THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Sunday, April 14th, 2024 - 10:00 AM



The Rev. Caleb McGregor, PastorPORTSue Mitchell, AccompanistCOLBY Grunden, Media TechnicianCAUNITEDMETHODISTCHURCHCHURCH

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY: "Everybody has losses—it's unavoidable in life. Sharing our pain is very healing." -*Isabel Allende* "Healing yourself is inseparable from healing others." -*Yoko Ono* "The Lord sustains the poor on their sickbed; in their illness, heals all their infirmities." -*Psalm 41:3*

[Please silence your mobile devices. Thank you!]

L-Liturgist / M-Minister / P-People / ⁺ - words are on the TVs / *-stand in body or spirit <u>UMH - The United Methodist Hymnal</u> <u>TFWS - The Faith We Sing</u> (1) The Body of Christ gathers to worship God!

*Easter Chorus:

I Will Call Upon the Lord

screen

WORDS OF WELCOME

[†]P.E.U.M.C.'S FOUNDATIONAL STATEMENTS

**HYMN OF PRAISE:

Christ Is Alive!

UMH 318

(2) We listen to what God is saying to us!

OPENING PRAYER (ADORATION & ILLUMINATION)

YOUNG-AT-HEART (Blessing of the Oil)

SCRIPTURE READINGS (page #: 160 - New Testament):

Acts 2:43-3:11; 4:3-4

↓ Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le / lv-v-ia! (3x) Halle-<u>lv</u>jah! Hal<u>le</u>-lv-jah! ↓

WONDER OF WONDERS, MIRACLE OF MIRACLES

... AND THE MOST MIRACULOUS ONE OF ALL, GOD HAS GIVEN YOU TO ME! SERIES: G O D , Pt. 2 of 4 YEAR 2 JOURNEY: LIVING OUT GOD'S KIN'DOM, Pt. 32 of 37

(3) We respond to what God is saying to us!

Affirmation of Faith: Our Basic Christian Beliefs, Part I of II screen

****HYMN OF RESPONSE**: *Within the Day-to-Day* **TFWS 2245**

SHARING OF CONCERNS -Prayers of the People M: Look upon us, O Lord . . . P: . . . and work the miraculous.

(4) We prepare to leave and be doers of God's Word!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF JOYS & GOD-SIGHTINGS (Joys) (UMH 94) *J Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the Source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose pow'r uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Allelu—ia! J

(You are invited to place any offerings in the **Offering Box** as you leave the sanctuary; you may also give online at **peumc.org/donate**.)

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING The Lord's Prayer

*CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

**HYMN OF MISSION: Eternal Father, Strong to Save TFWS 2191

*A BLESSING AND GOING FORTH

M: Until we meet again, may the RISEN CHRIST be with you all!

P: And also with you! AMEN!

You are invited to come forward after the service for a private moment of healing & anointing with Pastor Caleb. Use of the oil is optional.

Sunday Services - 10:00 AM

<u>TODAY – April 7th</u>

Third Sunday of Eastertide Second Sunday Refreshments

<u>April 21st</u>

Fourth Sunday of Eastertide "Festival of God's Creation"

April 28th

Fifth Sunday of Eastertide

THE FAMILY CENTER, Exe. Director, Tricia Fancher, to speak.

May 5th

Sixth Sunday of Eastertide Communion Sunday Sunday School

May 12th

Ascension Sunday Mother's Day

May 19th

Day of Pentecost Graduation Sunday Cake Reception after the service

Events & Meetings

Tuesday, April 16th – 7:00 PM

Facts & Myths About Hospice

Presentation by Dawn Freelund (Compassus—House of the Dove) @ El Café Banquet Room *(free)* (*PEUMC's first 'Head & Heart Event')*

Wednesday, April 17th – 10:00 AM S-PRC mtg. **Sunday, May 5th – 4:00 PM** 20th Anniversary Rapids Community Choir Concert – First Congregational Church, Rapids

Sunday, May 19th

Graduation Sunday

March/April Bimonthly Mission Project:

The Family Center – Wisconsin Rapids (Goal: 20 filled "Sendoff Bags")

We are praying over these households throughout April: (randomly chosen by slips of paper on 3/24)

Donna & Damon Klinger household; Jerene & Mark Sillars household; Collin, Ethan, Korbin, Jenna, Matt Boerner household; Pat Markuson

Our 7 college students:

Danial & Marissa Harnish, Carson Parks, Melanie Sillars, Nathan & Brandon Swensen, and Michaela Warpinski.

April only: Collecting \$ & messages for 2024 College Care Packages.

Rummage Sale

Nekoosa UCC - This Thursday & Friday (8a - 4p) / Saturday (8a - noon)

It's a Secret!

(***Don't tell Larry Miller***)

Larry Miller is going on the NEVER FORGOTTEN HONOR FLIGHT on May 20th. His son, Andy, will go along as his guardian for the trip. Judy will remain in Wausau for the day with the other veterans' spouses.

One of the things that the veterans enjoyed and looked forward to while they were in active service was receiving cards and letters from family and friends back home. We want Larry to be able to enjoy this experience again by having his family and friends send him cards and letters for the HONOR FLIGHT. These cards and letters will be handed out in a special **"surprise mail call"** on the return flight from Washington D.C. on May 20th.

Please do *NOT* send these letters directly to the Millers. The letters should be sent to the following address:

Larry Miller c/o Never Forgotten Honor Flight 225780 Rib Mountain Drive #780 Wausau, WI 55401

DUE DATE TO SEND LETTERS: Saturday, May 11th.

The mail call is intended to be **"TOP SECRET"** so please don't share this with Larry!!!

Additionally, there is a surprise "welcome home" celebration at the Central Wisconsin Airport when we return on **Monday, May 20th.** We expect to return around 10:00 PM. If you are able to attend, please do so! **Arrive by 9:00 PM** to share in the fun.

It will be a great and emotional evening to give Larry and the other veterans the 'Welcome Home' they may not have received.

**NOTE: Don't worry, Larry's bulletin did NOT receive this notice in it.



UPDATE ON OUR "SENDOFF BAGS"

What we've collected so far (4/12/24): <u>Crossed off</u> – done!!! <u>Bolded Underline</u> – areas of suggested emphasis

- ✓ 89 Individual trash bags
- 9 dish/kitchen towels

15 – small toothpastes

- 4 laundry detergent packets
- 1 4-pack bulbs
- 1 4-pack AA batteries
- 4 SOS pads

2 – All-Purpose cleaner

- 1 bottle of shampoo (large)
- 2 kitchen brushes
- ✓ 24 small shampoo
- ✓ 42 TIDE pods

16 - rolls of toilet paper

- 8 dish scrubs
- 3 large toothpaste
- 6 bars of soap
- 1 2-pack bulbs
- 1 4-pack AAA batteries
- 2 dish detergents

4 - toothbrushes

- 1 bottle of conditioner (lg.)
- 1 hand soap (pump)
- 2 paper towels
- 2 body wash (large)

You have done an amazing job so far!

Can we get some of these existing items up and above #20?

Any household/hygiene items that are small or travelsize would be preferred.

NOTE: You do not need to fill up an entire bag yourself. We are compiling all donations,

filling the bags ourselves.

You are not limited to just these items above.

We are expecting to add random "stuffers" into each bag.