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#### **Pastor's Notes**

We have inherited a legacy that exceeds every treasure this earth yields. We are the heirs of the incarnation. God took the form of personhood and has made known that he/she shares our common lot. As such we acquire our portion of Christ's Kingdom. It has been made our destiny to be claimed by God, to be named as heirs of his bounty. We have been entrusted with this treasure within our earthen vessels whereby we are called his daughters and sons.

We know what it is to be forced into compliance via laws void of compassion, with trials tilted in favor of a select few. We have seen discrimination against minorities, and we have looked upon the hardships of the poor. We know, we have seen these things because the Christ within us ever reminds us that we are at times our brother's keeper. We are at times, our sister's caretaker. We know these things, we've seen these things because we have experienced these things. I have been one whose brother came to my aid. I have been one whose sister became my caretaker, ever reminding me of what God's incarnate presence bequeaths to me.

We enter this season of Lent therefore, not as mere witnesses. We enter this season as members, as heirs of God's Kingdom on earth. By this grace, we can make a difference in our world by being what people of Christ are meant to be.

We are the inheritors of God's eternal love in Christ. To feel that love, that treasure in our earthen vessels, is to be of the faith that cares for our brothers and are there for our sisters by being caring and loving people.

Sincerely,

Rev. E. H. Huntzinger

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#### Lenten Schedule

#### Ash Wednesday—March 1st

Worship Service at 7:00 p.m. Holy Communion and Impositions of Ashes. The Senior Choir will sing. The Ash Wednesday message is entitled "The Ransom"

Lenten Wednesdays-March 8th-April 5th

Lenten Suppers will be served from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Lenten Program to follow at 7:00 p.m.



Schedule of Organizations Hosting the Suppers is as follows:

#### March 8 - The Consistory

Lenten Program Lecture: Our Mortal Frailties "From Job to Willy Loman"

#### March 15 - The Women's Guild

Lenten Program: Spirituals"

#### March 22 - The Confirmation Class

The Lenten Program Lecture: "The Soul's Desire" (A Thousand Clowns)

#### March 29 - The Senior Choir

Lenten Program: "Gospel Songs"

#### April 5 - The Sunday School

Lenten Program Lecture: "In Jesus' Time" (The Emperor Tiberius)

#### LOOKING AHEAD

April 9 - Palm Sunday Worship at 8:00 a.m. Service of Confirmation at 10:15 a.m.

April 13 - Maundy Thursday Worship at 7:00 p.m.

April 14 - Good Friday Worship at 7:00 p.m.

April 16 - Easter Sunday Worship at 8:00 & 10:15 a.m. No Sunday School









## **Easter Flower Sale**

The Women's Guild will be selling a wide variety of flowers for Easter again this year.

You can purchase your flowers on the following Sundays:
February 26<sup>th</sup>, March 5<sup>th</sup>, and March 12<sup>th</sup>.

Please help us decorate the church for Easter.

Something New this Year!

If you would like to purchase a flower in honor of or in remembrance of someone you can sign up on the sheet at the flower table. Then they will be listed in the bulletin and on the screen on Easter Sunday.

All flowers can be taken home after the 10:15 Easter service. Please check the bulletin board by the door to mark off that you picked up your flowers.

Thank you, The Women's Guild

## **Family Night**

Saron's Family Night will be on Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.
Mark your calendars to come see **LIVE** animals.
More details to follow.

## Remember To Turn Your Clocks AHEAD One Hour!

Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 12th. Don't forget to turn your clocks AHEAD one hour on Saturday night March 11th!



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#### One Great Hour of Sharing 2017

THEME: You Are Here!

"Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Matthew 25:40

Through One Great Hour of Sharing, we provide assistance to families and communities around the world, helping them to become stronger, healthier, and better equipped to address hardships and catastrophes.

The 2017 theme for the offering is "You Are Here" which could easily be the response to a question provoked by tragedy, fear, or suffering: "Where are you, God?" Psalm145:18 echoes the refrain throughout scripture that God is nearby. As soon as a person calls on God, God is here. You are here shows the church uniting to respond to the many critical needs present in our world today. Our support is given through partner organizations responding to health, education and agricultural development needs, refugee initiatives, and both international and domestic disaster response.

When we give, as the United Church of Christ – individuals, groups, and congregations – it means that the church can stand strong, in the midst of need whether it is nearby or far away. When God's love abides in us, we are moved.

Our Saron Women's Guild will create a display to track our progress and the Sunday School students will receive coin banks. We will dedicate our offering on Palm Sunday, April 9, 2017. Envelopes will be in the pews after Ash Wednesday and checks should be written to "Saron UCC" to receive credit on your giving statement.

