



# THE Sainly NEWS

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## Ash Wednesday Worship March 2

Ash Wednesday Worship with imposition of ashes and communion will be held at 7:00 pm.

Join us as we begin our Lenten journey together.

## Pancake Supper!

The Ash Wednesday Pancake Supper is back! Join us on March 2 at 6:00 pm for a supper of pancakes, sausage and all the trimmings. A free will offering will be taken, which will benefit the roof replacement fund.

## Lenten Midweek Worship - March 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 6 Lenten Worship featuring Holden Evening Prayer 7:00 pm

Our midweek Lenten series, starting on Ash Wednesday, is entitled "Sermon on the Mount." It takes us through some of the most familiar teachings of Jesus from his Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5-7 and relates them to the events surrounding Christ's life, death and resurrection. In the process, the sermon series, written by Rev. Dean Nadasdy and preached by Pastor Janet will powerfully reveal that the cross itself is the ultimate sermon on the mount for our journey of faith in this sacred season.

Each Wednesday's worship service will be preceded with a free soup supper. A sign-up sheet for soup, bread, and dessert donations is posted on bulletin board #2. Please join us for this time of worship and fellowship.



## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

All services will be held in-person and uploaded later to our Facebook page and our website.



## HOLY WEEK

**Sunday, April 10 - Palm Sunday**  
**Distribution of the Palms 9:00 am**

**Thursday, April 14 - Maundy Thursday Communion**  
**Stripping of the Altar 7:00 pm**

**Friday, April 15 - Good Friday Worship 7:00 pm**

**Sunday, April 17 - Easter Sunday Worship**  
**with Communion 9:00 am**

Sunday Worship - In-Person 9:00 a.m.  
Recorded Service available on our  
Facebook Page and  
Webpage at 10:30 am.

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Dear Friends:

There is much happening around All Saints Lutheran these days – God is certainly at work here among us! The season of Lent begins in March and lasts for 40 days (not counting the Sundays). In the book *Sundays and Seasons*, Lent is defined as a season of repentance, turning to God and asking for God's goodness to wipe away our sins and show us how to live anew. Lent also turns us toward Easter and the abundant life God will offer through The Three Days (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday).



Our Lenten services begin on Ash Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm, followed by 5 weeks of mid-week Lenten services, utilizing the *Holden Evening Prayer* as our liturgy. This worship lasts about ½ hour and includes a sermon based on the Sermon on the Mount, exploring the topics of “Blessed Are You,” “Salt and Light,” “Prayer and Fasting,” “Do Not Worry,” “Judge Not,” and “Build on a Rock.” I hope you’ll plan on making these mid-week services a part of your Lenten journey. Come join us! We will videotape these services, like we do Sunday worship, and have it available for viewing on Wednesday evening.

If you don’t feel comfortable coming to in-person worship, but would like to receive ashes on Ash Wednesday, please contact me and we’ll find a time on that day for you to come to the church and receive them privately.

As I look around at our life here at All Saints, and in my own personal life, I can see the hand of God clearly guiding us. My prayer is that you sense God’s presence as well and will be called into action as we all seek ways to share God’s love.

In Christ,  
Pastor Janet Wold

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## Easter Garden Orders

Would you like to order an Easter plant to enhance the beauty of our sanctuary for Easter services? Order forms will be available in the weekly announcements and in the church office. Plants will come from Merlin’s Flowers. Orders must be placed by Sunday, April 3. The cost is \$16.50 per plant for lilies, mums, geraniums, or tulips, and \$25 per plant for azaleas or hydrangeas. Make your check payable to All Saints Altar Guild. These plants will be displayed in the sanctuary on Easter and can be taken home after Easter worship service.



## Welcome new Congregation Council Members!

We welcome Julie Danielowski and Caryn Huber as new members and Jared Fitzsimmons, Carol Miller, and Jim Wilcox as returning members of the All Saints Congregation Council.



**Deadline** for the April Saintly News is **March 15**  
Please send articles to  
**Rebecca Presson**  
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## Bible Studies

*Check the calendar for changes to the Bible Study schedule.*

**The Monday afternoon Bible Study**, facilitated by Pastor Janet Wold, continues via Zoom at 1:30 pm. This is a study and discussion of the following Sunday's Gospel lesson. A link to the Monday afternoon Bible Study is included in the Thursday announcement's email. Feel free to join us! If you need a Zoom tutorial, Pastor Janet will help you with that. If you do not have a computer, you can join via telephone at the number included in the announcement's email.

**Tuesday night Bible Study**, facilitated by Steve Reid, will be on hiatus in March.

**The Wednesday afternoon Bible Study**, facilitated by Pastor Janet Wold meets in Conference Room #310. We will gather for an in-person Bible study on Wednesday afternoons at 1:30 pm. The topic is "God Frees and Redeems." Each week is unique – we invite you to come as often as you can!

