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For the Week of March 14, 2021



IN THE SPOTLIGHT

National Youth Gathering Meeting

March 14th Plans are still underway for the 2022 LCMS National Youth Gathering which will be held next July in Houston, Texas! An informational meeting will be held on Sunday, March 14th after the 10:45am service for youth and parents. No commitment is required--this will just be an opportunity to learn more about the gathering, estimated cost, planned fundraisers and ask questions. Current 7th – 11th graders will be eligible to attend the gathering.



Easter Lily and Golden Daffodil

plants will be used to decorate our Sanctuary for Easter Worship Services. If you would like to purchase a plant or plants in thankfulness for a special blessing, in memory of a loved one, etc., please complete the order form at the table in the Atrium and enclose your check payable to Divine Shepherd. Please return it to the Church Office place in the offering or in the basket provided. You will be notified when you can take your plants home.



We are looking for volunteers to help us make palm branch crosses for Palm Sunday's service. No experience needed! We will be meeting on March 24 (8:00pm-9:00pm) in the Chapel and would love to have you join us. Contact Spencer@DSOmaha.org. Thank you.

Do you have a prayer request? Send them to: prayers@dsomaha.org Our staff prays together Wednesday mornings for these requests. Let us know if you want your request in the weekend worship prayers that are printed in the Heartbeat and/or on our Prayer Chain.



Jerusalem at Passover is the title of this year's midweek Lenten series. The early part of each service will take that title quite literally. Each week we will be led by a typical travel agency "tour guide" on an imaginary visit to the Holy City in the year A.D. 30. The "tour guide" will offer historical, cultural and religious commentary on the sights we are seeing, just as such a person might have done almost 2000 years ago, had there been conducted tours then. We will hear many voices, in Reader's Theater style, of a variety of characters in the divine drama that played out in those days "for us and for our salvation. Trish Reinbold has assembled a cast and is directing this dynamic portion of our Wednesday evening services. Here is our Itinerary:

Fifth Stop (March 17)

THE FORTRESS ANTONIA is the local seat of Roman government. Here we will tour the military barracks of the occupation police force (the army which has brought Roman peace, law, and culture to the whole world!), visit the cell block where notorious criminals are incarcerated, and also observe THE PAVEMENT, the civil court where Roman justice is administered. If possible, this visit will be scheduled at a time when a civil trial is in progress.

Sixth Stop (March 24)
SKULL HILL

Please join us for these special services each Wednesday evening during Lent at 7:15pm. These services will be livestreamed as well. We will be offering an abbreviated version of these services at Noon each Wednesday. The drama will not be included, but Holy Communion will be offered at each of the Noon services.



Next Weekend's Sermon
March 20-21

Written on Our Hearts
Jeremiah 31:31-34



Adult Bible Studies
Bible Studies are available at
Divine Shepherd—email contact
person for more information.

Sunday mornings: 9:30am
Women's Bible Study: "**Exploring God's Word: Old Testament**" with Dena Nigh downstairs in The Commons. Contact Dena at jaydena888@cox.net **Note: New topic**

Sunday mornings: 10:45am
Zoom Adult Bible study on Ephesians with Pastor Doug Morton. Contact Spencer at spencer@dsomaha.org

Monday mornings: 10:00am
Women's Bible study on the 10 Commandments called "Love Rules". We are meeting via Zoom. Contact Trish at trish@dsomaha.org

Tuesday mornings: 10:00am
Colossians: Against the Tide with Pastor Mark in person in the Sanctuary. Contact Pastor Mark at mark@dsomaha.org

Wednesday evenings: 6:00-7:00pm
with Pastor Mark in person **in the Gym**.
"Life of Jesus: Miracles"

Friday mornings: 6:15am
Men's study on 1st Corinthians.
Contact Jason Snell at: jsnell@rdotc.com



Parents of 8th Grade students should have received an email from Spencer with important Confirmation updates. If you did not receive the email, please email him at Spencer@dsomaha.org. Confirmation services will be held on Saturday, April 17th during the 5pm service and on Sunday, April 18th during the 8am and 10:45am services.



Altar flowers are provided by Hugh and Kathy Nehls to the GLORY OF GOD!

