



Lutheran Church of the Resurrection

Newsletter - March 2007

Wednesdays in Lent

6:30 pm

Soup & Sandwichs

Join us for food and fellowship

7:15 pm

Evening Service

Evening Prayer & Bible Study

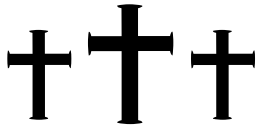
*We'll cover the highlights of
our Lenten study:*

The Last Week of Jesus' Life

8:00 pm

Choirs Rehearse

Chime and Voice Choirs



EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 8

The Day of RESURRECTION

7:00 am Early Service

8:15 am Easter Breakfast

9:30 am Sunday School

11:00 am Festive Service

Since it will be a beautiful and joyful service, it is a great time to bring someone with you to your church. Lots of folks without a church think about going to an Easter service, but where should they go? Try inviting people to your church for Easter. Ask a friend or relative, a co-worker or a neighbor. Someone is waiting for your invitation.

A Lenten Challenge

Every member -- children, youth and adults -- in Sunday School every Sunday in Lent.

Take these Sundays to grow in Faith! All Sunday School classes start at about 9:30 a.m.

Adults have two classes to choose from: Louise Jones' study of the Book of Isaiah, or Pastor Jeff's study of the last week of Christ's life.

Dear Visitors:

If you have been worshipping with us but are not a member, I invite you to get acquainted with our church.

On Sunday, March 25, after the service, you could join us in Fellowship Hall to meet some of the leaders of the congregation. We'll tell you about our history and who's who in the congregation. Of course, we'd be happy to answer your questions.

I'll talk about how one can become a member of the congregation -- and what it means to join. By the way, we will be receiving new members on either April 22 or 29 at the Sunday service.

I hope you will join us on the last Sunday in March to get acquainted with our church and get to know a few more members.

Sincerely,
Pastor Jeff

Schedule for days during which our Salvation was Accomplished



Wednesdays In Lent

Supper, Prayer and Bible Study

More information at left



Work Days

Sat's, Mar. 10 & 31, 9 am

Ready for Holy Week and Easter

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Palm Sunday

April 1, 11:00 am

Procession & Palms

Reading of St. Luke's Passion

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Walk Through Jerusalem

Wed & Thurs, April 4 & 5

Tours leave 6:30 thru 8:30 pm

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Good Friday, Apr. 6
Way of the Cross, 12 noon
Solemn Service, 7:15 pm

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Holy Saturday, Apr. 7

Flower Cross, 10:00 am

Easter Egg Hunt, 11:00 am

More information on Children's page



EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 8

Early Service, 7:00 am

Breakfast, 8:15 am

Sunday School, 9:30 am

Festival Service, 11:00 am

HOLY WEEK

APRIL 1

Palm Sunday

Sunday School at 9:30 am
Worship Service at 11:00 am

Palm Sunday has a unique service. The sanctuary represents Jerusalem, so we begin outside the church, as the gospel account begins with Jesus on his way. We'll hear the Palm Sunday gospel, bless the palms, and then march into the church, singing and waving our palms.

Sunday school children in costume will remind us that we are re-enacting Jesus' triumphal entry into the city on the last day of his life.

Then the mood changes, for our attention focuses on the final events of Jesus' earthly life. We dramatically read passages of Luke's gospel, and sing hymns, as a meditation on those events.



Editor's Note: When I was a child, Palm Sunday was my favorite service of the year. It was so different, and involved the congregation in such a unique way, that each year I looked forward to it with happy anticipation. Palm Sunday Services are a perfect way to tell your heart, and let your children see, that Something Special is happening!

Walk Through Jerusalem

Wed. & Thurs., April 4 & 5
6:30 - 8:30 pm

Come... we are first century pilgrims who have gone to the ancient Jerusalem, and happen to be there on the night before Jesus' crucifixion. Since we've heard about him, we ask our tour guide to take us to see Jesus.

We're always one step behind him as we visit the house of Mary, Martha and Lazarus; the upper room and the Garden of Gethsemane.

