

Confirmation Youth and Mission Trip Youth please sign up to bring things for Lenten Meals in your email.

This Wednesday, the mission trip youth are serving turkey sandwiches as a freewill offering towards their mission trip.

Wednesday, the 14th, the confirmation youth are serving Pork Loin in hopes to raise money for a mission retreat.

Lost Island will be collecting items for the personal and school kits during Lent

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING IN EACH SCHOOL KIT

FOUR 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" x 10 ½"; no loose leaf paper; ONE 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other; ONE pencil sharpener
ONE pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well); FIVE unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band; FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
ONE box of 16 or 24 crayons - ONE 2 ½" eraser—ONE sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag, approximately 14" x 17" with shoulder straps

Needed for Lutheran World Relief Kits-:

Hand towels-dark colored, 15"x 25";

Diaper Pins; Cloth Diapers-FLAT FOLDED;

Bath size soap bar, 4-5 oz.-gentle; Bath towels-dark colored, 27"x 52"-light to medium weight.



Please pay special attention to the size & color of the items-they are picky!
Cash donations can be given to Pat Vician, Elaine Nauss or the church

Morgan Zanfes thanks all of those that bought girl scout cookies last Sunday. If anyone would like more please contact Linda Umbrell at 712-480-4488

Lent began with Ash Wednesday, February 14th. There will be weekly midweek services at 5 PM and 7 PM with a light lunch served following the 5 o'clock service at Bethany. All are welcome. Servers are as follows:

March 7-Youth

March 14-Confirmation Youth

March 21-Mary Martha and Ruth Circle.

Bethany Lutheran Church
703 Broadway- Emmetsburg, IA
Worship 10:30 AM
Sunday School 9:30 AM

F. Peter Morlock

Lost Island Lutheran Church
3797-310th St. - Ruthven, IA
Worship 8:45 AM
Sunday School 10:15 AM

Vicar Sarah Schilcher

We welcome you to worship today

March 4, 2018

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

The third covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the central one of Israel's history: the gift of the law to those God freed from slavery. The Ten Commandments are one of the chief parts of Luther's catechism, a core piece of baptismal instruction. They begin with the statement that because God alone has freed us from the powers that oppressed us, we are to let nothing else claim first place in our lives. When Jesus throws the merchants out of the temple, he is defending the worship of God alone and rejecting the ways commerce and profit-making can become our gods.

ORGAN PRELUDE

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 visitor, we would like to get to know you better, please include your address and phone number. We welcome you to come again.

ORDER OF SERVICE-LBW HOLY COMMUNION SETTING ONE

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:** LBW Pg. 56 (green hymnal)

*Please stand if you are able

***GATHERING HYMN:** LBW #365, *Built On A Rock*

***GREETING AND KYRIE:** LBW Pg. 57

*No hymn of praise during Lent

***SALUTATION:** P: The Lord be with you. C: **And also with you.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY** Let us pray together

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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FIRST READING: EXODUS 20:1-17

After escaping from slavery, the Israelites come to Mount Sinai, where God teaches them how to live in community. The Ten Commandments proclaim that God alone is worthy of worship. Flowing from God, the life of the community flourishes when based on honesty, trust, fidelity, and respect for life, family, and property.

¹God spoke all these words:

²I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before me.

⁴You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

⁸Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and consecrated it.

¹²Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³You shall not murder.

¹⁴You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵You shall not steal.

¹⁶You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

PSALM 19 Please read responsively

The commandment of the LORD gives light to the eyes. (Ps. 19:8)

¹The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker’s handiwork.

²**One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

³Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

⁴**their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent for the sun.**

TODAY, March 4

NEXT SUNDAY, March 11

Organist:	Janis Campbell
Lector: Darca Saxton	Verna Hanson
Greeters: Ben & Leslie Hofstad	Brian & Amy Malm and Family
*Sharon Sobkoweit, Barb Haack	*Bob Andersen
Ushers: Michael Jacobson, *Dave Cole	Lonnie Naig,
Jordan & April Cole	Mike Naig, Bayleigh Theesfeld
Communion Asst: Kim Campbell,	
John & Stephanie Larson	
Acolytes: Parker Schmeling, Luke Carter	Braydon & Bryce Cooke

TODAY, March 4

LOST ISLAND

NEXT SUNDAY, March 11

Organist	Tim Nielsen
Altar Guild for March	Pat Henningsen, Karyn Leininger
Reader: Jonah Hackbart-Morlock	Troy Leininger
Communion Asst: Jonah Hackbart-Steger	
Acolytes: Owen Lux	Olivia Sorenson

OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, March 4

5 pm Outreach

Monday, March 5

9 am Quilting

6 pm Night Quilting

Wednesday, March 7

12 Noon Men’s Bible Study, lunch

3:30—5 pm SACK (grades 2-5)

5 pm COOL

5 & 7 pm Lenten services at Bethany

Lunch served by the kids going on the Mission Trip follow 5 pm service

*** Confirmation students need to attend one of the Lenten services ***

8:30 pm LIFE (grade 6-12)

Saturday, March 10

10:00—12:30 pm **1st communion Class**

Sunday, March 11

Mission Trip Prep Meeting after worship

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS EARLY SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 11th

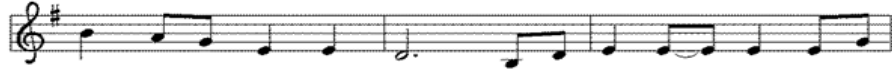
The youth have challenges for you (the congregation) as we go throughout lent.....Please participate...it helps the youth but more importantly it is for you! See your challenges on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

1st Communion classes are scheduled for Saturday, March 10th from 10 am to 12:30 pm. This class is for 5th graders and others who may be interested. We are celebrating 1st Communion on Palm Sunday, March 25th. Please contact Pastor Peter for any questions.

Canticle of the Turning



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
 2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .
 3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a
 4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



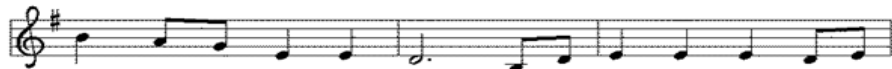
God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
 work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
 jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . from his throne.
 liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
 Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
 The hun - gry poor shall . . weep no more, for the
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
 those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
 food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
 prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



Refrain
 My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

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(Psalms 19 (Cont'd.)

⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

⁶It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

⁸The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; the judgments of he LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-25

The word of the cross is pure foolishness and nonsense to the world because it claims that God is mostly revealed in weakness, humiliation, and death. But through such divine foolishness and weakness, God is working to save us. The center of Paul's preaching is Christ crucified.

¹⁸The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." ²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Here ends the reading. Please stand for the Lenten response.

*LENTEN RESPONSE: LBW pg. 63 Return to the Lord, your God,....

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

Gospel: John 2:13-22

Jesus attacks the commercialization of religion by driving merchants out of the temple. When challenged, he responds mysteriously, with the first prediction of his own death and resurrection. In the midst of a seemingly stable religious center, Jesus suggests that the center itself has changed.

¹³The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!"

¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." ¹⁸The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" ¹⁹Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

CHILDRENS MESSAGE SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY:** ELW #723 *Canticle of Turning* (page 6)

***THE NICENE CREED:** pg. 64

***THE PRAYERS**-respond with "hear our prayer"

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**—in this cold & flu season you may wish to refrain from shaking hands and just extend the greeting

Please be seated while the offering is received

***OFFERING/OFFERTORY:** LBW Pg. 66 "**Let the vineyards....**"

OFFERTORY PRAYER: LBW Pg. 67

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.**

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:** LBW Pg. 68

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION:** Pg. 69

***THE LORD'S PRAYER:** Pg. 71

HOLY COMMUNION: Pg. 72 "**Lamb Of God...**"

HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION: LBW #222, 480, 221

***BLESSING:** P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen.**

***POST COMMUNION:** Pg. 73 "**Lord, now you let your servant ...**"

***PRAYER AND BENEDICTION:** Pg. 74

***SENDING HYMN:** LBW #415, *God of Grace and God of glory*

***DISMISSAL:** P: Go in peace to love & serve the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

We invite all who are baptized to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion with us. We ask that you believe that Christ is present in the bread and wine and that you desire the benefits He offers. If you would like to come forward for a blessing and not receive Holy Communion, please indicate by crossing your arms. If you are not able to come forward, please indicate to the usher and we will serve you at the pew. Grape juice is present in the center of the tray. Gluten free wafers are also available.



IN OUR PRAYERS: We remember those in special need of God's love and care including: Fiona Millican, Janis Campbell, Marilyn Eglund, Deb Zanfes, Curt Ackerman, Bill Ellingrod, Kort Freeman, Bonnie Andersen, Fern Schmidt, Sherrie Mandsager, Heide Rienhardt, Margaret Sloan, Garwin Anderson, Lois Quam, Pastor Trudy Peterson, Karyn Davis, Rod Snavelly, Nancy Zeigler, Lea Schipull, Bob & Janet Mortenson, Lucille Anderson, Norma Larson, Richard Omundson 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, Lost Island's companion and the Evangelical Lutheran Church Laz-Paz Parish in Chile, Bethany's companion.