

Messenger *St. John*

March 2024 | ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH | NASHUA, IA

Humble Yourself: A Lenten Reflection on 1 Peter 5:6-7

"Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that He may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on Him, because he cares for you."

I recently reflected on how the Holy Spirit has humbled me early on in this Lenten season; helped me get out of my own head (out of my own way) and let Him work through me; helped me to realize not all my relationships are as symbiotic as God would like them to be.

There are times when we need to be humbled in order to learn and grow; believe me, this isn't the first time I have been humbled by God. For me, it took being submissive to God in order to live into my baptism. It took a willingness to let go of control and hand all my anxieties over to Him.

I do my best to do this on a daily basis (most days I fail by the way). I am a worrier, a planner, a perfectionist (to an extent). I let things eat away at me and make me feel like lesser of a person; this makes me feel, at times, like I mistook God's call for me.

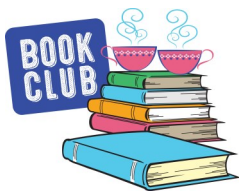
Then, when I finally get out of my own way and submit myself to God, I am humbled. I am given a new outlook on the circumstances I am facing in my life, and I am able to think more clearly; able to see my mistakes, my options on how to move forward, and make a confident decision.

The Holy Spirit empowers us all if we are willing to submit ourselves to Him and find humbleness in our relationship with God. This is my prayer for all of you this Lenten season; that you submit yourselves to God; humble yourselves before our Creator; and grow into a "right relationship with God by faith." Amen.

- Pastor Todd



Book club will meet on
Thurs, March 14th
@ 6:30 p.m.
All are welcome!



Men's Breakfast
Sat., March 2nd
@ 7 AM
Come join us for food
and fellowship



Some of you may remember the classic, The Christmas Box by Richard Paul Evans. Well, St. John Library already has six additional titles that he has written. Now to add to this collection we have The Walk series.

It includes: The Walk, Miles to Go, The Road to Grace, A Step of Faith and Walking on Water. They are about an executive who loses everything he holds dear and embarks on a walk across America that changes his life forever!

They will be featured on the top library shelf found in the church overflow area.

It's time to order Easter lilies!

Easter lily order forms will be located at the back of the sanctuary. Please fill out form and return it to the church office.

Deadline for ordering is **Sunday, March 17th. Cost is \$12 each.** Payment is due when ordered. Checks payable to: St. John Lutheran Church.



Sewing dates:

March 4 & 5
18 & 19



9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

All are welcome!
No experience needed!



Soup supper prior to Lenten services at 5:30 p.m.
hosted by:

March 6—Agape
March 13—Men's group
March 20—Luther League



Service will be at 7:00 p.m.

March 6
March 13
March 20
March 28—Maundy Thursday
March 29—Good Friday



MARCH Birthdays

- 1—Julie Hurd
- 2—Henry Bechold, Karleen Sickman
- 3—Kylie Dietz, Alan Frost, Peggy Hall, Tyler Henn, Johnie Mehmen, Kati Altick
- 5—Linda Drewelow, Rodney Norland
- 7—Shannon Dietz
- 8—Cash Sudol
- 10—Amy Sinnwell, Rod Wilson
- 11—Joseph Kukral
- 13—Katie Burrichter, Cary Griffith, Laurie Kristiansen, Michael Fonley
- 15—Ezzie Sudol, Justin Crabtree
- 16—Charity Fecht
- 17—Zach Huffman, Kathleen Hinz
- 18—Blake Cole, Joshua Harvey
- 19—LeeRoy Reuscher
- 20—Alaina Garbes
- 21—Amanda Huffman, Jenny Mohs, Megan Schilling
- 22—Michael Kalvig
- 23—Anthony Zwanziger, Elizabeth Mahan
- 25—Andrea Sullivan
- 26—Donnie Davis, Cadence Regenold
- 27—Dennis Demro, Dawson Petersen, Luke Zwanziger, Brandon Christensen
- 30—Karen Sinnwell, Cole Deutsch
- 31—Jeffrey Smith



Giving a meal has been something we have always done to show our support and love. Mercy Meals is wanting to expand that ministry and in doing so, live out our motto "Love as Jesus does".

If you would like to help with this ministry, we are planning to have a "Stock the Pantry" event. In our meal prep, we are always in need of certain staples. We will have a bulletin board where you can grab a picture with the item(s) you would like to purchase. And as always, you are welcome to join us for the actual meal prep. We have fun and get to try new recipes.

- Ann Senner

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:

- At Home: Liz Arends
- Cedar Vale: Virginia Kraft
- Nora Springs Care Center: Shirley Goddard
- Whispering Willow, Fredericksburg: Joyce McMichael, Shirley Frost
- Evergreen Arbor, Waverly: Ida Schloemer, Cary Griffith
- 11th Street Chautauqua, Charles City: Dorothy Janssen, Linda Haut, Phyllis Kunzman
- 9th Street Chautauqua, Charles City: Glenn George
- Riverside Senior Living: Evelyn Kapping
- Bella Vita Assisted Living, Tampa, FL: Shirley Fosse
- Linden Place: Verna Wiebke



Thank you to all who donated and purchased baked goods! We raised over \$700.

- Luther League

Daylight savings is Sunday, March 10th. Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour.



