

CROSS WALK

March 2024

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR LOIS

Dear Reformation Nation,

We are now in "the thick of" Lent. How are you faring? Now would be an acceptable time to pause and reflect on how your praying, fasting, and giving efforts have been going since Ash Wednesday. If you are struggling with the Lenten discipline, give yourself the same grace that God offers you, and (re)start for the month of March.

As I write this message and compose other contributions for the newsletter, I am wondering (again) about the mission statement of the congregation ("Growing in faith and love through Jesus Christ"). I see the growth in love, especially as expressed by generosity to VISTE, Talbot House, and our other local ministry partners. To be honest, though, there are times I struggle to see the growth in faith.

"What is God up to here?"

I certainly hear it in the conversations I have with individuals or couples going through tough times. I also see it in the actions of those who regularly engage in the life of the congregation beyond showing-up for worship, whether in-person or online. This includes those of you who

show-up early, stay late, or engage in activities on other days of the week to make sure that Reformation's campus, sanctuary, altar, music, readings, and bulletins are ready to help others glorify God on Sunday.

But, my friends, I worry about the rest of you. For example, what does it say about the spiritual life of a congregation when more people show-up for Shrove Tuesday pancakes and fellowship than Ash Wednesday ashes and communion? It would put my mind at ease if you would let me know how you are growing in faith in ways I have not yet witnessed. It would absolutely thrill me if you helped me identify and implement ideas to support the growth of faith within this congregation.

As always, please pray that our ongoing and future endeavors are always guided by faithful discernment of this question: "What is God up to here?"

+ Pastor Lois



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JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP

A total of 41 people gathered for 2 coffee hours in February. Vickey Zelazny provided the goodies for Valentine's Day and Leslie Pace for American Heart Month.

We plan to celebrate St Patrick's Day on March 10 and Palm Sunday on March 24. There will be coffee/tea following worship but at the moment, that is all we will be serving. We're looking for 2 people to bring the goodies for each event. Check out the Fellowship page in the notebook on the credenza and sign-up if you want to furnish goodies.

Karen Hamilton, Fellowship chair



WHAT ARE LENTEN OFFERINGS? WHERE DOES THAT MONEY GO?



The contributions you give in your Ash Wednesday and Lenten Offering envelopes do not go into our general fund. This money is designated to go to Grace Lutheran Church to help provide food for the **kidsPACK** program.

There are disadvantaged children all around us that go hungry every day. While subsidized school breakfast and lunch programs are in place during school hours, what happens at mealtime for these very same children evenings, weekends and over the summer months?

kidsPACK strives to bridge that gap by simply taking action.

Begun in Polk County in 2011, with a mission to help make sure that no child goes hungry, **kidsPACK** is a non-profit organization supported by local community leaders and volunteers. Today, the project in Polk County alone, feeds children in 70 different schools.

An everyday backpack is turned into a food transportation module stocked with nutritious, child-friendly and easy to prepare food for children to eat over the weekend and times when they are away from school. We pack non-perishable containerized items like ravioli, fruit cups, trail mix and portable snacks like granola bars and pop-tarts.

Grace Lutheran Church provides backpacks for 30 kids in Polk County at the cost of over \$600 per month. In order to support this worthwhile project, we assist by sending our Lenten Offerings to Grace to help purchase the food they need.

VOLUNTEERING IS SHARING THE ESSENTIALS 2024 LENTEN PROJECT

We are halfway through our Lenten Project, and I thank you for your continued contributions. March 3rd will be "Mix It Up Sunday"; we will be bringing Cake Mix, Muffin Mix, and Stuffing Mix. March 10th will be "Starchy Sunday"; we will bring Boxed Potatoes, Pasta, and Rice. The last Sunday, March 17th, is another Pull Them Up Sunday but this time it will be Pullups for men. I truly believe my hat really is magical when I observe you bring your donations in on Sundays. Thanks again for all that you can do to make this project a success.

