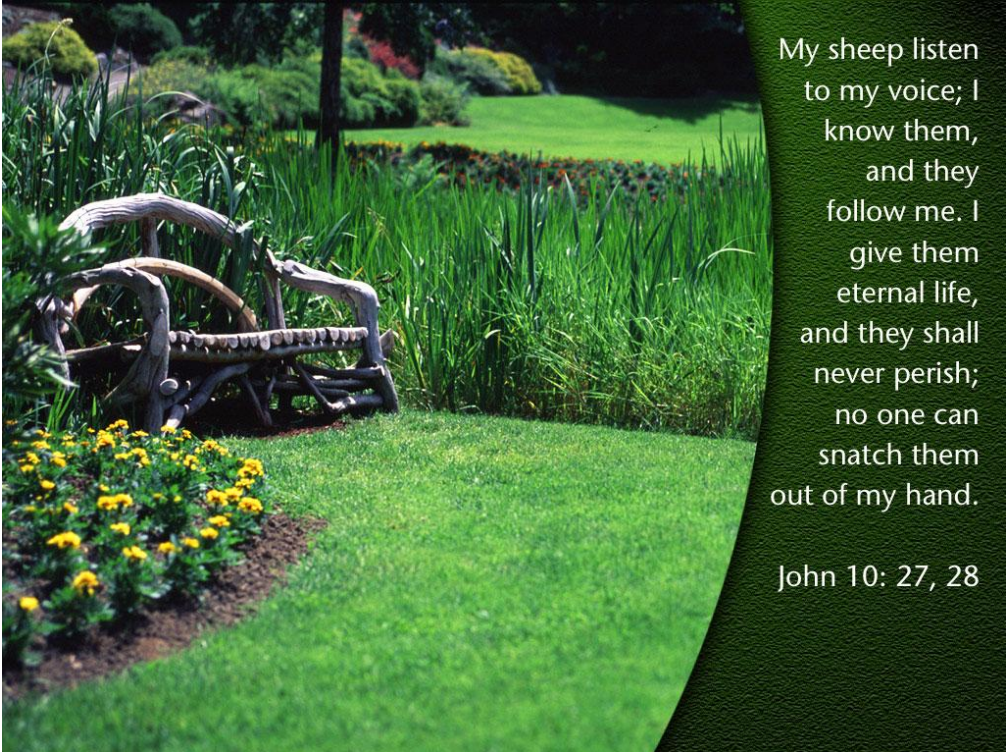


Worship to the Glory of God

Sunday, March 30, 2014

8 & 11 am



My sheep listen
to my voice; I
know them,
and they
follow me. I
give them
eternal life,
and they shall
never perish;
no one can
snatch them
out of my hand.

John 10: 27, 28

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Saturday Worship & Praise: 5 pm
(Communion 1st Saturday of month)

Sunday Worship: 8 & 11 am
(Communion: 1st & 3rd Sun. @ 8 am
2nd & 4th Sun. @ 11 am)

Sunday School &
Adult Bible Classes: 9:30 am

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 30, 2014 – 8am & 11am

The Pre-service Music

The Chimes

The Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn

“Amazing Grace”

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The Invocation *(Please rise)*

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: He was despised and rejected by Men.

People: A Man of Sorrows and acquainted with grief.

Pastor: And as one from whom men hide their faces,

People: He was despised and we esteemed Him not.

Pastor: Surely He has borne our grief.

People: And carried our sorrows.

Pastor: He was pierced for our transgressions.

People: He was crushed for our iniquities.

Pastor: And with His wounds we are healed.

People: All we like sheep have gone astray.

Pastor: We have turned – every one – to his own way.

