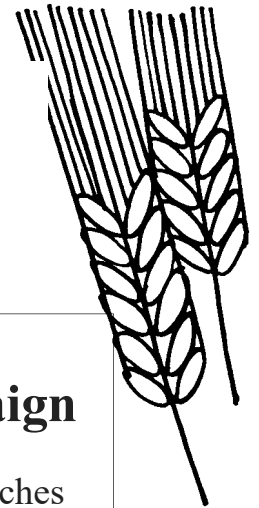


**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UCC ZUMBROTA
and
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ORONOCO**

March 2016 Newsletter

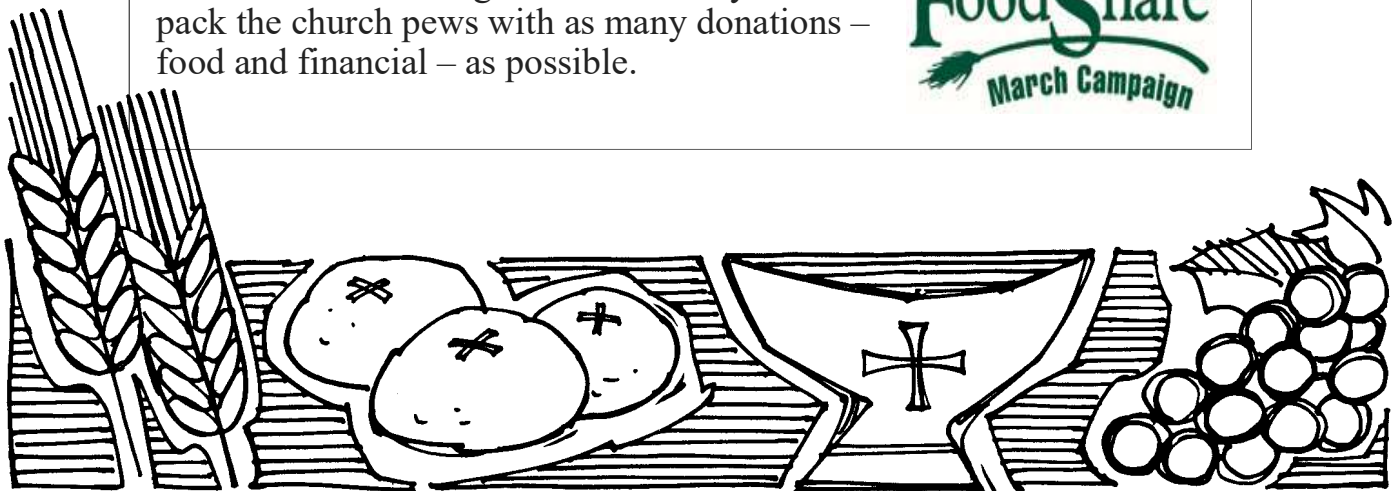


(O/Z) Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign

For more than 30 years, the Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches has partnered with local food shelves to bring food to those in need in communities throughout the state. The Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign brings together hundreds of companies, civic groups, schools and congregations to help keep 300+ food shelves statewide stocked throughout the year. This grassroots campaign is our most enduring program. Schools, business, restaurants, congregations and stores are invited to participate in specified action weeks in March, so we will be joining in “A Different Kind of Food Fight” (this year’s campaign) by signing up your group or organization and join the fight against hunger here!

Throughout March, we will be collecting food donations and funds for the local food shelves – Z church for the Zumbrota Area Emergency Food Shelf and O church for the Oronoco Food Shelf. At the end of the month, we will total up our donations in dollars and pounds and report it to the Minnesota FoodShare organization, joining our efforts with those of other businesses, schools, and organizations around the state. There will be a designated place in each church for donations.

As part of this campaign, on Sun., Mar. 20 (Palm Sunday), we will participating in **Pack the Pews**. The goal is to literally pack the church pews with as many donations – food and financial – as possible.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

*doesn't result in faithful activity.
~ James 2:15-17*

A few facts for you today¹:

One in 10 Minnesotans, or more than 500,000 state residents, are food insecure on a regular basis. 49 million Americans, including more than 16 million children, which is the equivalent of the populations of Ohio and California combined, live in households that do not have consistent access to nutritious food.

