## This Week's Calendar...

Sunday, March 17, 2024 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

9:00am - Worship Service

No Sunday School - Spring Break

10:30am - Lenten Study meets in Lounge (DVD and discussion)

### Monday, March 18, 2024

10:00am - Book of Matthew Study

4-6:00pm - Community Meal at Zion Lutheran Church

### Tuesday, March 19, 2024

6:30pm - Finance

7:00pm - Church Council

## Wednesday, March 20, 2024

5-7:00pm - Confirmation (Grades 6-8)

6-7:00pm - KICK (Grades K-5)

6:00pm - Bells

6:45-8:00pm - Occasional Choir Practice

### Sunday, March 24, 2024 - Palm Sunday

9:00am - Worship Service

10:00am - Sunday School

10:30am - Lenten Study meets in Lounge (DVD and Discussion)

# PLEASE NOTE:

Pastor Chris on Vacation 3/4 - 3/17







"As followers of Jesus Christ, we will proclaim the message of God's kingdom and bring hope to a hurting world beginning in Chisago County."

**Worship Service** 

Sunday, March 17, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Prelude

Opening Hymn

**UMH #158** 

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Welcome, Greeting & Announcements

# **Prayer of Confession**

All: Abundant Mercy, forgive us. Open our eyes, that we may see Your new covenant written in plain sight on our hearts. Open our hearts, that we may join You in serving the broken of the world. Open our love, so we may pour it out as abundantly and graciously as Your love is given to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Leader: As we open our hearts and minds to God's grace, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading

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Mark 15:15b-23

Gloria Patri -- Page 70

Apostles' Creed -- Page 881

Children's Sermon

Offering & Prayer Requests

Bell Choir

Hymn UMH #453

"More Love to Thee, O Christ"

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### Sermon Series: 24 Hours That Changed the World - By Adam Hamilton

"The Torture and Humiliation of the King"

Guest Pastor: Cassi Betker Forest Hills UMC | Forest Lake, MN

Communion

Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

**UMH #454** 

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

Benediction: As we depart from this sanctuary today, may we carry with us the profound truth of Christ's love and the transformative power of his sacrifice. May we live each day in gratitude for the gift of salvation and strive to reflect the love of Christ in all that we do. Amen, go in peace.

Postlude



# **MISSION FOCUS:**

This March, we join Family Pathways' food shelves, faith communities, businesses, and organizations across Minnesota in acting to end hunger and food insecurity. We're roundin' up Chisago City's most wanted foods to crack down on hunger in our neighborhood! Please bring nonperishable items for our local Family Pathways food pantry and/or monetary donations throughout March. With Minnesota FoodShare's buying power, each dollar donated equals \$7 of food and a \$7 donation can feed a family of 4 for a week!

### **Announcements**

**Are you a visitor?** - Welcome! We are so glad you're here! If you are looking for a church home we would be honored to have you Worship with us! Please contact Pastor Chris or the church office for more new member information. Thank you for being here!

**Enrichment Opportunity** - The Foundation of FUMC has funding available to support the personal enrichment of you; our church family, helping you to move toward more Christ-centered lives. Some examples might include providing funding for adult education, conferences, church missions, or camps. If we can help, please let us know by filling out a request form, available through the church office.

**Bell Choir** - Meeting Wednesday evenings 6:00-7:00pm Hope Circle Room. See Patsy Berglund with any questions.

**Occasional Choir** - Our Choir is preparing jubilant music for Palm Sunday and Easter. Come sing and rejoice! Wednesday Practice 6:45-8:00pm.

**Matthew Bible Study** - Join us for a 12 week Bible Study through the Book of Matthew. Beginning January 8th, meeting Mondays 10-11:30am. If interested please see Tami Rehbein.

**KICK | Kids in Christ's Kingdom** - All children Grades K-5, Join us Wednesday night's 6-7pm as we embark on a deep sea adventure! Full of Crafts, Snacks and JESUS! For more information please contact Erin Thorvaldson or Tina Forcier.

**Sermon Series & Book Study** - Join us for a Lenten Book Study of "24 Hours That Changed the World" by Adam Hamilton. During Lent at 10:30am every Sunday the DVD presentation by the Rev Adam Hamilton will be shown in the lounge followed by a discussion of the book, DVD and sermon material. All are welcome to attend. Books available outside the Fellowship Hall. Any questions please see Pastor Chris or Erin in the Office.

**Tithe.ly** makes giving simple! The Tithe.ly app is free and easy to use or scan the QR Code provided for access to giving with Tithe.ly. If you would like assistance getting started please contact Verna Hultman.

**Bingo for Books** - Family Fun Night is back in April with Bingo for Books! FUMC will provide dinner, desserts, and drinks. We ask that participants bring a few gently used books in good condition for all reading levels to donate to the prize table. Friday April 19, 2024 - 5:30pm Doors Open, 6:00pm Dinner Served, 7:00pm Bingo Starts! Any questions please contact Tina Forcier at 952-356-7922.