We hear about what Jesus did and said at each stop, and along the way meet King Herod and Pontius Pilate. We even witness Peter's denial, and listen to Judas' lament. It is a moving experience.

Please invite your friends and neighbors to share in this unique Christian experience, as LCR members bring the gospel to life, and you "walk through Jerusalem".

Holy Saturday

April 7, 10:00 - 11:30 am

Flower Cross Easter Egg Hunt

See Miss Pat's page about Children and Youth stuff for more information.

Good Friday Two services

so that everyone can be in church, at some time on Friday, to remember that Jesus gave his life for us.

Since it is the most solemn day in the Christian calendar, we'll have two entirely different services so you can attend at least one.

12 NOON

The Way of the Cross

The gospels report that Jesus was crucified at about noon on Friday, so that is the traditional time for Christians to gather to remember his death.

We symbolically take up our cross and follow Jesus. The service consists of brief "scenes" from scripture as Jesus journeys to Calvary. After each reading, there is a prayer and a hymn verse is sung as we move to the next scene. At the end, there is a short sermon and concluding prayers.

7:15 pm

Solemn Service

We'll read the account of Good Friday from the Gospel According to St. John. You'll find it very different in tone from Luke's account that we read on Palm Sunday.

We'll reflect on each part of the reading with some brief responses and hymns that relate the readings to us today. There will be a sermon and prayers as well.

The structure of the service is simple to keep us focused on Christ's sacrifice on the cross.

Work Day

Saturday, March 10
Beginning at 9:00 am

Help us with cleaning the church and grounds as part of this Lenten season.

Don't forget to push your clock ahead one hour on Saturday night, March 10, so you can be in time for Sunday School.

March 11

"Daylight Saving Time" begins

Chili Cookoff

You be the judge!

Attn: Chili Heads

It is time for the annual LCR chili bowl cookoff - **March 11.**

Get out your favorite recipe for chili, whether it be Cincinnati style, Yankee style, or just a bowl of Texas Red. Enter it into the contest to see who concocts the most tasty.

Voting will be two ways: by a panel of judges (the Electoral College) and by the entire congregation, the Popular Vote.

Be sure to bring the recipe and put it into the Recipe Box for inclusion in our year end cookbook. Everyone's recipe will be included, not just the winners.

If you see a visitor to our church the next few weeks, please invite them to attend and tell them how much fun the voting is.

Chili peppers will prevail throughout as decorations, and everyone may take home their souvenir drink cup. (Only one per person please).



Name Badges

Wearing an LCR name badge on Sunday is an easy way to encourage fellowship -- when meeting new people, it's easy to forget their names. But with name badges, we get little reminders as needed.

Marie's dog ate her badge, and I've lost mine. Isn't it time to order more?

New badges are \$6.00 each, when ordered in a group. Bill Nobiling will take your name for your order, and take your money, too. (Make your check out to Lutheran Church of the Resurrection.) You can see Bill at church, or call him at home, 696-1093.

Let's all start wearing name badges, to encourage fellowship, and to make it easier for new people to feel comfortable in our church!

Speaking of Recipes...

We are still in need of recipes for the following from Heritage Sunday. If you made one of these dishes, please jot down the recipe and give to any Fellowship Committee member: Carol Reaves, Margie Perales, Anita Forbes, Juanita Talamentez, Kathy Schwab, or Sally Schwab.

Schooney's Special Brats
Lumpia
Arroz Con Pollo
Alfajors
German potato salad
Kolache
Indian Fry Bread
Tiramisu
King Ranch Chicken
Cabbage Meat Casserole
Texas Corn Salad
Texas Layered Pea Salad
Kringle

An Inconvenient Truth

Sunday, March 11
After the Chili Lunch

What's all this fuss about global warming? Everyone seems to be talking about it, from the United Nations to politicians of every political stripe.

Does global warming really exist? What causes it? Is it man-made, or just part of the cycle of life? These topics are hot today, in the news and on our minds.

