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The Caller



Springing to Life in Lent

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

—Romans 6:1-7 (NRSV)

About two weeks ago I was informed that the first day of spring had arrived. As I looked outside that morning, I was getting some mixed messages about whether it had truly come. The constant rain of the last couple months was coupled with the fact that I still had to scrape my windshield in the morning.



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Important Dates

April 9, 10:15 a.m.
Intergen'al Gathering

April 16, 9 & 11:15 a.m.
Easter Worship
Sanctuary

April 19, 7:00 p.m.
PLU Torvend Lecture

From Intern Pastor Jake, continued...



But on the other hand I looked in my backyard and there were plants coming up that weren't there last year and ones that I didn't plant myself. As I approached these strange green shoots suspecting them to be some kind of weed, I pulled them up and an unexpected bulb came with them. What I thought was a weed turned out to be a green onion.

Besides it being the beginning of spring, we are also right in the middle of Lent. The word Lent actually means, "spring season." This is a time when plants come back from the death of winter. Likewise Lent is a time where we learn about our death and our new life in Christ. When we hear what Jesus will do for us on Good Friday, winter then be-

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comes part of the process that brings the resurgence and life of Easter. The death is necessary but it brings the message of Easter which is one of life and new possibilities.

Every church needs new possibilities. With an Easter mindset we are convinced that God is working in new and unexpected ways. We are expecting the Spirit to empower the body of Christ to be the hands and feet of God in the world. We are anticipating healing and hope in a world that is often clouded by pain, death and winter. And we can have confidence in this because our new life in Christ is happening now. It's not a reality for the distant future. Paul says in Romans 6 that sin and death no longer have dominion over

us. Instead, we live in the newness of grace and are alive to God in Christ Jesus. This new life is meant to be lived out in the world as God's new possibilities are seen in unexpected and life-changing ways.

May this promise lead us to be people of life and grace in the world.

Intern Pastor Jake

Grounds Work Party



Saturday, April 1st
at 9:00 A.M.

Bring your work gloves!

Narthex Task Force Update

As you may have observed, our narthex has a new look. We feel the lighter walls have created a brighter area and the new stain on the education wing door has added to that feeling! The refurbished windowsill stain has also created a cleaner look.

The new picture railings will allow artwork to be rotated easily. Our goal is to have spring scenes with some scripture additions in time for Easter.

Lastly, the new occasional chairs are here and the loveseat is on order. This is also brown but will have contrasting pillows to compliment the walls. The monies for these furnishings were authorized by Council & came from General Capital Funds.

