For more information here is their website. [Myrtle Beach History Tours - Tour Operator in Myrtle Beach \(business.site\)](http://MyrtleBeachHistoryTours.com)

The screenshot shows the website for Myrtle Beach History Tours. At the top left, the text reads "Myrtle Beach History Tours". To the right is a search bar with the text "Search by date" and a magnifying glass icon. Below this are five tour cards, each with a "Book" button. The first card is titled "Myrtle Beach History, Movies & Music" and shows a trolley in front of a house. The second card is titled "MILITARY HISTORY" and "The WWII Years". The third card is titled "Ghosts, Pirates & Historic Families". The fourth card is titled "Arrival of German POWs in Myrtle Beach, SC". Each card includes a price of \$30 and a "Book" button.

Pelicans Baseball Game

Holy Lamb will be hosting a night at a Pelicans Baseball game on Sunday, April 19th at 6:05 pm. We need 15 in our group in order to take part in the buffet. The total cost is \$34.40 per person, which is \$17.00 for the ticket in the high tide section (206 to 214) and \$15.00 for the buffet and tax. If you are interested, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Tom Marquardt or David Bingham for more information or questions.

Call Committee Update

At our last congregational meeting, the Call Committee gave you some information about the possibility of a vicar coming to Holy Lamb in hopes of ordaining him after his year of vicarage. We would like to let you know that we filled out an application for this vicar and we have heard back from the Seminary in Saint Louis. Soon the call committee will be having a Zoom meeting with him and his wife to discuss the possibility of him choosing Holy Lamb for his vicarage. We have also requested more names of candidates from the District.

Please continue to pray for all involved in the call process and especially for the new pastor.

Blessings on your day!

The Holy Lamb Call Committee

Holy Week Services

Holy week services are as follows:

March 24 th	Palm Sunday	8 AM & 10:30 AM
March 28 th	Maundy Thursday	7 PM
March 29 th	Good Friday	7 PM
March 31 st	Easter Sunday	8 AM & 10:30 AM



EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

In glory and honor of our Risen Lord & Savior,
I would like to place a Lily in the sanctuary for Easter.

COST PER LILY IS \$20.00

Please indicate the number of plants you wish to purchase.

Number of Lilies _____

_____ I will take my plant(s) after Easter service

Given in memory of _____

Given for another reason (honor, praise, thanksgiving) _____

Given By: (your name) _____

Please place order form with payment in the wooden "FLOWER" box located on the table in the narthex

Checks should be made payable to *Holy Lamb Church* and write "EASTER LILY" on the memo line. Please do not place in the collection plate.

DEADLINE TO ORDER IS March 24th

Sunday Morning Bible Study	Hosea, Joel & Amos	9:15 AM
We are using the Life Light Study guide to look at the Minor Prophets. The study guides are available for purchase at \$14 each. Be sure to come to both Bible studies (Sunday & Tuesday mornings) since different people offer different insights.		
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	Contemporary Issues	9:00 AM
We are using the Life Light Study guide to look at the Minor Prophets. The study guides are available for purchase at \$14 each. Be sure to come to both Bible studies (Sunday & Tuesday mornings) since different people offer different insights.		
Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study	Details below on this page	6:30 PM



Bible Study Opportunities



Women's Bible Study	
The women's Thursday night Bible study meets Thursday evenings at 6:30 on Zoom. All women are welcome to join us! Use Holy Lamb's standard meeting code.	
We are studying the book of Matthew using our Lutheran Study Bible as our guide.	
If you have any questions and/or would like to join us, please contact: Darcy Taiani - call or text: 724-840-0888 or email darcytaiani@gmail.com .	

Holy Lamb Financial Profile—Giving		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Month of February (to date)	\$12,446	\$14,220
Year to Date Needs	\$26,717	\$28,440

**In His Service
March 2024**

Altar Guild	Pat Allison	Hayley Lauritsen
Newsletter Proofer	Sylvia Stedina (March 28)	
Bulletin Assembly	Sylvia Stedina	

March 3		
8:00 AM	10:30 AM	
Elder	N/A	George Hulshart
Ushers	Ed Stedina	Hayley Lauritsen
Ushers	N/A	Rose Ruddick
Audio	Phil Harris	Darcy Taiani
Video	N/A	Fred Reimer