8.3% of seniors in Minnesota reported being threatened by hunger, a number that is expected to rise as more Baby Boomers reach age 60.

There were more than 3 million visits to Minnesota food shelves in 2013, almost half of which were made by children and seniors.

Poverty and the subsequent hunger that is caused by that poverty is a problem around the world, around the country, around the state, and even around our own communities – Oronoco, Zumbrota, Mazeppa, Pine Island, and Rochester. Right outside our doors, there are people who are struggling and hungry and desperate. There are people who don't know where their next meal will come from. There are people who can't feed their children. There are people who have to make difficult decisions daily – heat ... or food? Necessary medication ... or food? Rent ... or food? Gas to get to work ... or food?

Time and time again throughout Scriptures – both the Old Testament and the New Testament – we are called to provide for those who are hungry. As Moses and the Israelites wandered in the wilderness, God provided manna from heaven.² In his travels, Elijah is fed by a widow who has only enough flour for her son and herself, and in that feeding, God provides food for the widow and her son, too.³ Through the prophet Isaiah, God encourages us to care for those in need: “If you open your heart to the hungry, and provide abundantly for those who are afflicted, your light will shine in the darkness, and your gloom will be like the noon.”⁴ Jesus took one boy's simple lunch of a few loaves of bread and some fish and fed an entire crowd and then some.⁵ And then we have James' call to action:

Imagine a brother or sister who is naked and never has enough food to eat. What if one of you said, "Go in peace! Stay warm! Have a nice meal!"? What good is it if you don't actually give them what their body needs? In the same way, faith is dead when it

Throughout the month of March, both OZ congregations will be participating in the March Campaign, sponsored by Minnesota FoodShare. We collecting as many donate-able items (food, toiletries, etc.) and as many monetary donations as can gather. Whatever we collect will stay in our local areas. The food and funds raised in Zumbrota will go directly to the Zumbrota Area Emergency Food Shelf. The food and funds raised in Oronoco will go directly to the Oronoco Food Shelf. Friends, this is our chance to do what we can – big, small, or somewhere in between. This is our chance to extend a hand to those who need some help. This is our chance to be a part of God's incredible work in the world.

“The day that hunger is eradicated from the earth, there will be the greatest spiritual explosion the world has ever known. Humanity cannot imagine the joy that will burst into the world on the day of that great revolution.” ~ Federico Garcia Lorca, Spanish poet and dramatist.

When I was in seminary, there was a food pantry run by the seminary for the students. I went to school with a lot of people who had families – people who had taken the leap to follow God's call to ministry in their lives, people who had abandoned whatever careers they had (and the salaries that went with those careers!) to follow the Holy Spirit's leading. Many of those people had families that depended on them, and our little food pantry was a way to keep those families cared for during such a challenging and significant time as seminary. Peter and I were both students living on my meager 10-15 hrs/week, Peter's part-time bus driving job, and Peter's GI bill. We weren't going hungry, but the access to that food pantry eased the financial stress and strain of a 2-student household. I know what it's like to rely on the generosity of strangers, to be grateful for something as seemingly simple as a box of cereal or a package of meat. It is a blessing. So let us be that blessing.

Pastor Oria

1. “Hunger Facts 2016” from <http://interfaithaction.org/vertical/sites/%7B4A0682E3-A686-4085-83C3-1193C4BF8E5A%7D/uploads/updated-fact-sheet.pdf>.

2. Ex 16.

3. 1 Kgs 17:7-16.

4. Is 58:10.

5. Jn 6:1-15.

(O/Z) Holy Week Services



Mark the following on your calendar:

- **Palm Sunday services** – Sun., Mar. 20,
Z church @ 9:00 a.m., O church @ 11:00 a.m.
- **Maundy Thursday service** (joint)
Thurs., Mar. 24 @ 7:00 p.m., O church
- **Good Friday service** (joint) –
Fri., Mar. 25 @ 7:00 p.m., Z church
- **Easter Sunday services** - Sun., March 27
Z church @ 9:00 a.m., O church @ 11:00 a.m.

(O/Z) Good Friday Readers

I need two people who are willing to help with the readings on Good Friday. The service is in Zumbrota, but readers could be from either congregation. As in the past, we will be taking turns reading portions of the story of the last days and hours of Christ's life up to the crucifixion. I can get you the readings as soon as you let me know. If you can help, please contact Pastor Lisa.