Important Dates for your Calendar

Feb 21-Mar 14 Care Kit donations accepted
Mar 14 National Youth Gathering Meeting
Mar 17 Lenten services 12 & 7:15pm
Mar 21 New Member Welcome 9:30 service
Mar 24 Lenten services 12 & 7:15pm
Mar 24 Palm branch cross volunteers
Mar 27 Easter Egg Hunt! 10:00am
Mar 28 Palm Sunday
Apr 1 Maundy Thursday services 12 & 7:00
Apr 2 Good Friday services 12 & 7:00pm
Apr 3 Traditional Easter worship 5:00pm
Apr 4 Traditional Easter worship 8:00am
Apr 4 Modern Easter worship 9:30 & 10:45am

Little Lamb Preschool & Childcare

are looking to hire substitutes who are available to help care for our kids on an on-call basis. If you love babies, toddlers, and preschoolers and have some day-time availability, we would love to chat about what an on-call position would look like for you. We are also always looking to hire part-time and full-time staff. If you know of someone (including high school students) who love kids and is looking for a job, please pass along our information. Contact jennydarr@dsomaha.org to learn more about working at Little Lamb Preschool & Childcare.



CALLING ALL KIDS! Come to an Easter Egg Hunt at Divine Shepherd on Saturday, March 27 at 10am. We will plan on hunting eggs outside, but will hide them inside if the weather is uncooperative. Please bring a friend and a basket or bag and meet us in the sanctuary.



CAN YOU HELP? Volunteers are needed the day of the Easter Egg Hunt. We will need help hiding eggs, checking kids in at registration and odd jobs. If you are available to help Saturday, March 27 from 8:30 AM until about noon, please contact Trish at trish@dsomaha.org or call the church office.

EASTER CANDY! We are in need of candy donations for our Easter eggs. Please consider bringing in individually wrapped candy which is small enough to fit inside a plastic Easter egg. We do NOT need any plastic eggs. Please put your donations in the labeled bin in the Atrium. Thank you!!

Do you have a friend, neighbor, coworker, or relative going through a difficult time? A Stephen Minister may be able to offer the support he or she needs. Stephen Ministers are members of our church trained to provide emotional and spiritual care to people who are hurting. To learn how you can help a friend receive care, please call Joan Rowell at 402-658-1463 or email at marjo87@windstream.net or call the church office 402-895-1500 for more information.

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Call the Church Office (895-1500) or e-mail prayers@dsomaha.org with prayer requests. Our Heartline Prayer Ministry members are notified via e-mail. In addition to our Pastors and Staff, our Elders serve as spiritual leaders for the congregation and will be happy to talk with you by phone or meet with you for prayer.

WITH JOY AND THANKSGIVING

- **For the progress being made on the pandemic with vaccines and therapeutics.**

FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

- **Heidi Mogensen's father, Gene Herzberg**, hospitalized and healing from strokes
- **Misty Kudrna's mother, Carol**, recovering from a fall
- **Donna Tatreau**, hospitalized, recovering from surgery
- **Claudia Schulte's granddaughter**, recovering from surgery
- **Dan & Donna Ring's mother, Norma**, recovering after emergency surgery
- **Donna Rausch-Wilshusen's daughter, Laura**, undergoing cancer treatments
- **Jim Wegner**, recovering at Brookstone Village following COVID
- **All those battling cancer:-**
 - **Bob Oberhauser**
 - **Sherri Flanagan**
 - **Donna Tatreau**
 - **Lori Gedwillo**
 - **Steve Jipp**
 - **Daren Kizlin**
 - **Jay Shattuck**

FOR OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY, NATION AND WORLD

- **Protection for those serving in the military**, especially those deployed
- **Jake Ulrich**, deployed to Iraq
- **Law enforcement personnel, first responders, and front-line medical workers**
- **For those who serve in government**, for wisdom, guidance and courage
- **For Christians around the world** who are persecuted for their faith in Jesus

FOR THE LORD'S BLESSING AND GUIDANCE

- **Little Lamb Preschool & Childcare**—thankfulness for our staff, parents & children
- **Concordia Schools of Omaha**—our partners in Christian education
- **Pastor Bell and our brothers and sisters in Christ in our church plant, GraceHill**
- **Charles Cohen**, serving in the mission field in Guatemala
- **Rev. Dr. Charles & Connie Cortright**, serving in the mission field in Russia
- **Beth & Nathan Toenjes**, serving as missionaries in Asia
- **Our Stephen Ministers** providing care in Jesus' name and their care receivers and for members to consider serving in this ministry