People: And the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

The Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Litany for Lent (*see insert*)

(Please be seated)

11:00 am Baptismal Hymn

"All Who Believe and are Baptized"

601

11:00 am Baptism

Cassy Perkins and William Austin Morrison

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 42:14-21(p. 766 Bible page #)

¹⁴For a long time I have held my peace; I have kept still and restrained myself; now I will cry out like a woman in labor; I will gasp and pant. ¹⁵I will lay waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their vegetation; I will turn the rivers into islands, and dry up the pools. ¹⁶And I will lead the blind in a way that they do not know, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn the darkness before them into light, the rough places into level ground. These are the things I do, and I do not forsake them. ¹⁷They are turned back and utterly put to shame, who trust in carved idols, who say to metal images, "You are our gods." ¹⁸Hear, you deaf, and look, you blind, that you may see! ¹⁹Who is blind but my servant, or deaf as my messenger whom I send? Who is blind as my dedicated one, or blind as the servant of the LORD? ²⁰He sees many things, but does not observe them; his ears are open, but he does not hear. ²¹The LORD was pleased, for his righteousness' sake, to magnify his law and make it glorious.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

The New Testament Reading

Ephesians 5:8-14(p.1,244 Bible page #)

⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret.

¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

✠ *In honor of Christ who went to the Cross, we rise to sing*

All Sing: *"Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed"* **560 v 1**

Drawn to the cross, which Thou hast blessed
With healing gifts for souls distressed,
To find in Thee my life, my rest,
Christ crucified, I come.

The Holy Gospel

John 9:1-25, 35-41(p. 1,139 Bible page #)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 9th chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

¹As [Jesus] passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. ²And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶Having said these things, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud ⁷and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. ⁸The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" ⁹Some said, "It is he." Others said, "No, but he is like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." ¹⁰So they said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" ¹¹He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed and received my sight." ¹²They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." ¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes.

¹⁵So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." ¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. ¹⁷So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." ¹⁸The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight ¹⁹and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" ²⁰His parents answered, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. ²¹But how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." ²²(His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess Jesus to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue.) ²³Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." ²⁴So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner." ²⁵He answered, "Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see."

³⁵Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" ³⁶He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" ³⁷Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you." ³⁸He said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him. ³⁹Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind." ⁴⁰Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, "Are we also blind?" ⁴¹Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, 'We see,' your guilt remains."

Pastor: This is The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You, O Christ. (spoken)

The Greeting (please turn to someone next to you, or in front, or behind you)

✠ *Please be seated*

The Sermon Hymn

"How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"

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The Sermon

“Forgive Us as We Forgive”
Rev. Gilbert Kuehn, Vacancy Pastor

✠ *Please rise for*

The Apostles’ Creed

(back of hymnal)

The Gathering of the Offerings *(Please be seated)*

✠ *As the offerings are brought forward the congregation rises to sing*

✠ The Offertory

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

450 v 1

O sacred Head, now wounded,
With grief and shame weighed down,
Now scornfully surrounded
With thorns, Thine only crown.
O sacred Head, what glory,
What bliss, till now was Thine!
Yet, though despised and gory,
I joy to call Thee mine.

The Prayers (The Pastor will end each petition with *“Lord, in your mercy ...”* and the congregation will respond with **“hear our prayer.”**)

Lord’s Prayer

The Benediction

The Proclamation

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Closing Hymn

“I’m But a Stranger Here”

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The Post-service Music

Those Serving Today:

Presiding Minister: Rev. Gilbert Kuehn, Vacancy Pastor

	8 am service	11 am service
Duty Elder	Larry Roach	Lamar Miller
Acolyte	Austin Logan	Kristen Hahn
Altar Care	Cathy Hurff & Freda Steinke	Sandi Leenhouts & Rose Wegner
Lay Reader	Ryan Barraclough	Grace Selkow
Audio Assistant	Jonathan Tinker	Bob Behnke
Video Assistant	Mike Meutzel	John Schaerffer
Ushers	Bob & Mickie Ferguson and Mel & John Reinstetle	Neil Finkenstadt & Ray LaVallee, Melodi Kasberg
Flower Angels	Harold & Marilyn Bley	Harold & Marilyn Bley
Fellowship Card	Nancy Brendel & Carole Veleber	Nancy Brendel & Carole Veleber
Altar flowers	Given to the Glory of God by Sandi Leenhouts and Carole Cupp in memory of dear friend Dee Dunn. Also by Rich & Sandi Leenhouts in memory of Dad Leenhouts' birthday. Also by Mary Cazel in memory of her husband Richard on their anniversary April 2nd	

Our Purpose

The love of Christ compels us to reach out and make disciples who seek the lost, strengthen the weak, and serve those in need while giving glory to God.

