



### Easter Sunday, 3/31

- 7:00am: Easter Sunrise Service. Please stay for breakfast after the Sunrise service.
- 8:00am: Breakfast
- 9:30am: Easter Festival Communion Service

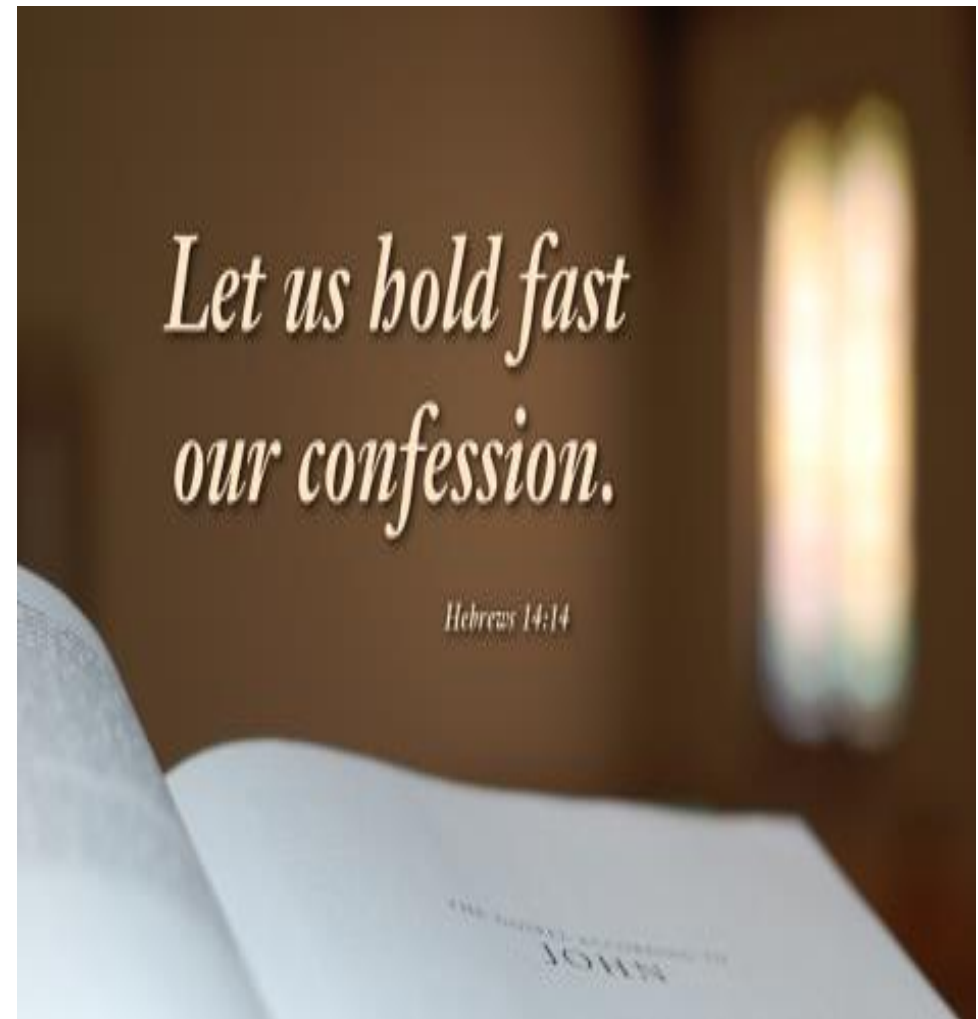
### PARISH CONCERNS

Please keep in your daily prayers all people in need, including those mentioned here:

- Joseph Barber, grandson of Mary Loomis & great grandson of Trudy Loomis is home healing. Praise God!
- Victims & families of the stabbing incident in Rockford.
- All those affected by the Baltimore bridge collapse.
- Bill Byers, Jane Johnson's brother needs prayers.
- All those who are suffering physical or mental illness, and their families, caregivers, and medical teams, especially:

Matt Johnson	James Klus
Emmaline Haag	David Sanderson
Michelle Bruning	Nathan Wrobel

- All those who are anticipating surgery or healing from surgery.
- All those who are not able to worship with us because they are in health care facilities or homebound: Nancy Bakanas, George Vodden, Dale Johnson, and many others.
- Our church and its activities.
- Persecuted Christians throughout the world.
- All affected by the middle east conflicts.
- All elected leaders, police officers, first responders, and military personnel, that they hear and receive God's guidance and protection.
- The NALC, NALS, the Great Rivers Mission District, and all Christian churches.



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*Good Friday, March 29, 2024*

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## GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE

March 29, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.

The tenebrae service (service of darkness) commemorates the suffering and death of Christ. It depicts the darkness that came over the earth as the Son of God was crucified.

With the reading of each portion of the Passion Narrative, the lights will be dimmed, portraying the fading light of the world as Christ was dying on the cross.

LBW – green hymnal \*Please stand as able.

### PRELUDE

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

##### \*INVOCATION

##### \*THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, look with mercy on your family of faith who are gathered here and across the world, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and given over into the hands of sinners and to suffer death on the cross; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

\*HYMN: “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” **LBW 107**

\*PSALM 31 (read responsively by whole verse) p.229-230

\*SCRIPTURE READINGS  
Isaiah 52:13-53:12  
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9

### THE SERMON: **“REMEMBER, MEDITATE, CELEBRATE”**

\*HYMN OF THE DAY: “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed” **LBW 98**

#### THE OFFERING

Choir: “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

### THE PASSION OF OUR LORD ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN

#### THE FIRST PORTION

John 18:1-14 The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus

**LBW 123** – “Ah, Holy Jesus” – verse 1

#### THE SECOND PORTION

John 18:15-27

Peter Denies Jesus

**LBW 123** – verse 2

#### THE THIRD PORTION

John 18:28-40

Jesus’ Trial before Pilate

**LBW 123** – verse 3

#### THE FOURTH PORTION

John 19:1-16a

Jesus Sentenced

**LBW 123** – verse 4

#### THE FIFTH PORTION

John 19:16b-30

Jesus’ Crucifixion and Death

**LBW 123** – verse 5

#### THE SIXTH PORTION

John 19:31-42

The Burial of Jesus

**LBW 92** “Were You There” – verse 1

##### \*THE LORD’S PRAYER

\*HYMN: “Go to Dark Gethsemane”

**LBW 109**

##### \*THE VEILING OF THE CROSS

Pastor: Behold the cross, on which was hung the Savior of the world.

**Congregation: Oh come, let us worship Him.**

##### \*SILENT PRAYER

(The congregation quietly departs.)

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**Tonight 3/29:** 8:30pm: The Prayer Vigil begins. We encourage you to participate; there are several time slots open.

**Saturday 3/30:** 2pm: Prayer Vigil concludes. No Worship Service. Participation in the Prayer Vigil is a meaningful alternative.