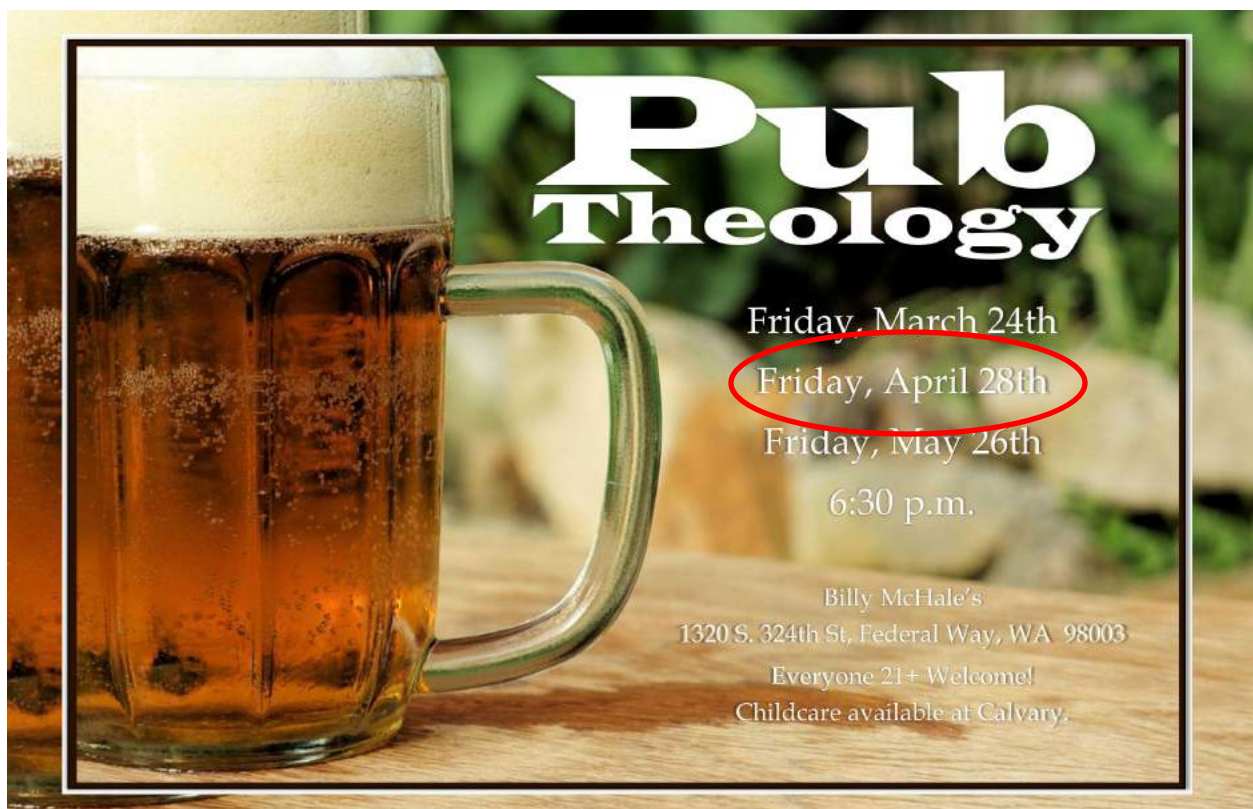
We sincerely thank and appreciate all that Phil Sell and his crew have done to make this transformation. This could not have been accomplished without their time, talents, and dedication.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact me or any of the NTF members.

Blessings & Peace,

Marcy Curtis
NTF Chairman

NTF members: Randy Baeth, Phyllis Dirks, Lin Fant, Nancy McEleney, Grace Schwartz, Kelly Thoreson, Shari Winslow, Madeline Yamada



Around the Community

Farewell and Thank You to Sarah Nelson

Our Media Coordinator for nearly 4 years, Sarah Arnold Nelson, served her last day on March 23rd at Calvary. We are grateful for her keen eye for high-quality graphic images, her 21st-century grasp of social media, and her resilient (sometimes wacky) sense of humor. Sarah set a high standard for creating attractive publications. We will miss hearing her boisterous laughter, her attention to the beauty of a well-constructed page, and (maybe not so much) her reminders about deadlines.



One final picture with Sarah on her last day.

New at the Calvary Library



Want to check out a new DVD to watch in the Lent into Easter season?

Chocolat is perfect. A mysterious confectioner appears with her young daughter in a

small European village just as Lent begins. The Mayor has committed himself and everyone else to the sacrificial rigors of the town's Catholic faith. The chocolatier's delicacies become both welcome temptation and an uncomfortable relief to the stoic villagers. Themes include chocolate, feasting, hospitality, foreigners, and chocolate. (Yes, we said "chocolate" twice.)



Red Wagon

On Palm Sunday, April 9th, we do our final collection of food and other items (don't forget the can openers!) for the Multi-Service Center. Remember the challenge is to bring 40 items for each of the 40 days of Lent. Questions? Contact: Carolyn Davis.



May Red Wagon rolls for Community Garden items including gloves and seed packets. See details in the Calvary Update.



Women's Ministries



Naomi Circle

Tuesday, April 4th
at 7:00 P.M.
Kathleen Parks,
Hostess

Contact:
Madeline Yamada



LWR Quilting Ministry

Monday, April 10th
at 10:00 A.M.
Learning Center #1

Contacts: Corky Black or
Madeline Yamada



Prayer Shawl Group

Monday, April 3rd
at 10:00 A.M.
Learning Center #2

Contact:
Deanna Kaasa



Lunch Bunch

Thursday, April 20th
at 11:30 A.M.
Poverty Bay Coffee

Contact:
Mary Helen Amberson

Special Event



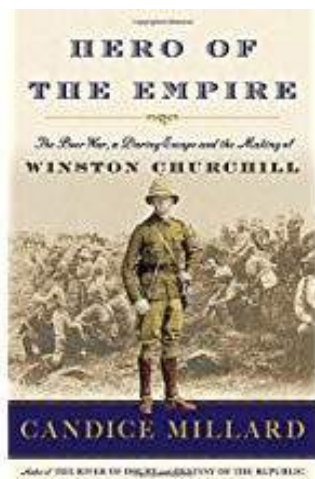
Wednesday Evening Educational Event: Persecution of Homosexuals in Nazi Germany

On Wednesday evening, April 19th, the Rev. Dr. Samuel Torvend, Pacific Lutheran University Chair in Lutheran Studies, will give his farewell lecture at 7 p.m. in the Scandinavian Cultural Center. The talk is titled "Hitler's Pink Victims: Robert Oelbermann and the Persecution of Homosexuals in Nazi Germany."



If you are interested in going and need a ride, contact Pastor Lori or Kyle Franklin.

Book Clubs



Men's Book Club

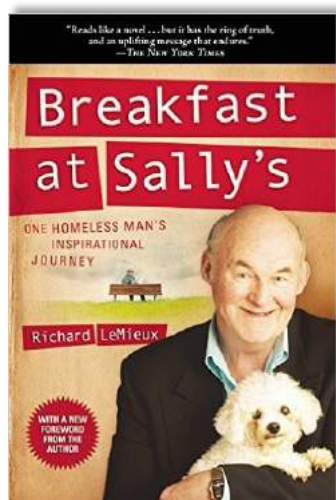
April Meeting: Thursday, April 13th, 2017 at 1:30 P.M.

April Book: *The Hero of the Empire*, by Candice Millard

May Meeting: Thursday, May 11th, 2017 at 1:30 P.M.

May Book: *The Secret Life of Lobsters*, by Trevor Corson

Contact: Larry Bengtson, Bill Johnson



Calvary Book Club

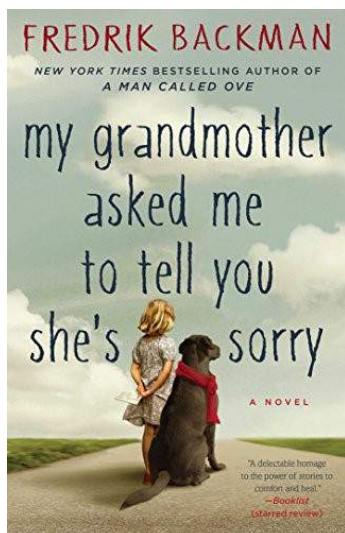
April Meeting: Monday, April 24th, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

April Book: [*Breakfast at Sally's: One Homeless Man's Inspirational Journey*](#)
by Richard Lemieux

May Meeting: Monday, May 22nd, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

May Book: [*My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry: A Novel*](#)
by Fredrik Backman

Contact: Gail Pierson



You're invited!

The Calvary Book Club would like you to join our group! We meet monthly (the fourth Monday) at 7:00 P.M. in the church library. We read a mixture of fiction, non-fiction, and classics.

We welcome new members. We welcome you to visit. Try us out! Even if you don't want to be a regular but a particular book is of interest to you, please join us for that meeting. ~Gail Pierson

Questions? Contact me!

Gail Pierson

Bible Studies

Sunday Forum

April 2nd: Worship Leader Refresher (Primer for Newcomers), Sanctuary

April 9th (Palm Sunday): Intergenerational Event with Easter Eggstravaganza, Social Hall

April 16: Easter Breakfast , Social Hall (No Forum)

April 23: Coming Together Worship, 10 a.m. (No Forum)



Tuesday Bible Study

Tuesdays at 10:00 A.M. in LC #1

This weekly Bible Study explores the Gospel according to Matthew.