Yvonne Mueller Lenten Project Chair



P.S. I stopped in the room last Saturday to take a picture for the newsletter and was a little disappointed UNTIL I looked under the table and saw 4 large cartons filled with pull ups. I want to echo Yvonne's comment, your generosity is truly a blessing. Karen

LIVING BY FAITH

I always smile when someone tells me he or she has no faith, because I know it's probably not true. Everyone lives by faith to a certain extent. When you go to a doctor, you need faith to trust his diagnosis. When the pharmacy fills your prescription, you have faith that you'll receive the appropriate medicine. When you eat at a restaurant, you trust that the people serving you have not contaminated or poisoned the food. (Some restaurants require more faith than others.) Every day is a walk of faith on some level. . . .

We choose what we will believe in. Some people choose to believe in themselves, some in government, some in evil, some in science, . . . some in God. The only person I've ever known who didn't believe in anything ended up in a mental hospital because it drove her crazy. Faith is something we can't live without.

Faith is something we can't die without either. Our faith determines what happens to us after we leave this world. If you have faith in Jesus, you know that your eternal future is secure.

By Stormie Omartian

"Bonus" Lutheranism 101: Clapping in Church



Some of us were raised to "never" applaud in church. The theological basis is this: the primary purpose of worship to glorify God; whereas, if we clap after a piece of music, we are glorifying the musicians instead of God.

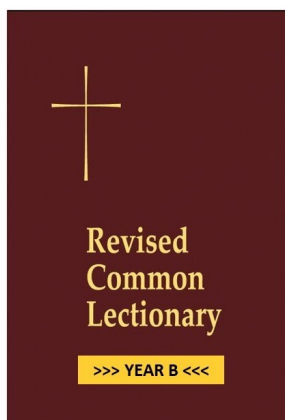
Here is another way of looking at it: when we clap, we are thanking the musicians for sharing a special talent that they are using to glorify God. Amen?

It would be extreme to interrupt the flow of worship by applauding after every element of every service (instrumental piece, sung music, reading, etc.). However, if you occasionally feel like offering a special thank-you for a special effort, Pastor Lois says it is OK with her if you want to clap. She also says she would not frown on an occasional "Amen" or other affirmation if something she says while preaching really moves you.



MARCH LECTIONARY

(WORSHIP SERVICE READINGS)*



DATE	FIRST	PSALMODY	SECOND	GOSPEL
03/03 (3 Lent)	Exodus 20:1-17	Psalm 19	1 Corinthians 1:18-25	John 2:13-33
03/10 (4 Lent)	Numbers 21:4-9	Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22	Ephesians 2:1-10	John 3:14-21
03/17 (5 Lent)	Jeremiah 31:31-34	Psalm 51:1-12 OR 119:9-16	Hebrews 5:5-10	John 12:20-33
03/24 (Palm Sunday)	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Psalm 31:9-16	Philippians 2:5-11	Mark 14:1-15:47**
03/28 (Maundy Thursday)	Exodus 12:1-4[5-10] 11-14	Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19	1 Corinthians 11:23-26	John 13:1-7, 31b-35
03/29 (Good Friday)	Isaiah 52:13-53:12	Psalm 22	Hebrews 10:16-25***	John 18:1-19:42
03/30 (Easter Vigil)	(several readings)		Romans 6:3-11	John 20:1-18
03/31 (Easter Sunday)	Acts 10:24-43****	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24	1 Corinthians 15:1-11*****	Mark 16:1-8*****

**Remember: If you watch all three devotions posted on Facebook each week (First reading on Monday, Second reading on Tuesday, and Gospel reading on Wednesday), you have participated in a Lectionary Bible Study for the following Sunday!*

*** OR Mark 15:1-39[40-47]*

**** OR Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9*

***** OR Isaiah 25:6-9*

****** OR Acts 10:34-43*

****** OR John 20:1-18*

YOU ARE THE BEST!!

A BIG THANK YOU to all of you who came to the pancake supper on Shrove Tuesday. We served pancakes to 47 people. Thanks to your generosity we sent a check to USF Health Byrd Alzheimer's Institute in the amount of \$350 for Caregiver Education/Support. We couldn't do things like this without your support.

