



ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

MARCH 2026



Tell Me Something Good

Grounding Ourselves in the Good News this Lent

Start With a Wedding – a poem by Rev. Sarah Speed

Inspired by the Gospel of John's celebratory beginning.

When it comes time to write my obituary for the local paper, please do not start with my résumé. Do not start with my career or my worldly accomplishments (however small they may be). Do not take up space writing about my alma mater or outlining the entire family tree (we know who we are). Instead, spend your precious little word count on how beautiful it all was. Write about the dinner parties and the fireside chats. Write about the evenings we spent on the front stoop counting fireflies. Write about summers in the mountains and the garden that we grew. Write about the seasons we cried out to God, and the prayers that God answered. Write about the nights we danced, and the days we laughed. When it comes time to tell the story of my life, please take a lesson from the Gospel of John, and start with a wedding. Start with a miracle. Start with the fact that all of it held joy.

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Last week I helped write an obituary for my father-in-law. It was in the traditional form, with his degrees and accomplishments, and a list of all his family. It was a poignant task, because along with writing the obituary comes telling and hearing stories; it's one thing to say he was a teacher for over 30 years, but another to read and hear the testimonies of former colleagues and students about how he made a difference in the schools and community where he taught.

Last week we also attended the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of my husband's grandmother. Family gathered from around the country for a time of sharing stories, catching up and taking lots of pictures. Grandma loves a four-generation picture! And I was reminded again about how death and life come side by side; grief and celebration, loss and joy are present together in our lives.

This season of Lent, our theme is Tell Me Something Good. Even as we approach the story of Jesus' death on a cross; even as we remember our shortcomings and need for repentance; even in the current anxiety and uncertainty in our nation and world; we still ground ourselves the good news that Jesus is with us. The good news of Jesus' love for all; the

good news of miracles and celebration; the good news of care for the vulnerable, rooted in justice, mercy and love.

During Lent, please join us at church on **Wednesday evenings for soup suppers – arrive between 5:30 and 6:00 for soup and bread – and Holden Evening Prayer at 6:30.**

And may the good news of Jesus Christ carry us in hope and joy throughout the season.

Grace and peace,

Pastor Kristin



## **Holy Week 2026**

**Palm Sunday** ~ The Good News is inspiring us to act!

Sunday, March 29, 10:00 am~ with the procession of palms beginning in the pavilion.

**Maundy Thursday** ~ The Good News is, even Judas gets his feet washed.

Thursday, April 2, 7:00 pm, with Zoom option.

**Good Friday** ~ The Good News is revealed in nonviolence.

Friday, April 3 – traditional service at 12:00 pm, Tenebrae service at 7:00 pm.

**Easter Sunday** ~ The Good News is alive in the world!

Sunday, April 5, celebration worship at 10:00 am followed by fellowship.

*Altar Care invites your help to prepare the church for Easter on Saturday, April 4 at 10:00 am. Bring flowers in pots for the Easter Garden.*



# Worship

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| <b>March 1– Lent 2</b><br><b>Acts 2: 42-47</b><br><b>Psalm 23</b><br><b>Matthew 22: 36-40</b>                | <b>March 8– Lent 3</b><br><b>Ephesians 3: 20-21</b><br><b>Psalm 104: 24-34</b><br><b>John 6:1-14</b> |
| <b>March 15– Lent 4</b><br><b>Deuteronomy 24: 17-22</b><br><b>Psalm 68: 4-10</b><br><b>Matthew 19: 13-15</b> | <b>March 22-Lent 5</b><br><b>Micah 6:8</b><br><b>Psalm 89: 1-4, 13-16</b><br><b>John 8:2-11;</b>     |

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| <b>March 29– Palm Sunday</b><br><b>Processional Reading John 12:1-11</b><br><b>First Lesson: Philippians 2</b><br><b>John 12: 12-19</b> |
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## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

| Date     | Assisting Minister | Lector      | Zoom Usher  | Audio     | Video     |
|----------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| March 1  | LutherHouse        | Judy M.     | Logan L.    | Megan B.  | Marlee B. |
| March 8  | Katy A.            | Larry S.    | Meredyth J. | Steve R.  | Lee L.    |
| March 15 | Kris E.            | Sue M.      | Logan L.    | Marlee B. | Steve R.  |
| March 22 | Paula D.           | Karen C.    | Megan B.    | Lee L.    | Steve R.  |
| March 29 | Nicole A.          | Gloria N.O. | Meredyth J. | Steve R.  | Lee L.    |



### ASLC MEN'S GROUP

ASLC MEN'S GROUP will meet  
Tuesday, March 3rd at 5:30 p.m.  
We are meeting at Jason's  
Deli, 3410 NM 528, ABQ, 87114



### All Saints Women's Group

The ASLC Women's Group will meet  
for dinner on March 12 at 6:00 pm at  
Mario's Pizzeria and Ristorante, 7501  
Paseo Del Norte Blvd NE (near Paseo  
and Wyoming).

## March Birthdays



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|-----------------------|-------|
| Casey Dolan           | 03/04 |
| Anne Carpenter-Wilson | 03/08 |
| Jacob Hautz           | 03/08 |
| Amy Lautenschlager    | 03/08 |
| Estrella Montano      | 03/09 |
| Mary Divittorio       | 03/12 |
| Holly Walker          | 03/12 |
| Jeremy Walker         | 03/17 |
| John Glaspie          | 03/22 |
| Jim Kruger            | 03/22 |
| Elizabeth Mazan       | 03/22 |
| Micah Liming          | 03/23 |
| Debbie Ray            | 03/23 |
| Kevin Welch           | 03/27 |
| Erin Reil             | 03/29 |
| Jim Perry             | 03/31 |





**Confirmation** will meet-

Sunday, March 8 at 11:30 - 1:00.

Sunday, March 22 at 11:30 - 1:00.

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During Lent, we will gather on **Wednesday nights for soup supper at 5:30 p.m.** followed by **Holden Evening Prayer at 6:30 p.m.** Please plan to join us for supper – and sign up to bring soup – on **March 4, 11, 18, and 25.**

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### **Solar Rebate and Update**

After a long wait and lots of perseverance by Jim Kruger, we have received our federal solar rebate of \$31,000! Many thanks, Jim, for keeping up with this and making it happen!

We can also report that our electricity expense went from \$14,760 in 2022 and \$13,000 in 2023 to \$5,502 in 2024 and \$3,946 in 2025. We paid off the solar loan with money from the Building with Hope and Blessings Capital Campaign. Good news all around!



## HUNGER IS SOLVABLE!!

What if ending hunger wasn't just a hope—but a decision?

Bread for the World is a national Christian advocacy organization that urges U.S. decision-makers to pursue a world without hunger. Their mission is bold and clear: to educate and equip people of faith to advocate for policies and programs that can end hunger in the United States and around the globe.

Each year, All Saints joins this movement through the **Offering of Letters**—a powerful, faithful act of advocacy. Together, we write to our federal senators and representatives, raising our collective voice on behalf of our neighbors. These handwritten letters truly matter. Congressional offices track every call, letter, and email. Our words are counted—and they influence decisions.

### Mark Your Calendar

- **April 19, 2026** – Letter-writing after worship
- **April 26, 2026** – Blessing of the letters

Begin praying and thinking now about what you would like to say.

This year, Bread for the World invites us to focus on three vital priorities:

- **Restore, protect, and strengthen U.S. nutrition programs**—including SNAP and WIC—that help families put food on the table.
- **Fully fund and strengthen global food, health, and development programs** that promote human flourishing and help keep America safe, strong, and prosperous.
- **Pass a strong, bipartisan Farm Bill** that supports farmers, strengthens communities, and helps end hunger at home and overseas.

On April 19, sample letters, paper, pens, and stickers addressed to our senators and representatives will be available after worship. Stay, enjoy a staggering array of delicious breads, and write three letters. In May, they will be hand-delivered to the local offices of our elected officials.

This is faith in action. This is loving our neighbors. This is how change happens. Let's help end hunger in our lifetime!

### Rozy Kalsbeek

Outreach, Advocacy and Rapid Response Committee

Offering of Letters Coordinator

*“Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves... defend the rights of the poor and needy.” — Proverbs 31:8–9*





Construction of the necessary drainage system on the south end of the property is almost done! Thank for all for your generosity and please remember to continue paying your commitments to the capital campaign.



Thank you to all who shared condolences with me on the death of my Dad. Also, thank you for letting me take Kristin to Michigan with me for the first few days after his death. Her support was important to me and my family.

You can read Dad's obituary at [lynchandsonslapeer.com](http://lynchandsonslapeer.com); Ronald Lee Liming Sr.

~ Lee Liming





## ADVOCACY IN NEW MEXICO: A TIME FOR GRATITUDE and PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

Thank you to Kurt Rager of Lutheran Advocacy Ministry-NM, Katy Anderson of Roadrunner and the Coalition to End Hunger in New Mexico, and their colleagues and supporters for their work with the New Mexico Legislature during the session. These advocates essentially joined hands with our neighbors whose incomes simply don't keep up with the cost of living—to assure that they, too, have access to nutritious foods, health care, affordable housing, and other basics. This session was also a time of investment in our children, with the passage of a bill to formalize Universal Childcare in the state and wage support for early childhood educators.

A shout-out to Ellie and Claire Anderson for being part of the Cibola High School Choir who performed so beautifully in the Capitol's rotunda on Hunger Action Day. They used their voices for unity and justice in such songs as our national anthem and "We Shall Overcome." Shout-outs also to Micah Liming, who shadowed Senator Harold Pope, and Hannah Rager, who shadowed Senator Katy Duhigg, to learn more about the work of the Legislature.

**Looking to the future**, among the many actions advocates can take in this state, here are two I'd like to highlight:

**Compensate Our Legislators:** HJR 5 passed, and on November 3, which means we have a chance to vote on a constitutional amendment to provide salaries for our state legislators. Thank you to Senator Angel Charley and others for sponsoring the resolution and to LAM-NM for supporting it as a matter of good governance. Not only is it fair to our hardworking legislators, but it also opens the electoral field to people who do not have the income support to take months off each year to serve in the Legislature.

**Develop Relationships with Our Legislators:** Katy and Kurt, in their advocacy training, encourage us to build relationships with our legislators between sessions. Some of you will remember the ecumenical reception All Saints hosted for area legislators in late summer 2019. From that event, lasting relationships formed between some attendees and their legislators, and we heard good things from a senator whose children had gotten a great start at All Saints' preschool. It was a lovely, relaxed evening in the garden of Andy and Diana Lewis and was a way to say thank you to a bipartisan group of dedicated public servants. We would like to plan a similar reception for 2027 (a non-election year) and will provide updates for those who'd like to volunteer to be part of a planning team.

~Judy Messal



## Music Ministry Notes

Erin Reil

### The Lantern and the Wildflower – by Kaitlin Curtice

If only I could give you the gift of Adventure. If only I could box her up for you, that big red bow on top, *glimmering*.

But this cannot be. Adventure is not given or earned. She is a breath that is prayed, a force that is found, found in the soul of everyone and everything.

But maybe, just maybe, if I cannot box her up for you, I can at least point you in her direction. Maybe, at least, I can tell you where I saw her last, what I prayed when I was alone, waiting in a forest under the pine trees, waiting for her to appear. Maybe that will be your Beginning.

You see, I didn't learn for a long time. For years, as soon as I began searching, I hid behind fear, all the while, Adventure waiting for me with a lantern and a wildflower. All that time, I only wanted pictures of her, without knowing her presence, her warmth, her smell.

But when I met her, I found myself. When I prayed, I found God. If only I could teach you not to be afraid. If only I could tell you that it's okay if you don't have words left to pray.

If only I could point you toward that lantern and that wildflower. If only I could show you the way to God.

But God cannot be given or earned. No, *God is found*. So, in that soul of yours, there is the greatest opportunity. You. The world. Breath and prayer embodied. Everything sacred. These things would never fit into a box with a big red bow on top, *glimmering*.



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My friends, my wish for you as you journey through Lent is that you find your Beginning. And in that beginning, may you find your adventures waiting for you with a lantern and a wildflower. May your adventures be filled with glimmers. Glimmers of peace and hope. Glimmers of the presence of God in your lives. The Good News of Christ is all around us.

Blessings and love to you, my dear ones.

Erin Reil

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"MARCH - IN LIKE A LION OUT LIKE A LAMB"

"FAIRYTALE LAND"

Join the Fun! (Open House)

Will be held Thursday, March 26 from 4:00 - 6:00 pm

All church members are invited to attend. Come and experience this wonderful family event for the Preschool families and their children.

Refreshments will be provided



It's time for Summer registration!
SUMMER AT ALL SAINTS CAMPS
2 sessions will be offered for 2-8 year olds

SESSION I - June 1-June 26
SESSION II - June 29-July 24

CLASSES
Infant/ Toddlers
Preschool Potty Trainers
Preschoolers
Pre-K, K, 1,2,3



Finances - January revenues = \$35,604.23 and Expenses = \$21,326.67
Balance = + \$14,277.56

"DID YOU KNOW"

The Preschool has a "Parent Handbook that outlines what the goals and mission are of the preschool. Ms. Marleta ! !





Prayer Requests

<p>Virginia Antonetty: Zamirah, Yvellisse Caunedo, Christian</p> <p>Lucy Archambault: Gina Tena & Family, Lynn, Jeannie & their families, Sam Moore & Family, Peggy, Harris Family, Amye, Lee and Linda</p> <p>Nicole Arguello: Liz Rodriguez & Family</p> <p>Karen Cellan: Kevin & Ronda Stantz, Kris Roman-great grandson Sawyer and family, Kathy Braun and family, Dave Walker, Alanna Cellan-Walker, Frank</p> <p>Vicki Easson: Kim Kangus, Ash McCallum</p> <p>Kathy Ferdig: Donn & Janet Franklin</p> <p>Karen Hyde: Brent Bardo, Carol Lang, Sharon Ellis</p> <p>Kris Ericson: Ede Ericson Cardell, Cheyenne and Carly</p> <p>Reils: Will Larson, Nicholas</p> <p>Nicholas: Julie Shy and family</p> <p>Fabian and Amy Enriquez: Francine Lucero</p>	<p>Cheryl Klenner: Kurt and Beth Stoor, Bruce Epper, John Klenner, Denyse Klenner</p> <p>Karol Lavallo: Ellen Saige</p> <p>Jon & Jan Jastram: Phyllis Jastram, Buzz, Daniel & David, Patty</p> <p>Krugers: Jim & Joanne, Bob & Pat, Jon & Mikele, Molly Highwater, Dave & Liz, Fran Meitzen, Diane Mulder, Susan Wiederspan, Patty</p> <p>Shelley Takeuchi: Tammy</p> <p>Bob & Lucy Welch: Kim Welch</p> <p>Mark & Denise Winn: Mitch and Val Winn, Ben and Rachel Stanzell, Cathy Fillingim Thompson, Wharton Family, Grant Houglund and Patsy and Mike Nelson, and Jane Brennan</p> <p>VanDeMotters: Bridget (VanDeMotter) and Travis Klinger</p> <p>Dan Mazan: Karl Koeneman</p> <p>Susan Mather: Jan Carman</p> <p>Lyndi & Jim Perry: John Perry</p>
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We pray for Bishop Meghan Johnston Aelabouni of the Rocky Mountain Synod and the whole synod staff. We pray for Bishop Yehiel Curry and Rev. CeCe Williams of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the whole churchwide staff.

We pray for all Young Adults in Global Mission, especially Daniel Benson, who is serving refugees in Guadalajara, Mexico.

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