Stewardship Sentence: "During Lent, we see Christ's sacrifice on the cross. Consider your offering to the Lord as your thankful response."

This Week's Opportunities to Seek, to Strengthen, and to Serve

Sunday, March 30 th	8:00 am	Worship
	9:30 am	SS / Youth / Adult Bible
	11:00 am	Worship
	12:15 pm	Congregational Assembly Meeting
	12:30 pm	Call Meeting
Monday, March 31 st	9:00 am	Food Pantry
Tuesday, April 1 st	9:00 am	Willing Workers
	7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
Wednesday, April 2 nd	9:00 am	Food Pantry
	11:00 am	Ladies Guild Executive Council
	1:00 pm	Ladies Guild Meeting
	6:30 pm	Lenten Dinner
	7:15 pm	Lenten service
Thursday, April 3 rd	6:30 pm	NA / GSH
	7:00 pm	Worship & Praise Rehearsal
Friday, April 4 th	9:00 am	Food Pantry
Saturday, April 5 th	3:00 pm	Worship & Praise Rehearsal
	5:00 pm	Worship & Praise w/Holy Communion
Sunday, April 6 th	8:00 am	Worship w/Holy Communion
	9:30 am	SS / Youth / Adult Bible
	11:00 am	Worship

**Food Pantry Item for the
month of April**

***Soup (tomato;
chicken noodle/rice;
vegetable)***

A Measure of Our Devotion

March 22 & 23, 2014	
Worship Attendance 2014 (Saturday/8 am/11 am)	46/84/113
Worship Attendance 2013 (Saturday/8 am/11 am)	46/72/173
Sunday Communion 2014	109
Sunday Communion 2013	130
Wednesday Lenten Service 2014	71
Wednesday Lenten Service 2013	52
SS/Youth/Confirmation	12/2/2
Adult Sunday School/Mid-week Studies (no attendance taken)	14/17
Receipts for March 22 & 23, 2014	\$4,075.45

ANNOUNCEMENTS: are due to Carole by noon on Tuesday.

- **BORN AGAIN BY WATER AND THE SPIRIT.** Today Cassy Perkins (born February 27, 2001) and William Austin Morrison (born April 12, 2003) will be baptized into God's Family of Grace at the 11:00 service.
- **CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY MEETING** today immediately following the 11:00 am service.
- **CALL MEETING** today immediately following the Congregational Assembly meeting.
- **NOW THAT WE HAVE THE PEW BIBLES,** you will notice that next to the scripture reference, we are printing the page numbers in parentheses.
- **LENTEN WEDNESDAYS** this week Barbara Hahn and family and friends will be hosting our Lenten Fellowship Dinner. It will be served in the CLC starting at 6:30pm, followed by a short worship service at 7:15 pm.
- **NEW 4 WEEK BIBLE STUDY** started last week at 9:30 am at the front of the Sanctuary. We will view a short scene from the current movie "Son of God", showing in theatres, and discuss applications to our lives.
- **LADIES GUILD MEETING** Just a reminder that our next meeting is this Wednesday, April 2nd at 1:00 pm. See you there!
- **EASTER LILY ORDERS** are due by April 6th. The cost is \$15.00. Please fill out the form and put in the offering plate to reserve your flower.