I also want to thank Fred, Sandy, Linda, Becky, Ellen, and Doug and Diane Mewhorter for their help in set up, food preparation and serving, and cleanup. It takes a whole team for these projects to be a success.

Karen Hamilton, Fellowship chair

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: MEMORIAL GIFTS AND LEGACY GIVING



Memorial Gifts and Legacy Giving are two aspects of “treasure to God” stewardship that people are hesitant to talk about. But we ought to talk (or at least write) about it.

MEMORIAL GIFTS - When there is a funeral or memorial service at Reformation, we make sure “Memorial Gift” envelopes are available in the narthex (lobby) for participants to use. Unless a donor specifies a particular use, the monetary gifts received in those envelopes are combined with any other memorial donations that are mailed to the church or made online. The deceased person’s family is then contacted to decide how to use the combined amount. Reformation maintains a “wish list” of requested items (including contributions to an endowment fund) that can be helpful when it is time to make the decision. This same list can also be used by people wanting to direct their own donation, whether in memory of someone who died, in honor of a special person or life event, or to share a portion of a financial windfall.

LEGACY GIVING – Speaking of a financial windfall, have *you* considered making a special gift to the congregation when you are “promoted to glory” (die)? It can be as simple as adding Reformation as one of the beneficiaries of a life insurance policy (for example, at least one member has arranged for ten percent of a life insurance policy to go to the church instead of their family). It can be as complicated as allocating a specific item from your estate. If you are considering “leaving something” other than an unrestricted financial gift, please make sure it is on the “wish list” (which includes contributions to an endowment fund) or contact the stewardship committee ahead of making any legal arrangements, so that the congregation can either be ready to receive it or has an opportunity to offer an alternative suggestion.

P.S. – Did you see the article in last month’s newsletter in which we asked you to increase your regular offering by \$6.51 a week (less than a dollar a day), compared to the “intent card” you filled-out for 2024? If you have not done so yet, please consider setting up a reoccurring donation for that amount from our giving page, which will also give you a chance to see how easy it is to use Vanco online giving! The URL and link are provided every month in the newsletter, every week in the bulletin, and in every pew cardholder in the worship space.

“Reformation Information”

Conference Room.

March 3.

After Worship.

Be There.

Aloha.



Do
you
have

a question about Christianity in general, Lutheranism in particular, or Reformation Lutheran Church specifically? For example, do you want to arrange a baptism or consider becoming a voting member of the congregation?

This monthly meeting is an informal opportunity to ask questions. If you are unable to stay that day (or are reading this invitation “after the fact”), feel free to contact Pastor Lois directly. You can stop by during office hours, call/text her cellphone (813-494-4052), or send an e-mail to pastorreformationlakeland@gmail.com.

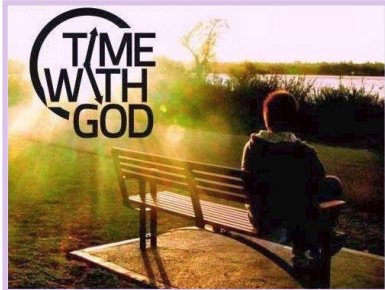
“Growing in faith and love through Jesus Christ”

1. The “Great Commission” (Matthew 28:19). Jesus says, “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.
2. The “Greatest Commandments” (Matthew 22:37-39). Jesus says, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”
3. Our statement of purpose, as codified in our constitution (C4.01 & C4.02, including changes to C4.02 approved during our January 14, 2024 congregational meeting):

To participate in God's mission, this congregation as a part of the Church shall:

- a. Worship God in proclamation of the Word and administration of the sacraments and through lives of prayer, praise, thanksgiving, witness, and service.
- b. Proclaim God's saving Gospel of justification by grace for Christ's sake through faith alone, according to the apostolic witness in the Holy Scripture, preserving and transmitting the Gospel faithfully to future generations.
- c. Carry out Christ's Great Commission by reaching out to all people to bring them to faith in Christ and by doing all ministry with a global awareness consistent with the understanding of God as Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier of all.
- d. Serve in response to God's love to meet human needs, caring for the sick and the aged, advocating dignity, justice, and equity for all people, working for peace and reconciliation among the nations, caring for the marginalized, embracing and welcoming racially and ethnically diverse populations, and standing in solidarity with the poor and oppressed and committing itself to their needs.
- e. Nurture its members in the Word of God so as to grow in faith and hope and love, to see daily life as the primary setting for the exercise of their Christian calling, and to use the gifts of the Spirit for their life together and for their calling in the world.
- f. Manifest the unity given to the people of God by living together in the love of Christ and by joining with other Christians in prayer and action to express and preserve the unity which the Spirit gives.

TIME STEWARDSHIP



Followers of Jesus practice the “3 T’s” of stewardship: time with God, talent for God, and treasure to God. Time with God is not limited to showing up for about an hour a week to worship God with other followers of Jesus. It also involves making a daily effort, usually in the form of at least 15 to 20 minutes of prayer.

If your prayers usually involve talking to God, try listening for God (spending time in a garden, at a park, or on a beach might help). If your prayers usually involve listening for God, try talking to God (it can even take the form of singing or a spontaneous conversation).

Talking to God? Here are some suggested prayer topics for March:

- Continue to offer prayers for VISTE and kidsPACK, the local recipients of our Lenten outreach projects. Ask God to bless the efforts of both organizations, both directly and through generous donations from the members and friends of Reformation.
- Pray for the un(der) churchd in our area. Ask God to send them our way, whether they “Google” for a church to visit or are personally invited to join us during Holy Week.
- Offer a prayer of discernment for all members of the congregation. Ask God to move someone to volunteer to serve as our “voting member” at Synod Assembly (5/30-6/1) and move more people to serve in other roles within the congregation. Be sure to listen for God to call your name!
- Pray for a different person each day on long-term concern list (a copy of which is on the last page of most worship bulletins). Ask God to address their concerns, and then call them so they know they have been prayed-for.
- Offer a prayer of gratitude for everyone involved in planning and implementing worship this month. Ask God to grant them good health and “good courage” (especially for the special services during Holy Week).

*In
Loving
Memory*

Remember our fellow sisters
in Christ and their families.

02/09 TEDESCO, Gloria
02/27 HEIL, Pat

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Join these friends as they celebrate their birthday or anniversary in March:

Birthdays

03/02 PEARSON, Renee
03/11 SYPNIEWSKI, Lillian
03/12 COLEMAN, Roz
03/15 CORNELL, Gary
03/16 WHIPPLE, Richard
03/17 SOLOVITZ, Carol
03/17 HATCH, Mary
03/20 RICHARDS, Jim
03/27 KNOLL, John
03/28 MUELLER, Harold
03/29 FISK, Joyce

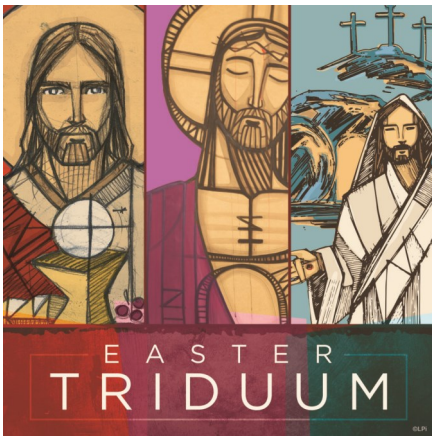
Anniversaries

03/26 JOHNSON, Wes & Judy
03/30 GELISSEN, Nick & Janice

LUTHERANISM 101: HOLY WEEK

During Holy Week, we have three worship services that have very particular shapes: Palm Sunday (Passion Sunday), the Triduum (the Three Days), and Easter Sunday (Resurrection of Our Lord).

PALM SUNDAY: There are typically two gospel readings on this day. The first one is used to start worship along with a blessing of palm fronds and a procession in remembrance of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. In a sad concession to poor attendance on Good Friday, the other gospel reading is one of the passion narratives, a long reading which goes into detail regarding the arrest, torture, and death of Jesus. Signifying the passion, the color of the day may be red instead of purple.



TRIDUUM: The middle worship service of Holy Week takes place over two or three days (kind of like how a funeral technically starts at the church or funeral home and ends at the gravesite or columbarium). The full "Three Days" (the church's official name for this service) consists of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil.

MAUNDY THURSDAY: On this day, we hear about the "last supper" (the sharing of bread and wine that occurred the night before Jesus died on the cross), which is when Jesus instituted the sacrament we know as communion. In addition to sharing bread and wine, Jesus issued a new mandate (in Latin, *mandatum*, which is where "Maundy" comes from) to his disciples: love one another as he loved them. Jesus demonstrated that love by washing their feet (something that normally would be done by only the lowliest of servants). Our modern variation is to offer optional hand washing. The day ends with "stripping of the altar" (removal of everything from the altar and its general vicinity) to represent the abandonment of Jesus that began as soon as the supper ended.

GOOD FRIDAY: On this day, the altar remains "stripped" and we hear the passion narrative found in the Holy Gospel according to John. The rest of the named disciples, even Peter, abandon Jesus as he suffers and dies. Some of the women remain, and two other early believers ask to take care of the body. In lieu of a second sermon, God speaks to us through the Solemn Reproaches. In lieu of regular "prayers of the people" we answer through the Bidding Prayers. The day ends with psalmody and sound associated with the tomb being closed.

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Why is there a chicken sitting on the counter at coffee hour? Well, our chicken is waiting to be fed. The money collected goes to purchase coffee/ tea and paper products. Toss in a dollar or two so we can continue providing supplies for fellowship.

WANTED: “VOTING MEMBER” FOR SYNOD ASSEMBLY

Would you like to be Reformation’s “voting member” at the synod assembly this year?



It takes place from the afternoon of Friday, May 31, through the morning of Sunday, June 2. Pastor Lois will be arriving a day or two earlier for First Call Theological Education classes.

The event will be held at the Embassy Suites - Lake Buena Vista, and your two-night hotel stay has been budgeted by the congregation. You may bring a spouse or other guest with you. Each suite has a microwave and refrigerator, a breakfast buffet is offered downstairs, there are several restaurants nearby, and Pastor Lois and her husband will take you to dinner one of the two nights.

This will be a “workshop year” (less synod business, more time for break-out sessions on interesting topics). The keynote speaker will be Reverend Rafael Malpica – Padilla, who holds a B.A. in Philosophy from the University of Puerto Rico, a Master of Divinity degree from the Lutheran

Theological Seminary at Philadelphia (now part of United Lutheran Seminary), and several honorary Doctor of Divinity degrees.

Serving as the “voting member” means voting as needed on synod business, attending workshops of interest to you, and authoring (or being interviewed for) an article for the congregation’s newsletter. Interested? Send an e-mail to lovinglutherans@gmail.com or contact Pastor by February 21, as registration will open soon.

“LET’S DO LUNCH!!”



Twelve ladies met at Evano’s Family Kitchen (formerly Britts) for Lunch Bunch on February 22nd. We enjoyed great food and good conversation. What a way to spend a portion of your day!

In March we will meet at 12:30 on the 21st and go to Reececliff Family Diner, 940 S. Florida. It has been several years since we have been there as a group. All ladies and their female friends are welcome. Watch for the sign-up sheet on the credenza in the narthex. It’s good to take a break and meet with friends for good conversation. Look forward to seeing you for lunch.

Karen Hamilton, Fellowship chair

SAVE THE DATE:

COUNCIL MEETING ON MARCH 19TH

During the “Part 2” we voted to table the “optional” to discussion at a future council agenda of our 6:30 p.m. in-person

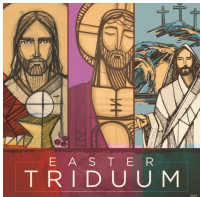


congregational meeting in January, constitutional amendments, subject meeting. This item will be on the meeting on March 19, 2024.

If you would like to simply up. If you would like to present a other agenda item, please let Vickey Zelazny know, so that we allocate enough time for the item. If you would prefer to send a statement ahead of time, please e-mail Pastor Lois (pastorreformationlakeland@gmail.com) or use the “Praise & Pinch” suggestion box in the narthex (lobby).

The congregational council meeting will be held in the conference room this month unless several people “RSVP” to present information.

Most council meetings are held via Zoom instead of in-person. You are always welcome to observe or request time for a presentation. Requests for Zoom meeting links (whether to observe or present) should be sent to Karen Hamilton.



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LUTHERANISM 101: HOLY WEEK

EASTER VIGIL: Reformation’s Holy Week tradition does not include an Easter Vigil. If we had one, it would be held the evening of Holy Saturday, starting outside with a bonfire or inside with the Pascal candle (the big candle that symbolizes Christ’s presence). This “new light” of resurrection can be used to light smaller candles throughout the assembly (like some congregations do on Christmas Eve). Up to twelve (yes, 12!) readings are heard. After the readings and a sermon, baptisms and affirmations of baptism (confirmations) occur. A complete vigil can take three hours. The Easter “sunrise service” is a modern, abbreviated version of the ancient vigil.

EASTER SUNDAY: Easter Sunday is the “Sunday of all Sundays.” It is a “normal” Sunday worship service in terms of format (the four-part rhythm of gather, Word, Meal, and send). The service as a whole is designed to be more joyous than normal in many ways, including: lilies or other live flowers, white and/or gold items, a lit Pascal candle, a celebratory “thanksgiving for baptism” (instead of the typical “confession and forgiveness” rite), plenty of music (greater quantity, higher quality, and/or more musicians), and return of the “Alleluia” (absent from the liturgy and hymns and during Lent). In some congregations, “Meal” (communion) is enhanced by use of a special wine or bread.

RETREAT AT REFORMATION? SYNOD PARISH DEACONS



Reformation will be hosting the Florida-Bahamas Synod's annual retreat for Synod Parish Deacons (SPDs) on April 19 (4 p.m. – 9 p.m.) and April 20 (8 a.m. to 2 p.m.). The theme this year is "Refresh and Renew" and the event is open to current and prospective SPDs as well as their pastors.

What's an SPD? A layperson with a combination of "some" theological training (such as our synod's School of Lay Ministry, formerly known as diakonia Florida) and practical experience (hands-on training gained by volunteering within a congregation) who serves as a deacon for that congregation under the general oversight of their pastor. Pastor Lois served as an SPD before realizing she was called to ordained ministry, so ask her if you want more information.

What's going to happen during the retreat? Worship, including the affirmation of everyone's baptism. Education, including speakers and a panel discussion about the future of congregational ministry. Fun, including ice-breaker activities and fellowship during meals.

What's this got to do with me? Maybe you would like to help us host the event (take a two-hour shift as a "go-fer" – watch for a sign-up sheet in the narthex). If you are active in the congregation and feel called to collaborate in ministry with your pastor in a way other than serving on council, maybe you would rather attend the whole thing (talk to Pastor Lois and then pay a \$65 registration fee).



The sheet is in the narthex to sign up for an Easter Lily. The price this year is \$12.00. Please put your name, how many you want and who it is for. Place your money for the flowers in your offering envelope and mark it Easter Lily.

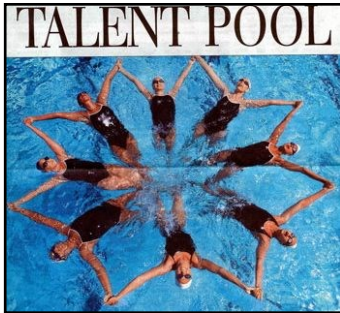


Volunteerism makes our worship service thrive. The greeters, ushers, lectors, camera operators, altar people and assisting ministers all do this. We need volunteers for Sundays. These are not hard jobs, and you only have to sign up for one Sunday at a time. We will train you and you don't have to work alone.

