

Messenger

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A Message from Pastor Fred

Dear Friends,

Here is a message that is no "April Fools Joke"! Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! I love that proclamation! It is so powerful! It is so hopeful! And it is so TRUE! Christ is Risen - and because He is, we are also. Not only do we have the reassurance of our own resurrection, that we will indeed spend our "second life", or eternal life, with God. But resurrection is possible in this life, too. We can be made new. A new start is possible. We can let go o the past and move on to a brighter future. Oh, how I love that proclamation, Christ Is Risen! He Is Risen Indeed!

Not only do I love the Easter proclamation, I love the Easter hymns as well. Jesus Christ Is Risen Today. Jesus Shall Reign. Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing! Christ Is Risen! Alleluia! Thine Is The Glory. At The Lamb's High Feast We Sing. Or who is not moved when they hear the Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's Messiah? There is so much inspiring music from the Easter Season. These hymns proclaim the message of Easter of hope and inspiration. Yes, I love the hymns of Easter.

But most of all I just love the message of Easter - the hope , the promise, the power. I love that I am reminded that new life is possible. That hope is possible. that we can begin again on a new path of our life and leave the old behind. I am probably one of the most "positive outlook" people around. And that is based firmly on my belief in a great God that grants second chances. That new life, new hope, new possibilities are all very real. It is not an unrealistic outlook - it is based in the power of the resurrection message.

So join us this Easter Season. Be reminded of the great things God has in store for us, we who are redeemed, who are saved, who have been born to a new life in Christ. Be reminded that Easter is much more than just the one day of worship of Easter morn, but is a life-time commitment to the very Son of God. I look forward to seeing you each Sunday, as we worship together and as we plan to let others know of this wonderful message of salvation.

Pastor Fred

Worship Services: Sunday Worship 10:00 AM

Saturday Worship 4:00 pm the 2nd & 4th week of the month

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The Church smelled wonderful with all the spring flowers/Memorial Garden for the Easter Worship service.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A SPECIAL EVENT ON SUNDAY, APRIL 21

At our 10 am Service, eight of our young people will receive their First Holy Communion! A special RECEPTION will follow! And all are invited to come! Help us celebrate this wonderful occasion. It is the first time since the COVID shut down in March of 2020 that

FIRST Communion

we have young people to go through this program. That is something to celebrate! Here are the names of our young people:

Harriet Kirchhoff Mary Mork Amelia Rabell Khalia Rabell Reign Rasmussen Aaliyah Schoeneich Aries Williams Myla Rabell





BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Sam Wintheiser
- 02 Lucas Krahn
- 3 Lauriana Iwinski
- 5 Jennifer Diaz
- 12 **Trevor Buth**
- 14 Edward Przyczkowski
- 17 Nicole Rivera
- 17 Pastor Fred
- 20 Chuck Bonack
- 24 **Becky Hertel**
- 24 Don Kuhn

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT HELPED MAKE SOUP-TO-GO SUNDAY **SUCH A SUCCESS!**



Nine different delicious soups were prepared and were ready to take home in to-go containers. We sold all but a few containers and raised a total of \$530 for our general fund for everyday expenses. Pictured left are some of the members of the JPLC Outreach Team: L-R Joanne Petaschnick, Gale Kramer, Claire Zautke, Pam Tarczewski, and Theresa Perry. Other members

not pictured include Kari Przybylski and Elizabeth Krahn. If you would like to be a member of this team that makes things happen at JPLC, please contact Pastor Fred or Theresa Perry. New members and ideas are always welcome!









Mon. April 15th 6:30pm



vided by Declan Schimmels and Gale & Kyle Kramer (not pictured). We are blessed to have them share



The Kringle Sale is Happening Now!

Our Sunday School is again having a Kringle Fundraiser to provide funds for their projects. Orders will be taken at church or call the church office to place an order. Pick up will be on Thursday, May 9th, (before Mother's Day).



Our Faith in Action at JPLC

Our SCS children along with our Confirmation students assisted in the making of both the "Creation" quilt and the fleece fringed winter blanket. In addition over two dozen blankets were donated by JPLC parishioners. All the blankets were distributed to the needy families at Hope House in early March.