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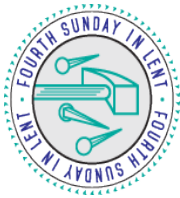
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Fourth Sunday in Lent “Read On”



Our children are currently in the midst of their Bible Memory Contest. Over the years, we’ve learned that the children of our congregation know far more Bible passages than the adults do. We’ve said that so long, though, that some of our young adults know the Bible quite well because they were part of the Bible Memory Contest when they were growing up in our Sunday School program.

Even though you may not have many Bible passages memorized, there are certainly a few that you know by heart. One of those might be the 23rd Psalm – at least the beginning of it. “The Lord is my shepherd.....” See? You had no trouble at all adding “I shall not want.”

You also know another one, though you think of it more as a prayer than a passage – “Our Father, who art in heaven....” Yes, that’s the Lord’s Prayer but obviously, since it is, it’s found in the Bible.

Another one you probably know is “For God so loved the world, that He gave....” John 3:16 seems to be the most-commonly known passage in the entire Bible. There’s a reason for that. Martin Luther called “the gospel in miniature.” If you know that verse, you know who God is and who Jesus is. You know how much God loves you and you where eternal life can be found. What else do you need to know?!

This Sunday, read John 3:14-21 because there really is more to it than simply that one verse. John 3:16 is, indeed, “the gospel in miniature,” but “Read On.”

Lenten Blessings,
Dennis

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
ON FRIDAY, MARCH 9TH!**



“I wonder if I should sign up
for the Prayer Vigil?”

The short answer is “yes.” Over the years, those who have participated in the Thursday-Friday Prayer Vigil have said that it’s one of the most meaningful and memorable experiences of their entire year. What you do is up to you, but there are a number of books and CD’s appropriate to Holy Week and Easter as well as a self-guided Stations of the Cross opportunity.

To be a part of this experience, simply sign up for the time you choose on the board in the narthex.



Sympathy is extended to Jim Moore and family in the death of Jim’s mother.

Sympathy is extended to Bob Lewis in the death of his sister.

Prayers & Concerns



Please pray for the following: Anna Cantrell, Austin Smith, Pam, Marilyn Ellsperman, Tracey Manis, Carol Palmer. If you have a prayer request, please contact Leslie Webb at epcprayers@gmail.com or contact the Church Office.



Daylight Savings Time begins this Sunday, March 11, 2018 be sure to “spring forward!”



Sunday, March 11, 2018

8:00 A.M. SERVICE

LITURGIST
Annie Engelbrecht
USHER
Matt Fiedler

10:30 A.M. SERVICE

LITURGIST
Annie Engelbrecht
HEAD USHER
Mel Ellsperman
USHERS & GREETERS
Barb Ferguson & Team
Steve Fritz, Pat, Jayne & Tracey Manis
ACOLYTE
Tyler Kuhs
CHILDREN’S WORSHIP LEADER
Gordon Wiley

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Erin Tipton - Christian Ed Director

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M - Th: 8:30 –4:00 P.M.
Friday: 8:30 - Noon

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**Office Hours are
Cancelled for this week!**



A special thank you to Dan & Nancy Engelbrecht for letting the Youth Group hangout at their house. The kids enjoyed riding bikes, playing games, and roasting food over a fire. They all had a blast!

We will be studying Luke 22:39-51 in Youth Group this Sunday. This is a story in which Jesus demonstrates his compassion in a pretty strange way by reattaching a man's ear. This will be followed by a fun game and time for fellowship. I hope to see you there at 6:00 P.M.

See you in the Place,
Trey



Once again, I wanted to thank my church family so much for all your calls, prayers and cards during my recovery from knee replacement surgery. My rehab is going well and I am now in

the home stretch! I just thank the Lord for blessing me with such a loving and supportive family of Christian brothers and sisters who are always there for me, and for laying his gentle healing hands on me during surgery and recovery!

*In Christian love,
Jack Turpin*

GEMINI CAMP - - June 10-15

Summer is coming fast and camp forms need to be sent in ASAP.