Midweek Lenten Service	
March 20	7:00 PM
Usher	Dave Bingham
Audio	Linda Snyder

Midweek Lenten Service	
March 6	7:00 PM
Usher	Hayley Lauritsen
Audio	Julia Diem

Palm Sunday		
March 24	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Neal Riley
Ushers	Pat Allison	Warren Gall
Ushers	N/A	Bill Steele
Audio	Don Piel	Linda Snyder
Video	N/A	Seth Rylander

March 10		
8:00 AM	10:30 AM	
Elder	N/A	Larry Lauffer
Usher	Pat Allison	Warren Gall
Ushers	N/A	Bill Steele
Audio	Don Piel	Linda Snyder
Video	N/A	Seth Rylander

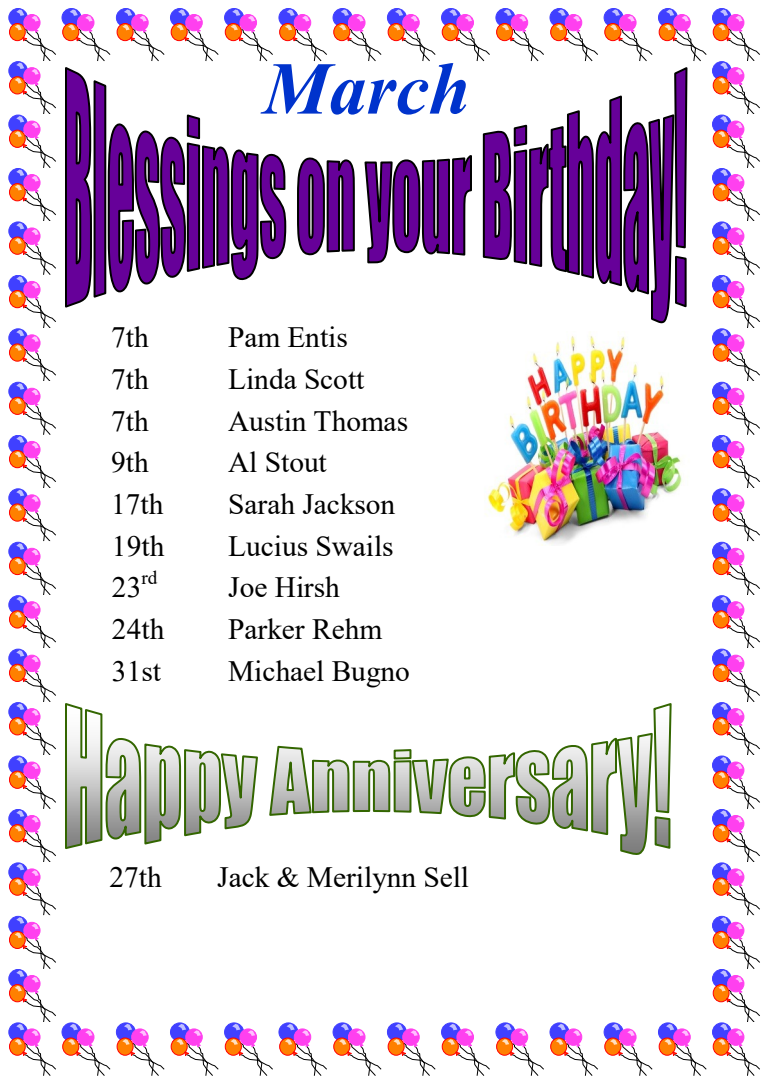
Maundy Thursday Service	
March 28	7:00 PM
Usher	Rose Ruddick
Audio	Phil Harris

Midweek Lenten Service	
March 13	7:00 PM
Usher	Hayley Lauritsen
Audio	Julia Diem

Good Friday Service	
March 29	7:00 PM
Usher	Hayley Lauritsen
Audio	Julia Diem

March 17		
8:00 AM	10:30 AM	
Elder	N/A	Tom Marquardt
Ushers	Ed Stedina	Bill Steele
Ushers	N/A	Rose Ruddick
Audio	Phil Harris	Darcy Taiani
Video	N/A	Tom Marquardt

Easter Sunday		
March 31	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Bill Steele
Ushers	Dave Bingham	Warren Gall
Ushers	N/A	Rose Ruddick
Audio	Don Piel	Darcy Taiani
Video	N/A	Fred Reimer



March

Blessings on your Birthday!

- 7th Pam Entis
- 7th Linda Scott
- 7th Austin Thomas
- 9th Al Stout
- 17th Sarah Jackson
- 19th Lucius Swails
- 23rd Joe Hirsh
- 24th Parker Rehm
- 31st Michael Bugno



Happy Anniversary!

