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In the book, Four Things That Matter Most, readers are encouraged to speak four phrases regularly. What are the four things the author mentioned? Here they are:

FORGIVE ME. A short statement but very challenging to say! If you have offended or hurt someone, be courageous enough to ask him or her for forgiveness. *Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you (Eph. 4:32).*

I FORGIVE YOU. Some people hang on to wrongs done against them for all their lives. They will not forgive. They will not let it go. It seems some people like to be miserable and nurse their grudges! This kind of attitude is like a boulder we carry around weighing us down. Why not release it? *Jesus said, Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing (Luke 23:34).* With the help of the Holy Spirit we can do the same.

THANK YOU. An attitude of gratitude goes a long way toward helping us live joyfully and optimistically. Someone has said, "Those who do not thank others soon begin to take for granted what people do for them." Whom do you need to thank today?

I LOVE YOU. It can be hard for us to say these words to those who are the closest to us. But with the power of the Holy Spirit we can encourage others with these words of heavenly balm. Don't wait until it's too late to say these uplifting words!



These are four sentences we should say often! And, these words are descriptive of the lives of people redeemed by the grace and mercy of God.

Lent begins on Wednesday, March 6 at 7 pm! The first service will feature a Passover presentation by Justin Kron from Chosen People Ministry. Plan to attend and be blessed as we focus on what Jesus has done for us. What a Savior!

Pastor Steve

Family Mission

Family Mission will meet Sunday, March 17 to hear Journey to Restoration (J2R) share their mission as a local, affordable, Biblically based Christian counseling ministry to those who are hurting and struggling with the challenges of life. Refreshments will begin at 8:30am in the FLC and the program will be at 9am. Please note: High School and older will attend Family Mission. All others will go to their classes as usual.

Birthdays and *Anniversaries For MARCH

March 1

Nahlise Sucher

March 3

Rebecca Leggett

Joyce Stevenson

March 4

Greg Geistler

Justin Leggett

March 5

Tina Cryder

Erich Engelbrecht

Virgil & Ruth Karales*

March 6

Dan & Linda Hanback*

March 9

Ellie Gallo

March 10

Keaton Cryder

March 11

Randy Stevenson

March 12

Laurie Chally

March 13

Chari Engelbrecht

Jessica Karales

March 15

Jacob Mathre

Sandy Michaelson

March 16

Scott Cryder

Dan Hanback

March 18

Edward McKenna

March 21

Faith Frieders

March 22

Pam Cryder

Greg & Staci Geistler*

March 23

Angie Lombardo

March 24

Roger & Bobbie Toftoy*

Tyler Wiesbrook

March 25

Pam Duvick

Howard Rosenwinkel

March 26

Bessie Christian

Beth Goins

March 27

Beth Alexander

Madison Leggett

March 30

Kelly Greven

YOUTH FRONT

Friday, March 8th, all junior high students are invited to serve at food pantry from 5-7pm. Then stick around for pizza, devotions, and games until 9pm.

March 24th-26th, our high school students are invited for a spring break service trip down to Rantoul, IL. We will leave the church at 6pm on the 24th and return at 10pm on the 26th. Students need to bring \$50 for dinner on the way down and two lunches. All other meals will be provided. See Gary for more info.

All junior high and high school students are invited to attend our Wednesday night Lenten services. Our high school students will be giving their personal testimonies. Come and hear what God is doing in the lives of our young people.

All junior high and high school students are invited to help cook and serve our Ash Wednesday Passover meal. Please be at the church by 5pm to help cook and set up.

This year, the Jr high and High School youth will be serving Easter breakfast before the 10am service. Breakfast will be served from 8-9:30am. Students will be setting up for the breakfast and cooking the day before (Saturday, April 20). Please plan on coming out and supporting our youth

Please contact Gary or any Youth Board member with any questions that you may have.



**Taste and See
THE PASSOVER EXPERIENCE
led by Justin Kron of Chosen People Ministries**

Explore God's heart for bringing people from bondage to freedom through the eyes of the Jewish sages and the writers of the New Testament as we gather around the Passover table.

Date: ASH WEDNESDAY - March 6th, 2019

Time: 6:30pm (Seating begins at 6:00pm)

Location: Helmar Lutheran Church Family Life Center

Cost: Free-will offering accepted for this complete Seder meal.

Please register at www.helmarlutheranchurch.com or 815-695-5489
or via Facebook by **Sunday March 3rd**

March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>3 8:30am Fellowship Time 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 3pm Couple's Bible Study 5pm H.S. Youth Group</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 9am Women's Bible Study 7pm Bells</p>	<p>6 6:30pm Ash Wednesday Passover Experience</p>	<p>7 5:15-6:30pm Legacy BB 7pm Grief Share</p>	<p>1 9am Ladies Prayer Hour 9am WeeCare</p>	<p>2 8am Men's Bible Study 9am Legacy BB 2pm Service Project at Heritage Woods</p>
<p>10 8:30am Fellowship Time 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 3pm Couple's Bible Study 5pm H.S. Youth Group</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 9am Women's Bible Study 6:30pm Deacon's Mtg. 7pm Trustee's Mtg. 7pm Bells 8pm Council Mtg.</p>	<p>13 9am-2pm Quilting 7pm Lenten Service 7-8pm BLAST, JAM 6:30-6:55 & 8-9pm Open Gym</p>	<p>14 5:15-6:30pm Legacy BB 7pm Grief Share</p>	<p>15 9am WeeCare 9am Ladies Prayer Hour</p>	<p>16 8am Men's Bible Study 9am Legacy BB</p>
<p>17 8:30am Fellowship Time 9am Family Mission 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 3pm Couple's Bible Study 5pm H.S. Youth Group</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 9am Women's Bible Study 7pm Bells</p>	<p>20 7pm Lenten Service 7-8pm BLAST, JAM 6:30-6:55 & 8-9pm Open Gym</p>	<p>21 7pm Faith Circle 7pm Grief Share</p>	<p>22 9am WeeCare 9am Ladies Prayer Hour</p>	<p>23 8am Men's Bible Study</p>
<p>24 8:30am Fellowship Time 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 3pm Couple's Bible Study 5pm H.S. Youth Group</p>	<p>25 3-5 pm Food Pantry</p>	<p>26 9am Women's Bible Study 7pm Bells</p>	<p>27 9am-2pm Quilting 7pm Lenten Service 7-8pm BLAST, JAM 6:30-6:55 & 8-9pm Open Gym</p>	<p>28 7pm Grief Share</p>	<p>29 9am WeeCare 9am Ladies Prayer Hour</p>	<p>30 8am Men's Bible Study</p>
<p>31 Regular Sunday Schedule with Cinnamon Rolls!</p>						