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*“Making Jesus Known By Sharing Our Gifts”*

February 21, 2021

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**Faith and Care:** Pam Hanson, Heather Gurholt  
**Altar Guild:** Jean Kraft, Patty Hanson, Dawn Hultin

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**

Please contact Connie in the church office 223.1001, if you have a prayer request, or if you will be entering the hospital and would like a pastoral visit. *(We encourage you to take this list home and pray for these people.)*

**For those struggling with health issues:** Maxine Hill, Reece Fischer, Tracy Martinson, Earl and Marlene Larson, Ann Hillesland, Roger Bakke, Erwin and Linda Marson, son in law and daughter of Hattie Martinson; Quinton and Arlene Wolff, parents of Wayne Wolff; Bonnie Spies, Robin Johnson's sister; Lois Dolan, Kristina Neuharth, Lori Dvorak, Mary Weinberg, mother of Terry Grenz; Al Samuelson, JoRae Sarsten; mother of Kraig Sarsten, Pastor Jackie Bloom, Bernice Walton, Nancy Dockter, Dale Heaton, Gary Heaton's uncle; Deb Carpenter, Kim Schultz, Christian Helfridge, grandson of Wood's friend, Jean Schafer, daughter of Bernice Walton; LorRaine Riveland, Gary and LaVonne Hultin, John Behan, Robin Willoughby, Irene Rauscher, Jennifer (Dohrmann) Dehnert, Todd Wood, AJ Marx, Pastor Joel Sherer, Joyce Wahl, Bob Roesler, Cheryl Moore

**For those dealing with the death of a loved one—the families and friends of:** NicholasToso; nephew of Joel and Suzanne; cousin to Luke Toso

**Dates to Remember:**

February 17 Ash Wednesday Lent begins  
February 22: March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Needlework Group 9:30 am  
March 11 Church Council 6:30 pm  
March 14 Daylight Savings Time change  
March 17 St. Patrick's Day  
March 28 Palm Sunday  
April 1 Maundy Thursday  
April 2 Good Friday  
April 4 Easter Sunday

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Welcome to Lutheran Church of the Cross's Worship Service!** If you are visiting with us today via livestreaming or in person, we welcome you.

**Stewardship Reflection for Sunday, February 21, 2021 ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent** *Mark 1:9-15 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.* Mark's opening verses invite us to re-focus in Lent. Re-focus and trust the good news, there is no doubt. (Sarah Henrich, Professor Emeritus of New Testament, Luther Seminary, St. Paul MN)

**Heat for the Church** runs through the end of March. January, February \$25 and March, \$10 Thank you to those who have participated in this special fund this year.

**Financial Peace University** begins **today** February 21 6 pm. FPU is a nine-lesson course taught by Dave Ramsey and his team of financial experts and co-coordinated by Deacon Janie and Pr. Lisa here at LCC. With FPU, we will learn step by step how to handle money using biblical wisdom and common sense. Through life-changing videos, online tools and resources, and group accountability, we will learn how to create and stick to a budget, save for emergencies, pay off debt, and plan for the future. All are welcome! Bring along your supper if you like. There will be a zoom (online) option for those who don't want to come in person, and we will practice safe distancing for those who do. Questions? Call or email Deacon Janie or Pastor Lisa, and watch for further announcements with the direct link to the class.

**THE WOMEN'S RETREAT IS SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 30—MAY 2. MORE INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE LATER.**

The order blanks for **Easter flowers** are available in the narthex. Please return to secretary's office or call in your request to the secretary..