(O/Z) Peace Camp 2016 – SonSpark Labs

Our dates and theme for Peace Camp 2016 are set!! This year, we will be working with a curriculum called SonSpark Labs – learning about God's life-changing plan for us as we explore various scientific principles: gravity, cause and effect, motion, transformation, and chain reactions.

Dates: Mon., June 13 – Thurs., June 16

Time:

Dinner – 5:30-6:00 p.m.

Activities – 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Place: Covered Bridge Park Picnic Shelter,
Zumbrota

Cost: \$15 per student

Any students in kindergarten-6th grade (the grade that they just *finished*, not the grade that they will be starting in the 2016/2017 school year) are welcome to register. There will be a registration link on both the O and Z church websites soon. And, as always, anyone wanting to participate as a leader or helper is more than welcome to join us!

(O/Z) Worship Advisory Team

NEXT MEETING: TBD

Just a reminder that the Worship Advisory Team consists of:

Lance Sorensen (O)
Linda Sorensen (O)
Peter Johnson (O)
Connie Hawley (Z)
Hailey Vath (Z)
Sue Wedge (Z)

We are continuing to discuss a number of different things, so if you have any ideas or feedback about worship, please feel free to share your thoughts with one of these people.

(O/Z) Per Capita Dues Reminder Membership Dues for the OZ churches in 2016

(O) The 2015 per capita fee is \$32.77/church member. These dollars fund the General Assembly, Synod and Presbytery.

As you pay your per capita, please note this on your check or envelope. For those of you on auto withdrawal, I'm asking that you pay your per capita directly rather than create a number of one time transactions. Thanks much!

(Z) As we enter into the New Year, it is time to remind UCC members of their commitment of \$10 for per capita dues. Please indicate on the "memo" portion of your check that the \$10 is designated for "dues." Thank you!



(O) POC Luncheons

Thanks to all who donated food and helped serve at the February luncheon. We had a great turnout and raised \$355 dollars! The five soups and many, many pies were delicious. Thank you all!

Watch for the sign up sheet for our last luncheon of the winter which is scheduled for Wednesday, March 16, from 11:30-1:00. Menu is casseroles, salads & desserts. Extra posters are available on the fellowship room credenza if you can help us get the word out. Be sure to invite your friends and family.

Readers of OZ

Next Meeting March 8



If O is for Oronoco, and Z is for Zumbrota, then surely H is for Hawk, too? The OZ book group will find out more about this kind of logic when it meets Tuesday, March 8, at Paulette Barnhart's home in Mazeppa to discuss Helen Macdonald's award winning book, *H is for Hawk*. Meeting time is 7 PM.

Amazon named *Hawk* the best book of March, 2015, and described it as follows: "When the author, a naturalist and falconer, lost her beloved father, she 'thought [her] world was ending.' Seems apropos, then, that her journey from crippling grief to something resembling grace is on the wings of another deadly bird of prey--the notoriously prickly, and murderous, goshawk. In *H Is for Hawk*, you will meet Mabel, not your typical bloodthirsty specimen, as she is trained to hunt like the goshawks of yore. It is this brash, slightly mad undertaking that wrenches Macdonald free from despair, and brings her to a place where she can begin again. Doesn't sound like your kind of thing? You'd be surprised. Macdonald's gorgeously wrought prose holds you in thrall from the first page, and provides something akin to the escape, and salvation, that nature provides her." *Hawk* was a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award and the Andrew Carnegie Award in Nonfiction, was shortlisted for the Kirkus Prize in Nonfiction and won the Samuel Johnson Prize.

The Readers of OZ meet the second Tuesday of the month, September through May (usually). New members are always welcome. For more information, call Paulette at 507-272-5664.

(O/Z) Confirmation Schedule

Wed., Mar. 2, 6:00-8:00 p.m. @ Oronoco

Wed., Mar. 16, 6:00-8:00 p.m. @ Zumbrota

Thurs., Mar. 24, 7:00 p.m. – Maundy Thursday service @ Oronoco

Fri., Mar. 25, 7:00 p.m. – Good Friday service @ Zumbrota

Readings for the Month of March 2016



Sun., Mar. 6 2 Corinthians 5:16-21
4th Sun. of Lent

Sun., Mar. 13 Luke 7:36-50
5th Sun. of Lent

Sun., Mar. 20 Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Luke 19:28-40
Palm Sunday

Thurs., Mar. 24 – **Maundy Thursday @ O 7pm**

Fri., Mar. 25 – **Good Friday @ Z 7:00pm**

Sun., Mar. 27 Isaiah 65:17-25; Luke 24:1-12
Easter

(O) Tithing by Direct Deposit

Our ability to tithe by direct deposit is up and running. Hoorah!! If you're interested in making your financial contribution electronically, please contact Kim Stanton or Kay Erdahl. Thanks.

(O) Clearwater Forest Summer Camp!

Registration for Clearwater Forest summer programs 2016 is NOW OPEN! Go to www.clearwaterforest.org today to check out the 2016 line up and register online! The theme this summer is "Fearless Faith: Courage in Community" where campers will experience firsthand the wonderful things God continues to create new every day. Clearwater Forest offers programs for anyone grades 3rd through recent graduates, and with all of the fantastic options available this summer there is sure to be something for everyone!

Campfires, high ropes, s'mores, movie making, worship, hiking, swimming, boating and giant games on the playfield are only part of what Clearwater Forest is all about. Living, breathing and thriving wrapped in a Christ filled community is truly a life-changing experience. With all of this it is easy to see why over six decades of campers have chosen to be a part of Clearwater Forest's mission and families continue to make Clearwater Forest part of their summer plans.

For more information please check out www.clearwaterforest.org or give the office a call at 218-678-2325.

(O/Z) Easter Garden Flower Orders



(Z) Everyone is looking forward to spring flowers after our long winter, and we will all have our chance to make the UCC chancel bloom on Easter Sunday by ordering lilies and other potted plants (hydrangeas, cyclamen, kalanchoes, etc.) well ahead of that. Watch for a sign-up sheet at the back of the church and for more information in the March bulletins. All orders must be in no later than March 20th.

If you can't be at church during this time, you can contact Nattalie Rolland Vath, who will help you with your order. Email Nattalie, n.vath@live.com, or call her at 507-272-3206. She can give you the prices and the address for mailing in your check. Thanks for helping to make this special day a beautiful one, too. You are welcome to take your plant home with you after the Easter service, or to designate another destination for it.

(O) The Presbyterian Church of Oronoco will be offering Easter flowers, similar to last year, for display during the Easter service as part of a memorial garden. Choices will be lilies (\$9), cyclamen (\$15) and tulips (\$10). Order forms will be on the table in the fellowship room. Your order form must be given to Joanne Schenck no later than March 20th. If you have any questions, please call Joanne at 289-0093. Thank you!

(Z) Hearing from Missionaries

Tom Liddle is currently serving as the interim at First Congregational Church in Cannon Falls, but in early 2016, Tom, his wife, Monica, and their children will be returning to mission work in East Timor. Tom and Monica have spent many years working at the same site in East Timor, building relationships and acting as the hands and feet and love of God for the people there. Because of a change in the way mission workers are funded, the Liddles have to raise their own mission funds.

Our council has recently voted to help Tom and Monica raise these funds, and we will be hearing from them about that mission very soon. (The date has not been confirmed in time for this newsletter.) Be on the lookout for more information about their visit.)

(Z) Visit from Missionaries

On Sun., Mar. 13, we will be joined in worship by Monica Liddle. Monica and her husband, Tom, along with their children will be returning to mission work in East Timor in the next few months. Rev. Tom Liddle is currently serving as the interim at First Congregational Church in Cannon Falls. Tom and Monica have spent many years working at the same site in East Timor, building relationships and acting as the hands and feet and love of God for the people there. Our council has recently voted to help Tom and Monica raise these funds, so we'll be hearing more about that mission from Monica.

(O/Z) Lenten Photo Challenge

"A picture is worth a thousand words." So for Lent this year, we're going to share our journeys together in pictures!

One of the things that has become popular through the use of social media are photo challenges. Each day, you're given a word, and your challenge is to take a picture representing that word. We're going to try something like that for Lent this year. There are 2 ways to do this. First, you can take a picture and post it to either Facebook or Twitter. Include the word of the day with your post as well as #OZLentPhotos. If social media is not your forte, you can still participate. Take the pictures with your phone or your regular camera and keep track of which pictures go with which words. Then, you can either email the pictures to me so I can post them or compile them and give them to me at the end. After Lent, we will turn these photos into personal devotional books.

