

OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Monday, March 11</u>	9 AM Quilters
<u>Tuesday, March 12</u>	6:30 pm Scouts 7 PM Sarah Circle
<u>Wednesday, March 13</u>	12 noon Men's Bible Study, lunch 3:30-5 pm SACK (grades 2-5) 5 PM No Apologies 5 PM and 7 PM Mid Week Lenten Services 5:30 Meal by Sarah Circle
<u>Thursday, March 14</u>	7 PM Tabitha Circle
<u>Saturday, March 16</u>	9 AM Quilters @ Lost Island 12:30 PM Youth meet at Aluma 1 PM St. Patrick's Day Parade
<u>Sunday, March 17</u>	8:45 am Lost Island Worship with communion *Youth Sunday at Lost Island* 10:15 am Lost Island Sunday School 9:30 am Bethany Sunday School 10:30 am Bethany Worship with communion Nursing Home Worship

<u>TODAY, March 10</u>	<u>BETHANY</u>	<u>NEXT SUNDAY, March 17</u>
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Organist	Janis Campbell	
Altar Guild	Kathy Mehan	
Lector:	Verna Hanson	Quentin Ort
Greeters:	John and Stephanie Larson *Bob and Diane Steger	Wilma Nielsen, Sharon Omundson *Dawn Freeman
Communion Asst:		Dianne Hough, Bob Andersen Sherri Ort
Ushers:	Ryan Veldboom *Bill Dickey Isaac and Gabrielle Janssen	Lonnie Naig *Mike Naig Bayleigh and Mica Theesfeld
Acolytes:	Mica Theesfeld, Reese Taylor	Kelsey and Joseph Petersen

LOST ISLAND

Organist	Tim Nielsen	
Altar Guild	Karyn Leininger and Pat Henningsen	
Reader:	Tom Mason	Youth Sunday
Communion Asst:		Kadin Norris
Acolytes:	Miriam Hackbart-Morlock	Olivia Sorenson

Bethany Lutheran Church 703 Broadway- Emmetsburg, IA	Lost Island Lutheran Church 3797-310th St. - Ruthven, IA
Worship 10:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM	Worship 8:45 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM

Pastor F. Peter Morlock

We welcome you to worship today

March 10, 2019

First Sunday in Lent

These forty days called Lent are like no other. It is our opportune time to return to the God who rescues; to receive the gifts of God's grace; to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth the wonder of God's love in Jesus; and to resist temptation at every turn. This is no small pilgrimage on which we have just embarked. It is a struggle Jesus knew. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS/ SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP SHEETS

We invite everyone to please sign the attendance sheets in the black notebook located at the end of pew. If you are a member, take a minute to notice people you don't know and welcome them to worship. If you are a visitor, we would like to get to know you better, please include your address and phone number. We welcome you to come again.

*Those who are able, please stand

ORGAN PRELUDE

LBW SERVICE OF THE WORD LBW pg. 126

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:** LBW Pg. 56

***GATHERING HYMN:** LBW #99 "O Lord Throughout ..." (green hymnal)

***DIALOG:** LBW pg. 127 Read responsively

Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Praised be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of all mercies, and the God of all consolation.

Seek the Lord While he may be found.

Call upon him while he is near.

Let the wicked abandon their ways,

And the unrighteous their thoughts.

Let them turn to the Lord for mercy,

To our God, who is generous in forgiving.

All you who are thirsty, come to the water. You who have no money, come, receive bread, and eat. Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk.

Praised be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of all mercies, and the God of all consolation.

***APOSTLES' CREED Pg. 128**

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

Let us pray together: **O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

VOLUNTEER CHOIR: LBW #104 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

The annual harvest festival, called the Feast of Weeks, provides the setting for this reading. This festival celebrates the first fruits of the produce of the land offered back to God in thanks. In this text, worshipers announce God's gracious acts on behalf of Israel.

¹When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it,

Updating Email Addresses

Have you updated your information at the back of the church? If you have, Good for you! Give yourself a pat on your back! If not, take a moment after the service to write in your current email address on the line beside your name on the forms in the back of the church. Thank you!

Advent Wreath

Our advent wreath stand is showing significant wear and tear and cannot be properly maintained. The cost for replacing the stand is \$2,300. Please contact Kathy Mehan (Altar Guild) at 712-480-3720 with any questions. Thank you!

Lakeside Lutheran Home

Lakeside Lutheran Home is requesting neck tie donations to be used for a Gala event that is being planned for this coming June. Donations can be dropped off at Lakeside.

Were You There?

Come join us during the Lent season on Wednesday nights. Services start March 13th @ Bethany: 5pm & 7pm with a light meal in between services *Check out the Lent challenges in the back as we go through this season of lent and reflection our walk with Jesus.

