LCR Weekly March 21, 2021

PARKING LOT WORSHIP

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 am & 11:00 am Incl. Holy Communion

LENTEN WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

Noon & 7:00 pm (Meal sign-up on pg 4)

ONLINE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

9:30 am Resurrection
Hour led by Pr. Dave
9:30 Resurrection
Hour led by Dan Gilroy

11:00 am Worship on YouTube

9:00 am <u>Youth or</u> <u>Confirmation</u>

TUESDAY

7:00 pm 8-Week Study with Pastor Dave

WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Men's
Breakfast
3:00 pm Youth Bible St

THURSDAY

8:30 am Women's Bible Study



Consecration Sunday March 21, 2021

If you are attending Parking Lot Worship this Sunday, look for a sweet treat from our Christian Response team!

If you haven't had a chance to return your Commitment/Pledge Card to LCR, please bring it with you to service or mail it to LCR. You received the Commitment Card in the packet given out either at Parking Lot Worship on February 14 or in the packet that was mailed to you. Your commitment to LCR has a direct impact on how LCR is able to provide healing and hope in the world. Thank you for your faithfulness!

Rock Painting & Flowering of the Easter Cross Saturday, April 3 from 10 am-noon & 2-4 pm



Let's spread the message of healing and hope throughout all of East Cobb! Join us on Easter Saturday from 10-12 and 2-4 to paint rocks with messages of healing and hope. Once your rocks are dry, we challenge you to place them in unexpected locations around your community. Maybe it's in East Cobb Park, or along the Sope

Creek Trail, or maybe it's in the Publix parking lot. Together we can creatively provide some healing and hope to those around us. Event will be family and Covid friendly. In the event of rain, we will package supplies in kits for painting at home.



We also invite you to bring flowers during those two time windows to help us decorate the Easter cross for Parking Lot Worship on Easter Sunday. Please look at our Holy Week Schedule on page 4.



Children

Hi Guys,

We are on day 26 of our Lenten Activity Calendar, have you been able to carry out the daily activities?

This week our Bible story from John 12:20-23 is "Service and Follow." Check the SS calendar for the page in the Sparks



Bible. Also, remember to check the SS bag for the Bible story worksheet, activity page and family sheet. I'd like to introduce you to Douglas this week, he has something he wants to share here. After the video don't click off, Douglas has more to say.

I hope your family had fun putting together the *Trinity Shamrock Ornament*, there are more surprises coming your way so check the mailbox.

See you at Parking Lot Service.

-Ms. Sharon

Children Events

Happy Hour Parents of Sunday Schoolers 1st Sunday 6-8:30pm Zoom Link



Youth

This Sunday our youth met and read Luke 1-2. During the class we reflected on what we were learning about God.



A couple of things we learned include:

- God pays attention to ordinary people.
- God works miracles.
- God makes promises and keeps them.
- God leads people to Jesus.

Join us this week as we keep reading through Luke.

Youth Events

Confirmation Picnic
Banquet
March 27

Confirmation Sunday, March 28

Cross & Chimes Procession



This Sunday the Jelinek family helped to lead the Cross and Chimes procession. They brought two crosses from home that have incredible family meaning. The cross that Dana is holding is one that she got in Nurenburg Germany where she lived for a time while her family was stationed in Europe. Robert (in red) is holding a cross that was made by his father's uncle. Crosses come in all shapes and sizes. They remind us

of places and people. Most of all they point us to Jesus our Lord. It is in him that we find our hope and healing.



Thanks also to the Scheivert, Jelinek, Friedrich, and Brewick families for helping to lead the cross and chimes processions at the start of our worship services. The sounds and images of these processions help to set a beautiful and sacred tone for our Lenten worship. May the chimes call you to lift your eyes and see the One from whom your help comes. Our hope and our healing is in Jesus. Our kids and families are pointing us to this again and again throughout Lent.

Outreach—Healing & Hope



Hunger Walk Update

March 7 ended up being a fabulous day for our walkers. A huge thank you to all who walked with us in the Hunger

Walk or who made a donation to our team and cause. We exceeded our goal and last year's total and currently stand at \$9,025!!! If you missed helping us stomp out hunger in our community, it's not too late. You can still make a donation until March 31 by using this link.

Lorraine Dorough, the coordinator for Inspiritus walked with us here at LCR. Not only did we exceed last year's total, Lorraine also informed us that we had the most registered walkers of an organization with 43 walkers, we had the most Hunger Walk Champions (people who raised more than \$500) with four—Rachel Thornton, Chuck Storla, Sharon Moeller, and Mike Frey.

As mentioned above, donations through March 31 will be added to the total LCR has raised. Our hope is to raise a bit more to compete with other Lutheran Churches. Many thanks for your support!

-Mike Frey

Healing & HOPE

Stories of Healing & Hope

The Johnson Family



We decided to use our \$20 to make cookies/gifts/cards to say thank you to the community helpers in our area like our neighborhood fireman. They work so hard everyday and through this pandemic have had to continue keeping all of us safe, even when they may have wanted to stay home to focus on their family. We hope our small gestures showed them how much we appreciate them and gave them a smile for the day (hard to tell behind the masks!).

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Outreach

MUST

donation link

CAC

donation link

YELLS

donation link

Hunger Walk Link

Meals on Wheels Volunteer Sign-Up: Sign-up Genius Link

MUST Food Drive March 27, 2-4pm

Habitat Build

March 27 April 24 May 15 Email John Osberg



Palm Sunday, March 28

8:00 am & 11:00 am Parking Lot Worship Online Worship will be available at 11:00 am

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday, April 1

12:00 & 7:00 pm Parking Lot Worship with Holy Communion
Pre-ordered & pre-paid meals available before worship
Online Worship will be available at noon

Good Friday, April 2

12:00 & 7:00 pm Parking Lot Worship Online Worship will be available at noon

Holy Saturday, April 3

10 am– noon and 2pm-4pm
Bring flowers to LCR to flower the Easter Cross
Paint rocks with Healing & Hope message to leave
in our community

Easter Sunday, April 4

Parking Lot Services at **8:00**, **9:45**, and **11:00** am including Holy Communion
Online Worship will be available at 11:00 am



Resurrection Hour

Virtual on Sundays at 9:30 am

Resurrection Hour with Pastor Dave "The Healing Power of God"

Join Pastor Dave during Resurrection Hour for a study on "Healing." Here is the Zoom Link.

March 21—The Healing of the World—Revelation 21:1-22:5 March 28—The Healing of Death—1 Corinthians15:3-27

Resurrection Hour with Dan Gilroy from 9:30-10:35 am thru March 28

A Lenten study on Matthew's Olivet Discourse is the topic of discussion. Please join us for discussion, learning and interaction that will build your relationship with others and build on your Journey with Jesus. If interested, please contact Dan at dangilroy7@comcast.net.

Events

Lenten
Wednesday Meals
Pre-order 11:30am
Lunch here
Pre-order 7:00pm

Dinner here

Pre-Pay for meals here

Under "Other Program Payments" choose "Lenten Meal To Go" Indicate the dates you are paying for please

LCR Women's Bible Study

Thursdays at 8:30am
To receive Zoom link email
Allison@lcrmarietta.org

Consecration Sunday March 21

If you haven't turned in or mailed in your Commitment Card, please bring it to the service

Palm Sunday Confirmation Sunday March 28

Townhall Meeting
April 26

Annual Meeting May 2

Synod e-News Link

Dan Gilroy's Resurrection Hour Class

We received our Healing and Hope packet and on the way home Kathi, my wife, suggested we pool our \$20 with our Resurrection Hour class. In asking the class, some had a plan for theirs, which was great and others thought we could have an impact for a needy family. One of the class members, Ron Jolly challenged the group to match the \$20 received from LCR. The result is that the total was \$540.