**The Sunday morning Adult Bible Study**, facilitated by Steve Jones is held in the Small Conference Room. The Adult Sunday School Class has embarked on a new course with *The Fall of the Pagans and the Origins of Medieval Christianity*. This next course highlights how the pagan world was converted and transformed by the Christianization of the Roman Empire. There are 24 half-hour videos that we will watch and discuss. The sessions are open to all who are interested, and each session stands on its own as an interesting and informative experience. Check the calendar for changes to the Bible Study schedule.



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## March Sunday Scriptures

### March 2 – Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17  
Psalm 51:1-17  
2 Corinthians 5:20b--6:10  
Matthew 5:1-12

### March 6

#### First Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:1-11  
Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16  
Romans 10:8b-13  
Luke 4:1-13

### March 13

#### Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18  
Psalm 27  
Philippians 3:17-4:1  
Luke 13:31-35

### March 20

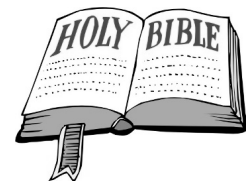
#### Third Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 55:1-9  
Psalm 63:1-8  
1 Corinthians 10:1-13  
Luke 13:1-9

### March 27

#### Fourth Sunday of Lent

Joshua 5:9-12  
Psalm 32  
2 Corinthians 5:16-21  
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32



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for your reference*

## Church Roof Replacement

Thank you to those who have contributed to the roof replacement fund. To date, \$7,469.49 has been contributed to help offset the cost. If you would like to contribute to the roof replacement fund, please contact Pastor Janet, Steve Jones, or Scott Fitzsimmons. You can also place a check in the offering plate on Sunday morning and indicate "Roof Replacement Fund" in the memo line. Also, we will be using the proceeds of the Ash Wednesday Pancake Supper and the Easter Breakfast to bolster the roof replacement fund. This is a great way to help pay for the roof and get a good meal at the same time!



Worship Totals	Online Viewers	In-Person	Total	Sunday School
January 30	176	55	231	10
February 6	202	63	265	17
13	166	58	224	20
20	90	63	153	21
Totals	634	239	873	68
Average	158	60	218	17



## 2022 Confirmation Class Schedule

March 2 (Ash Wednesday)	Service Project/ Pancake Supper	<i>Help with Pancake supper and attend Ash Wednesday Worship</i>	
March 6	Grace	<i>I don't trust that grace is really a free gift.</i>	John 1:14-17
March 13	The Word	<i>I'm not sure if the words in the Bible are the same thing as The Word.</i>	John 1:1-5
March 20	Bondage of the Will	<i>I'm not sure what or who is behind the choices I make.</i>	Luke 22:39-42
March 27	Two Kingdoms	<i>I thought Jesus only talked about one kingdom.</i>	Matthew 3:1-6



# Meeting Minutes

## February Council Highlights

- \* Revenue continues to fall short of expenses.
- \* Crossroads Blues Society would like to hold a free Blues Concert in March or April at the church.
- \* Due to new masking mandates, the use of masks in church will be encouraged but not required effective March 1.
- \* A pancake supper will be held March 2 (Ash Wednesday) to raise funds for the roof replacement
- \* Soup Suppers will be held before mid-week worship during Lent.
- \* A light breakfast will be held on Easter Sunday with donations going into the roof replacement fund.
- \* A blood drive will be held at All Saints on May 23.

## Annual Congregation Meeting Highlights

- \* Quorum was established.
- \* Elected Julie Danielowski, Caryn Huber, Jared Fitzsimmons, Carol Miller, and Jim Wilcox to terms on the Congregation Council
- \* Elected Carolyn Niederer and William Pirnat to the Mission Endowment Committee
- \* Elected Brian and Michel Williams as our delegates to the Synod Assembly in Rock Island, IL in June
- \* Standing Committee reports were accepted with one minor change to Finance (correction of Financial Secretary name).
- \* Roof repair information was presented, and it was motioned and approved to begin the financing process now to take advantage of the lower interest rate.
- \* 2022 budget was presented and approved unanimously.

## Book Club

Book Club will be held on Tuesday, March 22. Everyone is welcome to join us. Some read the book on Kindle or their Nook if it is available, but there is always a copy of the book to be passed around. This month's book selection is *A Merry Heart* by Wanda Brunstetter



# THE BOOK CLUB

## Gathering

This group will meet on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 9:00 am. Join us with your craft project, or if you don't have a project, just come and enjoy the fellowship and food.