One of the prime factors in the increased public awareness of the problem of global warming was the documentary movie "An Inconvenient Truth" that was released last year. The movie, narrated by Al Gore, has been widely praised and nominated for an Academy Award.

"An Inconvenient Truth" is now out on DVD, and we will show it after our fellowship lunch on Sunday, March 11th.

After the movie, Dean Winter (who holds a Ph.D. in bio-engineering) will lead a brief discussion of what the message of the movie might mean to us as a congregation, as families, and as individuals.

As Christians we believe that we are stewards of God's creation. If you haven't seen the movie, come learn what the buzz is about. If you have seen the movie, come add your voice to the discussion.

Pastor's Page

By Pastor Jeff Lange

Lenten Study

The Last Week in the Life of Jesus

In Lent, along with the first disciples, we're accompanying Jesus during that final week in His life.

We began reading in Luke chapter 19, at verse 28 and read through 20:19, the account of Palm Sunday. It looks like Jesus had planned the event, and he rebuffs the Pharisees when they ask him to tell his followers to stop hailing him as the *king who comes in the name of the Lord*, the Messiah. Jesus is finally going public with his identity as the Messiah, the Chosen One of God.

We then turned to Mark, chapter 11, verses 12 through 25. Jesus asserted his authority by cleansing the temple. Yes, Jesus did sometimes get angry – and he wasn't always nice.

That event is bracketed by the cursing of a fig tree. It withers, just as the high priests and religious leadership will wither because they did not produce good fruit for God. That reminds us that the Lord also expects us – as individuals and a church – to produce "good fruit".

Then it was back to Luke, at chapter 19, verse 20 through 20:19. Jesus wouldn't let the leaders question his authority, and then told a parable

against them (20:9-19). But note that the parable also implies that we are only "tenants" and the Lord, the owner, expects his "rent" back from us.

In week two, we read chapter 20 (beginning at verse 20). Jesus answers some interesting questions, like paying taxes. And who will you be married to in heaven. If you've had more than one spouse, and haven't been keeping up with the readings, maybe you'd like to look at chapter 20 in Luke.

This section ends with a contrast between the unfaithfulness of the religious teachers and the faithfulness of a widow.

In the third week of reading, we'll study chapter 21 of Luke. Jesus talks about the fate of the temple and the city – but also about being misled by those who say the world is ending. He speaks of His second coming and the need to be vigilant.

After we finish chapter 21 of Luke, we'll turn to Matthew's gospel, at chapter 24, verse 42.

In week four, we'll read the remainder of that chapter and all of chapter 25. If you wonder, what questions will He ask you when you stand before Christ at the last judgment, then read this chapter. There are two important questions, and you might want to brush up on the answers. There are consequences for wrong responses.

The last two weeks will take us through chapters 22 and 23 of Luke's gospel.

On Sundays a more detailed guide to each week's reading is distributed. We also talk about the readings during one of the adult classes in Fellowship Hall on Sundays at 9:30 am. And we cover some highlights on Wednesdays during the service at 7:15 pm.

We hope you'll read and study the Bible with us during Lent. Like those first disciples, follow Christ during the most important week in His earthly life. As you walk with Him, you will come to know Him better. Listen for Him speaking to you through His word.

Easter Lilies

It's time to order our Easter Flowers to grace our Chancel Area. They can be purchased by placing your order in the offering plate on any Sunday morning before March 25th. Checks can be made payable to *Lutheran Church of the Resurrection* for \$10.00 and note "Easter Lilies" on the memo line of your check.

In Memory of:

OR *In Honor of:*

Given by:

Update from the
**Building
Committee**

On February 26, the Building Committee met with the Mission Investment Firm. Details from this meeting will be in the next newsletter. Earlier in the month, we met to further discuss the vision of an education and youth building.

A new building would allow us to discontinue the use of the four portables. As discussed in last month's newsletter, the portables are in need of repair and their unsightly appearance has been a concern to many.

Furthermore, the education building would house the daycare classrooms that currently reside in the fellowship hall, along with all of the daycare belongings that are stored and take up about one-third of fellowship hall.

Reclaiming the fellowship hall would allow the space to increase by 50% for our potlucks and other functions. Additionally, the fellowship hall would be available to the congregation for potential functions/events to be held during the weekday and evenings.

To conclude our vision, we would like to see a remodeled and expanded kitchen.

Committee members have been given different areas to research as we survey our needs and to provide options to the congregation during an open meeting of the building committee in the coming months.

Looking Ahead Together

The *Long Range Planning* Committees presented their reports at the Annual Meeting on February 4th. We don't want to just put those yellow covered report booklets on the shelf.

The Building Committee has continued its work, and another article (at left) provides an update.

Church Council members will be joining with members of two other committees to begin to implement some of the suggestions in the report.

The *Christian Education and Youth* Committee is chaired by **Pat Hemenway**, and council liaisons are Anita Forbes and Laurie Grace.

The *Day Care and the Church* Committee is headed by **Ethel Killenbeck**, and the council folks are Bernie Schurade and Ted Berquam.

Speaking of Committees, **Reta Gochee** is looking for a few more good men and women to join her *Evangelism* Committee.

And if you're interested in the *Music and Worship* Committee, please speak to **Dean Winter**.

Finally, **Carol Reaves** and **Ted Berquam** invite all able-bodied personnel to join in the activities of *Fellowship* and *Property*, respectively.

So if you want to get more involved, those names in bold are the folks to talk to.

Ladies Night Out

Monday, March 26, 6:30

The March Ladies Night Out will be on **Monday, March 26 at 6:30 pm**, at **Marie Callender's**, located on NW Loop 410. Hope to see lots of you there for an evening of good fellowship and food!

Next month, on April 30 we'll be at the Asia Restaurant on Culebra Road. Any suggestions or questions? Call Joyce at 623-2288.

"That was a nice prayer, Pastor. It makes me feel bad about voting against your last three salary increases."

NEW SERIES - Member "bios". Each month, we will feature a member or two from our congregation. This month, we're pleased to feature our new Church Council President:



Ken Doxtad

I was born in a farm house near Emerson, Nebraska. I was baptized in the local Lutheran church, and have been a life-long Lutheran.

My parents moved when I was 4 to Maskell, Nebraska. It is in the NE corner of Nebraska, near the Missouri River and close to Sioux City, Iowa. There I grew up on a farm. I moved to the city to take my first town job when I was 20 years old. That was when I married my wife, Janice.

We lived in Sioux City until 1961, and then we moved to Dallas, Texas. I attended a trade school there, and learned how electrons flow through various electronic components. While in Dallas, we joined an inner city church, Emmanuel Lutheran. We were pleased to go back about a year ago, to help them celebrate their 100 year anniversary.

While in Dallas, I also obtained my career job, working for (then) Recordak Corp, which later merged with Eastman Kodak - where I worked for 33 years.

We moved to Houston in 1965 and lived there for 15 years. While there, we joined Advent Lutheran Church in NW Houston. Then, in 1981, we moved to San Antonio.

I have served here at LCR as Stewardship Chairperson for the past 2 years with marvelous team members. Now, I serve as President of the Council with an equally enthusiastic and talented team of people. I am looking forward to LCR's great future, serving God and community. To God be the glory.

Women's Bible Layette Project

The Women's Bible members are again asking for your assistance for Lutherans World Relief Layettes. Last year we were able to pack and ship 42 layettes because of your support of this project. All the members of the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection have in the past made generous contributions of funds and new as well as gently used baby clothing up to size 24 months.

We would like to ask again for your support of this project, to match or exceed the number of layettes sent last year from LCR.

The layettes are composed of:

2 baby blankets	4 cloth diapers
2 onesies or shirts	2 sleepers
1 sweater	2 diaper pins
1 bar of Ivory Soap	2 wash cloths

All these items are gathered and placed in bundles then shipped to Lutheran World Relief. for distribution to third world countries. Monetary contributions are needed to purchase the cloth diapers as a 12 pack costs \$12.00 at WalMart. One package allows us to pack 3 layettes.

