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St Matthews Service

Rev. Christopher LaBoube

03-20-2022

Third Sunday in Lent

"Trust in the Lord with all our heart, and lean not on our own understanding. In all you ways, acknowledge him and he will direct your path." **(Proverbs 3:5-6)**



ACTIVE

CHRISTIANS

TOGETHER

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&

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3rd Sunday in Lent

20 March 2022

St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Mapleton, IA

Ezekiel 33:7–20 / Psalm 85 / 1 Corinthians 10:1–13 / Luke 13:1–9

Sermon Title: The Bible was written for our Instruction and Learning

Sermon Text: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

“Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father, and our LORD Jesus Christ.” (2 Tim. 1:2) Amen.

Today we’re going to look at our Epistle lesson from First Corinthians chapter 10. In this section of Paul’s letter, he writes to encourage, to discipline and to teach the fellow Christians in Corinth. Paul wrote most of his letters to fellow believers in Jesus—not to unbelievers. When Paul wrote to discipline his readers, he does so because he cares deeply for them.

If you get a text, an email or a card that talks about how you need to change your ways, or how you should have said or done something differently at a meeting, the text or email can come off sounding badly. You might even get bristly. And reading Paul’s letters, you can get offended and bristly, but Paul truly cares about his fellow Christians at Corinth—and he cares about us, too.

Paul also uses his letter to teach his fellow Christians the truth from God’s Word—which at that time was only the Old Testament. Paul quotes often from the Old Testament to remind his readers of what Moses and the Old Testament prophets preached about Jesus in the past.

In our text today, Paul reminds his fellow Christians of their spiritual ancestors, and how God led them and guided them in the way that He wanted them to go. *“For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea,² and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea,³ and all ate the same spiritual food,⁴ and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ.* (1 Corinthians 10:1-4)

Paul reminds his fellow Christians at Corinth—and us—that our spiritual ancestors were led by Moses in the Desert of Sin. Back in Numbers chapter 13, we see how God led the Israelites through the desert: *“²¹ And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead them along the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, that they might travel by day and by night. ²² The pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night did not depart from before the people.”* (Numbers 13:21-22)

Paul talks about how God led our spiritual ancestors through the desert by a cloud during the day and by a pillar of fire by night. Paul also points out that our spiritual ancestors *“...passed through the sea.”* We see this event back in Numbers chapter 14:

“²¹ Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. ²² And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.” (Numbers 14:21-22)

So, Paul points out that our spiritual ancestors were led through the desert by a cloud during the day, and a pillar of fire by night. And that cloud led them through the Red Sea on dry ground.

The Israelites walking through the Red Sea was “a metaphor for the Israelites who passed through the waters of the Red Sea and emerged a new people, saved from slavery.” (Lutheran Study Bible, p. 1959, note on 1 Cor. 10:2)

Then Paul reminds the Christians at Corinth that the Israelites “...*all ate the same spiritual food,⁴ and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ.*”

We see back in Exodus chapter 16 how God fed the Israelites with manna—bread from heaven—every day for forty years, and how in Exodus chapter 17 God gave the Israelites water from a rock to drink every day. The rock that gave them water to drink every day was Christ Jesus.

God gave the Israelites water to drink every day in spite of the fact that they grumbled and complained to God about many things. God, in his grace and mercy and love for the Israelites—and for us—gave them what they needed in spite of their ungratefulness.

Paul picks up this topic next in our text: ⁵ *Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.* ⁶ *Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did.* ⁷ *Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, ‘The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.’* ⁸ *We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day.* ⁹ *We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents,* ¹⁰ *nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer.”* (1 Corinthians 10:5-10)

After Paul reminds his fellow believers in Corinth about how God brought the Israelites safely out of slavery in Egypt, and how God provided bread and water every day for forty years while the Israelites traveled around the Desert of Sin.

Now, Paul points out some of the bad things that their spiritual ancestors did, and thereby sinned against God and against one another. ⁶ *Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did.* ⁷ *Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, ‘The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.’* ⁸ *We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day.”*

Here Paul reminds the believers in Corinth how the Israelites got led astray by their neighbors and forced Aaron, the priest and brother of Moses, to build golden calf so that they could worship that idol as though that idol was the One True God. And this is what Scripture tells us happened. Aaron built a golden calf, and then they worshipped it with dancing and singing and sexual immorality.