I want to thank all who have volunteered in the past, but our sheets have many empty spaces, so we need to have you sign up now. We all have hidden talents and there's no better time to use them than on Sunday morning to enhance our worship service. **PLEASE** sign up now to help out! The sign-up book is in the narthex just waiting for you.

Yvonne Mueller,
Altar Ministry

“DIVE IN” THE TALENT POOL!



Followers of Jesus practice the “3 T’s” of stewardship: time with God, talent for God, and treasure to God.

Talent for God is not limited to gifted church soloists. Maybe “talent” isn’t even the right word to use, because doing something FOR God is often more of a matter of teach-ability (eagerness to gain the needed knowledge) or tenacity (a confident willingness to attempt) than talent itself (innate ability).

We “always” need worship assistants. Reformation needs altar guild (communion set-up or clean-up), assisting minister, lector/reader, usher, videographer (camera operator), and other roles to make Sunday worship possible. We also need office volunteers two mornings a week to work with Pastor Lois on the bulletin and perform other administrative tasks for the congregation. There is also gardening and other outside work to be done that is outside the scope of our lawn maintenance contractor.

The next time you are on campus, take a look around. “Catch” someone doing something you appreciate it, tell them so, and also report it (you can use the “praise” part of the “pinch and praise” forms in the narthex, or send an e-mail to lovinglutherans@gmail.com). “Catch” the spirit of volunteering, and sign-up to try something yourself (notebooks and clipboard with options are also in the narthex).

Not able to come to campus? Author an article, compose a poem, or send a joke or meme for next month’s newsletter. Call a shut-in. Get on Facebook so that you can comment on Reformation’s posts or share Reformation’s posts on your own page. Send an “encouraging word” to your pastor. No one can do everything, but everybody can do something!

*How old would you be if you
didn't know how old you are?*

SACHEL PAIGE

Opportunity is now. Not later.
Now. Your contribution,
small though it may seem, is
unique and altogether yours.

CHARLES R. SWINDOLL








Laughter is internal jogging. We have a lot of evidence that shows mirth and laughter affect most of the major physical systems of the body in a positive way. You can laugh a lot more times a day than you can do pushups.

WILLIAM F. FRY



MARCH 2024

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
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3 8:45 Calico Choir 10:00 Worship w/communion In-Person & Facebook Live Reformation Information	4 8:00-Noon AARP	5 9:30 Chimes	6 12:00 Devotions on Facebook Live	7 8:00-Noon AARP	8	9
10 Daylight Savings Begins 10:00 Worship w/communion In-Person & Facebook Live Coffee Hour	11 8:00-Noon AARP	12 9:30 Evangelism	13 12:00 Devotions on Facebook Live	14 8:00-Noon AARP	15	16
17 Food Barrel 8:45 Calico Choir 10:00 Worship w/communion In-Person & Facebook Live Pack Homeless Lunches	18 8:00-Noon AARP 1:00 Fin'l Audit	19 6:30 Council	20 12:00 Devotions on Facebook Live	21 8:00-Noon AARP 12:30 Lunch Bunch	22	23
24 Palm Sunday 10:00 Worship w/communion In-Person & Facebook Live Coffee Hour	25 8:00-Noon AARP	26	27 12:00 Devotions on Facebook Live	28 8:00-Noon AARP  4:00 Worship	29 Good Friday  4:00 Worship	30 10:30 Decorate Sanctuary
31 Easter Sunday 8:45 Calico Choir 10:00 Worship w/communion In-Person & Facebook Live 						



Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.

(in-person and Facebook Live)

Lectionary Bible Study

(3 online devotions/week)

Liturgical Worship

Congregational Singing

Weekly Communion

Mostly "55+" Members

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