Sinnamon Sunday Fundraiser

Special Thank you to the Veltri Family for their successful Sinnamon Sunday Fundraiser! It is always impressive when everyone comes together in a way that can both uplift everyone and benefit the congregation! The money raised from Sinnamon Sunday will all be used to purchase a new Advent Wreath. They raised: (Drum roll please!!!) \$1,014 for the Advent Wreath! That is impressive! Combined with the \$355 already donated, the church has raised \$1,369 of the \$2,300 needed for the wreath. Please prayerfully consider your financial support to fill the \$931 still needed to purchase the wreath.

UDMO

Special thank you from UDMO and the WIC program. They dropped off a donation to the church for \$50 for the use of the facility. They truly appreciate the use of Bethany Lutheran Church for the mission work they do in our own backyard.

Cylinder's July 4th Omelette Breakfast Fundraiser

Sunday March 24 from 8 AM to 12:30 PM at the Cylinder Fire Station. Proceeds will go towards Cylinder's fireworks on July 4th

Horizons Unlimited Announcement

Horizons Unlimited is hosting a Dinner Gala and Silent Auction Fundraiser on April 25th, 2019 at the Wild Rose Ballroom. They are looking for donations, sponsorships, and ticket sales to help serve the adults with disabilities in the community. If you are interested helping please contact Lori Morey at 712-852-2211 Ext 102 or lorimorey@horizons-unlimited.net

- ***THE LORD'S PRAYER:** LBW Pg. 130 (green hymnal)
- BENEDICTION:** LBW Pg. 130 (green hymnal)
- ***SENDING HYMN: LBW #453** "If you but Trust in God" (green hymnal)
- ***DISMISSAL:** L: Go in peace to love & serve the Lord.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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Lost Island Lenten Collection

During the Season of Lent Lost Island Church will be collecting items for LWR Personal Care Kits. This morning they are collecting Bars of Soap. Next week they are collecting Bath Towels (light weight, maximum 52" by 27" dark color recommended). We will assemble the kits on April 28th in the church basement of Lost Island. We hope to collect enough items for 25 personal care kits. Contact Karyn if you have any questions or need clarification.

MARCH 10
Bars of Soap (4 to 5 oz., any brand, in original wrapping)



MARCH 17
Bath Towels (light-weight, maximum 52" x 27", dark color recommended)



IN OUR PRAYERS:

Bill Ortman, Kevin Schentzel, Pastor Trudy Peterson, Shirley Knutson, Teresa Jensen, Dorothy Moore, Becky Hanson, Phyllis Schroeder, Janis Campbell, Debra Zanfes, Jim Anderson, Richard & Irene Omundson, Fern Schmidt, Garwin Anderson, Lois Quam, Rod Snavelly, Bob Mortenson, Bill Zeigler, Lucille Anderson, Evelyn Warmbier, and those we name in our hearts.



- *Our missionary: Courtney Davis in Papua New Guinea
- *Our companion synods: The Southern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania-Yakobi Parish, companion with Lost Island and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chile, companion with Bethany.

²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." ⁴When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, ⁵you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, ⁷we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. ¹¹Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Psalm: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways. (Ps. 91:11)

¹You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty—

²**you will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my stronghold, my God in whom I put my trust."**

⁹Because you have made the LORD your refuge, and the Most High your habitation,

¹⁰**no evil will befall you, nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.**

¹¹For God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways.

¹²**Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot**

against a stone.

¹³You will tread upon the lion cub and viper; you will trample down the lion and the serpent.

¹⁴**I will deliver those who cling to me; I will uphold them, because they know my name.**

¹⁵They will call me, and I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.

¹⁶**With long life will I satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

Second Reading: Romans 10:8b-13

Paul reminds the Christians at Rome of the foundation of their creed, the confession of faith in the risen Christ as Lord.

^{8b}“The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.”

¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

Here ends the reading.

***Lenten Response: LBW Pg. 63 Return to the Lord.... (Sung)**

***GOSPEL ANNOUNCED and RESPONSE: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

After being filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, Jesus is led in the wilderness. Through his responses to the temptations of the devil, he defines what it means to be called “the Son of God.”

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” ⁴Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’” ⁵Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶And the devil said to him, “To you I will give their glory

and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” ⁸Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” ⁹Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’ ¹¹and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

¹²Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” ¹³When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

***GOSPEL RESPONSE: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDRENS SERMON
SERMON**

***HYMN OF THE DAY: WOV #660** “I want Jesus to Walk with thee” (blue hymnal)

***SHARING OF THE PEACE:** Please be seated while the offering is received

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: WOV #732 “Create in Me” (blue hymnal)

***OFFERTORY PRAYER:** Merciful Father: **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'O Lord, Hear My Prayer'. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: 'O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me.' and 'O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me.'