Then, Paul reminds the Israelites of how some of his ancestors had tested God and God sent serpents among them and some of them died. ⁹ *We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents,* ¹⁰ *nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer.”*

Here Paul is talking about a situation in Exodus chapter fourteen in which the Israelites rebelled against Moses and Aaron and in turn rebelled against God. At this point in Exodus, God told Moses to tell the Israelites to send a search party into the Land of Canaan. The search party included twelve men—one man from each tribe of Israel—and they were to scout out the land.

When the search party returned, ten of the men gave a report that basically said they could not possibly fight against the people living in Canaan—even though God told them to go. The ten men got the rest of the Israelites frustrated and convinced that they could not go fight even though two last

two men in the search party—Joshua and Caleb—tried to get the Israelites to see that God was still on their side and that they could fight their enemies and win, because of God.

After this situation, God told the Israelites that everyone twenty years old and older would die in the desert and would not enter the Promised Land. This was a situation in which God told the Israelites to do something difficult, and they rebelled against Moses and Aaron and God, and God punished them.

Then, Paul goes on to share that all these events were written down for us as examples of how God works in and through our lives. ¹¹ *Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come.* ¹² *Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall.* ¹³ *No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.*” (1 Corinthians 10:11-13)

Paul tells us why all the stuff was written in the Bible—to teach us—to remind us—to show us how to live according to God’s Word. *“Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come.”*

God made sure that the many different events throughout history—some events that seemed to be mundane and unimportant, and some events that are astronomical and way too amazing. All the events that were written in the Bible were to show us how God interacted with the people in the past—and how God continues to interact with us today.

All these things are written in the Bible to show us what happened in the past, and how God responded in order that we might learn from those situations. When we see how God interacted with different people in the past, then we can learn from those situations.

¹² *Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall.* ¹³ *No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.”*

Paul points out that if a person seems to think that he is got it all together and doesn’t need God, that person should be aware that God might allow something bad to happen to him in order to teach him to seek the Lord while he may be found, and to call upon Jesus while he is near.

God tempts no one, but God allows all kinds of things to happen to us in order to get our attention, and to get us to refocus on Jesus, who is the author and perfecter of our faith. When you think we’ve got it all together, and you feel pretty confident and secure, that’s when you should be more aware of your daily life. That’s when God could allow something to happen to you to shake you up and get you a little rattled so that you stop being confident in yourself and to return your confidence in God alone.

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Even though God allows all kinds of temptations and tests in your life, God does so to teach

you—just as God taught believers centuries ago. But Paul offers some encouragement about temptations and tests—that God “...will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.”

God will allow all kinds of temptations and tests to come into your life in order to get you to remember what Moses taught the Israelites: “*Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.*” (Deuteronomy 6:4-5)

When we trust God completely, then it doesn't matter what happens. When we keep our eyes fixed on Jesus all the time, then it doesn't matter what temptations and tests come our way, because God will give us the strength to get through that difficult time.

Yes, you heard correctly. God will allow temptations and tests to come to you and me and all people, and God will also give you and me and all people the strength and stamina to get through that temptation and test. God “...will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.”

This is another example of how God works in and through our lives. God provides for all our needs of body and soul. God helps us get through difficult situations which he may have allowed to come to us in order to teach us to trust him 100 percent of the time.

God loves you and me and all people more than you can ever imagine, and he wants you and me and all people to be with him for all eternity. This is why God encourages us with the promises written down for our learning and instruction so that we can learn from what believers in the past had to experience. Seek the Lord while he may be found. Call upon Jesus while he is near. To God be the glory now and forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Nominating Committee welcomes any input and recommendations of persons to be considered as potential nominees for the slate of candidates for the election of Board Members at the Annual Meeting in April. The open positions are President, Financial Secretary Christian Education, Head Elder, and two additional Elder positions. The Nominating Committee will contact any person recommended to discuss their interest and willingness to be a candidate. We would like to receive any recommendations by March 24, 2022.

