

"Hearing God's Voice In This Challenging Times"

# THE MESSENGER

Gladbrook United Methodist Church

March 2021



**SPRING FORWARD**  
**REMEMBER TO TURN**  
**YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 7th.**

## SENIOR CITIZENS

The Gladbrook United Methodist Women are hosting the Senior Citizens dinner on Fri., **March 19<sup>th</sup>**. This will be a \$5 carry out dinner. It may be delivered or you can pick it up from 11:00-noon. Call Jeanne to make reservations at [641-751-2039](tel:641-751-2039), [473-2843](tel:473-2843) or 2802.



## S A L Fish Fry

### Grab- N- Go

Friday, March 12th 5-8 PM

Memorial Building

All you can eat fish, cole slaw,  
baked potato, dinner roll and a  
drink.



## The Good Samaritan

A "Good Samaritan" fund is being collected to help people in need of emergency funds. Pastor Gideon often gets calls from people in need of short term or one time only funds. This fund would be used to help those in our community or travelling through our community.



Gladbrook Community Kids' Club will be hosting a Family Dinner and Movie night for its members March 25th starting at 6pm. The dinner will be served at 6pm with a Movie in the sanctuary following dinner.

This will be the our end of the year party. We will not meet again until next September to kick off 21/22 school year.

Please call your reservations to Dana at 473-2025 by noon on March 19th.

## **“Consecrate Yourself.”**

<sup>5</sup> Joshua told the people, “Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you.”

**-Joshua 3:5 (NIV)-**

After forty years, God finally told His people it was time to cross the Jordan and take the land He had promised their fathers. Joshua-the one who had succeeded Moses-told them, “*Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River.*” Three days later, the hour of march came. On the eve of that momentous day, Joshua gave them further directions:

***“Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you.”***

With the passing of time a language changes. Catch words, idioms, and certain phrases seem to lose their meaning. It is also true that with the passing of time, some great spiritual truths are lost. Perhaps that is what contributes to our ignorance today of what Joshua meant when he said, “Consecrate yourselves....”

Consecration is preparing yourself spiritually for something that God wants to do. (*Isn't it this is what we are reminded of on this Lenten Season?*) It is like transferring ownership of your property to God Himself, realizing that He already owns it and wants to use it for joyous celebration.

There is value in stopping what you are doing for spiritual reflection, inward purification and moral house cleaning. There is no way of knowing whether any of the of the Israelites regretted the decision to march across the Jordan, but for those who did *consecrate* themselves to what was before them, it was a joyful experience. They had transferred responsibility for what was ahead to Him who rolled back the waters of the Jordan and went before them. I passionately believe that *consecration* still precedes the awesome, wonderful things that God intends for our tomorrow.

My invitation to you as we continue in our Lenten Journey is:

***“Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you.”***

In Christ,

Pastor Gideon





**We ask that you remember these people with your prayers:**

Richard Klinefelter, Craig Sash, Dan Weber, Harold McKinney, Dave & Kim Pepe and family, Dwight Surber, Diane Mussig family, Chuck & Mary Lynne Bearden, Carolyn & Don Anker, Paul Purvis, Cornell Gethmann, Marilyn Brekke, Kari Groth, Bud Locke, Priscilla Crumley, Janell Gienger, Craig Mead, Melva Vint, George & Galene Groves, Emily Cormaney, the essential workers, anyone touched by the COVID-19 pandemic, our military families, Families touched by the unusual weather patterns in the southern United States and our many unspoken concerns.

**THANK YOU**

*For your participation in our church activities during the month of February*

Ushers, Greeters, Acolytes, Projectionists, Liturgists, Organists, Fellowship Time Servers, Sunday School Teachers, Kids Club Leaders, Communion Stewards and Committee Leaders & Members.

