

St. James Journal

APRIL, 2019

APRIL WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 am Traditional
Worship
9:15 am Adult Bible
Study
9:30 am Contemporary
Worship
10:30 am LIFT
11:00 am Chapel
Worship
(No 11 am service on
the 14th. 8 am & 10
am on Easter)

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

(Lent Services)

April 3 & 10

7:00 am Men's
Breakfast
10:00 am Staff
Meeting
11:00 am Worship
5:30 pm Meal
6:30 pm Worship
7:00 pm Choir
7:00 pm-7:30 pm
7th/8th
Confirmation
(Regular Wednesday
activities resume on
April 24)

CHURCH ENTRANCES

During week hours, if
Jill is alone, only the
MAIN entrance will be
unlocked. Otherwise,
all doors will be
opened.
Thank you!



Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, April 14: Worship at 8 and 9:30, with a PARADE around the neighborhood beginning at 9 AM.

Maundy Thursday, April 18:

11 AM: Worship with Holy Communion

6:30 PM: Presentation of Living Last Supper w/ Holy Communion

Good Friday, April 19:

12 Noon: Good Friday Community Crosswalk beginning at First United Methodist Church

8 PM: Tenebrae Worship w/ music from the choir

Holy Saturday, April 20—We prepare to hear the Good News:

2 PM: Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday, April 21:

8 and 10 AM: Worship w/ Holy Communion

8:30-9:45 AM: Breakfast

Invite your friends, family, and neighbors to join you for this beautiful week of worship!

Pastor's Discretionary Fund: Periodically, members of our congregation are in need of financial help. We would like to be able to provide gift cards for groceries or gas or other funds when those needs arise. If you would like to contribute to that fund, you can donate money or bring Hy-Vee or Wal-Mart cards to the church office or give them to Pastor Jeni. Thank you!

CHRIST IN OUR HOME AND PORTALS OF PRAYER for April thru June are available on the table in the Narthex.

THERE ARE STILL MANY OFFERING ENVELOPES IN THE NARTHEX, have you picked yours up?

2019 FLOWER MINISTRY sign up sheets are now available in the Narthex. Flowers are \$21.

THE MAY JOURNAL deadline is April 19 by 2:00 PM.

THE MAY JOURNAL will be assembled on April 29th at 10:00 AM. Please call the church office if you are able to help.

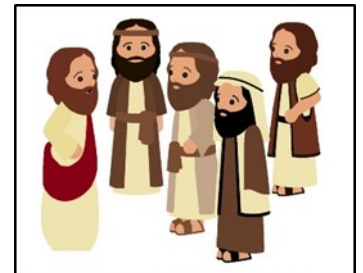
BULLETIN ARTICLES are due on Wednesday by 9:00 AM every week.

RIVERSIDE CAMPER MEETING: There will be a meeting for Riverside youth and parents on Sunday, April 7 at 9 AM in the chapel. We will make plans for the Easter breakfast and talk about any other fundraising ideas. Please make plans to attend if you are interested in Bible camp.



PALM SUNDAY PARADE: The *entire congregation* is invited to gather at 9 AM on April 14 for a Palm Sunday march around our neighborhood. We will meet in the gym and begin from there. We hope people from all the worship services will come join us as we march and sing and praise God!

LOOKING FOR SOME DISCIPLES! On Maundy Thursday, we will present a Living Last Supper, and need 13 men to participate. If you are interested in participating in this meaningful service, please contact Pastor Jeni. Practice for the Living Last Supper will be held on Wednesday, April 17 at 6 PM, with the presentation on Thursday at 6:30.



THE ANNUAL COMMUNITY CROSSWALK will be held at 12 noon on Good Friday, beginning at First United Methodist Church. St. James is organizing the walk this year. If you would like to assist Pastor Sid in organizing it, please talk to him. All are encouraged to join the walk as we carry the cross through downtown Mason City. This is a meaningful time of meditation and prayer.



LIFT SCHEDULE: *Something for ALL AGES!*

March 31 – Join us as we prepare for HOLY WEEK with a **SPECIAL CHOIR PRACTICE!** Lift your voices in praise on PALM SUNDAY and EASTER. We will learn a couple of songs on the 31st that we will sing in Church on both of those special days. Meet in the Sanctuary at 10:30. All voices are welcome!

April 7, 14, 28: There will be SEVERAL activities for you to choose from during the Sunday School hour, including Ukulele lessons, a prayer group, a color and praise group, and a craft group. Watch the bulletin for info on where each of those groups will meet.

