

Cross Currents

Newsletter for March 2024



Behold the Lamb of God

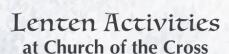
featuring Choruses and Arias from Handel's Messiah

Hymns & Anthems

Good Friday,

March 29 at 7:00 pm

Presented by
Alleluia Singers of Presbyterian Church of the Cross
Professional Chamber Orchestra & Soloists
Kristi Treu, Director



Sunday Worship at 9:00 and 11:10 a.m. (weekly)
Palm Sunday March 24 at 9:00 and 11:10 a.m.
Maundy Thursday March 28 at 7:00 p.m. with Communion
Good Friday Concert March 29, 7:00 p.m.
Easter Egg Hunt March 30, 10:00 a.m.
Easter Sunday March 31, 9:00 and 11:10 a.m.



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Observing a Holy Lent

Somehow, the season of Lent is upon us once again. We observed Ash Wednesday on Valentine's Day, marking our entrance into this season of penitence and introspection with the Imposition of Ashes. This season of preparation is meant to help us get ready for Easter. Now, our Lenten Study groups have started up, and together we will gather around God's Word to spur each other on, encouraging each other to observe a "Holy Lent."

Lent has both an inward and an outward side to it. On one hand, we're supposed to reflect more on Jesus, to consider him more, to think more about his call on our lives. We're supposed to draw nearer to him in prayer, to be in this conversation with him as we consider the kind of persons he wants us to become. So, we draw apart more, to spend time with him.

But, this drawing apart is not meant to turn us into monks. As proof of what we believe about him, we need to consider our actions. Better put, we need to make sure we're doing something to help others.

Sometimes we help others from a distance – we donate to One Great Hour of Sharing to help those in trouble around the world. We donate to Heartland Hope so those who come to them in need are helped. We might choose another local mission to write a check to. We love our local partners and are glad to support them.

Sometimes we feel the urge to give more directly — we head to Siena Francis House to serve our homeless population in person. We can go help by loading groceries at a Heartland Hope Food Drive. We can bring our child or grandchild to the Zoo to spend a morning assisting in needed crafts. We go out to Camp Calvin Crest for a work day.

What we're not supposed to do in Lent is stand idly by, merely "observing" it all happen. That's the only issue I have with the phrase "observe a Holy Lent" – we're not supposed to just observe others doing it all. Merely observing it all happen around us is to miss the point entirely. If I merely observed Valentine's Day by acknowledging its existence, my wife and family might feel a little left out. So, I invite you, in the ancient words,

"to observe a Holy Lent,
by self-examination and penitence,
by prayer and fasting, by works of love,
and by reading and meditating on the Word of
God."

Let's all try to draw even nearer to God and to others between now and Easter on March 31.

Your pastor and friend,

Marshall Zieman



Pastor/Head of Staff Marshall Zieman (402)333-7466 Ext. 1 marshall@pcoc.us

Join a Tuesday Bible Study

The Tuesday Bible Studies led by Dr. Zieman have moved on to the New Testament as we study the book of Hebrews. Newcomers are always welcome; just bring your favorite Bible and join us in the classroom in the Welcome Center at either 7:00 (men only) or 1:00 (everyone). Note, if you are looking for a women's only Bible study, find the details about the Presbyterian Women's Morning Circle on page 7.



Cross Care Connections provides a personally tailored relationship with a fellow church member to walk with you at life's most challenging times. These trained compassionate individuals can provide confidential support to help you navigate major life events.

Contact Marshall or Rock in the church office for more information about this program or to request a Cross Care provider.

The View from My Office KITCHEN CREW VOLUNTEERS

Help needed for our Monday morning kitchen crews again. I could use a couple of teams once per month to wash up a few glasses, cups, pitchers and utensils from Sunday with the dishwasher. Then restock the supplies and clear out any old items from the refrigerator.

If you and a friend have an hour to spend visiting and helping keep our kitchen clean and restocked, please contact Rock for more details in the church office.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is celebrating its 75th anniversary of this beloved

offering. Thanks to many churches like Church of the Cross for participating in the OGHS and making a difference in the lives of so many.