In advance, thank you!



(O) Donations for Pine Haven

We are once again collecting donations for Pine Have Care Center in Pine Island. There's a box along the western outside wall to gather the items. We're looking for the following items:

- socks
- sweatsuits for men and women – sizes L or XL
- lap blankets

We will be taking these donations through the month of March.

(O/Z) Confirmation Dinners

Each time we meet for confirmation, we come together for a meal first. This gives us a great opportunity to participate in fellowship together and to unwind a bit before the "real" class starts. Each month, we meet in both congregations once - the first Wed. at O, the third Wed. at Z. I'm asking for people to help make meals for those gatherings - another great way we as congregations can support these confirmation students in this journey. *All of the meals in Zumbrota are covered.* Thank you! Here are the days we still need help in Oronoco:

Oronoco
Wed., May 4

(O/Z) Upcoming Hymnsing

We will be holding another hymnsing on Sun., Apr. 3 – the Sunday after Easter. So start compiling your list of favorite hymns!

(Z) Open and Affirming Celebration 2016



When the United Church of Christ's General Synod called on the various settings of the church to become OPEN to and AFFIRMING of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people of faith, lives were changed. The lives of our congregations have been changed by the Still-Speaking God. Folks on the margins have been received into the church with our Extravagant Welcome and their lives have been change. We have been changing live together in our witness for inclusion and justice as we live out our faith in the world.

Now it is time to celebrate our ministries, celebrate how being OPEN and AFFIRMING changes lives. Join us for our annual Minnesota Open and Affirming Celebration on **Saturday, April 9, 2016** at **Linden Hills Congregational United Church of Christ**, 4200 Upton Avenue South in Minneapolis. There

will be **workshops** for learning more about the Open and Affirming movement **starting at 1:00 PM**. A **worship** service will **begin at 2:30 PM**. Our host church will offer refreshment after worship for us to continue to share with each other the life changing work we have been a part of.

The various workshops will offer us a place to reflect on how being Open and Affirming can change the life of a congregation, how being Open and Affirming changes lives in youth ministry and how being Opening Open and Affirming calls us to the intersection of other justice issues.

During worship we will celebrate each Open and Affirming setting within the Minnesota Conference while being ministered to by the Mizpah United Church of Christ choir from Hopkins. Our preacher will be the Rev. Lawrence T. Richardson, Minister for Digital Evangelism with the church's national setting. Rev. Richardson is an African-American transgender man who has been changed in so many ways by being in the United Church of Christ and is in turn challenging the church to change and adapt to the new realities of ministry that unfold with each new day.

This event is sponsored by the Open and Affirming Ministry Team, of the Minnesota Conference United Church of Christ. The public is welcome to this celebration. The building is accessible on all levels and child care will be provided.



(O) One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

As in the past, we will be taking our One Great Hour of Sharing offering on both Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday this year. In anticipation of that, I thought I'd give you a little more information about OGHS and how that offering is used.

Started in 1949, One Great Hour of Sharing is a long-standing ecumenical effort aimed at raising the funds necessary to provide relief and reconstruction for communities in the aftermath of a disaster. What started as an hour-long radio appeal has evolved over the years, varying from 8 to 29 participating denominations and has become the most participated-in Offering in the PC(USA).

The OGHS offering, received during the season of Lent, makes a difference in the world through three impactful programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), the Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP), and Self-Development of People (SDOP).

- PDA, which receives 32% of the offering, works within communities as they recover and find hope after the devastation of natural or human-caused disasters.
- PHP, which receives 36% of the offering, takes action to alleviate hunger and its systematic causes and helps create access to healthy food for entire communities.
- SDOP, which also receives 32% of the offering, partners with people and communities with tools for development and education to alleviate poverty, oppression, and injustice.

(Z) ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING – a Way WE Can Help



Running from violence and oppression has been happening for all of human history. Mary and Joseph and their baby, Jesus were refugees, fleeing to Egypt to escape Herod's jealous rage that killed countless children (see Matthew 2). Under Moses' leadership, the Israelites fled Egypt because of Pharaoh's brutal oppression, and then had to wander in the wilderness for forty years. (see Exodus)

During the second decade of the 21st century, the largest refugee crisis since World War II has been unfolding before our very eyes. One in every 122 people in the world today is forcibly displaced from

their home, seeking refuge either within their national borders or beyond.

