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# The Tidings

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#### **Pastors Notes:**

As we approach Easter, we experience the wonder of the earth awakening to what is fresh and new. This newness is seen in rushing streams and greening pastures, in budding trees and blossoming flower. It is promise revealed in warm skies and a gentle breeze. It is the earth coming alive again – stretching out and flexing its determination to experience the new.

That is what we see and feel about the wonder out there. There is yet, a wonder that stirs within that comes alive when we think of Easter. For many of us we experience the spring-time of our souls. Think on that for a moment. We experience the springtime of our souls.

Easter conveys the thought of being integrated with our world. We are a part of the awakening, of coming alive to new experiences and the refreshment that is seen and felt all around us. And, if it so all around us, is it not possible that it is also within us?

As a song reminds us: "we can dream in spring when every hope is high..." Well, if that is true, let us reach out to grasp the dream and be carried along with the dream. Who knows, it might bring us face to face with the hope that offers us new life, a refreshment of our dreams, of becoming aware that there is possible, a springtime of our souls.

Easter, the word itself is ever new, forever fresh. All things that speak of God's presence speak of newness. It is true. "God so loved the world..." It is also true that we presently experience, "God so loves the world..."

It is ever the springtime of our souls when we lift up our eyes to experience his loving presence. It is there in the Easter message; it is there in the world around us; it is there within us. We have but to embrace the message as we look upon our world and integrate what it is that we see with what we feel and in so doing, we experience the springtime of our souls.

In that wonder it is likely that a prayer springs from our heart and as we integrate our lives with our world it would be well to remember Coleridge's words from "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner"

He prayeth best

Who lovest best

All things

Great and small

For the dear God who loveth us.

He made and loveth all.

Easter conveys the thought of being integrated with our world. When that thought permeates our feelings we experience the springtime of our souls. Happy Easter to you all.

Ernest Huntzinger



# WORSHIP SCHEDULE PALM SUNDAY & CONFIRMATION, HOLY WEEK ANDASTER SUNDAY

Palm Sunday, March 20th - Traditional Worship at 8:00 AM.

Worship and Rite of Confirmation at 10:15 AM for *Brandon Beeck, Cole Booth, Abigail Charbonneau, Morgan Johanning, Seth Morse, Mitchell Nelson, Kaedin Roethel, Emily Schnicke.* 

<u>Maundy Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup></u> – One Worship Service at 7 PM. Holy Communion will be celebrated. Senior Choir will sing.

**Good Friday, March 25**<sup>th</sup> – Worship Service at 1PM and at 7 PM. A special vocal ensemble will sing at the 7PM service.

<u>Easter Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup></u> – Worship at 8:00 and 10:15 AM. Holy Communion will be celebrated. Senior Choir will sing at both services. **NO Sunday School, Senior High Youth Group, or Adult Education.** 



### CELEBRATION SINGERS

It's an exciting time for the members of the Junior Choir. Having been given a choice of three new names for the choir, the members voted and selected "Celebration Singers" as their new name. Same great group - different name! We are also taking the "show on the road" on Sunday, May 1st. The congregation has been so grateful to the kids for sharing their gifts through song, we have decided to reach out to the community. Starting at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, we plan to visit Pine Haven Christian Home in Sheboygan Falls and Harvest Home in Howards Grove. We would like to invite the Saron members to join us for the visits. Prior to the visit, the members will be making favors to distribute to the residents. As always, we welcome any new members that would like to join this dedicated, enthusiastic group! The choir recently received an anonymous, generous donation, allowing us to purchase materials needed to make the favors. The donation was also used to acquire additional CDs. We wish to thank the donor for the support and encouragement, we

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truly appreciate it!

Donna Rabe and Tammy Anhalt





#### It's Pizza Sale time!!!

Attached is this year's form for the annual YF Pizza Sale. All of the money we raise goes directly to the YF to help fund future activities as well as fund Rainbow Kids so SELL, SELL!



#### Please note the following dates:

**Order From Due Date:** Friday March 24. Please return forms to the box in the Narthex or mail to the church office Attn: YF Pizza Sale.