BREADMAKING WORKSHOP

On Wednesday, April 17, we will MAKE BREAD for Maundy Thursday services beginning at 9 AM in the FRIENDSHIP ROOM. You are invited to join us as we talk about how we prepare bread for communion and learn a little more about it. Everyone is welcome!



SATURDAY, APRIL 20 AT 2 PM

Meet in the ST. JAMES GYM for some special activities before our egg hunt! We will have LOTS of EGGS, LOTS of CANDY, and LOTS of FUN! ***ALL ARE WELCOME!***

EASTER EGG HUNT VOLUNTEERS: We need *eggs and candy* for our annual **Easter Egg Hunt**. Last year, we had over 100 children participate from our congregation and around the community. What a great time to shine the light of Christ and share the Easter story with our young people! If you are able to donate, please leave your donations in the box in the Narthex by **April 14**. If you are interested in helping at the event, please let Pastor Jeni know. *We will stuff eggs beginning at 6 PM on Good Friday, April 19. Everyone is welcome to come help. This is a great chance for youth to earn service hours!*



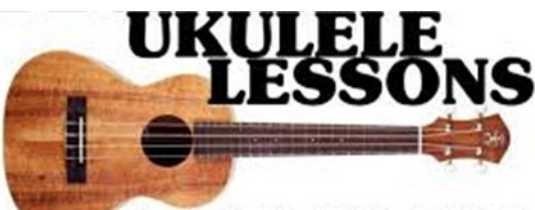
OUR ANNUAL EASTER BREAKFAST will be held on Easter Sunday, April 21, between services from 8:30-9:45. This is a fundraiser for our youth going to Bible camp and Mission Trips this summer. There will be sign-ups soon for those able to donate items for the breakfast. ***We hope everyone will come Easter morning—and invite your friends and neighbors! Thank you!***

EASTER BREAKFAST SET-UP will be held Saturday, April 20 beginning at 9 AM. All youth *and parents* helping with the breakfast are asked to be there to help as we prepare food and get ready for Sunday's breakfast.



BRASS FOR EASTER: In order to make Easter as festive as possible, we are looking for trumpets, trombones, tubas, baritones and French horns. If you can play one of these instruments, we would love your help on some special music Easter Sunday. Please let Pastor Sid or Bill Grant know if you are available to play.

Do you like to talk about your faith in a relaxed atmosphere? Are you interested in learning how the Bible speaks to you today? Do you want to make some new friends at church? Join us on Thursday evenings at Mason City Brewing for ***"Pub Theology,"*** a time to share our faith and learn together. **We will meet on April 11 on the 11th at 6 PM.**



UKULELE LESSONS! Dust those ukuleles back off! We will begin lessons again Sunday, April 7 at 10:30 AM. We will also meet on April 14 and 28th. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Sid.

Simply Giving

Electronic Funds Transfer

Would you like a convenient way to make sure your offering can get here even when you can't? Consider signing up for Simply Giving, our electronic giving program. Do you have questions? On May 5 and May 19 we will have helpers and computers available between the worship services to answer your questions or sign you up. Bring a voided check (or your checkbook information) to sign up for Simply Giving with our help!

SUMMER MISSION TRIP

On July 7-13, we will travel to Camp Courageous, which is a year-round respite care and recreational facility for individuals of all ages with disabilities. We will help out during a week of camp. The Mission Trip is open to anyone currently in 8th-12th grade AND adults. We will have a MEETING FOR ALL INTERESTED on Wednesday, April 10th at 5:30 PM on the stage in the gym (bring your food up and join us!). *If you are interested in more information, please talk to Pastor Jeni.*

FACEBOOK PRAYER CHAIN

If you would like to be added to our St. James Facebook Prayer Chain, please talk to Pastor Jeni.

THANK YOU

for all the cards following my surgery! Sincerely, Mike Hjelle

THANK YOU

to my St. James family for the cards and flowers for Dean's funeral. Also for the ladies for serving lunch! All is deeply appreciated. Sincerely, LaVonne Blackmer and family

THANK YOU

Ruth and family would like to thank everyone for all the kind words and support during Jim's long illness. Also, all the memorials in Jim's name. Church family really means a lot. Hope to get back to church when the weather is better. Sincerely, Ruth O'Donnell

PRAYER SHAWLS

We prayed over 11 shawls, a record number on one Sunday! Remember, you can take one any time, free of charge, to give for any reason. New home, new baby, loss, sadness, thanksgiving, welcome, love you, missing you, etc. Write in the book when you take one. These shawls are a "Hug from God."