Violent political actions all over the world — Syria, Iraq, Burundi, and Guatemala — have created waves of refugees and displaced people, unable to return home for fear of their lives. Natural disasters have disrupted communities too, displacing people from their homes and livelihoods and exposing human-caused injustices that make a “new normal” difficult.

Lack of access to health care and the oppression of women create conditions that prevent communities from thriving. Chronic hunger, exaggerated by climate change, forces the migration of families for the sake of survival. Life in a refugee camp or as a refugee in an urban setting is a permanent temporariness that defies the wholeness of individuals or communities.

These statistics and realities of our world may lie beyond our comprehension, **but the people who live them are not beyond our collective hearts.**

Our OGHS donations fund sustainable development, refugee and disaster ministries. We go the extra mile to respond, to stay for the long term, and to work on root causes because we are walking with those who are forced to go many extra miles simply to survive and, along the way, to thrive.

On Palm Sunday, March 20, we will receive our One Great Hour of Sharing offering at 1st Congregational UCC/Zumbrota. Without our contributions and the contributions of our sisters and brothers in the United Church and in many other partner denominations all across our nation, none of this work would be possible. It all starts with our decision to give.

THANK YOU!

Lenten Photo Challenge 2016

<u>Ash Wed.,</u> <u>Feb. 10</u> Journey	<u>Feb. 22</u> Light	<u>Mar. 5</u> Community	<u>Mar. 17</u> Surrender
<u>Feb. 11</u> Sacrifice	<u>Feb. 23</u> Worship	<u>Mar. 6</u> Voice	<u>Mar. 18</u> Humanity
<u>Feb. 12</u> Word of God	<u>Feb. 24</u> Return	<u>Mar. 7</u> Promise	<u>Mar. 19</u> Indulgence
<u>Feb. 13</u> Pray/prayer	<u>Feb. 25</u> World	<u>Mar. 8</u> Trust	<u>Palm Sun.,</u> <u>Mar. 20</u> Who am I?
<u>Feb. 14</u> Gift	<u>Feb. 26</u> Love/beloved	<u>Mar. 9</u> Hospitality	<u>Mar. 21</u> To be still
<u>Feb. 15</u> Sacred space	<u>Feb. 27</u> Thirst	<u>Mar. 10</u> Compassion	<u>Mar. 22</u> Reflection
<u>Feb. 16</u> Test	<u>Feb. 28</u> Bless/blessed	<u>Mar. 11</u> Mindfulness	<u>Mar. 23</u> Mystery
<u>Feb. 17</u> Faith	<u>Feb. 29</u> Find	<u>Mar. 12</u> Courage	<u>Maundy Thurs.,</u> <u>Mar. 24</u> Witness
<u>Feb. 18</u> Solitude	<u>Mar. 1</u> New	<u>Mar. 13</u> Purpose	<u>Good Fri.,</u> <u>Mar. 25</u> Cross
<u>Feb. 19</u> Humble	<u>Mar. 2</u> See	<u>Mar. 14</u> Wonder	<u>Easter Vigil,</u> <u>Mar. 26</u> Shadow
<u>Feb. 20</u> Strength	<u>Mar. 3</u> Restore	<u>Mar. 15</u> Devotion	<u>Easter, Mar. 27</u> Rise
<u>Feb. 21</u> Hope	<u>Mar. 4</u> Longing	<u>Mar. 16</u> Holy	

Post to Facebook or Twitter using #OZLentPhoto
Or save your pictures and give them to Pastor Lisa so we can turn them into a devotional book.