Spring Forward

From the Church Office

February 2024 Statistics

Sun., February 4

9:00 a.m. Attendance: 74 Giving: \$2,937.00

Sun., February 11

9:00 a.m. Attendance: 110 Giving: \$3,268.70

Wed., February 14—Ash Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Attendance: 85 Giving: \$ 930.00

Sun., February 18

9:00 a.m. Attendance: 86 Giving: \$1,215.00

Wed., February 21

7:00 p.m. Attendance: 58 Giving: \$ 150.00

Sun., February 25

9:00 a.m. Attendance: 101 Giving: \$1,422.00



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2024 Council Members

Lori Bruns, President
Kathy Cerwinske, Vice President
Karen Sinnwell, Secretary
Lisa Acton
Bruce Becker
Rick Drewelow
Dan Miller
Megan Stille
Kif Richmann
Finance: Mark Rodruck

2024 Committee Chairperson:

Administration: Megan Stille
Building & Grounds: Bruce Becker
Education: Karen Sinnwell
Evangelism: Kathy Cerwinske
Social Concerns: Dan Miller
Stewardship: Lisa Acton
Technology: Kif Richmann
Worship & Music: Rick Drewelow



March Head Usher:

Karen Sinnwell

Pastor Todd Burrichter

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Office hours: Monday—work from home

Tuesday—Thursday

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Deacon Jackie Schilling

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Office Hours: Tuesday: 9:30 a.m.—8:30 p.m.

Wednesday 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Thursday: 1:00 —8:00 p.m.

Nashua's Annual Community



*They will all be held at
St. John Lutheran Church
300 Merrill ST*

*Prayer & serving will begin at 11:30 AM.
The message will be delivered at Noon.
Price is \$3.00 and carry out will be available.*

*2/21 ~ Little Brown Church (Pastors Drew or Sam)
Serving beef & noodles, coleslaw, roll & homemade pie*

*2/28 ~ St. John Lutheran Church (Pastor Todd)
Serving chicken casserole, salad, rolls & bars*

*3/6 ~ St. John's Pleasant Hill (Pastors Drew or Sam)
Serving maid-rites, coleslaw, potato salad & bars*

*3/13 ~ United Methodist Church/Republic (Pastor Sarah)
Serving tater tot casserole, salad, roll & bars*

*3/20 ~ St. Michael's Catholic Church (Sr. Diana)
Serving chicken & noodles, jello, relish, roll & bars*

Everyone is welcome regardless of faith background.

March 2024 Worship Servants

March 3, 2024 – Trad w/ comm

Head usher: Bruce Becker
Lector: Linda Becker
Sound: Lisa Acton
Computer: Lyla Burrichter
Camera: Wyatt Burrichter
Communion: Matt Hannemann
Acolytes: Kamden Chyma/Ellie Sudol
Greeters: Myrna Ross

March 10, 2024 – Jubilee w/ comm

Head usher: Karen Sinnwell
Lector: Lori Bruns
Sound: Greg Henn
Computer: Tate Demro
Camera: Kaden Hannemann
Communion: Rod & Beth Wilson
Acolytes: Eva Foelske / Allison Miller
Greeters: Kathy Cerwinske

March 17, 2024 – Traditional

Head usher: Karen Sinnwell
Lector: Myrna Ross
Sound: Lisa Acton
Computer:
Camera:
Acolytes: Hailey & Sophie Wilkens
Greeters: Angie Dietz

March 24, 2024 – Jubilee

Head usher: Karen Sinnwell
Lector: Judy Rottinghaus
Sound: Jeff Trost
Computer: Katelyn Wolf
Camera: Katelyn Wolf
Acolytes: Kaden Hannemann
Greeters: Dan & Stacey Berger

March 31, 2024 – Combined w/ comm

Head usher: Karen Sinnwell
Lector: Katie Burrichter
Sound: Troy Stille
Computer: Katelyn Wolf
Camera: Katelyn Wolf
Communion: Dan & Annette Dietz
Acolytes: Lyla & Wyatt Burrichter
Greeters: Tom & Doreen Franzen





March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
9 AM Trad/ w/ comm SS in the pews 9:15 Luther League					7 AM Men's Breakfast	
Jackie - vacation					Jackie - vacation	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9 AM Trad/ w/ comm SS in the pews 9:15 Luther League			11:30 AM Lenten Lunch 5:30 PM Soup Supper 7 PM Lenten Service	6 PM Bible Study		
Jackie - vacation						
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9 AM Jubilee w/ comm 9:15 AM SS/ Luther League			11:30AM Lenten Lunch 5:30PM Soup Supper 7PM Lenten Service	6:30 PM Book Club		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
9 AM Trad Serv 9:15 AM SS / Luther League	7 PM Council Meeting		11:30AM Lenten Lunch 5:30PM Soup Supper 7PM Lenten Service	6 PM Bible Study		Hall reserved - Demro 11AM to 4PM 1st Communion Class 5 PM
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
9 AM Jubilee 9:15 AM SS / Luther League Sanc. Reserved - Greg Henn 6 PM				7 PM Maundy Thursday Service w/ comm	7 PM Good Friday Service	
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9 AM Combined service w/ comm SS in the pews	Notes					

How much better to get wisdom than gold.
Proverbs 16:16

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“Blessed
are those who
have not seen and have
believed.”

John 20:29