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Going from Hosanna to Crucify Him!?!?!

One of.. (if not THE) most jarring moment(s) during Holy Week comes on Palm/Passion Sunday.. when in less than 30 minutes of elapse time we go from shouting and singing "Hosanna" in ecstatic praise (during the procession) to crying out a bloodthirsty "Crucify Him" (during that congregational reading of the

Gospel). Many folks actually complain that this recent tradition of reading the Passion story that day "takes all the fun out of Palm Sunday" – the only happy-ish blip on the Lenten radar to begin with. And yet... there IS something definitely critical about us facing that jarring moment.

After all not as many people come out to Maundy Thursday or Good Friday services as once did (and thus really would otherwise miss ANY mention of Jesus's actual death). That in itself is probably enough of a reason.

Secondly though, I might also suggest that it *is* kind of good for us to have to face up to how fickle we human beings really are... how blown about by the wind we can be... and how self-absorbed we act sometimes. To have to deal – so quickly – with that jarring flip-flop of adoration to hate.. hopefulness to murderous frustration.. is to face up to who we fully can be as people.

This is also why it is so fitting that we invite you to hold on to those "praiseful-palms" for 11ish months and then bring them back for use on Ash Wednesday. (To remind you.. I make the ashes we use from the burnt palms saved from the previous year.) This is a moment to face our complicity in the events of Jesus's Passion and death. It is a chance to be reminded how quickly we go from welcome to rejection.. from joyful commitment to selfish brokenness. And with Ash Wednesday being the first step of the humbling, repenting, journey of Lent what could be a more stark reminder of all we are than is being marked with a cross of ash made from those very palms that

silently/loudly so convict us??

All of this is my way of reminding you that you have **two more Sundays to bring in your palms** and drop them on my desk. I will be making the ashes *after* Sunday Feb 23rd.

Likewise this is a chance for me to give you a "heads up" about the **Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper** Feb 25 (5:30 -7) AND **Ash Wednesday Worship** Feb 26th 7 pm. Lastly.. also for your calendars.. we will once more be holding the Wednesday Soup & Prayer Lenten services (soup at 5:30 ... worship at 6:30 – beginning March 4).

- Pastor Stewart - Feb 12/20

Bread of Life Pastor Stewart Miller 306-535-5052

At Bread of Life we are privileged to gather in Treaty 4 Territory and the traditional homeland of the Metis.

Not Available to Attend on Sunday Morning? — Did you know that you can watch Bread of Life Sunday morning sermons on the website www.breadoflifelutheranchurch.ca or follow us on Facebook @breadoflifelutheranchurch.

Do you know of someone in the hospital (or if one day you are yourself there) please let Pastor Stewart (306-535-5052) know so that he can come visit. Due to changes in the provincial funding of pastoral care in health care institutions there are no longer "lists" for pastors & chaplains to check. So too, if you ever want "pastoral care" you can ask your nurse & a chaplain/pastor will be called.

Bread of Life Giving Labels When you find that you are in need of additional giving labels or you would like to have giving labels for your convenience on Sunday mornings OR you would like to sign up for PAR, please contact Cheryl in the office; breadoflife@sasktel.net or 306-789-0265.

2019 Tax Receipts are ready for pick up from the narthex on Sundays or from the office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9:00 – 3:00 until February **20**th. Thank You!!



PASTOR NEED'S A PLACE AGAIN!!!???!

Well it looks like the house Pastor Stewart is renting is going up for sale, so he is once again in need of a place to call home. If you know of anyone who has a rental property of any sort, please let

him know.

Upcoming Dates to Note in Your Calendar

- **❖** Bread of Life Annual Meeting Sunday, March 1
- ❖ Ash Wednesday February 26 at 7 p.m.
- ❖ Lenten Soup & Service March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1 Supper at 5:30 Service at 6:30
- ❖ Christians on Climate Change discussion night(s) March 8 at 7 p.m.
- ❖ Congregational Curling March 15 at 3:30

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LSC Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper Feb 25, 2020- 5:30- 7:00pm

Sausages, Pancakes with syrup, berries, whipped cream Hosted by Bread of Life Lutheran youth. Freewill offering. Proceeds will go towards youth CLAY 2020 fundraising efforts and Lulu's Lodge - a local Regina residence for

LGBTQ2S+ youth ages 16-21 who face housing issues. Thank you to Sherwood Co-op for the monetary donation to help purchase the needed grocery supplies for this pancake supper.

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Ash Wednesday Service on Wednesday, February 26 at 7:00

2020 YOUTH EVENTS

All youth 13 - 19 years are welcome to attend Tues Feb 25- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 5:30-7pm WANTED: youth and family volunteers -please RSVP

Sun Mar 8 - Golden Mile Bowling 2-4pm Please RSVP by Mar 3

Sat Apr 18 – Pre CLAY event @ Bread of Life 1-4pm Please RSVP to <u>brooklynnlanee@gmail.com</u> by Apr 8

Sat May 2 – ICF Breakfast 9am-1pm Please RSVP by April 27

May/June – LaserQuest Details to follow

Jun 5-14 Pride 2020 and Pride Parade Details to follow

RSVP to shoobertfamily@accesscomm.ca

CLAY Pre-EnRoute Gathering



What: Come join us in Regina or Saskatoon for an afternoon of fun, information, and friends. We are getting together to go over bus trip information for EnRoute 2020 and to start the fun of CLAY early. The afternoon will involve getting to know other youth going to CLAY, going over bus trip information, games, and snacks.