JOIN US FOR  
**Social  
HOUR**

## Social Hour Returns!

The coffee will again be on following worship on Sundays, beginning March 6. Those who signed up on the time and talent sheets to host the Social Hour will be notified of their scheduled dates.

## Library News

The following books will be available on the library cart for the month of March:

*One Incredible Moment, Celebrating the Majesty of the Manger* by Max Lucado

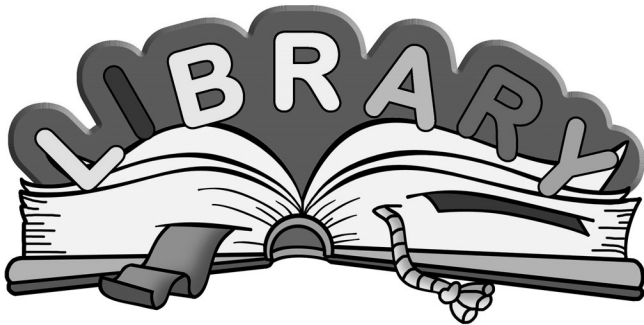
*Begin Again, Your Hope and Renewal Start Today* by Max Lucado

*In the Grip of Grace, Your Father Always Caught You. He Still does* by Max Lucado

*What on Earth Am I Here For?* by Rick Warren -

On your journey you will find the answers to three of life's most important questions: The question of existence, why am I here? The question of significance, does my life matter? The question of purpose, what on earth am I here for?

*Footprints* - Scripture with Reflections inspired by the best-loved poem. "When you saw only one set of footprints it was then that I carried you." Each line from this poem has been paired with Scripture.



## Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday

People Helping People was the big winner on Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday, held February 13. \$286.00 was donated by placing money into soup pots, labeled with the two teams participating in the Super Bowl.

Cincinnati Bengals was the big money maker with \$205.00 in their soup pot. LA Rams ran a distant second with \$81.00 in their soup pot. Thanks to all who donated!

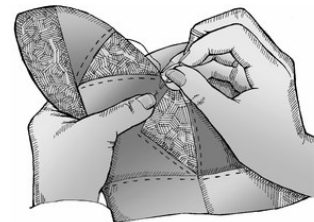


## Inclement Weather Policy

If the decision is made to cancel worship services because of weather, the decision will be made by 7:00 am. You can learn of that decision by:

- \* Checking our Facebook page
- \* Checking our website [www.AllSaintsByron.org](http://www.AllSaintsByron.org)
- \* Checking the weather – related closings on local TV stations

It is our intention to have services if at all possible. If you don't feel safe on the roads, please stay home, and participate using our online recorded worship service on the All Saints Facebook page or our website, [www.AllSaintsByron.org](http://www.AllSaintsByron.org).



QUILTING GROUP

## Quilters

The quilters plan to meet on March 3rd and March 17th at 9:00 am at the church. Our work continues to make quilts for Lutheran World Relief. The time goes quickly as we assemble layers of fabric/sheets and batting to be tied together. Much work is completed before and after the time we spend on the work mornings at church. The fellowship of working together is a reward to ourselves as we make quilts for people in need.



# Finance Report

Budget Items		Item Description	Actual January	Budget January	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Total 2021
Revenue		General Fund	\$17,361	\$16,489	\$17,361	\$16,489	\$197,861
		Mortgage	\$1,118	\$2,095	\$1,118	\$2,095	\$25,140
		Other Giving	\$1,012	\$834	\$1,012	\$834	\$10,000
		<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$19,491</b>	<b>\$19,418</b>	<b>\$19,491</b>	<b>\$19,418</b>	<b>\$233,016</b>
Expenses	1000	Mission Support	\$1,647	\$1,250	\$1,647	\$1,250	\$1,250
		Other Outreach	\$1,130	\$519	\$1,130	\$519	\$519
		<b>Total Outreach</b>	<b>\$2,777</b>	<b>\$1,769</b>	<b>\$2,777</b>	<b>\$1,769</b>	<b>\$1,769</b>
	2000	Ministries of the Congregation (Non Salary)	\$400	\$1,188	\$400	\$1,188	\$1,188
		Ministries of the Congregation (Salary and Benefits)	\$12,387	\$11,544	\$12,387	\$11,544	\$11,544
		<b>Total Ministries</b>	<b>\$12,787</b>	<b>\$12,732</b>	<b>\$12,787</b>	<b>\$12,732</b>	<b>\$12,732</b>
	3000	<b>Total Building (Non Capital)</b>	<b>\$2,151</b>	<b>\$2,544</b>	<b>\$2,151</b>	<b>\$2,544</b>	<b>\$2,544</b>
		<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$17,715</b>	<b>\$17,045</b>	<b>\$17,715</b>	<b>\$17,045</b>	<b>\$204,540</b>
	3000 Capital	Mortgage Principal and Interest	\$2,094	\$2,169	\$2,094	\$2,169	\$26,028
		Other Building Capital	\$0	\$13	\$0	\$0	\$156
<b>Total Building Capital</b>		<b>\$2,094</b>	<b>\$2,182</b>	<b>\$2,094</b>	<b>\$2,169</b>	<b>\$26,184</b>	
	<b>Total Expenses (Capital Plus Expense)</b>	<b>\$19,809</b>	<b>\$19,227</b>	<b>\$19,809</b>	<b>\$19,214</b>	<b>\$230,724</b>	
Net	<b>Net for Month/Year (Expenses Minus Revenue)</b>		<b>(\$318)</b>		<b>(\$318)</b>		
	<b>(Under)/Over Budget for Month/Year</b>		<b>\$582</b>		<b>\$595</b>		

