

The Parish Messenger

March 2018 Newsletter

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR

HADDONFIELD, NJ







IHOC Overnight and Meal Hosts Volunteers Needed Mar 4-10

123 Building in Blackwood will be hosting the 10 homeless men in the Interfaith Homeless Outreach Council program of Camden County and they need our help! Here's what is still needed.

Celebrating Twenty-six Years 1991-2017

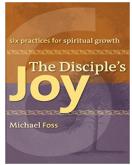
- IHOC will serve as Overnight Hosts from 7:00 pm to 7:00 am, spending time with the men and sleeping overnight with them before they leave at 6:30 am.
- 3 Dinner Hosts from 6:00-7:00 pm to make, and possibly, eat dinner with the men who arrive back to 123. Dinners are needed on Sunday, march 4, Wednesday, March 7 and Friday, March 9. The case workers have said that this is an absolutely wonderful group of men, probably the best they have ever had.
- 1 Lunch Provider who will donate groceries or hoagies for men to prepare lunch on Sunday, March 4 at noon. (Lunchmeat, chips, fruit, etc.)

There is a sign up in the narrhex outside the sanctuary or you can call Sandy in the church office to find out what volunteer options are still open that you can provide. Thank you in advance for all those who are able to help out as we expand our social ministry outreach ministry.

God Needs You! Volunteer Expo in Parish Hall from 9:00-10:30 on Mar 4

The Volunteer Expo went so well in the fall we are holding it again this winter! The various ministry teams at Our Savior will have tables set up displaying the programs and events associated with that area of ministry as well as provide members and guests an opportunity to sign up as a regular member of the team or to participate in an upcoming event. Volunteers are vital to Our Savior continuing to provide a vibrant and thriving ministry and we hope you will plan to stay after or come early for worship to see how you might use your gifts this year through one of the many volunteer opportunities Our Savior's program ministry provides.





"The Disciple's Joy" is Our Book/Theme for Lenten Soup Suppers Beginning Feb 21 @ 6:00

Focusing on the powerful theme of discipleship, *The Disciple's Joy* explores the joy of faith, helping readers discover joy in the midst of struggle. Author Michael Foss explores the benefits of practicing discipleship and shows, through recent research, how a practicing faith provides meaning, belonging, and joy. Pastor Wayne will lead the gathering of diners in a large group discussion of that week's assigned readings as well as facilitate small group table conversations during the hour. Held every Wednesday in Lent from February 21 through March 21 participants are invited to

Held every Wednesday in Lent from February 21 through March 21 participants are invited to gather for a soup dinner at 6:00 followed by discussion of that week's reading from 6:30-7:30 Each week's reading will be published in the Sunday bulletin. Copies of the book are available for \$20 each and can be purchased through the Church Office now.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Our Savior is a faith community that worships Jesus as our Lord, proclaims and shares God's Word, welcomes all people, serves human needs, and nurtures personal and spiritual growth through fellowship all to the glory of God.



"Collective Effervescence or Mob Mentality?" By Pastor Wayne Zschech

DISCLAIMER: The following Pastor's article expresses the views and opinions of a pastor who has also been, and will be a life-long Eagles fan. With that said, you can only imagine my joy upon watching this year's Super Bowl LII. I was exuberant! And after not attending the 2008 Phillies World Series Champions Parade I was not about to miss this one. We arrived early and got a great spot right on the fence, and along with hundreds of others surrounding us, we high-fived players

walking the route and waved to those on the buses. E-A-G-L-E-S! The whole street was filled with joy and excitement as the parade went by. We were bubbling over with happiness and pride. Sociologists call this experience one of "collective effervescence." Even if you weren't a diehard Eagles fan you couldn't help but feel the excitement in the air. Later we watched the rest of the parade televised and couldn't believe how many people had filled the parade route and side streets around Broad Street and the Ben Franklin Parkway. 700,000? I wouldn't want that person for an usher counting worship attendance on Sundays! There had to be millions crowding the streets that day just to watch the Eagles go by and listen to their comments on being Super Bowl Champions.

That experience made me wonder if that was what it was like for the people of Israel on that first Palm Sunday when Jesus rode into Jerusalem riding on a donkey. Jesus had become a celebrity among the people, healing the sick, feeding the hungry, welcoming the outcasts of society. Did they feel the same collective effervescence as they shouted, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" Palm Sunday was the Israelites Messiah Parade and the people were overjoyed with this Galilean rabbi and healer who many were calling the Messiah. It is interesting how quickly their collective effervescence turned into the emotions associated with that of a mob mentality. When Jesus doesn't rally the thousands of Jews in Jerusalem to overthrow the Roman occupiers, the same people who praised his entry to Jerusalem, now call for him to be crucified. How quickly a crowd can move from exuberant joy to destructive violence. While there were various accounts of inebriated fans perpetrating vandalism and destruction of property along the Eagles parade route the number was small in comparison to the size of the crowd. Yet, what would have happened if the Eagles had decried the fans instead of celebrating them? What if Jason Kelce's speech had sounded more like Jesus' Sermon on the Mount than - well, than Jason Kelce? Would the crowd have begun to shout, "Trade him! Trade him!"

This year as we enter into Holy Week we have the unique perspective of what it feels like to either be a part of or witness both collective effervescence and some mob mentality. Maybe it will allow us to become more engaged with the story of Jesus' Passion as read dramatically on Palm/Passion Sunday. Maybe it will enable us to picture ourselves both waving palms as well as crying "Crucify him!" And maybe it will also give us the opportunity to experience the joy of the Resurrection in a way we never have before. Real. Relevant. Not just a collective effervescence of the hundreds who attend that day, but a joy that transforms our lives and gives us the courage to take up our cross as we follow our risen Lord. See you on Sunday.



7 Week Bible Discussion for Daily Living on Job Begins March 5/7; **Drop-Ins Welcome!**

The Adult Bible Discussion for Daily Life will begin a new discussion on the Old Testament book of Job beginning the week of March 5. Job is one character of the Old Testament many people may refer to when going through hard times, but how many of us really know the story as written in the Bible? Does God really create human suffering? Is suffering a punishment for sin? Join us for a lively discussion each week to discover the details of Job's story and how it relates to our own. Even if you can only make one discussion your under-

standing of how God engages with human suffering will be enhanced.

The tentative schedule, topics, and associated readings are as follows:

Mar 5/7: Job's First Test (1:1-22)

Mar 12/14: Job Must Have Sinned (8:1-22) Mar 19/21: Job Is Self-Deceived (11:1-20) Mar 26/28: Job Ponders the Wicked (21:1-34) Apr 9/11: "I Am Innocent!" (31:1-40) Apr 23/25: Job Must Be Guilty (32:1-33)

Apr 30/May 1: Job Is Restored (42:7-17)

Attend either Mondays from 7:30-9:00 or Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:00, both in Room 112 on the first floor past the main office. No prior attendance is required to gain insight and value from the discussion. Just drop on in. Bibles are available if you don't have one. See you in March and April!

Soup is need for our Soup Suppers in Lent. Please go to the link below to sign

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F044CA8A929AAFA7-lenten1



Sistering: A Lenten Devotional Evening

Join Sisters in Spirit this month as we take a closer look at that word *Sisters* in our name. From the world of structural engineering we learn that we can renew and strengthen a structure by adding an additional joist alongside one needing support, a process called *sistering*.

Gather with us on Friday, March 16, 7:00-8:30 for a devotional evening exploring this concert of *sistering* in the Bible and in our own lives. We'll meet in the LCOS parlor for an evening of discussion, prayer and fellowship. All are welcome!

An RSVP to Connie at <u>conniemattwolf@msn.com</u> is helpful, but last minute participants are always welcome!



Christmas Generosity & Gratitude!

I had the pleasure of being the witness to such incredible generosity from our churches and the honor of being thanked by our children, families, and staff on your behalf.

Only because of you, the Christmas Promise Store shelves were well stocked. Thank you to all who donated Christmas gifts and included UrbanPromise in your prayers and the sharing of your resources. You are truly a blessing!



Pantry Volunteers Through April

Thank you to our February Volunteers: Marianne Aponte, Steve & Debbie Cain, Gerry Murphy, Lynn



Block, The DeMichele Family, The Deery Family, Millie King

Week of Mar 4: **Marianne Aponte, Steve & Debbie Cain, Gerry Murphy**

Week of Mar 11: The Gallagher Family

Week of Mar 18: The Bridges-Hoffman Family

Week of Mar 25: Jill & Jake Heilman

Week of Apr 1: Marianne Aponte, Steve & Debbie Cain, Gerry Murphy

Week of Apr 8:	
Week of Apr 15:	
Week of Apr 22:	
Week of Apr 29:	

A huge thank you to all who have donated, and to the 13 families and 4 individuals who volunteer to pack and deliver food to our Pantry Families.