This year's theme is REPAIRING THE BREACH – Isaiah 58. Providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

Again, thank you for your generous support.

EASTERN EUROPE PARTNERSHIP NETWORK

Since our mission work directly with Russia, Ukraine, and Belarus is limited due to the war, and the fact that our mission co-worker, Ellen Smith, is reaching out to partner with Christian organizations in neighboring countries, the steering committee decided to rename the BURM (Belarus, Ukraine, Russia Mission) Network. The new name will be the Eastern Europe Partnership Network.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Congregational Life Committee is planning two special Fellowship Hours during Holy Week.

On Palm Sunday, March 24 they will host Fancy Fellowship. Everyone is invited to share treats from home during coffee fellowship and enjoy an hour vising in Fellowship Hall.

Then on Easter Sunday, March 31, Congregational Life Committee will provide Hot Cross Buns for Fellowship Hour to be enjoyed that morning.

We wish you and your family a blessed Lenten Season as we prepare for Holy Week. Please join us in Fellowship Hall.

FELLOWSHIP HALL ACCOUSTICAL CEILING, LIGHT FIXTURES, AND THREE TV SCREENS

Work will begin in early April. We will wait until after the Holy Week events. I believe the work will also be done in sections and not disturb use of Fellowship Hall totally.

Personally, I look forward to this update. In our home, my wife enjoys de-constructing a room and reinventing it anew. I call it destroying a room, but it is always wonderful when she has it put back together. Yes, I call her the general contractor.

My understanding is that all parts for this project are on order. As we complete this final renovation for Fellowship Hall, I am astonished with our success financially and with the entire project itself. From meeting strategic goals to making the construction project seem hassle-free, I am pleased with our favorable results.

My continued thanks for everyone's support.



Rock Sumner Business Administrator (402)333-7466 Ext. 6 rock@pcoc.us

Finance Committee Moderator: Belinda Greiner

Building and Grounds Committee Moderator: Roger Utman



Bake Sale Success

The JHF Bake Sale was a sweet success! Thank you to all who purchased goodies! We collected \$1042. All proceeds will go towards JHF's summer mission trip to Kansas City.

JHF Lock In

Junior High Fellowship spent the night at church in early February. As we like to say, what happens at lock in, stays at lock in! Here are some pics to give you a glimpse of the fun that was had by all.



The aftermath of hands-free searching for gummy worms in whip cream.



Pudding Pictionary!

Easter Egg Hunt

Easter is just around the corner! Hop on over to the east lawn on Saturday, March 30 for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. We'll begin at 10:00 a.m. with crafts in Fellowship Hall, then move on to the east lawn for the hunt at 10:30 a.m. Be sure to bring a basket to collect eggs. And keep an eye out - maybe you'll spot Peter Cottontail! We are accepting donations of individually wrapped candy for the egg hunt. If you would like to donate, look for the collection box in the Lobby. Thank you!

Important Dates to Remember

March 25	Confirmand Exam, 5:30 p.m.
March 30	Easter Egg Hunt, 10 a.m.
April 7	Confirmation Sunday, 9 &
•	11:10 a.m. Worship Services
May 5	Youth Sunday, 9 & 11:10
_	a.m.
June 11 - 14	Art Camp, 9 a.m. to noon
July 9 – 11	Vacation Bible School, 9 a.m.
	to noon
July 27	Garage Sale

Vacation Bible School

July 9 – 11 9 a.m. to noon Cost is \$10/student. Register online now!



Meet Lu (short for Lumen) the lightning bug! Lu will teach us ways we can put our trust in God when we are afraid, challenged, or called to do God's work and to share the Good News of God's love through Jesus Christ. We're forming our leadership team now! Contact Heather to serve on this very important team. Parents and grandparents, we cannot do this without you. Please consider serving.