## Congregational Resourcing Event (CRE) 2022 is Saturday, March 12, 2022 via Zoom 8:30 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Although we had hoped to have an in-person CRE, Kishwaukee College is currently not accepting outside groups for its Conference Center, and with the continued uncertainty around the health emergency, the group thought it best to offer the event online.

Participant registration for the CRE opened Friday, February 18. The registration form lists the workshops being offered and the Session in which they will be held. Those registering will register for specific workshops and, prior to the event, will receive information on how to participate in the event and how to join the workshops for which they registered. Go to <https://www.nisynod.org/programs/cre> for workshop information and registration forms.

The schedule of workshops and information about the workshop content and presenters will be listed at the links on the website.

### Important Dates:

Sunday, March 6, 11:59 p.m.: Participant registration closes  
 Saturday, March 12: Congregational Resourcing Event via Zoom

### Schedule - tentative

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. "Check in – Foyer open"  
 9:00 - 9:30 a.m. Opening worship  
 9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Session "a"  
 11:00 – noon Session "b"  
 Noon – 12:45 p.m. Break  
 12:45 – 1 p.m. Rejoin the Event for Session "c"  
 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Session "c"  
 2:05 – 2:15 p.m. Closing with Bishop Clements



## In Our Prayers

### Health & Healing

- Phyllis Coffman**  
**George Davis**  
**Phil Houston**  
**Sandi Reid**  
**Kit Reif**  
 Bill Michaux  
 Sandi Rennick  
 Dennis Reid  
 Richard McCabe  
 Diann  
 Mike Gordon  
 Judy Wirth  
 Toni Girten  
 Will Heindrick  
 Christopher Bowers  
 Bruce Roller  
 Felipe Sanchez  
 Cheryl Henert  
 Keith Padget  
 Ann Frerichs  
 Tom Lombardo  
 Francis Stevenson  
 Jared King  
 Judy Hines  
 Sharon Pleniewicz  
 Margie Myer  
 Stephanie Farrell  
 Pia Leombruni  
 Carla Pearl  
 Jimmy Johnson  
 Sydeny Provencher  
 Missy Kopp  
 Morgan Jones  
 Ernie Leombruni

### Shut Ins

- Lori Pederson**  
**Doris Swedberg**  
**Mary Whitmer**

### Military

- David Bishop**  
**Dylan Bishop**  
**Tyler Peterson**  
 Staff Sgt. Kyle Reif  
 Matt Vizer  
 Sage Harper  
 Cristiano Sasso  
 Logan Usrey

### Sympathy

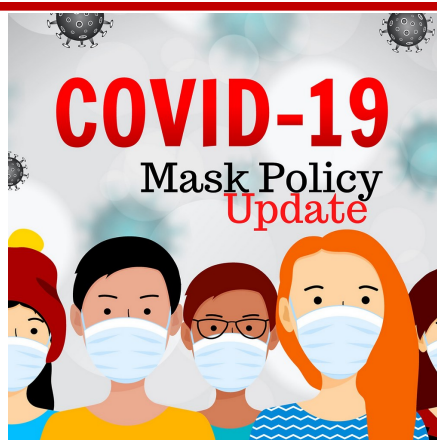
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## All Saints Masking Policy Change

The new State of Illinois mandate regarding the use of masks to prevent the spread of COVID-19 has been changed effective February 28. To that end, All Saints will encourage, but not require, the use of masks while in the building.



### March 2

Ash Wednesday Worship  
Pancake Supper Fundraiser

### March 9, 16, 23, 30

Mid-week Lenten worship  
7:00 pm

Soup Suppers 6:00 pm

### March 12

Congregational Resourcing  
Event (CRE) via Zoom

Office Hours are Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Closed on Friday