Birthdays for the Month of March

3/1 Carlyle Johnson
3/2 Rex Wiederanders
3/3 Lance Sorensen
3/6 Jace Matthees
3/7 Bill Budensiek
3/9 Deb Nelson
3/10 Bonnie Rolland
3/13 Theodore Larson
3/18 Bruce Johnston
3/19 Ron Peterson-Rucker
Eunice Markham
3/24 Kim Stanton
3/27 Joyce Rucker
3/28 Jaxon Hartzell
3/29 Sarah Wedge Maguire
3/30 Darin Hartzell
Doug Maguire
Cayden Wiederanders



***Please Note the Leadership Changes**

Church Staff

Organist: Katha Johnson
Secretary: Sue Johnson
Custodians: (O) Sue Johnson
(Z) Debbie Floan
Pastor: Rev. Lisa Johnson

UCC Leadership Team

Chad Vath, Moderator
Cindy DeBleck, Clerk
Amy Pahl, Financial Clerk
Parker Quammen, Treasurer
Connie Hawley, Trustee
Bob Hawley, Trustee
Arlen Kylo, Trustee
Sandy Pahl, Deacon
Nattalie Rolland-Vath, Deacon
Hailey Vath, Deacon
Marlene Kosobucki, Deacon
Kayn Wilshusen, Deacon
Wendy Kylo, Deacon

Presbyterian

Leadership Team

Kim Stanton, Treasurer
Kay Erdahl, Asst. Treasurer
Ron Peterson Rucker, Ruling Elder
Brenda Longman, Ruling Elder
Janice Ostrom, Ruling Elder
Mike Rand, Ruling Elder
Peter Johnson, Ruling Elder
Lance Sorensen, Ruling Elder
Sandy Bowers, Deacon
Deb Nelson, Deacon
Joanne Schenck, Deacon
Karen Peterson Rucker, Deacon
Jenny Rand, Deacon
Gail Rucker, Deacon

People of the Church

Janice Ostrom Co-Moderator
Joanne Schenck, Secretary



In Our Prayers

Don't be anxious about anything; rather, bring up all of your requests to God in your prayers and petitions, along with giving thanks. Then the peace of God that exceeds all understanding will keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus.

Phil. 4:6-7

Marlene Kosobucki and her family as they mourn the loss of her father, John, Dave Kaempfer, Eunice Markham, Joy Bertsinger, Ann Hawkins, Sue Wedge, Jo Ludington and Monica Blue (sister-in-law to Dick & Janice Ostrom).

IN THE COMMUNITY

Shopko Senior Discount

Wednesday, March 2, 2016 seniors, age 55 and older, will receive 15% discount off their total purchases. *Some restrictions do apply.*

Secretary's Office Hours

Tuesday in Oronoco 10-3:00

Thursday in Oronoco 10-3:00

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March 2016 Daily Lectionary

These Scripture readings are from the two-year daily lectionary of the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (Westminster John Knox Press 1993). The readings from the three-year Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals are not included in this document.

Tuesday, March 1

Morning: Pss. 34; 146
Evening: Pss. 25; 91
Gen. 45:1–15
1 Cor. 7:32–40
Mark 6:1–13

Wednesday, March 2

Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 27; 51
Gen. 45:16–28
1 Cor. 8:1–13
Mark 6:13–29

Thursday, March 3

Morning: Pss. 27;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 126; 102
Gen. 46:1–7, 28–34
1 Cor. 9:1–15
Mark 6:30–46

Friday, March 4

Morning: Pss. 22; 148
Evening: Pss. 105; 130
Gen. 47:1–26
1 Cor. 9:16–27
Mark 6:47–56

Saturday, March 5

Morning: Pss. 43; 149
Evening: Pss. 31; 143
Gen. 47:27–48:7
1 Cor. 10:1–13
Mark 7:1–23

Sunday, March 6

4th Sunday in Lent
Morning: Pss. 84; 150
Evening: Pss. 42; 32
Gen. 48:8–22
Rom. 8:11–25
John 6:27–40

Monday, March 7

Morning: Pss. 119:73–80;
145
Evening: Pss. 121; 6
Gen. 49:1–28
1 Cor. 10:14–11:1
Mark 7:24–37

Tuesday, March 8

Morning: Pss. 34; 146
Evening: Pss. 25; 91
Gen. 49:29–50:14
1 Cor. 11:2–34
Mark 8:1–10

Wednesday, March 9

Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 27; 51
Gen. 50:15–26
1 Cor. 12:1–11
Mark 8:11–26

Thursday, March 10

Morning: Pss. 27;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 126; 102
Exod. 1:6–22
1 Cor. 12:12–26
Mark 8:27–9:1

Friday, March 11

Morning: Pss. 22; 148
Evening: Pss. 105; 130
Exod. 2:1–22
1 Cor. 12:27–13:3
Mark 9:2–13

