

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR – March 26 – April 2**

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| <b>Today</b>     | 8:00/10:30a<br>9:30          | Worship<br>Sunday School                                                  |
| <b>Monday</b>    | 1:00p                        | Women's Bible Study                                                       |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | 7:00p                        | Handbells Practice                                                        |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | 12:00p<br>6:00               | AARP Driver's Safety Class<br>Soup Supper<br>Choir Practice               |
|                  | 6:30<br>7:00                 | Confirmation<br>Lenten Service                                            |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | 9:00a<br>9:30<br>6:30p       | Quilters<br>Staff Mtg.<br>Worship Cmte. Mtg.                              |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>11:00a</b><br>6:00p       | <b>Lavonne Hidy Memorial Service</b><br>Men's BBQ                         |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 7:00a<br>1:00p               | Men's Bible Study<br>Intergenerational Easter Craft Day                   |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | 8:00/10:30a<br>9:30<br>6:00p | Worship – Palm Sunday<br>Sunday School<br>Fill Easter Bags<br>Youth Group |

**Attendance:**

3/19

8:00a – 112      10:30a – 106

3/22

Lenten Service

7:00p - 55



**Save the date!**  
**Vacation Bible School**  
**June 12 - 16**



**Don't forget!**

Time to get your change in for the "fill the pig" fundraiser!

**Today @ 9:30a in the sanctuary**

**Life Together: Conflict in the Early Church**

A bible study on 1st Corinthians

Join Pastor Ken for this study where we'll learn how the apostle Paul works through various issues in Corinth, the most affluent, talented, and most troubled congregation in the early church.

**No Youth Group tonight**

Next event is April 2 @ 6:00p.

Dinner, fill easter eggs and practice for Easter skit!

**Wednesday Soup Supper and Lenten Service**

6:00p -Lenten Soup Supper. Sign up to bring soup or bread!

7:00p-Lenten Worship (Holden Evening Prayer)

God's Amazing Grace: When We Fall Short

**Lavonne Hidy's Memorial Service**

Friday, March 31 @ 11:00a

A luncheon will follow, please let Lisa know if you can bring sandwiches, salad or a dessert.

- **AARP Driver's Safety Class.** Wednesday, March 29 from 12:00-4:00p. To register, contact Steve Blucher @ 719-598-5683.
- **Men's BBQ** – Friday, March 31 @ 6:00p at Dave Havelka's House, 12301 Crystal Downs Rd, Peyton, CO 80831. *Sign up!*
- **Intergenerational Easter Craft Day.** Saturday, April 1. Crosses start at 1:00p, Bunnies start at 2:00p. See display in fellowship hall.

**Calling all Juniors and Seniors!**

**Chat with Cam Regennitter over dinner at Wild Wings!**

**Thursday, April 20 @ 6:30p**

There are lots of questions and unknowns going into your Senior and College year. Also, lots of grieving, missing friends, last football game, and so much more!

## FIRST LESSON: Ezekiel 37:1-14

**37** The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup> He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. <sup>3</sup> He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." <sup>4</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. <sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup> I will lay sinews on you and will cause flesh to come upon you and cover you with skin and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord."

<sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I had been commanded, and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup> I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them, but there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup> I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

<sup>11</sup> Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' <sup>12</sup> Therefore prophesy and say to them: Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people, and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup> And you shall know that I am the Lord when I open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup> I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord."

## SECOND LESSON: Romans 8:6-11

**8** <sup>6</sup> To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup> For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed, it cannot, <sup>8</sup> and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup> But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, then the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

## GOSPEL: John 11:1-45

**Bold:** Women

Underlined: Men

**11** Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup> Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup> So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "**Lord, he whom you love is ill.**" <sup>4</sup> But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather, it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." <sup>5</sup> Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, <sup>6</sup> after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

<sup>7</sup> Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." <sup>8</sup> The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" <sup>9</sup> Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble because they see the light of this world. <sup>10</sup> But those who walk at night stumble because the light is not in them." <sup>11</sup> After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." <sup>12</sup> The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." <sup>13</sup> Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. <sup>14</sup> Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. <sup>15</sup> For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." <sup>16</sup> Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

<sup>17</sup> When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup> Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, <sup>19</sup> and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. <sup>20</sup> When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. <sup>21</sup> Martha said to Jesus, "**Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.**" <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." <sup>24</sup> Martha said to him, "**I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.**" <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup> She said to him, "**Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.**"

<sup>28</sup> When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary and told her privately, "**The Teacher is here and is calling for you.**" <sup>29</sup> And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup> Now Jesus had not yet come to the village but was still at the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup> The Jews who were with her in the house consoling her saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup> When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "**Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.**" <sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup> He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "**Lord, come and see.**" <sup>35</sup> Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup> So the Jews said, "**See how he loved him!**" <sup>37</sup> But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "**Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.**" <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup> When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

<sup>45</sup> Many of the Jews, therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did believed in him.

## Holy Week and Easter



### **Palm/Passion Sunday – April 2 @ 8:00a & 10:30a**

We wave palm branches as we hear of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. (Kids join us in the fellowship hall at 7:50a and 10:20a to gather for the palm procession). Later, the once joyful crowd turns angry and calls out for his death on a cross.

### **Maundy Thursday – April 6**

#### **Soup Supper - 6:00p**

#### **Holden Evening Prayer & Holy Communion – 7:00p**

Maundy is Latin for mandate or command. Jesus washes the disciples' feet and gives a new command: to love one another as he loved us. Through his presence we become servants to each other. Our worship ends with the dramatic stripping of the altar, preparing us for the stark reality of Good Friday.



### **Good Friday – April 7 @ 7:00p**

Called “good” because on this Friday the greatest gift was given: the life of our Lord for us. In the service of Tenebrae (darkness), readings are interspersed with music, so we hear the story of our Lord's passion in the gradual darkening of the sanctuary.

### **Easter Sunday – April 9.**

In the darkness of grief, Jesus' followers come to the tomb only to find the stone rolled away and to hear the news: “He is Risen!” Jesus' light scatters our darkness. His presence transforms life itself.

6:00a – Sunrise Service. Dramatic worship, including darkness and candlelight, youth drama and dressing of the altar. Youth & young adults, if you would like to participate, contact Lisa.

7:00 – Easter Breakfast. In the fellowship hall. Sign-up on bulletin board to bring food and sign-up to help in the kitchen at 5:00a.

8:00 – Resurrection of Our Lord Worship.

9:45 – Easter Egg Hunt. For kiddos up to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Bring basket and meet in the fellowship hall. 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up meet Lisa @ 9:15a in the fellowship hall to hide eggs.

10:30 – Resurrection of Our Lord Worship.

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### **BFLC Holy Week Invitation Cards**

We invite you to **“take one – give one”!**

Invite a co-worker, friend, neighbor and many more!

Cards are on the table in the narthex.

