

STORM LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 10, 2024
COLOR: PURPLE

PRELUDE

"Air"
"Amazing Grace"

Deanna Larson, organist
S. Wesley
D. Bish
Rev. Kiboko I. Kiboko

WELCOME
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand and join in singing...

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

UMH # 139

-Verse 1-

Praise to the Lord the Almighty
The King of creation
O my soul praise Him
For He is thy health and salvation
All ye who hear now to His temple draw near
Join me in glad adoration

-Verse 2-

Praise to the Lord Who o'er all things
So wondrously reigning
Bears thee on eagles wings
e're in his keeping maintaining
God's care enfolds all whose true good he upholds
Hast thou not know his sustaining

-Verse 3-

Praise to the Lord Who doth prosper
Thy work and defend thee
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
Who with His love doth befriend thee

-Verse 4-

Praise to the Lord
Who doth nourish thy life and restore thee
Fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee
Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed
Spreading the wings of grace o'er thee

-Verse 5-

Praise to the Lord
O let all that is in me adore him
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him
Let the amen sound from his people again
Gladly forever adore him

Please join in the Call to Worship and read responsively...

Jodie Morin

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

- L: Our father, we have come to worship You. Jesus Christ came so that,
P: **all might have eternal life.**
L: Blest are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as carpenter
and yet in whose creative hands a world was fashioned.
For God so loved the world,
P: **That all might have eternal life.**
L: Blest are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as fisherman
and yet pointed to a harvest that was yet to come.
For God so loved the world,
P: **That all might have eternal life.**
L: Blest are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as teacher and opened eyes to truths
that only the poor could understand,
For God so loved the world,
P: **That all might have eternal life.**

Please join in the ...

Jodie Morin

***OPENING PRAYER**

Lord, as we gather here, on this day of sharing, remind us that you have shared with us your most precious gift, our Lord Jesus Christ. Help us to model our lives after his messages of compassion and service to you and to all your world. In Christ's Name, we offer this prayer. AMEN.

***GLORIA PATRI**

"Glory Be to the Father"

UMH # 70

Glory be to the Father
And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning
Is now and ever shall be
World without end
Amen Amen

Please join in the ...

Jodie Morin

***PRAYER CONFESSION**

Our heavenly Father, be with us this day as we celebrate One Great Hour of Sharing. Help us to remember that the gifts we give go to help many people in need. Remind us again that our lives are meant to be gifts to others, for healing, hope, comfort, peace, and love. Forgive us when we get so caught up in the details of living and when we become so overwhelmed by our current economic woes that we neglect to help others. Enlighten us again with your spirit and your words of healing love. Caring and sharing are the hallmarks of discipleship with Jesus Christ. Heal and forgive us. Give us hearts for joyful caring and sharing; for it is in Jesus' name, we offer this prayer. AMEN.

Please be seated and hear these...

Jodie Morin

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

- L: Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
P: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are also forgiven!**

ALL: **Glory to God! Amen!**

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus" UMH # 349

-Verse 1-

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace
(repeat all)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE, AND BY THE PEOPLE

Please observe a short moment of silence after each prayer, then the leader would conclude: Lord, in your mercy, and all may respond: Hear our prayer.

Together, let us pray:

L: for the people of this congregation...(moment of silence)

Lord, in your mercy. P: **Hear our prayer**

L: for those who suffer and those in trouble...(Moment of silence)

Lord, in your mercy. P: **Hear our prayer**

L: for the concerns of this local community...(Moment of silence)

Lord, in your mercy. P: **Hear our prayer**

L: for the world, its peoples, and its leaders...(Moment of silence)

Lord, in your mercy. P: **Hear our prayer**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Scout Troop #104

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE GOLDEN TONES HANDBELL CHOIR

Linda Baier, director

"Spirit Song"

Derek K. Hakes

HYMN OF ILLUMINATION

"Thy Word is a Lamp"

UMH #601

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
When I feel afraid
Think I've lost my way
Still you're there right beside me
And nothing will I fear
As long as you are near
Please be near me to the end

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Clark Fort

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

THE GOSPEL READING

John 3 :14-21

Clark Fort

SERMON

"What a gift!!!!"

Rev. Kiboko I. Kiboko

MOMENT OF TRANSFORMATION

(This is a moment for us to commune with God. Feel free to pray right where you are or you can come to the altar as we sing "Majesty, Worship His Majesty" UMH #176)

Majesty worship His majesty
Unto Jesus be all glory
Honor and praise
Majesty kingdom authority
Flow from His throne
Unto His own His anthem raise
So exalt lift up on high
The name of Jesus
Magnify come glorify
Christ Jesus the King
Majesty worship His majesty
Jesus who died now glorified
King of all kings
(repeat all)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Colton Lindgren

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE HOLY BAPTISM

KAYDEN JESSICA STRAND

INVITATION TO GIVING

OFFERING

"Wondrous Love"

D. Wood

Tithing & Offerings / online giving / VENMO: @StormLake-UMC
Offering plates will be passed.