Contact Sabrina Holden if you need a form or to add your name to the list if you have sent in your form already.



We still have many escrip cards available for purchase.

Outback Steakhouse
Bonefish Grill
Sally's Beauty Supply
Target
Toys-R-Us
Walgreens
Circle K
Arby's
Cracker Barrel
Michael's Craft Store
Lowe's
Little Caesars
JoAnn
Home Depot
Hallmark
Great Harvest
Gordon Food Service
CVS

Please call the office if you would like a gift card. Also, please remember to use your Schnuck's escrip each time you shop. When you do, Eastminster receives a portion of your purchase to put into our Fundraiser Fund.

EPW NOTES

Remember, we are accepting clean, gently used items for our Rummage Sale on June 16th. No electronic devices, hazardous materials, TV's or adult clothing or shoes. Large item pick-up will be a week prior.



March 13th we will be going to the Orchid Show at Mesker Park Zoo & Botanical Gardens. Call the church office to make your reservation and please let us know if you will be riding the church bus. The admission price is \$9.50 per person or \$8.50 if you are a Vanderburgh County resident. Also, if we have 15 or more attending we will receive the group rate of \$7.50 each. We will leave EPC at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 13th.

Christian Education

"Heads, Hearts and Hands For Christ in Service and Celebration"

Summer in Psalms Reading Schedule

Psalm 1:2 Instead, his delight is in the LORD's instruction, and he meditates on it day and night.

March 5-Psalm 61

March 6-Psalm 62

March 7-Psalm 63

March 8-Psalm 64

March 9-Psalm 65

March 10-Psalm 66

March 11-Psalm 67

No pressure! Just catch up as you are able to. Keep on keeping on!

Attention All Sunday School Teachers

Do you need supplies for your Sunday School room? Check out the abundance that we have in the supply room. Borders, foam cut-outs, straws, stamps... Here is a complete list of everything in the supply room. Before you go to the store to make a purchase, check out room 204!! Thanks to Cheryl Ison for compiling this list!

3 ring binders	Misc craft supplies
Baskets	Misc. office supplies
Batting	Moss
Beads/sequins	Paint
Bulletin board boarders	Paint brushes
Bulletin board cut-outs	Pencils
Bulletin board paper	Pipe cleaners
Chalk	Plastic fruit
Clay	Plastic table coverings
Colored Pencils	Poster board
Construction paper	Ribbon
Crayons	Rulers
Fabric	Sand paper
Fabric markers	Scissors
Felt	Scrap booking supplies
Filler paper	Sharpie
Foam cut-outs	Shells
Foam sheets	Spiral binders
Foil pans	Stamps/ink
Glue	Straws
Heavy poster board	Wax paper
Markers	Wooden sticks
	Yarn/String

Memory Contest Update



There are lots of children and youth who are working hard to memorize some wonderful scripture, prayers, books of the Bible and Creeds. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, friends and family members who support these young people as they work on their memory verses. The Memory Contest continues through Palm Sunday. You have plenty of time! Keep up the great work everyone!!

Happy Memorizing!

The Christian Education Committee



The Great Egg Caper will be Sunday, March 25th following the 10:30 a.m. worship service! Remember your Easter baskets and a dozen eggs to donate for each child participating. Baskets will be out in the Narthex for you to place your egg donations. Don't forget to make some eggs filled with non-choking items for our youngest little ones. Thank you so much for all that you do to make this a fun even for the children of our church! Can't wait to see you then and enjoy this wonderful tradition as a church family!!



Children's Worship Schedule

March 11—Gordon Wiley
March 18—Cheryl Ison
March 25—Erin Tipton
April 1—Erin Tipton
April 8—Vicki Rauch
April 15—Gordon Wiley
April 22—Patti Garcia
April 29—Beth Bailey
May 6—Gordon Wiley
May 13—Sabrina Holden
May 20—Beth Bailey
May 27—Erin Tipton

Thank you so much to our fabulous volunteers!! No sooner had I posted the schedule for Children's Church and I had calls, text messages and conversations with people willing to help out. You all are awesome! What a blessing you are to the children of our church.

~Erin