Scan to Register:





Heather Berry Director of Christian Education (402)333-7466 Ext. 2 heather@pcoc.us

CE Committee Moderator: Kathryn Vint

JHF Leaders: Jeremy Cunningham, Julie Evers, Ashley Sherlock, and John Stalnaker

SHF Leaders: Dawn & Brad Gibson, Ethan Bennett,

Susan Price



Alleluia & Chamber Singers present "Behold the Lamb of God" on Good Friday at 7:00 p.m.



Experience a unique evening of music on Friday, March 24, at 7:00 p.m. as we use the power of music to solemnly reflect on the crucifixion and death of Jesus. The Alleluia and Chamber Singers, accompanied by a

professional orchestra and soloists, will present choruses and arias from Handel's Messiah, congregational hymns, and anthems, creating a truly immersive and spiritual experience.

Save the Date for The Queen's Six on April 9

Vesper Concerts is thrilled to present The Queen's Six Vocal Ensemble in concert on Tuesday, April 9, at 7:00 p.m. The Queen's Six is a world-class vocal group renowned for their performances for the British Royal Family and Royal events, is making a rare appearance in the United States in 2024. With only four stops scheduled, this is an event you don't want to miss.

Make sure you are on our email list to get up-todate information about other fun events we are scheduling around The Queen's Six. You can sign up on our website, www.vesperconcerts.org.



2024 Art and Music Camp

Summer Camp Opportunity for kids finishing 1st through 5th grade
Mark Your Calendars for June 11-14
It's Back! 2024 Art Camp....











and new this summer, announcing 2024 Music Camp!





CHOOSE YOUR TRACK

TRACK 1

Art Camp 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Gathering Space

\$25 for materials

Back by popular demand: Tie Dye, Clay, Canvases, and Watercolors

New this year: Mosaic, Airplanes, and Shrink Art Sue Thomas, instructor

Lunch break 12:00 - 12:30

TRACK 2

Music Camp from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

NO COST

Singing, Bucket Drums, Folk Dancing Jayne Frederickson, Mary Lynn Bennett, and Kristi Treu, Instructors

TRACK 3: Art Camp AND Music Camp Sign up to participate or volunteer to help at www.churchofthecrossomaha.org. Questions: contact Sue Thomas or Kristi Treu.



Kristi Treu
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Worship & Music Committee Moderator: Linda Matson





- 3/1 Walter Karges
- 3/2 Chase Spencer
- 3/3 Mary Cramer, Anna Paul
- 3/4 Adam Goodwin, Drew Ritchie
- 3/5 Stan Garner, Mike Howland
- 3/6 Austin Curtis, Chase Jenkins, Sandy Johnson, Dick Miller
- 3/7 Len Juarez
- 3/8 Robbie Baddley, Charlotte Hubbard, Marsha Smith, Barb Woods
- 3/9 Elizabeth Swedlund
- 3/10 Brandon Fisher, Lloyd Meyer, Kathy Nickel, Anna Sumner
- 3/11 Euloge Sekle
- 3/12 John Goodwin, Doug Patten, Diane Wetuski
- 3/13 Mitch Pirnie, Anna Whaley
- 3/13 Pam Lindsey
- 3/14 Brad Burch, Chuck Krumme, Dan Scanlan
- 3/15 Paul Cornett, Melissa Marvin, Mary Ott, Henry Spann
- 3/17 Mary Kate Broderick, Mary Haddock
- 3/18 Valerie Fuller, Betty Goodwin, Karin Hjerpstedt, Heather McDaniel, Bob Swartzbaugh
- 3/19 Jennifer Bennett, Peg Conley, Kathryn Harrison, Stan Hille
- 3/20 Dave Berry, Xander Huff
- 3/21 Jill Bobek, Lena Florent, Carol Hale, David Moore, Cody Thorson
- 3/22 John Dyer, Brooks Luth
- 3/23 Jessica Downes, Nancy Long, Adam Lundgren, Jennifer Paul, Parker Spann
- 3/24 Judy Book, Brock Bougger, Bob Foehlinger

- 3/25 Gerry Reid
- 3/26 Darold Bauer
- 3/27 Lucas Bumsted, Karen Butler, John Conley, Paul Kratz, Gladys Kuster, Adeline Lorentzen, Lissa Treu
- 3/28 Dave Arnold, Molly Florent, Scott Morris, Jill Rath
- 3/29 John Swenson
- 3/29 Nathen Holdren, Ryan Sherlock
- 3/30 Jeremy Cunningham, Rebecca Weyant
- 3/31 Elise Arnold, Dylan Spencer



Don Jelinek - 1/28/2024

A service was held on February 2, 2024

In need of prayer?