Please sign the attendance books at the end of each pew, and pass down the row.

**Presentation of Tithes & Offerings*

Please stand and join in singing...

*DOXOLOGY

No 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*OFFERING PRAYER (Based on John 3:14 - 21)

Jodie Morin

God of unwavering love, you have held nothing back in your love for us, not even your Son. How we marvel at that kind of love, and how we long to reflect a portion of that devotion back to you. As we dedicate our offerings to you, lead us away from our tendency to hold back and worry that there will not be enough. Help us to live as the people of love and abundance you have called us to be. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL HYMN**

"Shalom to You"

UMH # 666

Shalom to you now
Shalom my friends
May God's full mercies
bless you my friends
In all your living
And through your loving
Christ be your shalom
Christ be your shalom

***BENEDICTION**

***CLOSING PRAYER SONG**

A CLOSING PRAYER

The time has come, O Lord, for us to leave this place;
Guide us and protect us and lead us in thy grace.
Wherever life may take us as we go our separate ways,
Help us share with others the things we've shared today.
May the peace of God the Father, and the love of Christ,
His Son, Guide us in the days ahead and strengthen us, each one.
May the blessings of the spirit fill us from within;
God bless us and return us to this fellowship once again. Amen

POSTLUDE

"If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee"

Deanna Larson, organist
J.S. Bach

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, March 10th

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

SCOUT SUNDAY

4th SUNDAY IN LENT

8:30 am-Confirmation

9:00 am-Kids Sunday School

10:00 am-Worship w/Handbells
& Baptism

Monday, March 11th

10:00 am-XYZ Exercise class

4:00 pm-Food Distribution

4:30 pm-NOW Singers

5:30 pm-Finance meeting

Tuesday, March 12th

9:30 am-Staff meeting

3:30 pm-Zone 1st-3rd graders

Wednesday, March 13th

11:30 am-Women in Mission

3:30 pm-Zone 4-6

5:00 pm-Handbell practice

6:00pm-LENTEN SERVICE

6:00 pm-Youth 7th -8th

7:00 pm-Youth Meal

7:30 pm-Youth 9th-12th

Thursday, March 14th

9:20 am-Card Making

5:30 pm-SPRC meeting

Friday, March 14th

BLOOD DRIVE

1:00 pm-Easter decorating

Sunday, March 17th

5th SUNDAY IN LENT

8:30 am-Confirmation

9:00 am-Kids Sunday School

10:00 am-Worship w/NOW Singers



Prayer Requests

Jenny (Brouwer) Allen	Sherise Ellis
Melva Bainbridge	Wayne Stark
Coleen Baughman	Kathy Wadsley
Lance Bellinghausen	Tyler Crandell
Donna Blom	Those battling
Virginia Carlson	depression.
Drew Havens	Aaron Johnson
John Nichols	Corey Petersen
Kim Piercy	Lori Hermsted
Deb Richardson	Barb Hadenfeldt
Karen Salmen	Judy (Polly's cousin)
Bev Schmidt	Caroline Kløver
David Walker	Frank Popp
Margaret Weber	

Birthdays this week in March

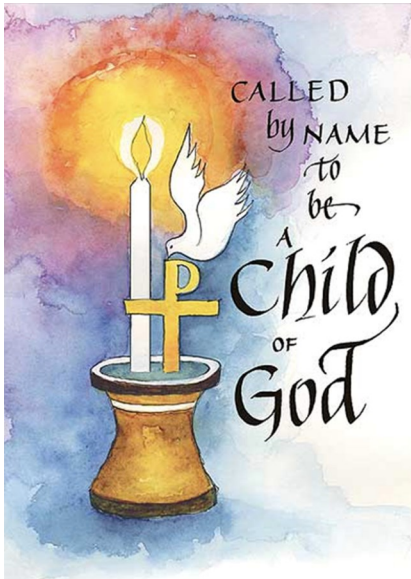
Mark Cornish	10th
Rolen Snyder	10th
Barb Hadenfeldt	12th
Layton Hinrich	12th
Michael Berkland	14th
Paul Havens	14th
Deboney Langner	16th



LAST SUPPER DRAMA
"THE TRUTH WILL SET YOU FREE"
Dramatic Presentation by the
United Methodist Church
211 E. Third Street, Storm Lake, IA
Thursday, March 28, 2024
@ 7:30 pm
Everyone is welcome to attend.
This drama is a free gift to the community.

MISSION & MINISTRY PLAN 2023:

To know Jesus Christ and
make him known.



Baptized today...

Kayden
Jessica
Strand

daughter of
Cory & Mylea Strand

Grandparents:

Terry & Kim Zimmerman
Mike & Lori Strand
Clark & Nancy Gordon