We hope that you will continue your support of this project, as we have already started to collect items to pack and send again. We would like to increase the quantity of the layettes and have been fortunate to do so in prior years. We ask for your support not only with your contributions but with your continued prayers that God will bless this project again.

To make a contribution to this project, please either see Ethel Killenbeck, Rose Barrows or Louise Jones. You may also place your cash donation in the offering any Sunday designated to the Layettes, Lutheran World Relief. Please remember that it costs approximately \$26.00 to ship a box of 10 layettes. We will need to ship the layettes by April 10th, therefore we will need all contributions by March 11th so that we are able to complete the layette bundles in time to meet the Lutheran World Relief truck.

We are thankful for the prayers as well as the material goods that you have offered to make this project successful and are certain that you will continue your support this year so that we may increase God's work with this outreach project.

Amazing Grace

Let's go see it together!

There's a new movie out, titled "Amazing Grace". It is the story behind the song.

We'll plan to see it as a church group on some Sunday afternoon or evening in March. Watch the church bulletin or the church website for details.

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MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 - Arnor Baldwinsson & Sue Pichotta
- 17 - Rob & Cathy Hayden
- 25 - Robert & Lucy Lopez

Please tell Sue (editor, right) if you know of any additions or corrections to the anniversary & birthday lists.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 3 - Elia Conde
Charlotte Fitzgerald
Rhiannon Randelman
- 6 - Ann Montelongo
- 8 - Tonia Faile
- 12 - Bernard Arulanandam
- 14 - Dolores Schurade
Mary Blackmore
- 16 - Debra Mincemoyer
- 18 - Mary Ranney
- 19 - Elena Grace
- 21 - Laurie Grace
- 28 - Melanie Perales
Emilee Perales
- 30 - Shelby Saenz
Jeff Lange

Date	Deacon	Lector	Communion Assistants	Basket Carriers
March 4	Bob Schoonover	Joyce Swartz	Rick Barrows Carl Mincemoyer	Elena & Kattia
March 7	Erik Nystrom			
March 11	Tonia Faile	Dorris Curtis	Bob Schoonover Rick Barrows	Beverly & Grace
March 14	Tonia Faile			
March 18	Rick Barrows	Michael Forbes	Tonia Faile	Laila & Elena
March 21	Tom Robinson			
March 25	Sean McMaughan	John Craig	Rick Barrows Mareta Gochee	Kattia & Beverly
March 28	Mindy Weinelt			
April 1	Tonia Faile	Jim Baker	Erik & Ellen Nystrom	Grace & Laila
April 8 7:00 a.m.	Mareta Gochee	Carly Montgomery	Michael & Anita Forbes	TBA
April 8 11:00 a.m.	Dean Winter	Jenny Winter	Tonia Faile Carl Mincemoyer	TBA



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Articles, announcements and news for the newsletter are always welcome.

Date	Ushers	Greeters	Altar Guild	Sunday Church Cleaners	Saturday Church Cleaners
Mar. 4	Tony & Bess Teschendorf	Michael & Anita Forbes	Jeannette Smith Janie Saenz	1st Sunday Margie Perales	1st Sat. 3/3 Mareta Gochee
Mar. 11	Bob Schoonover Josh Miller	Valda Towles Janie Saenz	Margie Perales Jane Martinez	2nd Sunday Volunteer Needed	2nd Sat. 3/10 Bernie & Dee Schurade
Mar. 18	Corbiere Family	Mary Ranney Mary Tate	Tony & Bess Teschendorf	3rd Sunday Lorena Guerrero	3rd Sat. 3/17 The Schwabs
Mar. 25	Bernie & Joe Schurade	Jeanette Smith Helen Rauch	Diane & Juanita Talamantes	4th Sunday Juanita Talamantes	4th Sat. 3/24 Bill & Laurie Grace
April 1	Roy Ronnfeldt Ted Berquam	Joyce Swartz Margie Perales			
April 6 7:15 pm					
April 8 7:00 am					
April 8 11:00 am	John & Kathy Schwab	Ken & Janice Doxtad			