

The Herald



PARK VIEW
LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Lord has Risen. He is Risen Indeed!

The mission of Park View Lutheran Church is to awaken unbelievers to faith in the Triune God, and teach believers to live as servants of the Risen Lord.

Points of Interest

- * *Easter Egg Hunt*
- * *Sunday School News*
- * *LYTES Schedule*
- * *Easter Choir*
- * *Lenten Services*
- * *Share & Care Preschool News*
- * *Forever Young Luncheon & Games*
- * *"This Dust"*
- * *LWML Spring Rally*
- * *Thank Yous*
- * *Upcoming Blood Drive*



Top Ten Reasons to Attend Lenten Services This Year

10. No need to cook supper! See what's cookin' between 5:30 and 6:30 pm.
9. Two opportunities to sing some great Lenten hymns (1 pm and 7 pm)
8. Check out the amazing acting skills of our youth during the 7 pm skit!
7. Come and leave your mid-week burdens at the foot of the cross.
6. Support our 8th grade confirmands as they share what Jesus means to them.
5. Hear a riveting sermon series called "Savior, Servant, Friend"
4. No need to dress up. Come as you are. If you want to be seasonal, wear purple.
3. Your presence encourages others in the body of Christ.
2. Confession is good for the soul.
1. Jesus, your Savior, is there for you!

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Normal Schedule:

Sunday Worship Schedule:
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School/Bible Study:
Ages 3 - Adult 9:15 a.m.

Summer Thursday Worship Schedule:
Memorial Day - Labor Day 7:00 p.m.

Summer Sunday Worship Schedule:
Memorial Day - Labor Day 9:00 a.m.

March Sunday School Curriculum & Schedule

Find out what happening in Sunday School!

Preschool - 5th Grade



Preschool & Kindergarten Teacher - Sharon Tannahill

1st & 2nd Grade Teacher - Dawn Dittmer

This Month's Lessons!

March 2 - Jesus Describes His True Family

March 9 - Jesus Calms the Storm

March 16 - Jesus Heals the Bleeding Woman & Restores a Girl to Life

March 23 - Jesus Walks on Water

March 30 - Jesus is Transfigured

Middle Schoolers

6th - 8th Grade



6th - 8th Grade Teachers - Sue Raleigh & Bethany Dorschner

This Month's Lessons!

March 2 - Does the Bible Say Some Sins are Worse than Others?

March 9 - Where's God When I Go Through Hard Times?

March 16 - What Does the Bible Say About What I'm Supposed to be
When I Grow Up?

March 23 - Why Doesn't God Fix Our Country?

March 30 - What Was Jesus Like as a Kid?

High School Youth



High School Teachers - Angela & Joshua Elmsaeuser

This Month's Lessons!

March 2 - Shadrach, Meshach & Abednego

March 9 - Daniel & the Lion's Den

March 16 - Jesus and His Brothers

March 23 - Creation and Naming of Animals

March 30 - Tower of Babel



Sunday School will be in
session during Spring
Break! Please join us if
you're in town!

Trust in the Lord with

ALL YOUR HEART

and lean not on your own understanding;

Proverbs 3:5



COMING SOON!

Park View Community Easter Egg Hunt

Sponsored by Park View Lutheran Church

Saturday, April 12, 2025

1:00 p.m.

**@ Neil Armstrong
Elementary Playground**

Age Groups:

0-2 years

3 & 4 year olds

Kdg. & 1st Grade

2nd & 3rd Grade

4th-6th Grade



Multiple
Photo
Opportunities!
Bring your
camera!

Meet the
Easter
Bunny!



A Golden Egg with
Special Prize to find for
each Age Group!



Rain Date is April 19th at 1:00pm

March

Other Education & Bible Study Opportunities

ADULT SUNDAY MORNING
BIBLE STUDY
9:15-10:15am



Pastor is continuing the series on the Book of Genesis.

MEN'S TUESDAY MORNING
BIBLE STUDY
6:30-7:30am



Men meet with Pastor to read through the Bible, chapter by chapter, and discuss how it applies to our life. We will finish studying the Book of Acts.

WOMEN'S THURSDAY MORNING
BIBLE STUDY
9:30-10:30am



Women meet in the multipurpose room for Bible study. Bethany will lead us as we continue studying the Book of Jonah.



Confirmation Schedule

March 5th - 6-6:50pm Class / 7pm Ash Wed Svc
March 12th - 6-6:50pm Class / 7pm Wed Svc
(Meal Served by 7th & 8th Grade Parents)
March 19th - No Class/SPRING BREAK / 7pm Wed Svc
March 25th - 6:30-8:30pm / Archery in Eldridge
March 26th - 6-6:50pm Class / 7pm Wed Svc
(Meal Served by 5th & 6th Grade Parents)

LYTES

Lord's Youth Touching Everyone Spiritually

March 5th - 6-6:50pm/7pm Ash Wednesday Service
March 12th - 6-6:50pm/7pm Wednesday Service
March 19th - SPRING BREAK NO MEETINGS
March 26th - 6-6:50pm/7pm Wednesday Service
LYTES will help with skits during Lent Services



February was another month of lots of cold and days spent inside. We had a dentist visit the classroom to talk about keeping our teeth healthy. Spring assessments were completed and we held spring parent-teacher conferences. We also want to thank all those who donated to our February Service Project in supplying items for Fostering Crossroads.

We look forward to warmer weather in March, along with spring break. We've made it through all our shapes, colors, and numbers, and have a few letters of the alphabet left to learn and will continue to review all of these throughout the rest of the year. The children will also begin learning their songs for Easter Devotions in April.

Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is open. If you know anyone who is looking for a preschool please let them know about Share & Care. Word of mouth continues to be our best recruitment tool. We also would appreciate your prayers for our registration process and our classes to fill this year.

Blessings,

Jennifer Rathe, Director



SHARE & CARE
CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL



**Ash Wednesday
March 5 Services
1:00 & 7:00pm**

Lenten Dinner @ 5:30pm (Quilters)

**Wednesday Lenten Services
March 12, 19, 26 - 1:00 & 7:00 pm**

Lenten Dinner @ 5:30pm
3/12 - 7 & 8 grade parents
3/19 - NO Dinner
3/26 - 5 & 6 grade parents

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Community Invitation



**11:30 a.m. At
Park View
Lutheran**



RSVP

**285-9035 or
sign up sheet
on the kiosk**

MEMBERS BRING BACK THEIR BULLETINS

**Mason, Clara and Daniel Rathe,
Memorial Lutheran Church & Student Center,
Ames, IA**

**Jennifer Wilshusen
Memorial Lutheran Church & Student Center,
Ames, IA**



**Spring Zone Rally
March 29**

Trinity Lutheran LWML Davenport is hosting their Zone Rally and would like to invite you to attend Saturday, March 29, 2025. Registration at 8:30 and the program begins at 9:00 and ends at noon. This year, we are having Wendysue Fluegge, a musician/speaker, from Wisconsin to host our morning with Bible Study and song. The theme is "Bold Faith" using 1Peter 3:15. Sign up on the kiosk if you will be attending. Deadline is Sunday, March 16.



The ImpactLife Blood Center will conduct our next Community/ Church Blood Drive from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Monday, April 28, 2025 at Park View Lutheran Church. They are in special need of type O blood both positive and negative.

Everyone who is at least 16 years old, weighs at least 110 pounds and is in good health is encouraged to attend. Current donors are eligible if their last whole blood donation was no later than March 4, 2025. Teens who are 16 years old must have a signed parental consent form.

Please call the church office, 285-9035 with questions or to sign up to donate. A donation sheet may be found in the fellowship hall.



"This Dust" - A Reflection for Ash Wednesday

March 5th, which is Ash Wednesday, marks the beginning of our Lenten journey—a season of reflection, repentance, and renewal. It's a time when we pause to remember our human frailty and our need for a Savior. The ashes placed on our foreheads remind us of the words from Genesis: "For dust you are and to dust you shall return" (Genesis 3:19).

The song "This Dust" by Kip Fox beautifully captures the heart of this day:

*"Lord have mercy on me, I am riddled with the world's disease
Taking what I want, And turning it into my need
I am flesh and blood, Never good enough
You poured out Your love, To cover over this dust"*

In these lyrics, we are reminded of our human condition—broken, selfish, and in need of God's mercy. Yet, the song also proclaims a powerful truth: God covers our dust, our sin, and our shame with His perfect love.

The song continues:

*"Oh what senseless love, You would come to join with us
Drink this cursed cup. Redeeming all that we've undone
We are flesh and blood, Never good enough
You poured out Your love, To cover over this dust"*

Here, we see the heart of the Gospel: Jesus took on our dust—our humanity, sin, and suffering—to redeem and restore us. His sacrifice washes away our guilt and shame.

The final lines proclaim our Easter hope:

<i>"Your mercy rains on all our shame And washes all the stain away"</i>	<i>"Death is all around us, We are not afraid Written is the story, Empty is the grave"</i>
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Ash Wednesday invites us to enter the tension between death and life, sin, and grace.

We are dust—but we are dust redeemed.

Reflection Opportunity:

Read: Psalm 51:10-12 ("Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.")

Pray: Confess your sins and ask for God's mercy. Trust that His love covers even your deepest shame.

Listen: Play "This Dust" by Kip Fox. Let the lyrics guide you into a personal reflection on God's grace and your need for a Savior.

As we journey through Lent, may we remember that though we are dust, we are dust deeply loved and redeemed by our Savior.

Blessings,
DCE/O Intern, Bethany Dorschner



Please join us for our 45th Anniversary Party

#40 hit the fan with Covid;
#50 is iffy at best (barring a miracle of the Lord);
But we're now at #45, and still alive, SO...

Join us after church...

- ◆ on Sunday, April 13th:
- ◆ at Long Grove Community Center: 114 N. First St.
- ◆ from 12 Noon until 3:00pm
- ◆ for a light lunch (sandwiches, salad, dessert, cake, beverages (beer, water, pop)
- ◆ an outside play area for kids, weather permitting
- ◆ Please no gifts: your presence is your present

Please text your RSVP to Bob's cell (563-370-1912) or use the QR code below by March 25th!

Thanks. Bob & Elaine Bartel



EASTER CHOIR?

Do we have members interested in assembling an EASTER CHOIR that would sing during the 9:00 a.m. service on Easter morning? I would like to begin practices the first week of March.

Please contact me, Lynn Curlott at 563-320-4031, if you would like to join in the excitement of Christ's Resurrection.

College Love Box



PVLC,

Thank You All for the valentines gift box. I appreciate that I am still a part of the family even as I am studying in Ames.

Mike Pawloski

PVLC,

Thank you for the love box. These items will definitely be used. It is always comforting to know that while I face challenges of being on my own, that I always have people that care for me. Thank you again.

Dane Egesdal

Dear PVLC & WRO,

Thank you so much for the care package! It means a lot that you're thinking of me.

Kylee Schroeder

Dear PVLC,

Thank you for the box and thank you for thinking of me :) All of the goodies are amazing and greatly appreciated.

Analyn Serrano

Park View Lutheran Church,

I want to send a thank you for the love box. The snacks will of course be ate as soon as possible. I appreciate everything and the thought of sending me things to help out.

Erik Egesdal

PVLC,

Thank you for the valentines care package. Thank you for thinking of me. So much fun opening up fun treats and goodies. It really made my week. It is so nice to have a church family praying for all of us at college.