Where: We are having two event locations. Saskatoon for the northern half of the province and Regina for the southern half of the province.

Zion Lutheran Church, 323 4th Ave S, Saskatoon **Bread of Life Lutheran Church**, 3018 Doan Drive, Regina

When: 1:00-4:00pm, April 18, 2020-Regina

1:00-4:00pm April 25, 2020-Saskatoon

Who: Anyone going to CLAY! Not going to CLAY? Come and hangout with us

anyway!

Why: We want to start the fun and excitement of CLAY early! Come find out where the bus trip is going and hang out with youth from across the province. Please RSVP to Brooklynn Lane at brooklynnlanee@gmail.com or 306-550-1408 by April 8, 2020. There is no cost for this event. Also, please note the different dates and locations for the Regina event and Saskatoon event. If you have any questions, contact Brooklynn Lane at the contact information listed above.

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ATTENTION ALL YOUTH - The next Canadian Lutheran Anglican Youth Gathering will be held this summer, **August 20-23, 2020, in Calgary.Alberta**. For more information please check out the CLAY 2020 website at http://claygathering.ca/.

Bread of Life Lutheran Church will be sending a CLAY home team with planned youth activities to come. Youth ages 14 - 19 are eligible to attend and ages 19 - 24 can consider attending as Leaders In Training. If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Shoobert- CLAY Youth Coordinator. email:

<u>shoobertfamily@accesscomm.ca</u> phone: (306) 522-1610 or cell: (306) 570-4722.

<u>CLAY Fundraiser</u> We are starting early to collect Sarcan recyclables. **WANTED**: Milk jugs, cans, juice boxes, tetra packs, bottles, and all other recyclables! If you could please rinse all containers and remove and discard lids. In an effort to offset transportation and registration costs for the Youth attending CLAY 2020, we are gladly accepting donations of recyclable items. There will be a collection bin located in the Narthey for anyone interested in participating. This bottle drive will

continue over the next many months in preparation for the 2020 Youth trip. We thank you for your support!

ATTENTION FAMILIES WITH "KIDS" ... we are once more trying to fill out our records and contact information for possible Sunday school age folks. If you have a child ages 4 - 11 please email us with the names, ages, & grade of your people so that we can be sure to let them know when we are doing something family-friendly and/or Sunday school-ish. Sending us your information is not a commitment to be there every week or often but it does give us the ability to let you know when interesting things are on the horizon. Email us the church office breadoflife@sasktel.net Upcoming Sunday School dates: March 8, April 26. If you are interested in helping out or if you have any ideas for Sunday School please contact Marilyn Leier at <a href="mailto:

<u>Plastic Containers</u> There will be a **SPECIAL BIN** in the narthex to drop off any clean plastic containers with lids for the Carmichael Outreach food program.

Please Note - This bin is <u>not the same one</u> used to drop off recyclables for the CLAY youth gathering. Thank you.

Living Spirit Centre

<u>Special Discussion Event</u> - Christians On Climate Change - the date has been set for March 8th at 7:00 pm at the LSC. Please mark your calendar.. more info to follow.



Sorry, there **will not be** an LSC garage sale this year. If you have a donation of something for the church, please talk to clergy before dropping anything off. Thank you!

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Munch Lunch Eastside has initiated a partnership with Glen Elm school and Munch Café to provide a lunch program for children at the school who do not have a lunch. The LSC staff have agreed to support this program as a shared ministry. Munch will work with older children from the school to make lunches and educate them on making healthy lunches. The program is called *Munch Lunch* and will take place each Monday from 1-4pm in the LSC kitchen. We need 1-2 volunteers/lay leaders each Monday to help out in the kitchen with the food preparation (not the same people each week). If you are interested and able to help out once a month, please contact Russell (Russell.eastside@sasktel.net) and indicate if you want a particular week. If you cannot help but wish to support the program you may donate a gift card for Wholesale foods, Superstore or Costco to help with food

In the Community

World Day of Prayer 2020 this year will be hosted by Holy Child Parish on March 6 at 2:00

This celebration, organized in Canada by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada, is a wonderful opportunity for Christians to join together in prayer as well as to offer grants for special projects to assist our sisters in need throughout the world.

There will be a planning session at Holy Child Church on **February 13 at 1:00.** It would be wonderful if reps from a variety of Christian churches could take part in leading the prayer service! For more information contact Marian at Holy Child, 306-789-8276 or mariangrady@sasktel.net

Did You Know???? The Assiniboine Ave Community magazine is on the hunt for families, couples and/or individuals to be featured in the magazine. The point of the magazine is to get the community members to know each other a little better and grow the sense of community in the area. So if you have an interesting and unique story and you live between Ring Road and the Bypass south of Arcola Avenue you can contact Crystal Schick at 306-630-5268 or cschick@bestversionmedia.com

<u>Camp Kinasao Job Postings</u> Camp Kinasao is looking for 2 members to join their year round leadership team in the roles of Site Manager & Guest Services Manager. For more information see their website kinasao.ca/job-postings

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, Feb 17

- Pastor Stewart's day off
 - 8:00 p.m. A.A.

WEDNESDAY, Feb 19

- 7:00 p.m. Bread of Life Choir rehearsal
- 8:00 p.m. Bread of Life Group rehearsal

SUNDAY, Feb 23

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Confirmation

Cheryl Conly
Office Administrator
Bread of Life Lutheran Church
306-789-0265

(This email is checked on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays)