



Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

In the interest of brevity, it has been requested that we keep the Prayer List in the Bulletin, and mentioned during services, for people who are experiencing immediate health issues and not those with chronic health issues. However, we want to continue to remember all who are experiencing health problems in their lives in our prayers. Therefore, we are now going to list everyone to remember in your prayers on the website and newsletter. **If you have asked for someone to be on the prayer list and they are doing better or can even be removed, please Geri know so she can keep the list updated.**

Please pray for † Ruby Peterson † Kathy (Mrs. Todd) Johnson † Virginia Coffield † Chris Danzl † Julie Peterson †
† Jeff Christiansen † Jim Wallenberg † Sheldon Carlson † Eileen Bernstrom † Dick Olson †
† Owen & Janet Swenson † Kristi & Leo Vasquez † Dan & Deb Finney † Easton Carr † Bonita Hanson †
† Kim Johnson † Logan Johnson † Kelsey Stenmark † Owen Swenson † Galen Schultz † Dennis Nordin †
† Hunter Pinke † Ann Lasky † Colin Richards † Audrey Hartje † Amie Dexter † Landon Labine †
† Armed Forces † our Law Enforcement † our First Responders † our Health Care Workers †

Let's also pray for wisdom for all world leaders in the time of this world-wide health pandemic and for all who have contracted the Corona Virus that God lays healing hands upon them and they are able to make a successful recovery.

IN MEMORY: Please keep families and friends of the following in your prayers:

† Rodney Erickson † Luella Quiner † Matt & Jackie Przekwas family † Laverne & Pat Isaacson †
† Dale & Susan Van Dale †

DONATIONS VIA VENMO

Sion Lutheran now has Venmo! For those of you who don't know what Venmo is, it's an app that allows one to transfer money from one person/entity to another. Very handy in our distance living, as well as sending funds to college students, buying stuff online, etc. Now you can make your donations to Sion Lutheran through this app as well. The account name is attached below in a screenshot. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask.

This goes directly to Sion's Bank Account.



Kathy's Office Hours

Kathy Levenhagen, SAM, wants to make certain that everyone is aware that she would normally maintain office hours at Sion between 2 and 5 pm, Thursdays, in the Pastor's Office, but due to COVID, her schedule is in doubt! Kathy welcomes any phone calls if you need to speak with her, even if it's just to reach out!



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Lenten Services

APRIL 1, MAUNDY THURSDAY

JOHN 13:1-17 31-35

APRIL 4,

MARK 16: 1-8

CONFIRMATION

Siri Stenmark, Jazzy Thompson and Julia Kujava will be confirmed on April 25th.

Maundy Thursday/First Communion

On April 1, 2021, there will be a Maundy Thursday soup and sandwich supper honoring the First Communion students. The supper will be at 5:15PM followed by the First Communion Service at 6:30PM.

Please be sure to invite your friends and relatives.

There will be time to take pictures both before supper and after the service.

We will have First Communion cake for dessert.

This year's First Communion students are: Tucker Anderson, James Cerkowniak, Payton Fredrickson, Alexia Peterson, Karsynn Peterson, Marlyee Peterson, Kiefer Stenmark, and Caden Steyn.

Virtual Services

Church services will continue to be livestreamed. <https://www.ipcamlive.com/5e7b8c54ae33e> and can always be accessed by going to our website at www.sionlutheran.com.

For those who want to attend in person, feel free to do so. We will follow all CDC guidelines.

OFFICE SUPPLIES

The office supplies are in need of updating. If you are shopping and can purchase these items for the office, it would be greatly appreciated.

- A stapler, one that will straighten out so it can be used on bulletin boards.
 - An electric pencil sharpener.
 - A pair of sharp scissors, adult size.
 - We also need a sturdy step ladder, just high enough to reach the top of the bulletin boards.
- Geri and I would appreciate the donations.
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Notes from Kathy

A Springtime Prayer By Joyce Rupp

Ever-renewing and energizing Creator, come, stir in my dormant spiritual limbs.
Wake up my tired prayer. Revive my weary efforts of care. Sing hope into my discouragement.
Wash my dusty, drab attitude with the cleansing rains of your vision.
Go deep to my roots and penetrate my faith with the vibrancy of your grace.
Shake loose the old leftover oak leaves of my tenacious ego-centeredness.
Coax joy to sprout from my difficulties.
Warm the buds of my relationships so they bloom with healthy love.
Clear out my wintered debris with the wild breeze of your liberating presence.
Nudge me, woo me, entice me, draw me to you.
I give you my trust and my gratitude as you grace my slowly thawing spirit.
Light-filled Being, my Joy and My Hope, let the greening in me begin!

I shared the above poem by one of my favorite poets because she put into words what my spirit has been craving this spring. We start April with Easter, the day of Resurrection, a day when all things become new. Today is the day to decide bring some green into the lives of others.

It is the Holy Spirit who stirs our hearts and leads us to be kinder and more devoted than we were in the past. All of us need roots sunk deep so we have a sense of who we are. Life is messy and we can handle it much better when we cherish our relationship with God. We need to support and guide one another.

Acts 4:31 says "When they had prayed, the place in which they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken;

and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God with boldness."

Let's speak the word of God with boldness. It is a new day to proclaim His glory.

See you Sunday, Kathy

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April 2021

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| ALL SERVICES ARE IN PERSON OR YOU MAY WATCH LIVE HERE | | | | 1) 5:30-6:15PM Soup/Sand 6:30PM First Communion 6:30PM Maundy Thursday Service | 2) | 3) |
| 4) 10AM Easter Worship Service | 5) | 6) | 7) 3:30PM Confirmation <i>(in house)</i> | 8) | 9) | 10) |
| 11)) 9:30AM Worship | 12) 3PM American Legion Auxiliary Mtg Parish Hall | 13) | 14) 5:30PM Council Mtg | 15) | 16) | 17) |
| 18) 9:30AM Worship | 19) | 20) | 21) 3:30PM Confirmation <i>(in house)</i> | 22) | 23) | 24) |
| 25) 9:30AM Worship CONFIRMATION | 26) | 27) | 28) | 29) | 30) | |