April meeting dates: April 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th.

Facilitators: Pastor Lori Cornell, Intern Pastor Jake Schumacher



Midweek Bible Study

Midweek Bible Study will resume on Wednesdays between 10 and Noon, beginning April 19.

Led by Pastor Lori Cornell or Intern Pastor Jake Schumacher.

Men's Bible Study

Thursdays at 8:00 A.M.

The men are in the midst of study from The Great Courses,

[*Apocalypse: Controversies and Meaning Western History.*](#)

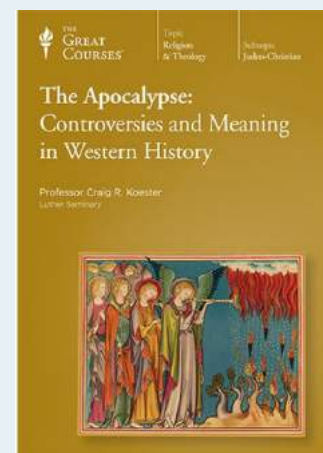
April 6th Poverty Bay Café,
1108 S. 322nd Place
Federal Way 98003

April 13th LC #2

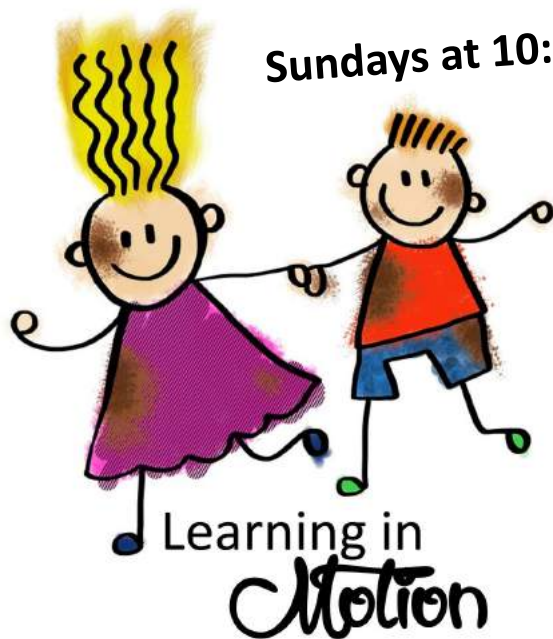
April 20th LC #2

April 27th LC #2

Facilitator: Bill Johnson



Intergenerational Ministries



April 9, Easter Eggstravaganza

Social Hall

April 16, Easter, No Rehearsal

April 22, Saturday, 10 am Dress

Rehearsal

April 23, 9am, Rehearsal

**10am, Play at “Coming
Together” Worship**

April 30, LC #2, Learning in Motion:

Post-Resurrection Stories

Easter Eggstravaganza

April 9th, 10:15 a.m.

Food, Crafts, Service Project,
& Easter Egg Hunt



Easter Breakfast

April 16th

9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

*raising funds for the
Holden Youth Weekend*



Church Business

A Report from Your Finance Team

2017	February	Year to Date	Total Planned	YTD % of Plan*
Income	\$24,810	\$59,714	\$413,636	14.4%
Expenses	\$31,476	\$64,150	\$413,636	15.5%
Net Ordinary Income	-\$6666	-\$4435		

* February is 17% of the year

2016 Data for Comparison			2016 Actual Results	
2016	February	Year to Date	2016 Total (Actual)	YTD % of Actual Total
Income	\$28,232	\$59,740	\$415,012	14.4%
Expenses	\$32,914	\$64,013	\$400,870	16.0%
Net Ordinary Income	-\$4682	-\$4274		

What's noteworthy?