- **MAKE YOUR PLANS TO ATTEND THE "EASTER BREAKFAST"** sponsored by our Senior Youth Group. Tickets are on sale now! Advance ticket prices are \$10 per adult and \$5 for children under the age of 10. Ticket prices are \$12 per adult at the door (\$7 children). Bring the whole family and help support this great group of kids!
- **EASTER BASKETS** The Sunday School is once again making Easter baskets. If you have any questions, see Sharon Rubia or call her at home: 376-5338. **The deadline for the items is April 13th.**
- **DO YOU HAVE A MISSION PROJECT** or idea that would help our community? Need money to get your mission project started? The Pasco County Chapter 30749 of Thrivent Financial for Lutheran funding is available NOW for the FIRST QUARTER of 2014. Care Abounds in Communities applications for funds can be submitted NOW. Contact Rose Ann Verheyen, Barbara Hahn or Kathy Butler for the applications. So easy, and so rewarding.
- **BIRTHDAYS /ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:**

Members of the church that are celebrating birthdays this week are:

(4/2) Pastor Lidbom (4/3) Jennifer Brock (4/4) Linda Jasso;
 (4) Tom Ogorzelec (5) Carolyn Huber (6) Austin DeBlasi

Members of the church that are celebrating anniversaries this week are: (4/3) Gene & Debbie Dempsey (4/4) Hank & Jan Whitt

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Health/Unspoken: **Gary Ahl**, Bankhead family, Joanne Bellone, Sydney Birmingham, **Richard Brown, Ray & Barb Bovier**, Carpenter family, Marian Clabo, Mary Crane, Criss family, **Pam DeSham**, Robert Engle, Bob Gardner, Shayla Gay, Bob Gould, Kathy Hane, Cobin Heath, Doris Heinze, Martha Herz, Ann Hockenberry, James Ketner, King family, Bev Kuhn, Leora Laubaugh, Isaiah Lucas, Marian Malmgren, Sandy Meyer, Al Mohler, Pat Noll, Joyce Pankner, Doris Peterson, Peter Pinaud, Michael Prater, Allen Price, **Carol Saunders**, Bea Schurkus, Connie Roach, Harvey Selkow, Al Shirk, Southerland family, Tom Springer, Charles Steinbach, Gwen Swanson, Jean Terkowski, Sandy Thompson, Pastor & Mrs. Mike Thureau, Harry Van Ess, Hank Whitt, Sherryl Williams, Cole & Kayla Winchell, Sally Woodtke, Karen Young, all Pastors, children who stray, all believers, the future of America.

Military: Leo Ayala, Josh Butterworth, Justin Fivecoat, Tom Hartzell, Brandon Martin, Andrew Murphy, Richard Phernetton, Steve Roy, Jr., Andrew Springer, Vincent Sharkey, Andrew St. John, Alan Stackpoole, Todd Stanger, Tyler Wasson, all veterans, and all servicemen and women in VA hospitals.

Homebound: Irene Berlin, Richard Brown, Florine Catt, Marilyn Eggert, Fran Fuller, Vera Grondahl, Bobbie Hain, Lina Hartstein, Pat Hartwell, Selta Heintz, Baxter Holland, Maria Hulyk, James Ketner, Mona Krupicka, Mildred Jeffers, Curt Knudson, Marge LaVallee, Ron Long (Brooksville), Dottie Maslowski, Evelyn Miller, Kathleen Moore, Dave Noll, John & Lucille Noveck, Virginia Pohlman, John Reinstetle, Carl Schoebel, Fran Smith, Charles & Pat Steinbach, Hank & Jan Whitt.

(If a name is **bold** and underlined, it indicates that this name has just been added to our list).

Please place this top portion in the offering plate if you will be attending the Outreach Initiative on April 5th at Grace Lutheran Church in Winter Haven.

Name(s): _____

Phone:(h) _____ (c) _____

__Yes, I (we) will attend

__Yes, I (we) would like to carpool

Please place this bottom portion in the offering plate if you would like to reserve an Easter lily for the altar on Sunday, April 20th. The deadline for ordering is April 6th.

Given by: _____

_____ **in honor of:** _____

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