Pastor Gideon

**Schedule of Activities for Lent**

Pastor Gideon will be offering study, worship and praise, and healing services for the Lenten Season. The following are dates and time that he will be offering these activities:

**Study, Healing, Worship and Praise**

March 3, 10, 17, 24,

Time: 7:00pm

**“ALL ARE WELCOME AND INVITED”**

**Good Friday, April 2**

**Easter April 4**

**Lectionary Readings For March 2021**

**March 7**

Exodus 20:1-7 Psalm 19 (UMH 750)  
1 Corinthians 1:18-25 John 2:13-22

**March 14**

Numbers 21:4-9 Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 (UMH 830)  
Ephesians 2:1-10 John 3:14-21

**March 21**

Jeremiah 31:31-34 Psalm 51:1-12 (UMH 785)  
Hebrews 5:5-10 John 12:20-33

**March 28**

***Liturgy of the Palms:***

Mark 21:1-11

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (UMH 839)

***Liturgy of the Passion:***

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 31:9-16 (UMH 764)

Philippians 2:5-11

Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54

Mark 8:31-38



**Psalm 119:105**

***105 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.***



**March**

- 1 Samuel Garber
- 1 Kayla Vavroch
- 6 John Putney
- 7 Steve Moe
- 8 Beth Koester
- 9 Thomas Mussig
- 13 Beau DeWitt
- 15 Doug Gethmann
- 19 Blaine Groth
- 19 Paul Purvis
- 21 JoAnne Ruopp
- 26 Larry Jensen
- 27 Andrew Deardorff
- 30 Ann Deardorff
- 31 Dennis Modlin
- 31 McKenna Lenz



**March**

- 22 Keith & JoAnne Sash
- 27 Phil & Deb Koester

**April Participants 2021**

(Subject to change)

**Liturgists:**

- Apr.4 Carolyn Moe
- Apr. 11 Richard Klinefelter
- Apr. 18 Sean Williams
- April 25 Paul Koester

**Organists:**

- Apr. 4 Sam DeWitt
- Apr. 11 Sam DeWitt
- Apr. 18 Denise Landt
- April 25 Deb Wentzien

**Projectionists:**

- Apr. 4 Jhona Lyn Gallo
- Apr. 11 Steve Moe
- Apr. 18 Kyle Koester
- April 25 Joan Appelgate

**Acolytes:**

- Apr. 4 Liam Stephenson & Owen Koester
- Apr. 11 Jayden Beichley
- Apr. 18 Drayson Stephenson
- April 25 Ruthie Gallo

**Ushers:**

April: Mike Dewitt, Dan DeWitt, Steve Keiser

**Communion Stewards:**

Apr 4 Steve & Erin (Palm Sunday)



## 2021 Easter Lily Order Form

PLEASE NOTICE—Cheryl would like to have your order by **March 28th**

Cheryl Bruene, 1366 190th St., Gladbrook, IA 50635—(641) 473-2436 (If no answer, leave a message.)

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ 6" Lily(ies) at **\$13.00 each**

Enclosed is \$\_\_\_\_\_. (Make checks payable to **Cheryl Bruene** and include with the order.)

I wish to have my lily(ies) listed in the bulletin as:

**\*GIVEN IN MEMORY OF**

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Please check one:

\_\_\_\_\_ I will pick up my lily(ies) after Worship Service on **April 4th**

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to donate my lily(ies).



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## MARCH WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

### USHERS

Bruce and Joan Appelgate

### ACOLYTES

Mar. 7 Josh Gallo  
 Mar. 14 Ruthie Gallo  
 Mar. 21 Tate Williams  
 Mar. 28 Ari Pierce

### LITURGISTS

Mar. 7 Paul Koester  
 Mar. 14 Kevin Williams  
 Mar. 21 Lisa Koester  
 Mar. 28 Dave Koester

### PROJECTION

Mar. 7 Jhona Lyn Gallo  
 Mar. 14 Roger Luehring  
 Mar. 21 Kyle Koester  
 Mar. 28 Steve Moe

### ORGANIST

Mar. 7 Sam DeWitt  
 Mar. 14 Sam DeWitt  
 Mar. 21 Denise Landt  
 Mar. 28 Deb Wentzien

### COMMUNION STEWARDS:

Mar 7- Cheryl Bruene  
 & Deb Koester



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Her office hours are

9-2 Mon., Wed., & Friday

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