

Lord, Teach Us To Pray

Lent Series

We continue our Lenten focus on prayer throughout this month. We seek to grow in our understanding of The Lord's Prayer, as well as grow in the practice of prayer. Here's what is coming up this month:

Sunday Worship

We are focusing on The Lord's Prayer and what each petition means. We are also seeking to grow in understanding better the many ways that we can pray when we come together to worship.

March 7	Lent 3	Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread (This is also our annual School Music Festival involving all of our school music groups)
March 14	Lent 4	Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us
March 21	Lent 5	Lead us not into temptation
March 28	Palm Sunday	Deliver us from evil

Sunday Bible Class

Pastor Mark is leading a Bible Class on prayer on Sundays in the Gym. Topics include: What is Prayer? What is an acceptable prayer? What attitude should I have in prayer? Will God answer me? And more.

Wednesday Evenings

Each Wednesday we pray together. The prayer service that begins at 6:30 AM is different each week, making use of all of the prayer services in the Lutheran Service Book. We will also learn about different ways to pray in light of our different personality types, and we will participate in some of these alternate methods of prayer. We will also continue to divide into small groups to reflect on prayer and to pray for each other. The prayer service on March 3 will be a Service of Health and Healing. Soup Supper before the prayer service starts at 5:45 PM.

Prayer Walk

On March 20, we will have the opportunity to "Prayer Walk" the neighborhood around the church. What's a prayer walk? Watch for more information. We will meet at the Sanctuary at 9:30 AM, and be done by 10:30 AM.

Prayer Vigil

We will prepare to enter into Holy Week by having a prayer vigil on Saturday, March 27. It will begin at 8:00 AM and conclude at 8:00 PM. Watch for more information on this opportunity for prayer and how you can get involved.



From The Family Life Pastor

Communion Learning Event

Instruction for preparing to receive Holy Communion for sixth, seventh, and eighth graders with their parents will be held on three consecutive Monday evenings, March 8, 15, and 22, 2010 from 7:00 – 9:00 PM. A letter and registration form was sent out to those in the 6th – 8th grades who have not yet participated in this learning event. If you did not receive this letter, please contact me so that one can be sent to you. First Communion will be on Maundy Thursday, April 1st in the 7:00 PM service.

New Sunday Morning Bible Class – Prayer

I am currently leading a Bible Study on Prayer in the Parish Hall. Bible passages that refer to the specifics of prayer and the blessings of prayer will be discussed.

Catechetical Devotional Guide

The devotional guide that I edited is now available. The intent is for everyone to receive their own copy. If you have not picked up the envelope containing your family's copies yet, please do so on Sunday or stop by the office during the week.

Service of Health and Healing

On Wednesday March 3rd, at 1:00 & 6:30 PM there will be a Service of Health and Healing. The service will focus on the power of God's Word to bring healing in the midst of physical ailments, strained relationships, and other difficulties and challenges in life. An extended period of time for community and personal prayers will be a part of the service. Also, those who would like to come forward to be anointed with oil with the sign of the cross on their forehead may do so. This service is a great opportunity to invite friends, neighbors, or family members who are going through difficult times to experience the healing touch of God's Word.

Pastor Mark

Into the Word More Deeply

How is your memorizing of scripture going? There is a close connection between memorizing scripture and prayer (as we will explore in an upcoming Wednesday evening prayer service). As you seek to grow in your prayer life, consider including scripture memorization as an aid to meditation on the Word of God.