At the end of February, year to date expenses exceeded income by \$4435. Note that in 2016 we were in a similar position. The situation will be monitored in the coming months with no specific action recommended at this time. Once a quarter the financial report will be included in a Sunday bulletin to provide greater visibility of the financial status to the congregation.

In February, we paid back \$70,000 of the \$100,000 loan taken in 2016 to help finance the roofing project. Mission Investment Fund has re-amortized our loan over the same period of time resulting in a decrease in our monthly mortgage payment from \$4232 to \$3685 effective April 1, 2017 (note: the payment was \$3902 prior to additional loan).

Thank you members and friends of Calvary
for supporting the mission of our congregation
with your hearts and your financial commitment.

Calvary Family & Milestones

Prayers for Members with Ongoing Health Issues

Blaine Anderson	Janet Freeman-Daily
Marion Beck	Jeanne Hotchkiss
Virginia Benson	Harold & Ardy Jobse
Marsha Case	Joann Jones
John & Pat Corliss	Marlise Ross
Yvonne Eagan	Grace Schwartz
Carrie Ferguson	Martha Smith

UPDATE

Welcome Steel Lake Presbyterian Church *but not quite yet...*

Steel Lake's arrival at Calvary has been delayed. We can expect to see them moving in in early June and to begin to worship in the Sanctuary in mid-June.

We look forward not only to welcoming SLPC to join us in our wonderful facility, but plan to give them a welcome reception once their first Sunday of worship has been determined.



An aerial view of Steel Lake's current location.

Birthdays

Judy Bengtson 04/01
Bonnie Nagode 04/02
Gerry Daily 04/03
Matt Winslow 04/04
Jeanne Hotchkiss 04/06
Sandy Klungness 04/06
Mary Ann Odne 04/08
Suzanne Prowse 04/09
Janet Freeman-Daily 04/13
Craig Hoppler 04/14
Sonja Kropp 04/15
Doris Rime 04/16
Patricia (Pat) Corliss 04/18
Allen Parke 04/18
Sue Snyder 04/20
Yvonne Eagan 04/21
Hannah Thoreson 04/22
Aileen Ambrose 04/23
Carrie Ferguson 04/24
Kathleen Parks 04/29
Raymond Holmes 04/30

Baptismal Anniversaries

Vivian Anderson
Heather Baker
Rose Baker
Virginia Benson
Corky Black
Mitchell Bugert
Steve Bugert
Dottie Corliss
Gerry Daily
Nancy Fallon
Janet Freeman-Daily
Doris Hauf
Emily Kropp
Sonja Kropp
Al Parke
Larry Reintsma
Becky Riddle
Glenn Sawyer
Vern Warmbo
Shari Winslow

Serving in Worship Schedule

April 2017	2	9	13	13	14	14
Sanctuary @ 9:00		Palm Sunday	Maundy Thursday 12 noon	Maundy Thursday 7 PM	Good Friday 12 noon	Good Friday 7 PM
Acolyte						
Assisting Minister	Madeline Yamada	Karin Johnson	Jill Hill	Craig Hoppler	Jake Schumacher	Phil Sell
Pew Communion	Marj Hause	Bill Johnson	Karin Johnson	Madeline Yamada		
Communion Assist	Dan Achman	Sherry Fleury	Diana Paris	Renate Cooper	no communion on Good Friday	
<i>serve juice on tray</i>	Bobbi McClain	Vicki Smith	Marlise Ross	Kathleen Parks		
<i>serve juice on tray</i>	Karin Johnson	Becky Riddle	Donna Wendelburg	Pat Roragen		
Greeter	Dixie Baeth	Kathleen Parks	Corky Black	Holly Fisher	Joyce Criss	Dottie Corliss
	Diana Paris	Doris Rime	Marsha Case	Vonne Fowler	Ellen Gaebe	Lynn Fisher
Reader	Carolyn Davis	Dixie Baeth	Karin Johnson	Marj Hause	Marlise Ross	Kathleen Parks
Usher	Holly Fisher	Dan Achman	Bill Johnson	Randy Baeth	Keith Klungness	Betty Huff
	Bill Johnson	Denise Achman		Ray Holmes		Bill Huff
Sound Board	Glenn Sawyer	Al Parke	Vern Warmbo	Al Parke	Vern Warmbo	Al Parke
Building Supervisor	Bill Johnson	Vern Warmbo	Bill Johnson	Randy Baeth	Keith Klungness	Phil Sell
Deeper Life @ 11:15						
Communion	Jill Hill	Paula Fowler				
Assist	Mary Sawyer	James Nichols				
Greeter	Jake Schumacher	Betty Pingeon				
Altar Guild	Kathy Nathan	Kathy Nathan	Gayle Miller	Gayle Miller		
	Cindy Wagner	Cindy Wagner	Mary Ann Odne	Mary Ann Odne		
	Jackie Russo (11:15)					
Hospitality	Diana Paris (9:00)	Eggstravaganza (9:00)				
	Waverly Hagen (11:15)	Waverly Hagen (11:15)				