**Pizza Making:** Saturday, April 9 at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement. Please arrive a few minutes early so we can start right at 8:00. We are usually done around noon and then enjoy some fresh pizzas for lunch.

**Pizza Pick-up:** Saturday, April 9 from 1:30—3:00 p.m. in the church basement.

We need help from everyone to make the pizzas so please plan on helping—no cooking skills needed! Also, parents and friends are welcome to help. If you are unable to help on Saturday we need help Friday night with set up. Set up goes very quick and usually takes less than an hour. Please watch the bulletin & Tidings for times. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for those available to help on Saturday or you can email the church office. Snacks & lunch will be provided.

If you have any questions or if you need additional forms please contact the church office.

**Note:** As in the past the pizzas need to be paid for in full when they are picked up. If money was collected during ordering and you wish to turn it in please make sure the entire amount for all orders is turned in with the order form or keep the money until pizza pick-up.

Make checks payable to "Saron YF"

## **Remember To Turn Your Clocks AHEAD!**

Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 13th. Don't forget to turn your clocks AHEAD one hour on Saturday night March 12th.

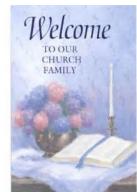




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#### **Welcome New Members**

<u>Dave and Starr Boldt</u> live in rural Plymouth and are neighbors of Ralph and Judy Knuth. They are returning to Saron via a transfer from Salem UCC, Plymouth. Dave is a sales associate at Fleet Farm and likes woodworking, fishing and camping. Starr is an LPN in a nursing home and enjoys gardening and quilting. They have 2 adult boys (Josh & Tracy and Zach & Cassie) and five grandchildren. They live at N7036 State Rd. 57, Plymouth, WI 53073; 920-893-5413.



Nathan & Sara Dassow live in Howards Grove with their 2 children, Isabelle (1<sup>st</sup> grade) and Xander (age 2½). Nathan was confirmed here at Saron and works at Sargento in IT and Sara is HR Program Manager/Advisor @ BMO Harris Bank. Nathan likes sports, reading, and brewing beer. Sara likes spending time with the kids and enjoys cooking and walking. Their address is: 1100 Audubon Rd., Howards Grove, WI, 53083. Phone numbers are: (Nate)414-520-2025, (Sara) 920-207-7971.

<u>DuWayne (Dewey) and Tammy Grunewald</u> live in rural Sheboygan and were recently married here at Saron. Tammy is the sister of Saron member Tracy Beeck and is a nurse at Columbia St. Mary's-Marsho Medical. Dewey is self-employed and likes to hunt, fish, & snowmobile. Tammy likes to fish and snowmobile and relax in her spare time. They live at W2380 Playbird Rd., Sheboygan, WI, 53083; (Dewey) 920-980-6127, (Tammy) 920-980-5322.

<u>Joyce Kruse</u> lives in Plymouth, WI. She is transferring to Saron from Bethlehem UCC, Kiel, WI. Joyce likes to exercise and likes being with her family and friends. She likes helping people in whatever way she is able and is a good listener. She lives at 2201 Kensington Ave., Plymouth, WI, 53073; 893-4393.

**Lynn and Elaine Rettig** are long-time, frequent visitors at Saron. They live in rural Plymouth, WI, and are both retired educators. The have 2 adult children. Lynn likes to read and do lawn work and Elaine likes to spend time with the grandchildren, theatre, book clubs, and being with family and friends. Their address is: W4440 Country Lane, Plymouth, WI 53073; 893-2366.

<u>David and Rachel Zeinemann</u> live in rural Sheboygan. They are coming to Saron via a transfer from Bethlehem UCC, Kiel. David is in sales at Badger Office City, Manitowoc and likes golfing, walking, and traveling. Rachel is retired and likes to read, spend time with friends, and play games. They live at 3407 Courtney Lane, Sheboygan, WI, 53083; 920-287-3060.

### A Message From The Consistory

The Consistory is asking people to **no longer bring their coffee into the Sanctuary** in an effort to keep our newer carpet as well as the pews as clean and free of stains as possible, however you may continue to have your coffee in the narthex.

#### Also

The Consistory would like to **remind the congregation to refrain from clapping after special music** has been preformed during the service in an effort to preserve the moment and keep the flow of worship. If you would like to compliment our musicians we welcome you to do so following the service.

