

God's Work Our Hands

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*"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God."
Romans 8:28 (KJV)*



Time. Time marches on. Time waits for no one. All I need is a little more time. Once upon a time. We should be on time. I don't have time. This time I'm going to _____, you fill in the blank. The word "time" is one that most people use quite often. But how many of us ever "TAKE" time? Take time to pray. Take time to read God's Word. Take time away from everything to sit in solitude and soak in the beauty of God's creation. If we would "take time", we would surely be in awe of all of the wonderful blessings that God has given us. More often than not, in our hectic, busy schedules we forget to do just that. I know that this time of year ranks right up there as one of my favorites. Everything is waking up from winter, the cranes are migrating and fill the skies and corn fields, new baby calves, baby goats, baby sheep are being born, the tulips and iris are peeking out, the wheat and lawns are starting to really green up. Everything is starting new. But it seems that this year, although things are beginning to get back to normal after a year of pandemic, I feel that I haven't had the time to sit back and take it all in. I feel I haven't had the time to appreciate and thank God for the many blessings that he has created in this world. But maybe I should be saying that I haven't "TAKEN" the time. We are in Holy Week and the Three Days are at the end of this week. We've been walking this 40 day journey with Jesus and will be celebrating His resurrection Sunday. What a perfect time to be more thoughtful about "taking the time". Take time to spend time praying, reading His Word, and giving thanks for the blessings we have received.

I pray that as we celebrate Easter and for the rest of the year, we can all spend and take more time appreciating and giving thanks for our blessings, our gifts and most of all, thank God that he loved us so much he gave His only son to die for us so that we may have eternal life with Him. HAPPY EASTER and God bless you all!

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

The Chappell/Lodgepole Ministerial **WILL** be having a sunrise service Easter Sunday at the Chappell Lake. The service will begin at 6:15 a.m. with Pastor Kevin Jacobs of the Chappell Assembly of God Church sharing the message. How exciting that we are able to do this again!!

TCLP HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Grace and Gloria Dei will be having services at the regular time on Easter Sunday, April 4th with PMA Brenda leading the services. Good Friday services will be held April 2nd with Grace at 5:00 p.m. and Gloria Dei at 6:30 p.m.

PRAYER LIST

Grace: Neva Schmid

Gloria Dei: Marge Jones, Ernie Kahrs, Pat Rufenacht, Barb Namuth, Richard Bruns, Della Weber, Kimberly Valla Martinez, Rita Bartling, Marv Bartling, Dan Dickinson

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 7th—Tim Bond

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TIM!!

NOTE: If you haven't given your birthday or anniversary information to PMA Brenda, please do, so we can celebrate YOU!

APRIL GLORIA DEI LECTORS

April 4th – Josh Misegadis

April 11th – Ruth Fraass

April 18th—April Misegadis

April 25th—Julie Bond

NOTE: If you cannot read on your Sunday, please switch with someone if you can or contact Bonita @ (308) 254-3095 and she will find someone to switch with you.

PANTHER ACTIVITY CENTER IN LODGEPOLE GETS SOUND SYSTEM UPGRADE



Pictured are Lodgepole Community Fund Advisory Committee Members in front of the newly updated sound system control panel at the Panther Activity Center (PAC)

The Panther Activity Center (PAC) in Lodgepole, formerly the “old Lodgepole High School building” has an updated sound system in the gymnasium thanks to a grant from the Lodgepole Community Fund. The original sound system was installed by Larry Stoll many years ago. Recently, Larry provided the labor and expertise to upgrade and update the sound system and the Lodgepole Community Fund provided a grant from the PAC account with the fund to cover the cost of the new equipment. The new system is Bluetooth capable, with new microphones and speakers. Those enjoying activities at the PAC will appreciate the new sound during upcoming events. The Lodgepole Community Fund was organized in 2019 to help preserve Lodgepole’s rich history and create a brighter future for the Lodgepole Community.

The fund is committed to building an unrestricted endowment and providing a way for individuals and businesses to give back to the community of Lodgepole. Their first project was to help gather money to maintain the PAC for current and future use.

Thanks to this group, the community is able to utilize the old high school building and look for more ways to enrich our community. A big thank you to our own Gwen Devie and Tom Nelson!! Your tireless work is very much appreciated!!

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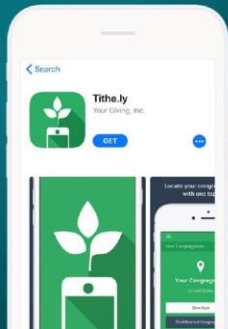
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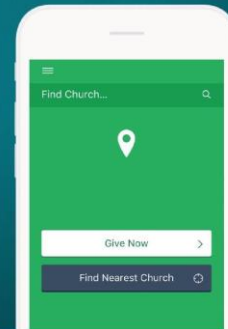


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Stewardship is one of the most important things we can do as a church family. Thanks to Misty's hard work, a new "Giving" tab has been added to our website. This gives us the ability to continue tithing even if we cannot make it to church. You can use the website or download the Tithe.ly App on your smartphone. If you would like more information about online giving, please reach out to Misty or any of the council members.

welcome April

“Go quickly, and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead.”

Matthew 28:7 KJV



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**Worship times are 9:00 a.m. at Grace in Chappell
and 10:30 a.m. at Gloria Dei in Lodgepole**

Calendar Events

April 1st-----Maundy Thursday

April 2nd-----Good Friday services: Grace at 5:00 p.m. and Gloria Dei at 6:30 p.m.

April 3rd----Lodgepole Lion's Club Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. at the ball field; VISIONS Bake Sale at 9:00 a.m. until sold out at the park across from Lodgepole Post Office

April 4th-----**Easter Sunday; Community Easter Sunrise Service at the Chappell Lake @ 6:15 a.m. hosted by the Chappell/Lodgepole Ministerial**

April 14th---Helping Hands on a Mission Quilting at Gloria Dei 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

April 15th—Tax Day

April 16th- 17th—PMA Convocation (online)

April 22nd—Panhandle Cluster Meeting @ 10:00 a.m. at St. John's Lutheran, Alliance;
Earth Day

April 28th---Helping Hands on a Mission Quilting at Gloria Dei 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

April 30th—Arbor Day

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