



I, want to know  
**Christ** and the **power**  
of his resurrection....

*Philippians 3:10*

*Sunday, March 21, 2010  
9am*

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Welcome visitors! Thank you for taking the time to fill out the communion card provided by the ushers. We believe that the host of the meal provided during worship today is Christ. Christ invites everyone to this meal, saying, "This is for you for the forgiveness of sin." Echoing Christ, we invite everyone to this banquet. If you would like to receive deeper instruction in the Christian faith; if you desire to be baptized; or if you simply seek someone to pray with or for you, inquire of the pastor or indicate the need on the communion card. Grape juice is in the center ring of the communion tray.

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

**~Gathering~**

Prelude.....

Confession and Forgiveness.....

**P:** Trusting in the word of life given in baptism,  
we are gathered in the name of the Father,  
and the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God  
and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:** Merciful God,

**C: we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
and are not worthy to be called your children.**

**Have mercy on us and turn us from our sinful ways.**

**Bring us back to you as those  
who once were dead but now have life,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ.**

**C: Amen.**

**P:** The Lord is gracious and full of compassion,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Through the Holy Spirit,  
God gives life, freedom from the power of sin,  
and resurrection from the dead.

In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.  
Live in newness of life.

**C: Amen.**

Gathering Hymn..... "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God".....#505

Greeting.....

**P:** From our God who loves us with an everlasting love,  
who brings forth a new creation in Christ,  
who leads us by the Spirit in the wilderness:  
Grace and abundant mercy be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

**P:** The Lord be with you,  
**C:** **And also with you.**

The Prayer of the Day.....

**A:** Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness,  
and your grace waters our desert.  
Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing,  
that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love  
given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.  
**C:** **Amen.**

*~ The Word ~*

First Lesson.....Philippians 3:4b-14

*NRSV Spark Bible pg. 1305, Pew Bible pg.955*

**Lector:** Word of God, Word of Life  
**Congregational Response:** **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm.....Psalm 126

**A:** <sup>1</sup>When the LORD restored the for-<sup>1</sup>tunes of Zion,  
then were we like<sup>1</sup> those who dream.  
**C:** <sup>2</sup>**Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with<sup>1</sup>  
shouts of joy.**  
**Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great<sup>1</sup>  
things for them."**  
**A:** <sup>3</sup>The LORD has done great<sup>1</sup> things for us,  
and we are<sup>1</sup> glad indeed.  
**C:** <sup>4</sup>**Restore our for-<sup>1</sup>tunes, O LORD,  
like the watercourses<sup>1</sup> of the Negeb. R**  
**A:** <sup>5</sup>Those who<sup>1</sup> sowed with tears  
will reap with<sup>1</sup> songs of joy.  
**C:** <sup>6</sup>**Those who go out weeping, carry-<sup>1</sup>ing the seed,  
will come again with joy, shoulder-<sup>1</sup>ing their sheaves. R**

## Lenten Acclamation



**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Twelfth Chapter.

**C:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel.....John 12:1-8

*Spark Story Bible pg. 444, NRSV Spark Bible Pg. 1188, Pew Bible Pg 874*

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord

**C:** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon.....Rev. Dr. Steven Dreher from Lamp Ministry  
*Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots is a cross-cultural ministry,  
sharing Jesus Christ with God's people in remote areas of Canada*

Hymn..... "In the Cross of Christ I Glory".....#324

The Nicene Creed.....

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary**

and became truly human.  
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
 he suffered death and was buried.  
 On the third day he rose again  
 in accordance with the scriptures;  
 he ascended into heaven  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
 and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*  
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
 who has spoken through the prophets.  
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the Church.....Page 152

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer

Sharing of the Peace.....

*~The Meal~*

Offering .....

Hymn..... *“Create in Me a Clean Heart”* ..... #186

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Eucharistic Prayer.....

P: as we proclaim the mystery of faith:  
 C: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**  
 P: Grace our table with your presence.  
 C: **Come, Holy Spirit.**  
 P: peace, and love.  
 C: **Come, Holy Spirit.**  
 P: now and forever.  
 C: **Amen**

The Lord’s Prayer.....Page 154

Communion .....

*You are invited to sing the following hymn during the  
 distribution of Communion:*

***“Eat This Bread” #472 4X***

Post Communion Prayer.....

**A:** Compassionate God,  
you have fed us with the bread of heaven.  
Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage:  
may our fasting be hunger for justice;  
our alms, a making of peace;  
and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**C: Amen.**

Blessing.....