Please find your own replacement, then notify the office. For future scheduling marj.calvaryelca@comcast.net

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Serving in Worship Schedule

April 2017	15	16	16	23	30
Sanctuary @ 9:00	Easter Vigil PM 7	Easter 9 AM	Easter 11:15	Coming Together Children's Play	
Acolyte	Jake Schumacher	Marj Hause	Jill Hill	Pat Roragen	Bobbi McClain
Assisting Minister	Marj Hause	Bobbi McClain	Jake Schumacher	Karin Johnson	Pat Roragen
Pew Communion	Neal Cook	Dottie Corliss	Paula Fowler	Neal Cook	Renate Cooper
Communion Assist	Sandra Cook	Ken Corliss	Waverly Hagen	Jim Higgins	Donna Wendelburg
<i>serve juice or tray</i>	<i>Diana Paris</i>	<i>Kathleen Parks</i>	<i>Mike Ragan</i>	<i>Sandra Cook</i>	<i>Holly Fisher</i>
<i>serve juice or tray</i>	<i>Al Parke</i>				
Greeter	Neal Cook	Barb Frost	Jean Nistad	Ellen Gaebel	Vonne Fowler
	Sandra Cook	Jean Warmbo	Betty Pingcon	Doris Rime	Nellie Gordon
Reader	Donna Wendelburg	Larry Reintisma	Gary Bergstrom	Amy Bunting	Ken Corliss
Usher	Randy Baeth	Bill Johnson	Al Hagen	Holly Fisher	Betty Huff
	Ray Holmes	Keith Klugness	James Nichols	Kelly Thoreson	Bill Huff
Sound Board	Craig Hoppler	Al Parke	Duane Sawyer	Duane Sawyer	Al Parke
Building Supervisor	Randy Baeth	Bill Johnson	Al Hagen	Vern Warmbo	Phil Sell
Deeper Life @ 11:15					
Communion Assistant					Waverly Hagen
Greeter					Mike Ragan
Altar Guild	Gayle Miller	Gayle Miller	Gayle Miller	<i>tha</i>	Jean Nistad
	Mary Ann Odne	Mary Ann Odne	Mary Ann Odne		<i>tha</i>
Hospitality				Sandra Cook (9:00)	Corky Black (9:00)
				Jill Hill (11:15)	Bonnie Nagode (11:15)