We appreciate your co-operation concerning these matters.

# In Our Thoughts and Prayers:

**Those who are homebound or in care centers:** Elvera Dassow (Harvest Home), Janice Hartmann (Pine Haven), Eleanore Herzog (Pine Haven Assisted Living), Norb Meyer (Pine Haven, (Haven Drive Campus), for rehab) Ilene Struve (Kindred Hearts, Plymouth), Marilyn Perronne (at home), Mae Schmidt (at home), Beverly Kleinhans (at home)...

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....

**To those who grieve:** We extend our sympathy to the family of Joseph Skalecki (Kristine Belcher's father) who passed away on February 6, 2016....



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Invite

All members, friends and clergy of the Wisconsin Conference to The Ordination and Installation of

### Nathan Athorp

You are INVITED to Pilgrim Center, W1010 Spring Grove Rd., Green Lake, WI, as we partner with United Church Camps, Inc. and Ebenezer UCC of Sheboygan, to celebrate the ordination and installation of Nathan Athorp on Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 3:00 PM.

Nathan has accepted a call as the ordained chaplain of UCCI, serving at Pilgrim Center. Just as Pilgrim Center is ushering in a new spring, we will be celebrating and honoring a new ministry in the ordination and installation of Nathan as our chaplain. Come help us rejoice in this momentous occasion as our camps rejoice in this new beginning.

Clergy are invited to wear a red stole.

Refreshments will be served following the service.



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# You are cordially invited to attend the 54th Annual Meeting of the N.E. Association of the UCC



# Shift: From Maintenance to Mission

Saturday, April 16, 2016 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

#### Bethlehem UCC

11608 Lax Chapel Rd.

Kiel, WI 53042

Phone#: 920-894-3332

Rev. Tisha Brown, Associate Conference Minister for Leadership Development and Adult Faith Formation, will describe the Conference's newest initiative, *Shift:* From Maintenance to Mission. The central idea around "Shift" is that ministry will increasingly involve connecting, supporting and collaborating. Participants will have an opportunity to work in small groups and collaborate with one another.

Registration begins at **8:30am** and our day of assembly begins at **9:00am**. Lunch will be provided by our host church. The day will conclude at approximately **3:00pm**.

Childcare will be available for infants through sixth grade. Advance registration is \$10 per person and \$12 per person at the door. Costs include refreshments and lunch. Advance registrations must be received in the Conference Office by April 2nd. We are pleased again to offer this registration fee waived for retired clergy and their spouses and Members-In- Discernment. We hope you will join us. Please send registrations along with payment (made payable to Northeast Wisconsin Association UCC) to: Wisconsin Conference UCC, P.O. Box 435, De Forest, WI 53532-0435 or on-line Registration (NE Annual Meeting)

In early April, you will receive (1) printed copy of the White Book which will contain advance materials and agenda. We will also be sending an electronic pdf version for your distribution.

Saron has two delegates that are interested, but if you would like to attend as a visitor, you can register and pay through the Saron office or you can register online directly through the WI Conference website, <a href="https://www.wcucc.org">www.wcucc.org</a> (see info above).



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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 & Jennifer Albright Karl & Deb Fasse



March 27 Palmer & Ruby Feldmann Ralph & Judy Knuth—45 yrs.

March 31 Don & Laura Albright

Happy Birthday 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 <a href="mailto:barb@saronucc.org">barb@saronucc.org</a>).

March 2 Joan Baganz

Kayla Bender Kurt Kwekkeboom Amanda Otte

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

Michael Quilling

March 9 Roger Wagner

March 10 Pete Christy

Jill Daun

DuWayne

Grunewald Marilyn Heiden Amber

Schukow

March 11 Amy Roehl

March 12 Beth Heinen

March 13 Tim DeGroff

Linda Grimes Jacob Mulberry Brock Roehrborn

Robert Theune

March 15 Avia Athorp
Riley Casadonte

March 16 Mary Albright Sean Beitler



March 16 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

Colton Bruton Ken Fiedler

Rebecca Pelnar

Abby Sebald

March 30 Nicole Nohl

Rich Specht