**P:** The God who formed us in love,  
who renews us through grace,  
and who will transform us into glory,  
+ bless you this day and always.  
**C: Amen.**

Hymn..... *“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”* .....#579

**P:** Go in peace. Remember the poor.  
**C: Thanks be to God.**

## *~Worship Assistants~*

**Assisting Minister** ~ Karen Hayes

**Reader** ~ Sonja Christensen

**Acolytes** ~ Nick Woodstock & Carson Kaashagen

**Greeter** ~ Ken Rockney **Ushers** ~ Joy Circle

**Communion Set-up/Take down** ~ Judy Taylor & Barb Klempe

**Communion Assistants** ~ Judy Taylor & Bobbie Rawinski

**Organist** ~ Joe Dever

## ~ *Prayer Requests* ~

### **Thanksgiving to God for...**

- East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry
- Travis, Jen and Audrey Ann Lauer
- Bridget, Jesse and Kinsley Johnson
- Prayers for the ministries of Arden and Jana Haug, Lindsay Stolen, and Jens Notstad
- Healthy pregnancy and upcoming births
- Alexandra Oates returning home from her service in Iraq.

### **God's guidance and direction for...**

- Please keep the families of Mike Forrer and Erik Smithback in your thoughts and prayers as we express sympathy for their loss.
- For the people of Haiti and Chile
- For true repentance
- Those suffering from cancer and other long time illnesses
- Those who are struggling because of the recession or job loss
- For peace in Afghanistan, Pakistan and Taiwan.
- For those suffering from infertility or difficult pregnancies.

### **God's protection and safety for those being deployed...**

- Please remember all our veterans. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and service to their country.
- SSGT John Calhoun    - Matt Bissen                      - SSGT Paul Johnson
- Cpl Jacob Janes        -LTC Eric Killen

### **Healing and health concerns...**

- Carol Barfknecht            -Ishula Webb                      -Jan Christensen-Goecke
- Roxanne Wildes            -Bret May                          -Betty Alder
- Joyce Krull                -Cody Wolf                        -John Brownell
- Gloria Anderson            -Barbara Collins

Please note: If you have a prayer request and want it put in the bulletin, please write it down on the back of the communion/welcome card or notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. Please continue to pray for those who have been removed.

Prayer requests week of 3-14-2010

\*Denotes new/changed request

## ~Calendar of Events~

### *Sunday, March 21, 2010*

Worship.....	9:00am
Sunday School.....	10:15am
Coffee Hour hosted by Hilary Mani and Jackie Zahn.....	10:15am
Lenten Proverbs Study.....	10:30am

### *Monday, March 22, 2010*

Morning Prayer and Staff Meeting.....	8:30am
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### *Tuesday, March 23, 2010*

Good Samaritan Meeting.....	7:00pm
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### *Wednesday, March 24, 2010*

Evening Band Practice.....	5:15pm
Worship.....	6:00pm
Lenten Supper ~ Potluck.....	6:45pm
Confirmation.....	6-8pm

### *Sunday, March 28, 2010*

Worship.....	9:00am
Sunday School.....	10:15am
Palm Sunday Brunch hosted by Confirmation Class.....	10:15am
Lenten Proverbs Study.....	10:30am

- **On Sunday, March 28 at 2pm, in the Skaalen Chapel,** there will be a benefit concert for the Auxiliary featuring **The Bel Canto Singer and the Country Chordsmen,** (also known as the Men's and Women's Chorus' of the Cambridge/Deerfield area). Under the direction of Judy Brandt, each group will perform individually and then will join their voices together for a number of special selections. Admissions to the concert is a free-will donation and includes a dessert fellowship following the concert. Proceeds from the event will be applied to the Auxiliary projects for 2010. The Auxiliary would like to thank Judy and the choir members for their support of the Auxiliary programs. This is sure to be a great concert – come and join us!
- **March 24th - ALL CONGREGATION POTLUCK**  
Please bring the following according to the first letter in your last name: A-I Main Dishes ; J-N Salads ; O-Z Desserts
- **Would you be interested in serving on a team in our** congregation that tries to identify needs in our local community, and then help? Everything from helping older neighbors with yard work, to hosting free car repair days, to being a crisis line for families in need. We already give financial support to families who need help with gas, utilities, etc., but we've been pondering trying to connect people more with friends, relationships, and volunteers. Looking at March 23rd at 7 p.m. as a first exploratory meeting. RSVP if you're interested
- **The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)** is preparing a social statement on genetics to be considered by the 2011 Churchwide Assembly. The 2005 Churchwide Assembly mandated the development of this statement. This document is the **draft** of that social statement and will be revised following discussion throughout the church. The deadline for submitting comments is **October 15, 2010. Copies of the Social Statement are available in the narthex, or on-line at [www.elca.org/genetics](http://www.elca.org/genetics)**