Come and enjoy a wonderful **Easter Breakfast**. Our Elders are serving the meal after church in the church basement. Free-will offering.

PICK A HYMN: If you have a favorite Lenten Hymn you would like to hear this Lenten season please contact the church. We will try to play your choice at four services that month.

Alice Miller picked the Lenten hymns 440 Jesus I will Ponder Now, and 729 I'm trusting thee Lord Jesus look for them in the future to be song. Thank you Alice for participating.

Thank you to everyone of my church family that sent me cards and prayers to me with my sons passing it was so much appreciated. Florice Dose.

Starting something new for all the children that come to church. A children's bulletin, parents please help your children with this if they need it. They are found at the back with the regular bulletins.

Elders	C= communion		
Holy Communion	03-20-22	Duane Hamann	712-870-3450
Mid week	03-23-03	Ryan Paulsen	712-840-0125
Sunday	03-27-22	Mark Witzel	760-500-8902
Mid week	03-30-22	Jeff Krusen	712-840-9821
Lay Readers	C= communion		
Holy Communion	03-20-22	Mark Witzel	760-500-8902
Mid week	03-23-03	Ryan Paulsen	712-840-0125
Sunday	03-27-22	Mark Witzel	760-500-8902
Mid week	03-30-22	Mark Witzel	760-500-8902
Screens	C= communion		
Holy Communion	03-20-22	Joe Hogan	712-420-0775
Mid week	03-23-03	Dennis Muckey	712-840-6914
Sunday	03-27-22	Joe Hogan	712-420-0775
Mid week	03-30-22	Dennis Muckey	712-840-6914



March

Beloved let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

1 John 4:7

Altar Guild	
Sarah Schmidt 712-880-2412	Mardella Vandervanter 515-890-2226

**SPECIAL ASCENSION SERVICE
AT MISSION CENTRAL ON MAY 26TH, 2022
WITH A MEAL AT 5:00PM – WORSHIP AT 6:30PM AND SPECIAL BIBLE STUDY AT 3:00PM!**



WANTED

A GREAT NUMBER OF “NOT NORMAL” PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE FOR A SPECIAL EVENT AT MISSION CENTRAL!

What a JOY and blessing to have the privilege of having Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer as our guest speaker for the Ascension Worship Service at Mission Central on May 26th, 2022! A wonderful meal will be provided at no cost, and then Rev. Meyer will have a very, very special message for everyone. Dr. Meyer is an excellent speaker, and is known around the world for his time as speaker for the Lutheran Hour and was President of Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri for many years. Rev. Meyer will be also providing a special TWO HOUR SPECIAL BIBLE CLASS AT MISSION CENTRAL BEFORE THE MEAL, AND THAT WILL BEGIN AT 3:00PM. Please mark your calendar for these special events at the world famous Mission Central just 2 miles east of Mapleton, Iowa. It will change your life and it's a once in a lifetime opportunity to hear this amazing man of God!

LENTEN 2022		
Bible Reading Plan		
March 2--April 16		
Date	Psalm	John
Wed, 3-2	42	1
3/3/2022	43	2
4/3/2022	44	3
5/3/2022	45	4
Sun, 3-6	FREE	FREE
7/3/2022	46	5
8/3/2022	47	6
Wed, 3-9	48	7
10/3/2022	49	8
11/3/2022	50	9
12/3/2022	51	10
Sun, 3-13	FREE	FREE
03-14-22	52	11
03-15-22	53	12
Wed, 3-16	54	13
03-17-22	55	14
03-18-22	56	15
03-19-22	57	16
Sun, 3-20	FREE	FREE
03-21-22	58	17
03-22-22	59	18
Wed, 3-23	60	19
03-24-22	61	20
03-25-22	62	21
03-26-22	63	1-2
Sun, 3-27	FREE	FREE
03-28-22	64	3-4
03-29-22	65	5