Thank you for your support, whether you are a new supporter, or long-time supporter, every gift matters. Every gift allows us to say, "You Are Here."



### WHAT TO DO IF WE ARE HAVING BAD WEATHER

Winter is here! We hate to cancel worship, but if we need to, Tune into WHBL 1330 AM (Sheboygan), Milwaukee TV Stations (WTMJ), FOX 6, 12 (WISN), 58 (CBS 58) or Green Bay TV Stations 2 (WBAY), 5 (WFRV), or 11 (WLUK); call the church office to listen for a cancellation message (467-6202) or check the church website for a cancellation notice (www.saronucc.org).



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#### In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Those who are homebound or in care centers: Janice Hartmann (Pine Haven, Haven Drive Campus), Norb Meyer (Pine Haven, Haven Drive Campus), Janet Klemme (Pine Haven Assisted Living, Giddings Ave. Campus), Ilene Struve (Rocky Knoll), Marilyn Perronne (at home), Mae Schmidt (at home), Beverly Kleinhans (at home) Gordon Feldmann (Pine Haven Drive Campus for continued medical treatment) George Sommer (Atrium (former Plymouth Care Center for rehab)...

Saron members as well as friends and family of Saron who have been hospitalized or receiving ongoing medical care for challenging health problems or are battling cancer.....

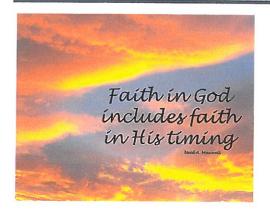
**Those in military service:** Jordan Rick (U.S. Marine Corps); Christopher Kletzien (U.S. Army); Jake Meinnert (U.S. Army)....

Elaine, the student we sponsor in Haiti....

We extend our Christian sympathy to the: family of Saron member Vicki Verhage whose mother Barbara Pike passed away on February 21, 2017......

We Celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism of: Lillian Karen Rick who was baptized on February 5, 2017. Lillian was born on November 22, 2016, and is the daughter of Mike & Lindsay Rick and the sister to Elaina; and of Adley Jean Konz who was born on December 13, 2016, and baptized on February 19, 2017. Adley is the daughter of Adam & Stephanie Konz and sister to Gracelynn...

**Lucas Williams** is a Member of Discernment for the UCC, attending seminary at Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis, MO. Lucas is in his 3rd (and last) year of seminary. His address at school is: 47 North Bompart #32, St. Louis MO 53119.







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<u>Happy Anniversary</u> We hope you keep the following couples in your prayers as they celebrate their Anniversary this month. If we missed your special day or reported a wrong date please let us know by calling the church office at (467-6202 or e-mail <u>barb@saronucc.org</u>).

March 4 Brian & Kelly Kaat

March 20 Cameron & Rachel Peichl-McGee

March 24 Corey & Jenny Albright - 10 yrs. Karl & Deb Fasse



March 27 Palmer & Ruby Feldmann Ralph & Judy Knuth

March 30 Don & Laura Albright

<u>Happy Birthday</u> We hope you keep the following people in your prayers as they celebrate their Birthday this month. If we missed your special day or reported a wrong date please let us know by calling the church office at (467-6202 or e-mail <u>barb@saronucc.org</u>).

March 2	Joan Baganz
	Kayla Bender
	Kurt Kwekkeboom
	Courtland Suemnicht

March 3 Alice Glander

March 4 Linda Shaw

March 6 Nancy Coller
Emily Meinnert
Linda Ubbelohde

March 7 Ron Roehl

March 8 Claude Gonzales

March 9 Roger Wagner

March 10 Pete Christy
Jill Daun
DuWayne Grunewald
Marilyn Heiden

March 11 Amy Roehl

March 13 Tim DeGroff
Brock Roehrborn
Robert Theune

March 15 Avia Athorp
Riley Casadonte

March 16 Mary Albright
Sean Beitler
Kelly Grosshuesch
Tyler Hanke
David Rautmann

March 17 Josh Beeck
Gage Fleck
Jessica Herzog
Micah Rautmann
Cindy Roehrborn

March 18 Russ Schuette

March 19 Andrew Schnicke

March 20 Wyatt Herzog

March 21 Michelle Meinnert Mattison Milz

March 23 James Albright

March 24 Morgan Johanning

March 25 Diane Kaestner

March 27 Jason Hanke Cindy Knopp Mark Shaw

March 28 Elaine Rettig
Case Schmidt

March 29 Paige Baumann Ken Fiedler Becky Pelnar Abby Sebald

March 30 Beverly Kleinhans Nicole Nohl Rich Specht