Submit a prayer request online. All requests are shared only with members of the prayer team.

Prayer Team Coordinators:

Julie Buehler and Judy Arms

Choose a Sunday to Help!

If you are looking for a way to serve the church, please consider filling one of our open usher spots. You can now sign up online for individual Sundays.



Questions? Contact Mary Ott or Mary Lynn Bennett

Reminder: Call the church office when you or a family member is hospitalized. 402-333-7466



FELLOWSHIP GROUPS/EVENTS



PCOC Book Group on March 20

PCOC Book Group will meet Wednesday, March 20 in Room 13 from 5:15 to 6:30

p.m. to review *LILLIAN BOXFISH TAKES A WALK* by Kathleen Rooney. All readers are welcome! Questions? Contact Charlotte Hubbard.

PCOC GALS Saturday March 9

Soup for the Soul Cooking Class with chef Renee Cornett on Saturday March 9 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sign up online! Questions? Contact Staci Voss.



Zoo Day on March 16

On March 16 at 9:00 a.m. we will be meeting at the Henry Doorly Zoo & Aquariumfor a time in enrichment. We will work on Easter projects and then those who attend may visit the zoo. This is our second outing to assist the zoo in enrichment projects for the zoo staff. There is a 20 person limit so make sure to RSVP to Sandi Stuckey. This is a great opportunity to meet other PCOC families and enjoy the zoo!



Active Minds in March

Active Minds will be learning and playing Somerset in March. This was postponed due to weather and illness from earlier this year. A unique card game! Please join us in the Lower Level Great Room on Tuesdays from 2-4 p.m. This is an easy game to learn, and we have patient teachers available to help. Coordinator: Earlene Uhrig

Presbyterian Women on March 7

All church ladies are invited to join us on Thursday, March 7 at 9:30 am in Room 15. Carolyn Will is leading us in Sacred Encounters Lesson 7, "An Ethiopian Eunuch Encounters the Good News of Jesus".

Our Gifting Gals Project continues as we collect lady's bras this March. Our bin is next to the Mission Committee's bin in the circle drive. Thank you to all who have made donations. We know that the lady clients at Heartland Hope Mission appreciate your gifts.

We wanted to share information about our Christmas project. In the past we made Christmas stockings for the Prison Ministries, however, this was canceled due to covid. Diane Kratz found a stack of Christmas theme material at home so we decided to make stockings for the children at Heartland Hope Mission. We spent a morning cutting and sewing stockings, and on another day filling stockings with candy, pencils, erasers, crayons, and games. All together 184 stockings were filled! We thank all church members that donated a variety of stocking stuffers.

If you have any questions about Presbyterian Women or our projects, please call Cindy Nisley, **Coordinator: Cindy Nisley**

49ers on March 5

Omahan's Hidden Garden as Big as 3
Football Fields. Our speaker will be
Steve Williams, master gardener and
retired physician, who has transformed
the landscape the size of three football
fields along a creek and across the back of nine
houses of Omaha's Rockbrook neighborhood. In
June around 900 people visited his garden as part of
the Monroe-Meyer walk. We meet for lunch at
11:30 a.m. at WHEATFIELDS, 1224 South 103rd

Street (One Pacific Place). We order from a special menu provided for our group. Everyone is welcome - whether you are 49, younger, or older - come join us! For reservations and/or questions, please contact Mary Ott or Judy Sundberg. Or, sign up in the white binder at the Information Desk.

Coordinators: Judy Sundberg and Mary Ott

Friday Night Gourmets on March 8

Irene and Bobby Astleford, Cheryl and Rodney

Whorlow will be your hosts on Friday, March 8 at Jerico's, 11732 W Dodge Rd. From 6:00 to 6:30 will be our time to gather and socialize, a cash bar is available. Our servers will begin taking dinner orders about 6:30. We will order

from a select 4 entrée menu, a baked potato, salad and dinner rolls are included. There will be separate checks with tax and gratuity included. Please sign up at the Information Desk. The last day to sign up will be Monday, March 4th. If you have questions, please contact Irene (or Rodney & Cheryl. (Wine corking fee is \$15.00).

Presbyterian Men on March 16

On Saturday, March 16th at 10:00 am, PCOC men are invited to attend a tour of Victory Lane, a private automotive condo complex located at 20121 Oak Street. Co-owner Scott Rouse will be our tour guide, an outstanding activity, invite a friend or relative! He will share how the owners envisioned this "man-cave" environment and how it has expanded. Please sign-up at the Information Desk by Sunday, March 10th. Contact Jon Boomgaarden as needed.

Stay Active on Mondays & Thursdays

Music & Movement meets at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. in the Great Room.

Coordinator: Betty Baddley.

Tai Chi meets at 10 a.m. for gentle stretching and movement! Drop in if you'd like to attend a class.

Coordinator: Paula Allen.

Membership Committee Co-Moderators:

Amy Boesen & Brenda Graumann

Congregational Life Committee Moderator:

Kathy Nickel & Stephanie Weaver



The Mission Committee Mailbox

The Mission Committee would like to share with you some of the mail we receive every month from the organizations which are the grateful recipients of your generosity. Below are the latest thank you notes we have received:

-Below is a handmade thank you note from one of the children served by Completely Kids. The child thanks you for all you do.



Siena Francis House Servers Needed Sunday, March 10 4:15 to 6:15 p.m.

PCOC has the dinner shift on the 2nd Sunday of every month at Siena Francis House. We need at least 6 volunteers. Please consider giving your time to this mission. Questions? Contact Keith Allen.



Scan our QR code to access the church online sign up page. We've made it easy to sign up to serve at Siena Francis House.

Agape for All Submitted by Patty Richie

Save the Dates! April 7, 14, and 21 for "Embracing Community Connections," a 3-part speaker series offered by Agape for All. Join us in the Welcome Center's Courtyard Classroom from 10:10 to 11:00 am for engaging presentations by Omaha leaders who are making our world a better place!

Online registrations are preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. Stay tuned for more to come!

Open hearts and minds create new solutions, so check out our Agape for All bulletin board in Fellowship Hall for interesting learning opportunities.



Mission Committee Moderator:Anne Wattles

Agape for All Book Review Deacons March Update

Submitted by Ann Pearson
Code Talker: The first and only memoir by one of
the original Navajo code talkers of WWII
Written by Chester Nez with Judith Scheiss
Avila

This is a touching memoir written by a fascinating man who was part of an extraordinary group of Marines in WWII who were a vital force in winning the war with Japan. As some of you know, they were known as Code Talkers and they developed the only code in WWII that the Japanese could not break.

Mr. Nez describes his life starting with his happy childhood on a sheepherder's farm to his humiliating, and cruel treatment in boarding school. He makes a point of the fact that students were subjected to cruel and unnecessary discipline and were forbidden to speak even one word of their own Navaho language.

Regarding his much preferred life at home, he does tell of the horrific summer when government agents dug large trenches on his father's land and proceeded to herd the domesticated sheep into these trenches. Having gotten the animals into the trenches, the agents sprayed the creatures with a flammable chemical and started them on fire. His description of the screams of the sheep, the stench of burning wool and flesh, and the heart wrenching grief of his entire community brought tears to my eyes and disgust with a government that would do such a thing. Mr Nez's sin was that he had been such a successful sheepherder - that he was using too much land (of his own) and the government needed it for development.

The next section of the book talks about his years in the Marine Corps during WWII. He describes the development of the Navajo language-based code that was the only code the Japanese could never break.



