



# The Journ-E March 2, 2012

the weekly e-newsletter of **Journey Lutheran Church**

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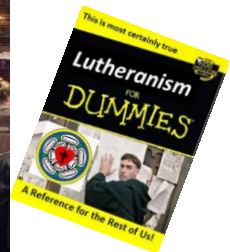
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**Devotional thought:** Have been following the online Lenten blog [in the meantime?](#) There was a post that really caught my attention a couple days ago [When do we stop?](#) Good thought provoking stuff. We are still in the early formative stage of being a congregation and now is the time to asking the questions.



## The Sunday morning painting has commenced...

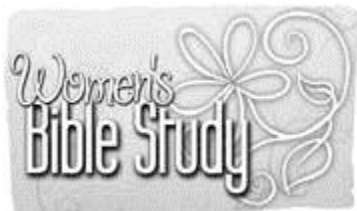
join us each week as Pastor Steve adds to the painting and we explore together the ways in which we give shape to the mission Jesus has called us to. The first week we focused on Service and the shape of mission was that of the cross



## Join us on Wednesday nights during Lent

**Soup Supper** starts serving 5:30 so we can have a simple meal together before worship. We do need volunteers to make and bring soup to share. There is a sign up sheet right outside the kitchen...that what we can take turns providing food, so no one has to bring food every week. Immediately following the meal we

will move in the sanctuary for a **45 minute worship service** featuring Holden Evening Prayer and a preaching series "Lutheranism for Dummies"



**Women**....interested in being part of a Women's Bible Study? Several people have expressed an interest so we would like to get a group started. If you would like to be part of one please reply to this email or call the church office so we have an organizing meeting.



Time to start thinking about Bible Camp this summer at **Sugar Creek Bible Camp**. There are programs for all ages and Journey will help with half the registration cost if needed (check with Pastor Steve about how to be involved with the fundraisers). Summer brochures are available at Journey or [online](#).



Youth ages 13 to college age are invited to participate in the **Easter Drama/Musical/Mime!** Mercy Moua will be coordinating it. Please contact Mercy if you are interested. [Yeta\\_rox\\_all@yahoo.com](mailto:Yeta_rox_all@yahoo.com)



If you missed the **ski day** last week...never fear we are planning another one.

When: **March 10th**

Time: ski from 4pm to 10pm (leave from Journey Parking lot at 1pm)

Cost: \$39 for a Lift Ticket and Ski Rental....\$23 for just a Lift Ticket.....\$5 for a helmet rental

Please contact Michelle Logan, (608) 769-1030 [mgilogan@gmail.com](mailto:mgilogan@gmail.com) if you are interested, we need to have a minimum of 15 skier to get this rate.



[Feed My Starving Children](#) is a great opportunity to make a difference by helping to assemble food packets. Sign up to be part of the team on the bulletin board at the back of the sanctuary. The event is Saturday, March 24 we will meet at Journey to car pool to Winona at 12:15 and will work the 1-3:00 shift.

There will be an **adult Bible study** on Sunday mornings between worship services 9:30-10:00 in the meeting room across from the bathrooms

**Remember if we to grow in faith** it won't happen if all we invest is one hour on Sunday, be sure to check out [Taking Faith Home](#)



**Don't forget to order you Easter Flowers**

You can order Lilies or Mums (white, yellow or lavender) \$12 each. Orders must be place by March 19<sup>th</sup> and you can designate the plants in memory or in honor of a loved one. Call Pat 783-1892 with any questions.

We now have a **Nursery Supervisor, Jessica Pehl**, who will be overseeing our nursery that is offered on Sunday mornings. Stop in and visit with Jessica, you can use the nursery during worship and/or the Sunday School time. We still will needing volunteers to help out.



**All Church Rummage Sale** Mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 21** here is a great chance to get right of that extra stuff just taking up space and help support our youth ministry at the same time. We don't have room to store all the stuff right now... but you can be thinking about it and starts sorting. We will let you know when to start bringing it in.



check out the Journey Lutheran Facebook group



Are you a Thrivent Member? Be sure to direct your **Thrivent Choice dollars** to Journey. It is free money waiting for you to designate where to give it. If you don't claim yours it will be given to someone else to

designate. Money is given out quarterly...and you have still have time to designate last quarter's. Questions? Talk to Pat Hermanns in the church office.



**Recycle your aluminum cans at Journey** There is a "can cage" beside the garage. Bring your cans with you when you come to worship and toss them in the cage and we will recycle them for you and use the proceeds for our ministry here.



We also collect Festival Food receipts and can turn them in for cash...but they need to be turned in quarterly so don't wait to bring them in....there is a jar in the fireside room.

### **Special Music opportunities in the area**

**Coulee Regional Gospel Choir** will perform "Jesus Shall Reign" The choir, instruments and soloists will present the Easter story beginning March 11<sup>th</sup> at North Presbyterian Church, La Crosse at 10:00 am. Zion Evangelical, Brownsville, MN - March 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. Good Shepherd Lutheran, La Crosse - March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 Olivet Lutheran - March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Holmen Lutheran - April 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 pm. April 14<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 pm at Sand Lake Wesleyan Church hosts a special performance with the Gale Ettrick "Vocal Point" as a benefit for the ensembles trip to Ohio in August representing the state of Wisconsin High School Choirs.

**The St. Olaf Handbell Choir** will perform at Faith Lutheran Church, La Crosse on Sunday, March 4th at 4:00 pm. There is no cost for admission but a free will offering will be taken.

## **Support our youth**

We have 11 youth and 4 adults going to the **National Youth Gathering** this summer. It is a once in a lifetime experience but it takes a lot of

fundraising to get there. So there are a variety of things the youth are doing: Selling **Kwik Trip cards, Car Wash cards, Rent-a-kid,** , soon will be selling **candy bars.**

As a congregation we want to support our youth and here is a special way to do that.... We invite you to **Buy Stock in our Youth.** As a stockholder you would be investing in the faith development of our youth. You don't have to buy anything and there is no overhead ...every penny goes to help them. In return for your support the youth will pray for you and communicate with you from the youth gathering and invite you to a special stockholders dinner after the trip to see and hear about the experience. Stocks are \$100 and you can buy a full share or partial share, support a particular youth or wherever the need is the greatest. For more information check out the [Prospectus](#)

**Fellowship will follow both the 8:15 and 10:15 worship service. Volunteers are needed to help serve, clean-up and provide treats.** There are sign-up sheets in the kitchen on the bulletin board for you to indicate your desire to help with fellowship.

**The coming week at a glance....**remember to the [calendar on our web page](#)

**Sunday (3/4)**

8:15 am Worship Service

9:15 am Fellowship

9:15 am Sunday School

9:30 am Adult Bible Class

9:30 am Choir Practice

10:15 am Worship Service

11:15 am Fellowship

**Monday (3/5)**

6:30 FISH Young Adults Meet

**Wednesday (3/7)**

5:30 pm Lenten Soup Supper

6:30 pm Worship

7:15 pm Confirmation/Small Groups

**Thursday (3/8)**

7:00 pm Worship Band

**Saturday (3/10)**

4:00 pm Skiing at Welch Village (meet at Journey at 1pm to carpool/caravan).

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**On the lighter side:** check it out [I love the 1590's](#)

Pastor Steve