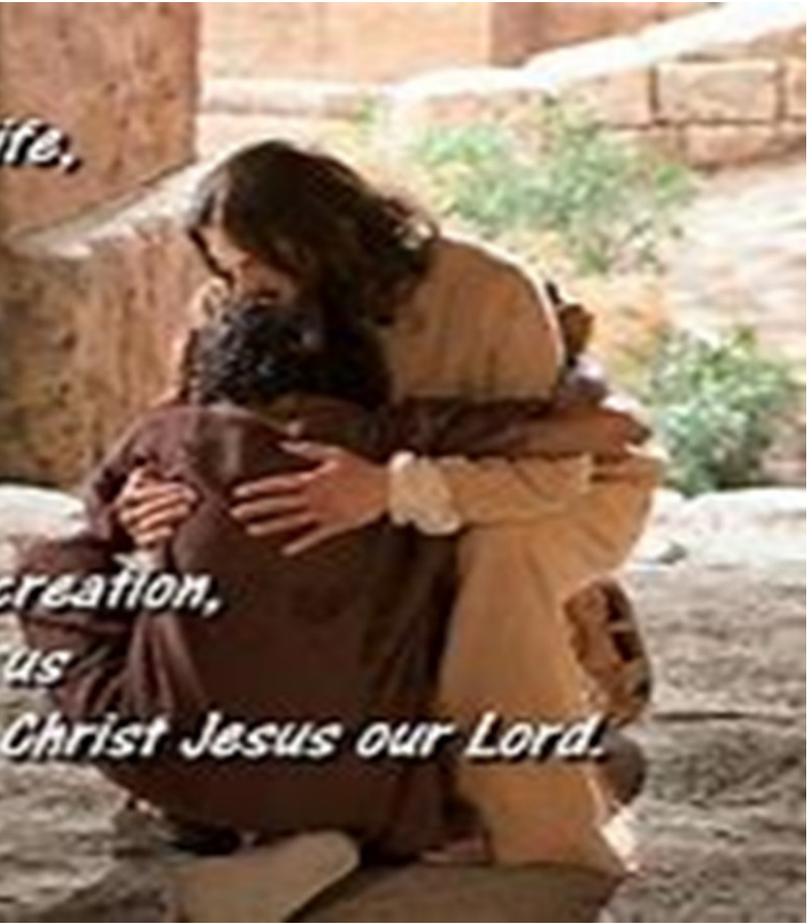


LENTEN 2022		
Bible Reading Plan		
March 2--April 16		
Date	Psalm	John
Wed, 3-30	66	6
03-31-22	67	7
1/4/2022	68	8
2/4/2022	69	9
Sun, 4-3	FREE	FREE
4/4/2022	70	10
5/4/2022	71	11
Wed, 4-6	72	12
7/4/2022	73	13
8/4/2022	74	14
9/4/2022	75	15
Sun, 4-10	FREE	FREE
11/4/2022	76	16
12/4/2022	77	17
04-13-22	78	18
04-14-22	79	19
04-15-22	80	20
04-16-22	81	21
** Resurrection Sunday **		
<p>This Lenten Season we're going to look at the different people, who interacted with Jesus. Some of the people had good motives and some people had evil motives. Join us as we check out the Witnesses to Christ.</p>		

<u>Please Give the office a call</u>
Before going to hospital
Private communion
Address or name changes
Death in the family
Birth of your baby
Making wedding plans

LCMS Memory verse of: Week of March 20, 2022

*For I am sure
that neither death nor life,
nor angels nor rulers,
nor things present
nor things to come,
nor powers,
nor height nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Romans 8:38-39*



Church offering 03-09-22	\$245.00
Church offering 03-13-22	\$3,300.00
Church offering 03-16-22	\$475.00
Children's offering	\$2.00
Pete Smith fundraiser	\$135.00
Church attendance 03-13-22	57
Church attendance 03-16-22	19
Bible Class 03-13-22	13
Sunday School 03-13-22	7

<u>Week of Schedule 03-21 to 03-27</u>	
Mon 21	Pastors Family Day
Wed 23	Confirmation Class 6:00 pm Helping Hands 1-4 pm Lenten Services 7pm Elder: Ryan Paulsen Reader: Ryan Paulsen Screens: Dennis Muckey
Sun 27	3rd Sunday in Lent Services 9:30 am Elder: Mark Witzel Reader: Mark Witzel Screens: Joe Hogan Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Bible Class 10:45 a.m.

One God



THE FIRST COMMANDMENT

You shall have no other gods. (Exodus 20:3)

What does this mean? We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

This is what the Lord says—Israel’s King and Redeemer, the Lord Almighty: I am the first and I am the last; apart from Me there is no God. (Isaiah 44:6)

FOR SHARING

1. A philosopher once wrote, “Tell me to what you pay attention, and I will tell you who you are.” Agree or disagree? Why?
2. The First Commandment, Martin Luther said, is the very first, highest, and best from which all others must proceed. What did he mean? In what ways does the First Commandment “set the tone” for the other commandments?
3. “What is it to have a god?” Luther asks (Large Catechism). “A god is that to which we look for all good and in which we find refuge in every time of need.” Describe the gods that people “cling to” in life.
4. Jesus was fully obedient to His Father—obedient to death on a cross (Philippians 2:8). Share how His sacrifice frees us from the demands of the First Commandment.
5. Fear. Love. Trust. What do the words mean for your life as you live in Christ’s forgiveness?

PRAYER My Savior God, in Christ I am Your child, and You are my Father. Let me live in Your grace. May Your love permeate every part of my life that I may always desire to reverence You, love You, trust You, and serve You. In Jesus’ name I pray. Amen.

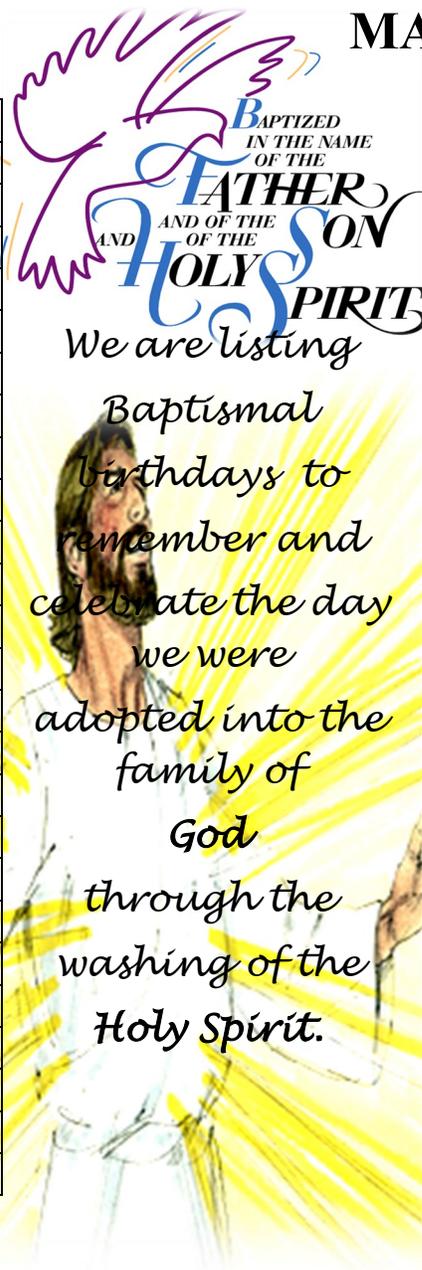
MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Delores	Boysen	Mar 05, 1939
Kirk	Bridgeman	Mar 07, 1980
Alicia	Burns	Mar 07, 1980
Christopher	Creswell	Mar 30, 1989
Michael	Creswell	Mar 16, 1984
Jennifer	Engelke	Mar 02, 1975
Megan	Frehse	Mar 31, 1982
Randy	Gosch	Mar 18, 1961
Terrance	Gray	Mar 23, 1999
Kerensa	Hamann	Mar 10, 2014
Brandon	Jacobson	Mar 10, 1980
Brandon	Krusen	Mar 20, 2000
Rose	Laboube	Mar 30, 2020
Rita	Lafrentz	Mar 17, 1945
Ashton	Lichtenberg	Mar 22, 2001
Mark	Livermore	Mar 03, 1964
Amy	Meseck	Mar 28, 1973
Daniel	Miller	Mar 22, 1958
Dennis	Muckey	Mar 31, 1950
Steve	Oberg	Mar 09, 1961
Caleb	Rickert	Mar 26, 2009
Patty	Sanderson	Mar 15, 1969
Kathryn	Schiltz	Mar 28, 1967
Lin	Scott	Mar 27, 1946
Michael	Smith	Mar 16, 1984
Jolene	Uhl	Mar 27, 1959

80 + Birthday God's Blessings

Joan	Fick	Mar 27, 1935	87
Delores	Boysen	Mar 05, 1939	83

MARCH BAPTISMS

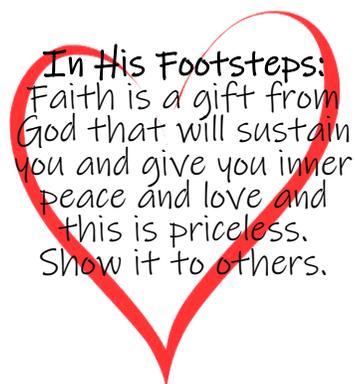


David	Bartels	Mar 27, 1949
Brayden	Brodersen	Mar 24, 2018
Montana	Brodersen	Mar 21, 2004
Adam	Chandler	Mar 30, 1980
Carol	Dose	Mar 20, 1948
Joan	Fick	Mar 27, 1945
Randy	Gosch	Mar 30, 1961
Bradley	Goslar	Mar 15, 1998
Curtis	Hesse	Mar 04, 1962
Roger	Ingram	Mar 18, 1960
Brandon	Jacobson	Mar 30, 1980
Dennis	Jahn	Mar 09, 1947
Pam	Kovarna	Mar 25, 1951
Sharon	Kruse	Mar 28, 1954
Susan	Kruse	Mar 24, 1957
Emily	Lamb	Mar 24, 1980
Barbara	Lyon	Mar 29, 1952
Mindi	Ohlmeier	Mar 24, 1985
Drake	Paulsen	Mar 14, 2015
Derek	Pithan	Mar 17, 2013
DeRae	Schauer	Mar 30, 1986
Stephanie	Schauer	Mar 06, 1985
Troy	Schmidt	Mar 01, 2009
Chelsea	Schrader	Mar 19, 1989
Ryan	Trucke	Mar 12, 1994
Robert	Wood	Mar 13, 1977
Shawn	Wood	Mar 13, 1977

God's Blessings on your Wedding Anniversary



Alan and Kris Dale	Mar 21, 1997	25 yrs.
Lester and Donna Goslar	Mar 21, 1970	52 yrs.
Bryan and Betsy Scheer	Mar 8, 2014	8 yrs.
Toni and Krista Elmquist	Mar 5, 1988	34 yrs.



Walk in Love
Be Kind to
one another



Please continue to pray for our church leaders.
"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

Romans 12:12

Pray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17)



PRAYER WARRIORS— The prayer warriors desire to hear from you as to how they can pray for you. We have 14 prayer warriors. We welcome more men and women to join us. if you need prayer call **Alice Miller** phone number 712-880-2380

Members of St. Matthew with Special Needs and Concerns

Nazaria Kaderabek
Alan Bruhn

Carol Dose
Fred Fletcher

Myrna Gosch
Fern Jacobsen

Selma Schrader

Family / Friends of Members with Special Needs and Concerns

Ron Kraffle friend of Marla & Joe Hogan; **Lynn Smith** friend of Marla and Joe Hogan; **Jazmin Mauch**, granddaughter of Marla and Joe Hogan; **Jerri Haindfield** daughter of Marilyn & Duane Hamann; **Dis Reitz**, husband of Caroline ; friend of Kay Johnson. **Pam Clausen**, daughter of Fern Jacobsen; **Sharon Kuehl Henning** niece of Judy & Gary Kuehl; **Beth Weber**, cousin of Dean and Ramona Weber;

Those who serve in the military:

Triston Twedt (great-grandson of Alice and the late Keith Miller) serving with the Army at Ft. Lewis, WA

Ryan Trucke (son of Beth & Ed Trucke, Grandson of Kay and Richard Johnson) serving with U.S. Air Force at FE Warren AFB in Wyoming (wife and child are here). Ryan is at this address: Prince Sultan AFB, Saudia Arabia 378ECEF-CEOIU Unit 61362 APO, AE 09877 (here for only 6 months)
His birthday is Feb 3, send him a card!