A specific needy family did not materialize and here is where God entered the picture. The lady who cleans our church, Crucita is raising 4 grandchildren by

herself. She had a gas leak in her home and after paying some of the bill there remained a balance of \$645. The class members decided this was definitely a needy person/family. Working through the Good Samaritan program at LCR, the money was put in this fund and the \$540 was sent to the gas company.

With Sigrid's help this managed to get accomplished last Wednesay and I met Crucita that day. I explained to her what was going to happen. With her eyes becoming moist and tears starting to form she said "Thank you and God Bless to them."

We give thanks to LCR for pointing us in the direction of Healing and Hope

The Lizdas Family

When Ellie was home a few weeks back, we decided we wanted to provide healing and hope by doing something in our local community. We had the idea of buying bunches of flowers and bud vases to deliver to a local assisted living facility. After dinner, the 4 of us got busy arranging flowers and writing notes of encouragement that we attached to the bud vases. We dropped off all the vases to be delivered to the assisted living

facility, and although we could not deliver them personally, we just knew they would brighten the day of the residents. We knew the flowers and notes of encouragement could provide healing and hope to some elderly folks that were desperately missing their families. And not to leave the staff out, we brought them a couple dozen donuts. The best part of the whole project was doing it together as a family, so perhaps it provided us as much healing and hope as it did the people we were trying to help.

Tom & Susie Glass

We gave part of our \$20 to defray some costs for people at Faith Lutheran. We used our \$20 to Mr. Tony, Faith's custodian, to help pay expenses for him to drive to Miami to support family at the death of his granddaughter. We also donated to help Faith's Spanish teacher with costs as she travels back & forth to visit her baby girl in the hospital. She was born in January with a heart defect and hasn't come home yet.

Darlene Lawrence

Thank you, LCR. I took an 81 year old retied widow to Los Arcos for lunch on their patio. She was so appreciative to be asked to go out. I know she has been feeling down, unable to see any family. I was able to cheer her up.

More "Healing & Hope" Stories

The Browne Family

We, the Browne's, gave our \$20 to the Sandy Springs Food Pantry that supports local Fulton County Students and their parents.





Karin & Chuck Storla

Karin and I have appreciated the work of MUST Ministries for many years. We used our \$20 to support MUST's work in assisting people to obtain housing. When we thought of how we could help families and individuals heal and have hope, we immediately thought of MUST.

It also led us to think of a better way to share our blessings with others. Ever since our children were small, we have made donations in their names at Christmas as extra gifts to them. Each member of the family got an envelope on Christmas morning with an explanation of the gift. We tried to align the donation with their interests. We chose specific farm animals from ELCA Good Gifts when they were young, and ministries they could connect with later, such as supporting the education of girls in other countries.

After this experience with Healing and Hope, we are going to change our approach to these gifts. Instead of choosing for each person, we are going to give them the funds and ask them to pass it along to the cause they feel drawn to support. This will let them engage with the act of giving in a way they cannot when we do the selection and tell them about it in a card.

Thank you for teaching us a better way to give thanks and share our blessings with others.

The Thornton Family

When we started discussing as a family how we wanted to use our \$20, Hilary mentioned he had recently read an article in The Atlantic about how to get the most good out of your charitable donations - make the biggest impact per dollar spent. Based on that article, we used an organization called GiveWell (www.givewell.org) to try to spread the most healing and hope with our \$20 that we could. As it says on their website, they "search for the charities that save or improve lives the most per dollar". From their recommendations, we donated our \$20 (+ additional to cover the processing fee) to the Against Malaria Foundation. Our donation will cover the purchase and distribution of 4 mosquito nets to people in African countries. Participants hang the nets and sleep under them so they are not bitten by malaria-carrying mosquitoes. Malaria kills over 400,000 people annually, mostly children under 5 in sub-Saharan Africa. Nets save lives.