- 27th Jack & Merilynn Sell

Lutheran Hour Ministries is a Recognized Service Organization (RSO) of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. It provides various publications and Bible studies but its primary function is providing a weekly sermon for radio broadcast. The Lutheran Hour has been broadcast since 1933. You can listen to the Lutheran Hour on the radio every week. Stations & times are listed below.



WRNN	99.5	FM	Sun	5:00 AM
WRNN	99.5	FM	Sun	7:00 AM
WRNN	1450	AM	Sun	7:00 AM

Now, LHM has teamed up with WFAZ out of DC & they will broadcast **The Lutheran Hour on Sundays at 1:30 pm & 6:30 pm.** Even if you are not within their local listening area, just go to their website and listen online at <http://wfax.com/>.

Altar Guild Announcement

Effective immediately, Sylvia Stedina will once again be head of the Altar Guild. We would like to thank Linda Davis and Reyne Harris for their dedication and service for their time spent as co-chairs and the great job done by both of them.

To Altar Guild members: When preparing the trays for communion, prepare a **half tray** only for the second tray. Any questions, please contact Sylvia Stedina 724-622-0563.

Congregation Meeting

There will be a congregation meeting on March 17th immediately following the 10:30 am service., There will be a small fellowship gathering after the meeting with refreshment.



Men's Fellowship



The Men's Fellowship group will meet on Tuesday, March 12th, at 11:30 am. All men are welcome to join them.

Family Game Night

The next family game night is Saturday March 2nd, from 4pm-7pm. Please bring a finger food to share. Bring your favorite game or plan to learn a new one.



Altar Guild

If you are purchasing flowers for our altar, just a reminder, please use the Flower Fund envelopes from the Flower Chart bulletin board & place in the collection plate or drop off at the church office. The cost is \$40.00. If special flowers are requested, there may be an additional charge.

Please do not put flower payments in weekly offering envelope.

Flower Chart 2024

The flower chart for 2024 is **posted** on the wall in the Narthex by the church entrance. **NOTE:** Highlighted dates are those within the seasons of Lent or Advent. During these times, we refrain from placing flowers on the altar out of reverence to our Lord and Savior. However, you may still purchase flowers in memory or honor of a loved one or special event and have them in the **Narthex** as well as listed in the weekly notes.

If you have any questions, please contact Marsha Dunn or Linda Snyder.

Flowers purchased to the Glory of God for March, 2024

In observance of the Lenten season, there are no flowers on the altar for the month of March.

Flower Openings

There are several openings for altar flowers during 2024. Remember a loved one or honor a special occasion with flowers. If you would like to reserve a spot, please sign up on the flower chart on the wall in the Narthex.

For Healing

Julia, great-granddaughter of Al Stout

Verlene, sister of Myrle

Ron, Ed's Cousin

Nick, friend of Lois

Erin, daughter of Lois Murphy

Scott, son of J.R.

Jim, husband of Lois Murphy

Brian, Son of Adell Keeney

Joan, friend of Marsha Dunn

Helen, sister of Lois Murphy

Nathan, B-I-L of Blain & Christel Lefort

Alice, friend of Doug & Rose

Bobby, brother of Sharon Bumgarner

Michael, B-I-L of Lois Murphy

Pat Allison

Carol Boulet

Merle Falke

Mary Lee

Steven Rehm

Bob & Myrle Rumsey

Theresa Zweigle

Monica Steele

Norm Boulet

Theresa Falke

Karen McCarthy

Marty Reynolds

Al Stout

Kathy Orlowski

Cancer Issues

Linda G., Carol Stocum's goddaughter

Sami, friend of Dave & Linda

Terri, Pat Allison's daughter

Mary, friend of Paul & Jane

Pastor Omar Krieger

Matt, Son of Tom & Pat

Michael, Lois' B-I-L

Sue Bennett

Glen, brother of Lois Murphy

Thanksgiving

Glenn, brother of Lois Murphy for successful brain surgery.

Mourning the Loss

Billie, mother of Dave Bingham

The Call Process

Praying for our new-to-be Pastor and the Call Committee decision making process.

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Worship Schedule

Sundays—8:00 am & 10:30 am

Palm Sunday— March 24th 8 am & 10:30 am

Maundy Thursday— March 28th 7 pm

Good Friday—March 29th 7 pm

Easter Sunday—March 31st 8 am & 10:30 am

Bible Study

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:15 am
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