## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR – March 19 – March 26

Today	8:00/10:30a 9:30 6:00p	Worship Sunday School Youth Group
Monday	1:00p	Women's Bible Study
Tuesday	4:30p 7:00	Mom's Group Handbells Practice
Wednesday	6:00p 6:30 7:00	Soup Supper Choir Practice Confirmation Lenten Service
Thursday	9:00a 9:30 6:30p 7:00	Quilters Staff Mtg. Men's Support Group Council
Saturday	7:00a	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	8:00/10:30a 9:30 6:00p	Worship Sunday School Youth Group
Attendance:		
3/12 8:00a – 78 10:30a – 149 3/15 Lenten Service 7:00p - 53		

• **Hygiene Bags!** It is time once again to collect donations for the spring hygiene bags that will go to LaPuente in Alamosa. <u>Please find a shopping list of suggested items on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board which you may take with you</u>. Items may be designated as "La Puente" and placed in the cart in Fellowship Hall.



Save the date! /acation Bible School June 12 - 16

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.
Youth! Join Pastor Ken tonight @ 6:00p. Games and Easter Sunrise planning, and chat about our neighbor's faith! And popcorn!
Wednesday Soup Supper and Lenten Service 6:00p -Lenten Soup Supper. Signup 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 @ 11:00am at BFLC A luncheon will follow, please let Lisa know if you can bring sandwiches, salad or a dessert.
• Lenten Devotional Booklets are located on the table in the narthex.
• Senior Social-will be cancelled for Wednesday, March 22, but will resume in April. This is an event Lavonne Hidy started and we would like to keep it going. Contact Lisa if interested in leading it.
<ul> <li>Men – Mark your calendars! Men's Support Group – Thursday, March 23 @ 6:30p Men's BBQ – Friday, March 31 @ 6:00p at Dave Havelka's House. Sign up!</li> </ul>

- Intergenerational Easter Craft Day. Saturday, April 1. Crosses start at 1:00p, Bunnies start at 2:00p. See display in fellowship hall.
- La Puente Easter Baskets. Donations needed: chocolate foil-wrapped candy kisses and jellybeans. We plan to put them together between services on Palm Sunday, April 2. We invite you to join us!
- Youth Group! We have some new things coming up, for April and May! Dates are listed below so please mark your calendars and moms too! April 2, 16, 30 and May 14, 21

# Calling all Juniors and Seniors!

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

There are lots of questions and unknowns going into your Senior and College. Also, lots of grieving, missing friends, last football game, and so much more! Date and Time is TBD based on what works best for you! Let Lisa know what evenings you are open to chat!

#### Fourth Sunday in Lent

## FIRST LESSON: 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-13

**16** The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons."

<sup>6</sup> When he came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely his anointed is now before the Lord." <sup>7</sup> But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him, for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."8Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. He said. "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." <sup>9</sup> Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." <sup>10</sup> Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." <sup>11</sup> Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse. "Send and bring him. for we will not sit down until he comes here." <sup>12</sup> He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him, for this is the one." <sup>13</sup> Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward.

## SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 5:8-14

**5** <sup>8</sup>Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of light, <sup>9</sup> for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. <sup>10</sup> Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup> Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness; rather, expose them. <sup>12</sup> For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly, <sup>13</sup> but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, <sup>14</sup> for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

## GOSPEL: John 9:1-41 Bold: Women <u>Underlined</u>: Men

**9** As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup> His disciples asked him, "<u>Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?</u>" <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned. But so that God's works might be revealed in him. <sup>4</sup> We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. <sup>5</sup> As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." <sup>6</sup> When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, <sup>7</sup> saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. <sup>8</sup> The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "**Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?**" <sup>9</sup> Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "**No, but it is someone like him."** He kept saying, "I am he." <sup>10</sup> But they kept asking him, <u>"Then how were your eyes opened?</u>" <sup>11</sup> He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go

to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." <sup>12</sup> They said to him, <u>"Where is he?"</u> He said, "I do not know."

<sup>13</sup> They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>14</sup> Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. <sup>15</sup> Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." <sup>16</sup> Some of the Pharisees said, <u>"This man is not from God, for he does not observe the Sabbath."</u> Others said, **"How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?**" And they were divided. <sup>17</sup> So they said again to the blind man, <u>"What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened."</u> He said, "He is a prophet."

<sup>18</sup> The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight <sup>19</sup> and asked them, <u>"Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he</u> <u>now see?</u>" <sup>20</sup> His parents answered, **"We know that this is our son and that** he was born blind, <sup>21</sup> but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." <sup>22</sup> His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. <sup>23</sup> Therefore his parents said, **"He** is of age; ask him."

<sup>24</sup> So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner," <sup>25</sup> He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." <sup>26</sup> They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" <sup>27</sup> He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" <sup>28</sup> Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. <sup>29</sup> We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." <sup>30</sup> The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, yet he opened my eyes. <sup>31</sup> We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. <sup>32</sup> Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. <sup>33</sup> If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." <sup>34</sup> They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

<sup>35</sup> Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" <sup>36</sup> He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." <sup>37</sup> Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." <sup>38</sup> He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see may see and those who do see may become blind." <sup>40</sup> Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, <u>"Surely we are not blind, are we?</u>" <sup>41</sup> Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.