The Navajo's code talking skills were so vital to the success of the USA's war efforts that code talkers could not take leave with their fellow Marines. They were so important that they were assigned personal bodyguards 24 hours a day. While black Marines were separated from white soldiers, the code talkers were not segregated.

Their role was so secretive that they were not permitted to talk about it with anyone but each other. This was true even after the war ended. In fact, Mr. Nez and his team were not permitted to discuss their heroic role and contributions until 1968.

Mr. Nez talks about his postwar life including the joy of marriage and family, and his ability to enjoy life and options away from the reservation. He also speaks of the misery of post-war Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and of his diabetes. The complications of diabetes led to the amputation of parts of both his legs. He recounts a time when he and a friend were almost shot by two fellow Marines who assumed that they were Japanese. Imagine: two Japanese in Marine uniforms.

The one thing that gave him and his team great pleasure, however, was wondering what their cruel boarding house Matrons would think about the idea of the Navajo language being so highly valued in the winning of the war.

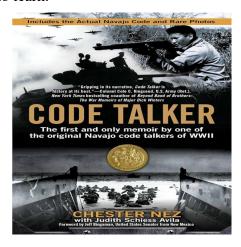
In spite of the tragedies and triumphs of his life,

Chester Nez is quoted as saying "It's been a good life so far!" (April 2010)

This is an individual and group who, in spite of cruel and unfair treatment by the United States and "Christian" efforts to save them from themselves, had the courage and integrity to fight faithfully for their homeland. Their Navajo religion, integrity, and values, (similar to though not the same as

Christian values) served us all in such a crucial time in history. We need to be grateful for their selfless service. Let us not overlook their courage, integrity and faithfulness.

This book is well worth our time to read. We have so much to learn.





DEACONS' UPDATE

Deacons March Update

Submitted by Neal Hubbard

Your Board of Deacons is beginning a new year with plenty of activities. We held an organizational retreat in early February to welcome eight new deacons to the board and to establish our various activity committees for this year. The retreat was also a great opportunity for the Deacons to get better acquainted with each other and review all of our activities.

Our Valentine Outreach committee sent Valentines including a gift card to about 60 PCOC young adults who have graduated from high school in the past 4 years. We wanted to let them know that their church continues to pray for their well being and success in their life adventures. They are always welcome at their PCOC church home.

The Deacons are sponsoring an upcoming Red

Cross Blood Drive at PCOC on Sunday morning, March 3rd in the PCOC Great Room. You can either sign up online with the Red Cross or just walkin on March 3rd. The church's weekly bulletins and emails contain sign-up information. Our goal is to get 25 donors that day. Each pint donated could help as many as 5 people who need blood.

Our Easter Basket Committee is busy preparing 60 Easter Baskets to deliver to our older church members, especially those who are home bound or reside in a living center. The Deacons will visit these folks and deliver an Easter Basket to them during the last two weeks of March.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

Deacons Moderator:

Neal Hubbard

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Casa

Douglas and Sarpy County CASA are part of our community support. Over 1500 children are in foster care in the Omaha area. Douglas county has chosen to use our donation to support the advocates. Sarpy County used our donation to let children choose a gift from Amazon at Christmas. Here are a few stats to inform you about the program. 12 new advocates were trained, but both counties always need more advocates. Sarpy served 178 youth with 185 volunteers. Children enter the court system under many reasons with 77% from neglect. Programs in Sarpy to assist families are receiving new shoes& socks, and each child receives a gift card and treat on their birthday and received their gifts of choice at Christmas.

Questions? www.casa omaha.org or www.sarpy casa.org

AllPlav

It may seem cold out now, but baseball season is just around the corner. Registration for players is now available online for registration at registration.info@allplay.org This is free for all players.

The Spring season is May 6-June 22.

Good News! We sponsored the registration for Ryan Bisignano and his Dad, Tony, to the 2023 National Miracle League All-Star game. Hall-of-Fame catcher Johnny Bench was the pitcher when Ryan hit his home run. Omaha was represented in grand style. Tony has been a coach for AllPlay teams since it began in Omaha.

Watch for the sign up to volunteer in the bulletin.

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