Jackie Cardwell (niece of Jeff & Karen Krusen) serving U.S. Airforce at 17728 Margo St Omaha, NE 68136

Marcus Roupe serving in Cuba (nephew of Marilyn & Duane Hamann) PSC201 Box 6997 APO AE 09522

St. Matthew's Prayer List that are confined to their homes

Please drop them a line or two, they love getting mail and they would love hearing from their church family.

Bonnie Banks 87 yrs. Jun 2, 1934
Main Street Apartments
516 Main Street Apt 2
Mapleton, IA 51034

Delores Boysen 82 yrs. Mar. 5, 1939
31153 Juinter Ave.
Hinton, IA 51024

Delbert Kroll 88 yrs. Jun. 1, 1933
815 Ring Street
Mapleton IA 51034

Phyllis Fick 93 yrs. Jun 3, 1928
Willow Dale Care—Assisted Living
404 1st St.
Battle Creek, IA 51006

Carol Dose 87 yrs. Jan. 22, 1934
Sunrise Ave.
Maple Heights Nursing Home
51034

Myrna Gosch 80 yrs. Jan 9, 1941
Pleasant View Care Center
200 Shannon Dr. Rm #108
Whiting, IA 51063

Selma Schrader 92 yrs. Nov. 12, 1929
21 Ohm Drive
Mapleton, IA 51034

George Koithan 89 yrs. Sept. 2, 1932
Sunrise Ave.
Maple Heights Nursing Home
51034

Our prayer List

Nazaria Kaderabek
310 S. 6th St.
Mapleton, IA 51034

Fern Jacobsen
Main Street Apartments
516 Main Street Apt 3
Mapleton, IA 51034

Alan Bruhn
14535 Walnut Ave
Mapleton, IA 51034

Sharon Kuehl Henning
312 Highcroft
Window MN 56101

Cecil, Fred Fletcher
1225 B Ave.
Danbury, IA 51019

Spread the Fruits of the Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Gentleness, Kindness, Self-Control, Goodness, and Faithfulness. You will be rewarded!



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 Rev. Christopher LaBoube, Pastor
Worship time: Sunday



9:30am Worship Service
10:45 Bible Class
10:45 Sunday School



LET'S STAY CONNECTED OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU TO CONTINUE TO FILL UP WITH JESUS B
 READING AND LISTENING TO THE BIBLE: **Mission Central...** www.missioncentral.us **Lutheran
 Family Service:** www.lfsiowa.org **WEB SITES:** [Iowa District West—www.idwlcms.org](http://www.idwlcms.org) [Camp
 Okoboji – www.campokoboji.org](http://www.campokoboji.org) **“THY STRONG WORD”** is a daily devotion airing at 6:25 a
 Monday through Saturday on KDSN (104.9 FM) **“THE LUTHERAN HOUR”** can be heard every
 Sunday on radio station—KDSN-FM (104.9) at 6:30 am and 1530 at 10:30 am. It is available 24
 hours a day on the internet in Real Audio. Visit www.lhm.org and click on the Lutheran Hour on the
 left side of the page **“THE GOOD SHEPHEARD HOUR** airs on the following stations every Sun
 day: 8 am Fort Dodge-KVFD 1400 AM; 8 am Sioux City—KSCJ 1360 AM; 10:30 am Storm
 Lake—KAYL 101.5 FM **Lutheran Family Services:** www.lfsiowa.org **MainStreet Living**— is a
 Television Program that is endorsed by the Iowa West District of the LCMS This program is broad
 cast on KCAU, the ABC network affiliate in Sioux City on Sunday morning, starting at 10:00 AM.
 The first 30 minutes are remastered episode of “This is the Life” The second half of the program is a
 modified Lutheran worship service that features a different Pastor each week, from the area.

Dear God, thank You for the gift of Your Son, Jesus. We want to celebrate Him every day of our
 lives. In a world that grows increasingly dark, help us hold up His light. We ask this in Your Name
 Amen