Please contact Lynn Block, Pantry Coordinator, if you have any questions, recommendations, or you can fill in the blank spaces: blockstar59@ hotmail.com or 609-238-7419.

PANTRY NEEDS: MARCH



All donations welcome.
Special Needs: Tuna/
Hamburger Helper, jelly,
canned tomatoes, canned
carrots, cereal, toilet paper





Dear Pastor Wayne,

Please except my heartfelt thanks for the beautiful storage box for my Father's military service flag. I was very moved that the church

would do that for me and my family. It is a very thoughtful way to be honored and the flag looks grand. My immediate family (children, son-in-law, grand'kids) and my brother, 3 sisters and their families were all so impressed to see it. Of course, I was especially glad to have my Dad's flag fly over the LCOS garden for a year. I think your idea of honoring the flags of church members & families is inspired. Many thanks to Jon Batchelor for his thought to box the flag - he has long experience in honoring those who have served; and special thanks to Lisa Quanci who spent a long time ironing and preparing my Father's flag for the memorial box. I appreciate her efforts, especially as she is an active, committed & awarded USO Volunteer. My appreciation to all, Don Miano

March 2018 Social Ministry News Pam DiDario



MY FATHER'S HOUSE: Meals are needed for My Father's House during 2018. Please contact Ruth Friant at 856-429-8018 or friantr@yahoo.com to schedule a convenient date for you to prepare a meal. Drivers are also needed to deliver the meals.

DEODORANT & SOCKS NEEDED FOR CARING HEARTS MINIS-

TRY: LCOS Social Ministry Committee is sponsoring a deodorant and socks

collection for Caring Hearts Ministries Spring Fling/Easter Give-A-Way. We have committed to collect several dozen deodorants for both men and women. Also needed are new pairs of socks for men, women and children. **Due date for donations is April 1**st. Please drop off your donation in the collection box on the shelf outside Parish Hall. Thank you in advance.

SPRING FLING/EASTER GIVE-A-WAY will be hosted by Caring Hearts on Friday April 6, 2018. A healthy meal, party, and needed items for these children and their families will be provided. Hope to see you there! For more information, contact Jane Evans at 429-2899 or jbenjee@msn.com or Betsy Kuehn at 429-3355 or betsy406@comcast.net.

IHOC MALL WALK FOR THE HOMELESS: Interfaith Homeless Outreach Council (IHOC) is sponsoring a Mall Walk on Sunday, February 25th. The one hour walk begins at 2:30pm. Proceeds help provide homeless people with room & meals, counseling, training, and caring support. This is a great family event with entertainment including face painting, jugglers, magician and clowns. Flyers are available in the Narthex, or call Pam DiDario at 609-276-5144 for more information.

MEALS AND OVERNIGHT HOSTS NEEDED FOR IHOC: LCOS has committed to provide 3 meals/day for IHOC participants from March 4th – March 10th. The men will be staying at the 123 Building in Blackwood. We have openings for 3 dinners, 0 breakfasts, and 1 lunch. Breakfast food, and bag lunch food, can be dropped off at LCOS by 3pm the prior day. Dinner meals are prepared and served at the host church. The dinner cooks are expected, but not required, to eat with the men and stay until the overnight host arrives. It's a very rewarding experience! For more information, call Pam DiDario at 609-276-5144.

MEETING DATES: We meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month (except July, August, and January) at 7pm in Room 112. 2018 meeting dates: 3/6, 4/3, 5/1, 6/5, 9/4, 10/2, 11/6, 12/4.

Lent & Easter Books



Jesus, keep me near the cross, there a precious fountain free to all, a healing stream flows from Calvary's mountain - Fanny Crosby, 1869

Walk with Jesus, come pick out a book and read about Lent & Easter.

~The Library Ladies





Dear Sisters In Spirit,

I want to thank you so much for the cards filled with love, thoughts and blessings that I receive during the year. It means so much to know that you are thinking of me, and I know others too!

Sincerely, Doris Rell

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Music at LCOS



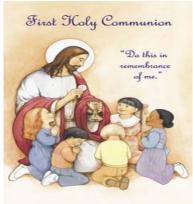
ChildrenSong Spring Serenade March 25, 2018 at 4:00 PM

Directed by Polly Murray, this highly acclaimed Haddonfield-based Children's Choir will present a program of diverse choral music. Welcome in the spring with this concert, involving children and youth ages 8 – 18. Accompanied and a cappella music from folk songs to spirituals and Broadway tunes will warm your hearts. Celebrate the spring with us with eclectic choral music and a post-concert reception.

Bach Vespers Our Savior Adult and Youth Choirs with Orchestra April 22, 2018 at 4:00 PM

Johann Sebastian Bach used his outstanding musical gifts to express the human condition and communicate God's love and grace. Regardless of your spiritual background, come be refreshed and nourished through this transformative experience. Join us for an inspiring musical and spiritual end to the season and a post-service reception.





Two Options to Attend 1st Communion 1-Day Class for 2nd Graders

Anyone with a child in either the Second or Third Grade (who did not attend last year) is invited to participate in the First Holy Communion Instruction seminar to be held during Lent. There are two options to attend the three-hour class; Sunday, February 25, from Noon-3:30 or Saturday, March 3 from 9:00-12:30 or. Lunch will be included for those coming early on Sunday or staying late on Saturday with the class beginning at 12:30 on Sunday or ending at noon on Saturday if you are not eating lunch with the group. Participating children and parent need to contact Jaime Frazier (jaimfraz@gmail.com) if they plan to attend to insure proper set up and sufficient supplies.

Participants will then receive their First Holy Communion at the 10:30 worship on March 18 with the bread used for Eucharist being made by one of the families whose child is in the class.

The Labyrinth Coming to LCOS March 26-29



The Labyrinth, an ancient sacred symbol and tool for prayer and meditation, will be available at the Lutheran Church of Our Savior from Monday, March 26 to Thursday, March 29 in the Parish Hall. Hours will be 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. each day. There will be no night hours on

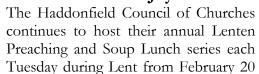
Thursday, April 13.

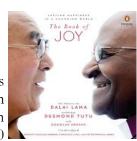
The Labyrinth: A Personal Journey is an audio-guided exploration designed to "tune out" our daily distractions and "tune in" to God's message for us.

The CD-guided walk takes approximately one hour. Mediations, background music and instructions are on the CD, which you listen to through headphones. All equipment is provided. There is no charge.

Volunteers are needed to set-up on Saturday March 24 from 10:00 am- noon. Also needed are hosts from Monday, March 26 through Thursday, March 29 in 2-hour shifts and clean-up at 5:00 PM Thursday, March 29. Sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex starting Sunday, March 12. Training will be Sunday, March 25 after the 10:30 Worship Service. Please contact Cathe Bare if you have any questions - 609-238-6527, b45away@gmail.com

Lent Community Preaching Series Tuesdays Theme: "The Book of Joy"





to March 27 at Grace Episcopal Church, 19 Kings Highway East, Haddonfield, beginning at noon. Following the 30 minute preaching service provided by a different Haddonfield pastor each week participants are invited to enjoy a soup lunch in Grace Church's Fellowship Hall.

This year, the theme is based on the book "The Book of Joy." The topics for each Tuesday's sermons will include the following:

Humor: Laughter, Joking is much better

Acceptance: The only place where change can begin

Forgiveness: Freeing ourselves from the Past

Gratitude: I am fortunate to be alive

Compassion: Something we want to become

Generosity: We are filled with joy

2018 Coffee Hour Schedule

Mar. 4 – Mission Quilts

Mar. 11 – Outreach & Fellowship Committees, Greeters

Mar. 18 - First Holy Communion - Cake

Mar. 25 – Social Ministry

Apr. 1 – NO COFFEE HOUR - Easter

Apr. 8 – Sisters~In~Spirit

Apr. 15 – Confirmation & Oasis

Apr. 22 - Christian Ed Committee & Sunday School

April 29 - Cherub, Children & Youth Choirs

May 6 - Congregation Resources & Counters

May 13 - NO COFFEE HOUR (MOTHER'S DAY PANCAKE BREAK-

FAST) - Confirmation

May 20 - Memorial Gift Board

May 27 - Worship & Music & Communications Committees

June 3 - CONFIRMATION RECEPTION

June 10 - Ushers & Lay Readers

June 17 – Donuts for Dad (Last Official Coffee Hour)

Communion Bread Baker

Thank you for making bread for Communion at the rail!

March - Cathe Bare





Messenger Helpers: Thanks to: Jane Evans, Dottie Powell, Janice Bellenghi, Laura Oakes, Janie Braccio, Millie King, Marianne Aponte, Caryl Wallace, Deb Hartigan and Linda Monsen for helping to assemble the Messenger.

Offering Data **Entry Team**

Thank you to Marianne Aponte, Jane Evans, Luanne Fogelson, Millie



King, and Linda Monsen for volunteering to post the offerings in the computer.



Sandy will be on vacation from February 18 - February 25.

Easter Lily Memorials

Each year the altar is decorated with lilies for the Easter Services. If you would like to donate a lily in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a special occasion, please fill out the form below and enclose a check for \$25, made payable to "LCOS Altar Guild". The lilies are delivered to our homebound members and nursing home residents on Monday, April 2. The deadline for ordering is Sunday, March 18.

In memory of	
In honor of	
Relationship of donor to memorialized one (s)	

Please return to the church office no later than Sunday, March 18.

March 2018 Regular Events

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SUNDAYS	MONDAYS	TUESDAYS				
8:00 AM, 9:15 AM and	6:30 - 8:30 PM	10:30 AM Pastors'	9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	8:30 AM	7:00-8:30 PM	10:00-12:15 (9:30-
10:30 AM Sunday	ChildrenSong	Pericope	Bible Study Room	Handyman's Group	Toastmasters Jr.	12:30) Bilingual
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9:00AM Coffee Hour	7:30 PM - 9:00 PM	3:30 PM Staff		6:00-7:30 PM Grief		Jersey, Inc 3rd Floor
9:00 AM Children's	Bible Study -	Meeting	4:00 PM Tai Chi	"Early Endings"		derect, mer e ricer
Choir	Room 112			***************************************		
11:40 AM Youth Choir	ROOM 112			7:00 PM - 8:00 PM		
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11:50 AM – 12:20						
Cherub Choir				8:00 PM - 9:30 PM		
12:20 PM Youth Bell		į,		Adult Vocal Choir		
Choir			V	Addit vocal choir		
6:30 PM						
Confirmation/Oasis						

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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4 Campbell Baptism 9:15-10:30 AM	5 2:00 Local Vocal	6 7:00 PM Social Ministry Mtg.	7 6:00 PM Lenten Soup Supper	9:30 AM Mission Quilts	9	10 3:00 Gerlock Court of Honor – Sanctuary & Parish Hall
Volunteer Expo. 4:00 PM Adult/Children's Music Festival- HUMC		7:00 PM Toastmasters		Last Grief Support	uta.	
6:30 PM Confirmation Adult Huddle				¥		
Meals	And	Overnight	Hosts	For	IHOC	
11 Daylight Savings Time Begins	12	13 11:00-3:00 Haddonfield Garden Club	14 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Singing Angels	15 Messenger Deadline No Choir Rehearsal	16 7:00 PM S~I~S Lenten Devotional - parlor	17 St. Patrick's Day Littleton Funeral & Reception
10:30 AM Blessing of the Quilts		7:00 PM Toastmasters	6:00 PM Lenten Soup Supper	7:00 Toastmasters		
Tables of 8		7:00 PM Church Council				
IHOC	Pauline	Vacation	3/12 – 3/14	Pauline Conference	Durham, NC	04
18 First Holy Communion	19	20 SW Cluster/District Mtg.	21 6:00 PM Lenten Soup Supper	22 Messenger Mailing	23	24
Confirmation Play Event		12:45 PM Senior Game Day				
		7:00 PM Toastmasters				
25 Palm Sunday	26 10:00-4:00	27 10:00-4:00	28 10:00-4:00	29 Maundy Thursday	30 Good Friday 12:00-3:00 PM	31 9:00-12:00 Choir Rehearsal
4:00 ChildrenSong Spring Serenade Concert	Labyrinth 6:00-8:00 Labyrinth	Labyrinth 6:00-8:00 Labyrinth	6:00-8:00 Labyrinth 10:00 AM – 12:00	10:00-4:00 Labyrinth	Town-wide Good Friday Service Haddonfield United Methodist Church	Oasis Easter Egg Hunt
	-		PM Singing Angels	12:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service	12:00-5:00 Blood Drive	
				7:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service	7:30 PM Good Friday Service	

THE HADDONFIELD CHOIR AND HYMN FESTIVAL



An Inspiring Service of Worship in Song

Sunday March 4, 2018 4:00pm

Haddonfield United

Methodist Church

29 Warwick Rd., Haddonfield, NJ

Over 120 singers from Haddonfield Area Churches join their voices in song

- Combined Adult Choir
- D Combined Children's Choir
- Classic and World Hymns Sung by All

Free Will Offering to Benefit





Fellowship together provides opportunities for the congregation to get together outside of worship to share life together. We are looking for people interested in promoting small group opportunities in our church. If you have an interest in helping out or have an idea which may allow people to get together outside of worship please contact Kate Zschech at 856-470-0939 kzschech66@gmail.com. Our current event The Tables of Eight nights provide an opportunity to gather in a home and share a meal together. We have enough couples for two tables so we are modifying our schedule to two months. February 11 and March 11. We look forward to expanding this next year as the interest grows.





SAMARITAN GRIEF SUPPORT TO CONTINUE AT LCOS IN 2018

Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice Center for Grief Support will continue to offer Healthcare & Hospice professional facilitating for sessions in 2018 to help those who are grieving.

Daughters Without Mothers group for adult women grieving the loss of their mother will be eight consecutive Tuesdays from May 22 to July 10 from 6-7:30 p.m. in the

Parlor, unless otherwise indicated.

The sessions are open to all. There is a \$40 fee to cover all eight sessions. LCOS members are encouraged to attend and share their experiences that may help others. Pre-registration is required through Samaritan's toll free at **800-596-8550**.

Samaritan was named a 2015 Deyta Hospice Honors Elite recipient, the only hospice in New Jersey and one of only 39 nationwide, to receive that recognition. Deyta is a national data collection company.

Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice offers a wide range of services to support patients and families dealing with end-of -life issues. Many of those services are not eligible for insurance reimbursement.

Through generous donations, Samaritan has been able to sustain a 35-year promise not to turn away anyone due to inability to pay.

You can donate online at <u>samaritannj.org/donate</u> or by sending a check to Samaritan Healthcare & Hospice, 5 Eves Dr., Suite 300, Marlton, NJ 08053.





Together, we can save a life

The American Red Cross New Jersey Region

Blood Donor Ambassadors

The American Red Cross New Jersey Region has volunteer opportunities to help at blood drives within your community.

Candidates should be customer-service orientated, have flexible schedules, and be willing to work 5-hour shifts.

Blood Transportation Specialists

Volunteers are needed to transport blood from community blood drives to the Red Cross Blood Services Center located at 700 Spring Garden Road in Philadelphia. Candidates must be reliable and have flexible schedules. Mileage and toll reimbursement available.

To volunteer, visit <u>redcross.org/NJ</u> or contact Volunteer Manager Bea Frost at <u>Bea.Frost@redcross.org</u> or 856-365-7100, ext. 231.



\$2,500 Matching Gift Offer Can Double Lenten Self-Denial Almsgiving Funds for Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack Donation

Last year the congregation and guests of Our Savior donated over \$8,300 in Lenten Self-Denial Offering change, contributions, and matching funds toward the Haddonfield Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack fundraising goal of \$60,000. This year the goal has doubled to \$120,000 and the potential to give another significant gift has doubled! Two of our

generous members have offered to match donations up to \$2,500 each for every dollar donated toward the FMSC Mobile Pack this year. Here's how you can make your donations during Lent and/or before the Mobile Pack Event on April 20-22.

- 1. Go to <u>www.ittakesavillage-fmsc.com</u> and click on the Donate Online link to make your donation. Print out your donation amount so we can have a record of your donation to go toward the \$2,500 goal.
- 2. Use the Simply Giving link on Our Savior's webpage and indicate your donation toward FMSC where indicated.
- 3. Write a check or make a cash donation in one of the FMSC Envelopes that will be available throughout the narthex and at the Usher's Tables in the sanctuary. Make checks payable to LCOS and write FMSC in the Memo section.
- 4. Use the Lenten Self-Denial banks available beginning Ash Wednesday on February 14 to collect your change over Lent as well as the money you would have spent on something you are denying yourself for the sake of the hungry in our world. Bring your banks in on Palm Sunday, March 25 to be received during the Offering.

Holy Week and Easter Satisfy More Than One's Sweet Tooth

Holy Week is the most meaningful time in the Christian year. From the celebration of Jesus' triumphal entry in Jerusalem on Palm Sunday to his institution of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday and crucifixion on Good Friday to our celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord on Easter we hear the stories central to our Christian faith. The celebration of Holy Week and Easter revives our baptismal faith in the hope a crucified and risen Lord offers to all who follow him from the font. Here are the list of worship opportunities and each one's focus. Please share it with someone you know who needs to hear a word of hope. Invite them to join you this year as we gather for worship.



March 25 Palm/Passion Sunday (8:00, 9:15, 10:30): Palms are distributed to all attending and a palm processional begins the worship. The Passion (Christ's crucifixion) according to Mark will be dramatically read with actions by various people from the congregation in addition to worship leaders. Please note the worship times are the same as usual. Those interested in providing the dramatic reading/presentation of the Passion need to contact Austen Wilson.

March 29 Maundy Thursday (Noon & 7:30): This is the first of what the ancient Church considered a three part worship that moves from Maundy Thursday to Good Friday to the Vigil of Easter or Easter celebration. There are three foci for this evening worship, Confession and Forgiveness, Jesus' new commandment (mandate or Maundatum) to love one another, and the institution of the Lord's Supper. Worshippers are invited to receive the laying on of hands for the forgiveness of sins at the beginning of the service. The stripping of the altar concludes the service as a reminder of the stripping and whipping Jesus received on our behalf on the night he was betrayed and arrested.





ly Week. Your faith will be renewed when you do.

March 30 Good Friday (Noon Ecumenical at Haddonfield United Methodist): This three hour community wide worship focuses on the seven last words of Christ found in the various four gospels. Pastors from within Haddonfield share in the preaching the seven sermons and a choir with opera quality singers offer a musical interpretation of the same words from the cross from Dubois. It is inspiring whether you attend for all or part of the worship. Pastor Wayne will be preaching the 4th Word.

March 30 Good Friday (7:30 Tenebrae at Our Savior): This "service of shadows" places extreme emphasis on the cross of Christ and is marked by a somber tone. Lights are dimmed as the candles representing Christ's last words are extinguished and the congregation again leaves the worship in silent and meditative reflection.

April 1 The Resurrection of Our Lord (8:00, 9:30, 11:00): All three worship offerings will be identical with Holy Communion offered at all three. The alleluia of song returns to the liturgy and hymnody after a long absence during Lent. Those attending the 8:00 worship also participate in a brief component of the Vigil of Easter worship where the light of Christ symbolized as the Christ Candle enters our lives at the beginning of this worship. The baptismal font also returns to front and center in the chancel as the life giving waters of the Resurrection now begin to flow again. Every Christian owes it to him or herself to participate in the various worship opportunities of Ho-



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Pack With Pastor at Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack Event April 20-22;

Online Registration Begins March 1

Mark your calendars now for April 20-22 to join Pastor Wayne Zschech along with 1,500 packers to participate in the Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack event. This year's goal is a half million meals packed and volunteers are needed from age 5 and older to help. The venue has changed to the Cherry Hill Armory located on Park Street just off of Grove Street. Volunteers are need to unload the trucks and set up on Friday and the first packing session will begin that Friday night followed by sessions beginning Saturday at 8:00 am until Sunday at 8:00 pm. Pastor Wayne has seen first-hand the impact FMSC meals make in the lives of starving children when he visited Haiti three years ago with a group from First Presbyterian Church through the mission group Healing Haiti. THE CHALLENGE! We had 90 volunteers last year. How about 100 in 2018! In 2 hours each person will pack 216 Manna Pack meals that will feed between 1,300-2,500 chil-For more information go www.ittakesavillage-fmsc.com and watch the "Hope Starts With Food" video to get an overview of the difference your efforts over the April 20-22 weekend will make.

Want to volunteer? There are two ways to do so.

- Click on the Volunteer link from the <u>www.ittakesavillage-fmsc.com</u> website ON OR AFTER MARCH 1or follow the link on Our Savior's website to register with LCOS FMSC Team.
- 2. Sign up after church in the narthex and have your name added to the team.

Can you think of a more productive way to spend two hours on a weekend that will make the difference in the lives of so many children? See you April 20-22!



March Worship Leaders & Volunteers

Altar Guild: Joannie Johnson, Deb Hartigan Bread Baker: Cathe Bare

Communion Assistants: 8- Sandy DeDonatis

10:30- John Drozdal

Counters: Eva, Stacey & Kim Shaw, Debbie Roncace, Janie Braccio Ushers: 8- Chuck & Tracey Hobbs (March 11 - Jim & Jane Evans) 10:30- Craig Roncace, Harvey Shaw

(March 25 - Craig & Debbie Roncace)

March 4

Coffee Hour: Mission Quilts

Readers: 8- Kristine Pensabene 10:30- Lindsay Burtcel

Greeters: 8- Jim & Jane Evans **10:30**- Linda Powell, Paul Knauer

Acolytes: 8- Rob LaBarge, Alyssa Monti, Joseph Poliafico 10:30- Luke Fabian, Christina Schaffer, Julia Kiewel,

Bobby Bridges, Grayson & Amelia Wright

Pantry: Marianne Aponte, Steve & Debbie Cain, Gerry Murphy

March 11

Coffee Hour: Outreach & Fellowship Committees, Greeters

Readers: 8- Kate Zschech 10:30- Cathe Bare

Greeters: 8- Janice Bellenghi **10:30**- Janie Braccio

Acolytes: 8- Rob LaBarge, Logan Gebhart, Jack Turner

10:30- Caitlin Hargrave, Sidney & Nathan Speas,

Seba Miller, Luke Riley

Pantry: The Gallagher Family

March 18

Coffee Hour: First Holy Communion Cake Readers: 8- Rebecca Potterfield 10:30- Dave Wyche Greeters: 8- Peg Hartmann 10:30- Gary Visconti, Deb Hartigan

Acolytes: 8:00- Rob LaBarge, Andrew & Alex Pietrangelo

10:30- Olivia & Ethan Roncace, Rex Cottone, Wyatt Needham, Hannah Stauss

Pantry: The Bridges-Hoffman Family

March 25

Coffee Hour: Social Ministry

Readers: 8:00- Dan Picker 10:30- Julie Frederick

Greeters: 8:00- Nancy & Jim Frazier

10:30- Stacey Shaw, Connie Wolf

Palms: 8:00- Jim & Jane Evans 10:30 Paul Knauer, Millie King

Acolytes: 8:00- Rob LaBarge, JoAnna & Jessica Howley **10:30**- Zach Clark, Elena Bovell, Emily Demers, Sarah Bogina

Pantry: Jill & Jake Heilman



I am very excited to announce that Sophia Howard, Hailey Melcher and myself will be attending the **ELCA National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX.** We will be leaving June 27 and returning July 1st. This is the first time anyone has attended this event from LCOS in 12 years. It will be a great chance to serve and praise God with other Lutheran Youth in the ELCA. Please keep us in prayer as we prepare to attend this amazing event!

Oasis Meeting in March from 6:30 to 8:00pm.

March 4

March 11

March 18

March 25

Remember Oasis is opened to all 9th to 12th graders, please bring friends! I hope to see you then!

Easter Egg Hunt!

On March 31st at 4:00pm at Radnor Field in Haddonfield, Oasis will be hosting an Easter Egg for Sunday School aged kids. Please bring your basket for the Hunt. If you could donate any peanut free candy or plastic Easter Eggs, please let Jaime know at jaimfraz@gmail.com.



2018 Summer Mission Trip Interest Meeting February 25 @ 6:00

On Sunday night, February 25, at 6:00 there will be an interest meeting for both youth and parents on this year's Summer Mission Trip (SMT) to North Carolina. Any youth who will be 15 or older in 2018, along with his/her parents, is encouraged to attend this highly informational meeting about an event that has literally changed the lives of youth and adults participating. The dates for the SMT are scheduled for July 7-14 and the group looks forward to working again with the Goldsboro-Wayne Habitat for Humanity in Goldsboro North Carolina.

Over the last 11 years participants have framed floors, walls and roofs, installed siding and porch railings, built a handicap ramp, large sheds, painted doors and trim, landscaped, and even shingled a roofl. We typically stay in a church or ministry related building, sleeping on the floor and making our own meals while also enjoying some fun time in the evening. We hold one or two fundraisers prior to departure in order to make the required \$150/participant donation to HFH that goes toward building materials. The group is limited to 25 teens and five adults to insure sufficient work for the number of workers.

Parents ought to consider also participating regardless of your construction skills. Some adult volunteers have shopped and cooked rather than be on the jobsite, which greatly facilitates our time after work for devotions and fun activities. As mentioned above, it is a life changing event for any and all who participate. Come out on Sunday night, February 25 at 6:00pm and find out how.



HELP WANTED

The Handyman Group is in need of reliable, weekly volunteers on Thursday morning from 9:00 AM - 12:00 noon. We are a weekly men's fixit group dedicated to keeping the church in good working order. Please call the church office if you would like to volunteer, 856-429-5122 or



just come by any Thursday morning to help out. Donuts, coffee and fellowship provided. **It will be greatly appreciated!** Painting and purging will be the order of business in the coming months.

Attention Seniors! Senior Game Day

MARCH DATE IS: Tuesday, March 20 at 12:45 PM

~ Bingo, Pinochle, Bridge, Mexican Train ~

Come out and Have Fun! Food and drinks (soda) served

RSVP: Peg Hartmann 856-783-7004





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