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April 2017 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 9:00 AM Grounds Work Party 10:00 AM Pew Cleaning/Sanctuary
2 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/ Communion/Sanctuary 10:15 AM Forum/Sanctuary 11:15 AM Deeper Life/ Communion/Great Room	3 9:00 AM Staff Mtg/ Work Room 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Group/LC #2 6:30 PM Deeper Life Band Rehearsal/ GreatRm 7:00 PM Peer-to-Peer Mental Health Sup- port Group/Fireside Rm	4 10:00 AM Tuesday Bible Study/LC #1 7:00 PM Managamen- t Team/WkRm 7:00 PM Naomi Circle/Kathleen Parks	5 12:00 PM Lenten Soup & Study/Social Hall 7:00 PM Lenten Worship/ Great Room	6 8:00 AM Men's Bible St/Poverty Bay Cafe 10:00 AM Coffee with Intern/ Poverty Bay Cafe 6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/ Loft 7:15 PM Calvary Choir Rehears- al/Sanctuary	7	8 10:00 AM Choir Cantata Rehearsal/ Sanctuary
9 PALM SUNDAY 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/ Communion/Sanctuary 10:15 AM Easter Eggstravaganza/ Social Hall 11:15 AM Deeper Life/ Communion/Great Room	10 9:00 AM Staff Mtg/ Work Room 10:00 AM LWR Quilting Group/LC #1 6:30 PM CYFM Team Mtg/Library 6:30 PM Deeper Life Band Rehearsal/ GreatRm 7:00 PM Family & Friends Mental Health Support Group/ Fireside Rm	11 10:00 AM Tuesday Bible Study/LC #1 7:00 PM Church Council/LC #1	12	13 MAUNDY THURSDAY 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study/LC #2 12:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service/Sanctuary 1:30 PM Men's Book Club/LC #1 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service/Sanctuary	14 GOOD FRIDAY 12:00 PM Good Friday Service/ Sanctuary 7:00 PM Good Friday Service/ Cantata/Sanctuary	15 7:00 PM Easter Vigil/Baker Bap- tism/Sanctuary
16 EASTER SUNDAY 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/ Communion/Sanctuary 9:30 AM Easter Pancake Break- fast/Social Hall 11:15 AM Deeper Life/ Communion/Sanctuary	17	18 10:00 AM Tuesday Bible Study/LC #1 7:00 PM Building & Grounds Teams/LC #1	19 10:00 AM Midweek Bible Study/Pastor's Office 7:00 PM PLU Lecture/ Sam Torrand	20 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study/LC #2 11:30 AM Lunch Bunch/Poverty Bay	21	22 10:00 AM Easter Play Rehearsal/ Sanctuary
23 9:00 AM Easter Play Rehearsal/ Sanctuary 10:00 AM Coming Together Service/Easter Play/Sanctuary 12:30 PM Council Retreat/ LC1&2	24 9:00 AM Staff Mtg/ Work Room 6:30 PM Deeper Life Band Rehearsal/ GreatRm 7:00 PM Book Club/ Library	25 10:00 AM Tuesday Bible Study/LC #1 7:00 PM Finance Tm/LC #1	26 10:00 AM Midweek Bible Study/Pastor's Office 6:30 PM Confirmation/ Library	27 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study/LC #2 10:00 AM Coffee with Intern/ Poverty Bay Cafe 6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/ Loft 7:15 PM Calvary Choir Rehears- al/Sanctuary	28 6:30 PM Pub Theology/Billy McHale's	29
30 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/ Communion/Sanctuary 10:15 AM Forum/Social Hall 10:15 AM Learning in Motion/ LC #2 11:15 AM Deeper Life/ Communion/Great Room						

Lent & Easter Activities in April

April 2, 9:00 & 11:15 a.m.
10:15 a.m.

Sunday Worship
Forum: Worship Leader Refresher

Sanctuary/Gr Rm
Sanctuary

Wednesday, April 5, Noon
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

Lenten Soup & Study
Holden Evening Prayer

Social Hall
Great Room

Holy Week Events

April 9, 9:00 & 11:15 a.m.
10:15 a.m.

Palm Sunday Worship
Intergenerational Event:
Eggstravaganza

Sanctuary/Gr Rm
Social Hall

April 13, Noon & 7:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Worship

Sanctuary

April 14, Noon & 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday Worship
*Prayers for Healing
after each service*

Sanctuary

April 15, 7:00 p.m.

Easter Vigil
Baptism of Greta Rose Baker

Sanctuary

April 16, 9:00 & 11:15 a.m.
9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Easter Worship
Easter Breakfast

Sanctuary
Social Hall