SPRING CLEANING?

St. James is need of Bingo prizes for Good Shepherd. Clean stuffed animals, small Knick knacks, and necklaces that go on over the head can be brought to the church office.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUNCHEON

Good Shepherd volunteer luncheon will be held on Tuesday, May 14th at 12 pm in the Chapel. Anyone volunteering at GS in any way is invited. (It may be helping with Bingo, baking cookies or bars, or any other way.) I need the number of St. James volunteers to turn in. Please let either Jill or myself know by May 3rd if you plan to attend. Thanks, Myrna Jensen 423-8089

GOOD SHEPHERD NEWS

Good Shepherd has a "boutique" for the residents. Donations of clothes, shoes, pictures, Knick knacks, new underwear, etc. may be left with the receptionist. These are given to the residents free of charge. Many come with only what they are wearing and don't have family to take them shopping or funds to buy new. Call me with questions. Thank you. Myrna Jensen

LENTEN SERVING GROUP SCHEDULE 2019
BOARD ASSIGNED DATES:

APRIL 3

Stewardship
 Executive Committee

APRIL 10

Trustees

APRIL 17

Holy Week - No Meal

APRIL 21

EASTER

Note: Each board will provide people to help with serving, clearing tables, washing dishes, taking out trash, and other miscellaneous items as needed.

Please arrive between 5 and 5:30 PM and be prepared to stay until the clean-up process has been completed, approximately 7 PM. *(There will be no noon meal this year)*

EASTER BREAKFAST, APRIL 21, 2019

Served from 8:30 - 9:45 am in Fellowship Hall

EASTER BREAKFAST

Scrambled eggs

Ham, bacon, sausage

Quiche

Breakfast bagels with meat/cheese

Assorted Fruit

Assorted pastries

MEAL DONATION

\$5.00 per person

Easter breakfast is served by The Riverside families and the monies earned will be used to send campers to Riverside Camp.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MEALS

Served 5:15 to 6 PM in Fellowship Hall

APRIL 24

Ham

Baked potato bar

Green beans

MAY 1

Walking tacos, soft tacos

Nacho cheese & chips

Hot dogs

MAY 8

Chicken ranch wraps

Chips

Hot dogs

MAY 15

Confirmation small group parties

NO MEAL

MEAL DONATIONS

\$5 per person

All meals include lettuce salad, dessert, and beverages.

Have an awesome summer! See you in September. ~Sherri

WELCA & CIRCLE NEWS

KOINONIA

We will meet at Hy-Vee East at 5pm on Sunday, April 28th. Come join in the fun and fellowship!

LOVE CIRCLE

We will meet at the church on Monday, April 15 at 7:00 pm at the home of Dawn Jacobson.
1001 South Garfield . (Thinking of checking out a circle, all are welcome to join us!)

WELCA TIME CHANGE

As a group decided to change our meeting time from 6:30 pm to 6:00 pm.

CINCO de MAYO SPRING SALAD LUNCHEON

May 4th from 11:00 am -1:00 pm. WELCA is looking for decorations related to Cinco de Mayo that we can borrow or have. If you're loaning decorations to us, please make sure your name is on them. We also need donations for our drawing. Any donations/decorations can be brought to St. James or by calling Leslie at 641-210-9093 or Christine at 641-420-0202.

The DO DAYS Ladies

We are in need of used bed sheets to back our quilts or to line the inside. If you have any you do need anymore please donate them to the church. Thanks!

RUB ADUB DUB, PLEASE FILL THE TUB!

No one likes to be dirty. Soap keeps hands clean, germs at bay and helps people present themselves with dignity. This simple thing is one of the many building blocks to success. LWR accepts NEW bars of any brand soap, in their original wrapping. All bar sizes accepted; however, bath-size bars (4-5 oz.) are highly preferred. There will be a washtub in the Narthex for you to put the soap in. Thank you!

APRIL READERS

SCHEDULE	8:00 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
April 7	Ralph Preuss	Alyse Hesley	Gene Larsen
April 14	Norm Schmidt	Destiny Hagenow	Pastor
April 21	Rich Tompkins	Hal Pohlman	Grant Bohls
April 28	Linda Schmidt	Diane Francis	Pastor

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