Saturday, March 12

Morning: Pss. 43; 149
Evening: Pss. 31; 143
Exod. 2:23–3:15
1 Cor. 13:1–13
Mark 9:14–29

Sunday, March 13

5th Sunday in Lent
Morning: Pss. 84; 150
Evening: Pss. 42; 32
Exod. 3:16–4:12
Rom. 12:1–21
John 8:46–59

Monday, March 14

Morning: Pss. 119:73–80;
145
Evening: Pss. 121; 6
Exod. 4:10–20 (21–26)
27–31
1 Cor. 14:1–19
Mark 9:30–41

Tuesday, March 15

Morning: Pss. 34; 146
Evening: Pss. 25; 91
Exod. 5:1–6:1
1 Cor. 14:20–33a, 39–40
Mark 9:42–50

Wednesday, March 16

Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 27; 51
Exod. 7:8–24
2 Cor. 2:14–3:6
Mark 10:1–16

Thursday, March 17

Morning: Pss. 27;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 126; 102
Exod. 7:25–8:19
2 Cor. 3:7–18
Mark 10:17–31

Friday, March 18

Morning: Pss. 22; 148
Evening: Pss. 105; 130
Exod. 9:13–35
2 Cor. 4:1–12
Mark 10:32–45

Saturday, March 19
Morning: Pss. 43; 149
Evening: Pss. 31; 143
Exod. 10:21–11:8
2 Cor. 4:13–18
Mark 10:46–52

Sunday, March 20
Passion/Palm Sunday
Morning: Pss. 84; 150
Evening: Pss. 42; 32
Zech. 9:9–12
1 Tim. 6:12–16 *or* Zech.
12:9–11; 13:1, 7–9
Luke 19:41–48

Monday, March 21
Monday of Holy Week
Morning: Pss. 119:73–80;
145
Evening: Pss. 121; 6
Lam. 1:1–2, 6–12
2 Cor. 1:1–7
Mark 11:12–25

Tuesday, March 22
Tuesday of Holy Week
Morning: Pss. 34; 146
Evening: Pss. 25; 91
Lam. 1:17–22
2 Cor. 1:8–22
Mark 11:27–33

Wednesday, March 23
Wednesday of Holy Week
Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 27; 51
Lam. 2:1–9
2 Cor. 1:23–2:11
Mark 12:1–11

Thursday, March 24
Maundy Thursday
Morning: Pss. 27;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 126; 102
Lam. 2:10–18
1 Cor. 10:14–17; 11:27–32
Mark 14:12–25

Friday, March 25
Good Friday
Morning: Pss. 22; 148
Evening: Pss. 105; 130
Lam. 3:1–9, 19–33
1 Peter 1:10–20
John 13:36–38 *or* John
19:38–42

Saturday, March 26
Holy Saturday/Great Vigil
of Easter
Morning: Pss. 43; 149
Evening: Pss. 31; 143
Lam. 3:37–58
Heb. 4:1–16
Rom. 8:1–11

Sunday, March 27
Resurrection of the
Lord/Easter
Morning: Pss. 93; 150
Evening: Pss. 136; 117
Exod. 12:1–14
John 1:1–18
or Isa. 51:9–11
Luke 24:13–35 *or* John
20:19–23

Monday, March 28
Morning: Pss. 97; 145
Evening: Pss. 124; 115
Exod. 12:14–27
1 Cor. 15:1–11
Mark 16:1–8

Tuesday, March 29
Morning: Pss. 98; 146
Evening: Pss. 66; 116
Exod. 12:28–39
1 Cor. 15:12–28
Mark 16:9–20

Wednesday, March 30
Morning: Pss. 99;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 9; 118
Exod. 12:40–51
1 Cor. 15:(29) 30–41
Matt. 28:1–16

Thursday, March 31
Morning: Pss. 47;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 68; 113
Exod. 13:3–10
1 Cor. 15:41–50
Matt. 28:16–20



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Worship Times for the Month of March 2016

3/6	9:00 (Z)	11:00 (O)
3/13	9:00 (Z)	11:00 (O)
3/20	9:00 (Z)	11:00 (O)

3/24 Maundy Thursday worship service 7:00pm at O

3/25 Good Friday worship service 7:00pm at Z

3/27 Easter Sunday 9:00 (Z) 11:00 (O)

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