Madison Wilshusen



- 1 Griffin Alden
Jessie Howes
- 2 Chase Moseley
- 4 Kole Carstens
- 5 Melissa Drummond
Marion Kjersten
Connie Youngers
- 6 Andy Cronkleton
- 7 Fenyx Hill
Clara Rathe
- 9 Aaron Vandivier
Kori Yaudas
- 10 Tanner Merten
- 11 Kelly Caskey
John Davison
Vera Elmshaeuser
Collin Foss
Cody Johnston
- 12 Laura Sempf
- 13 Ryan Dopler
- 14 Cory Denison
Adison Raleigh
Rhonda Upmeyer
- 15 Faith Fuentes
Cheryl Kofron
- 16 Dennis Dopler
Lisa Paxton
- 18 Trish Miller
- 19 Aimee Egesdal
Gary Huff
Elena Kalainoff
Amanda Krambeck
Jakob Nelson
- 20 Kyle Rehn
- 21 Jane Traub
- 22 Greg Daniels
- 23 Addison Ahrens
Emmarie Gerard
- 25 Mary Lou Kaney
- 28 Ryan Grunwald
- 29 Katie Thomas
Jodee Tippet
Tara Youngers
- 30 Abby Buchanan
- 31 Andrew Hartwig



- 16 Matthew & Robyn Klever (7)
- 18 Frank & Dorothy England (63)
Craig & Sharon Tannahill (30)
- 20 Ken & Janice Thomsen (60)
- 30 Rod & Denise Weiss (51)
- 31 Scot & Karen Schaar (18)

Please keep the following members in your prayers:

For those fighting/healed of cancer: Dave Amhof, Rich Atwood, Pastor Bob Bartel, Andrew Claeys, Mike Cornett, Gene Horn, Cheryl Kofron, Jim McKinney, Marcia McKinney, Cy Miller, Jo Miller, Chuck Moeller, Connie Morse, Judy Mumm, Don Petersen, Grace Pfeiler, Donna Ploog, Dorcas Smith, Connie Youngers, for peace and healing.



For our members who suffer silently from chronic life threatening illness, for strength and healing.

For our members confined to a nursing facility or homebound by illness or other weakness, comfort and strength.

For Sharon Tannahill, recovering from knee replacement surgery.

For Brian Klever, having tests done, for good results.

For Del Traub, recovering from cataract surgery.

For Bonnie Amhof, heart valve issues, for wisdom for the doctors.

For the Dan Blazier family, as they grieve his passing.

For Mary Fish, praise and thanks after a successful heart procedure.

For Gayle Rasmussen, pray for wisdom, peace and healing.

For Kathy Kilen, recovering from sinus surgery.

For those of our armed forces, especially those with ties to our faith family here at PVLC:

Japan: Lucas Miller; **Stateside:** Michael Bartel, Tanner Carpenter, Caleb Claeys, Kasey Denison, Larry Goodwin, Anthony Isely, Morgan Marchant, Isabella Richards, Alan Rubach, Brett Slaughter, Christopher Teuscker and Nate Thayer.

Friends and Relatives of Members to keep in our prayers:

Rev. Brad Birtell, Tammy Cheek, Scott Horn, Aaron Schmidt, and Fred Smith as they face natural disaster recovery, Covid-19, pneumonia, influenza, cancer, surgery, stroke, Alzheimer's, or illness, we pray for peace that surpasses all understanding.

Missionaries in Uruguay Rev. James and Angie Sharp

Bible Translators Nathan and Sarah Federwitz

MBS=Men's Bible Study	March 2025					WBS=Women's Bible Study
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 8:00am-Worship HC 9:15am-SS/BS 10:30am-Worship	3	4 6:30am-MBS 11:30am-Forever Young 6:30pm-Bell Choir	5 1:00pm-Worship HC 5:30pm-Dinner Quilters 6:00pm-Confirmation 6:00pm-LYTES 7:00pm-Worship HC	6 9:30am-WBS	7	8
9 8:00am-Worship 9:15am-SS/BS 10:30am-Worship HC	10 6:30pm-Ex Bd Mtg	11 6:30am-MBS 9:00am-Quilting 6:30pm-Bell Choir	12 1:00pm-Worship 5:30pm-Dinner 5 & 6 Gr 6:00pm-Confirmation 6:00pm-LYTES 7:00pm-Worship	13 9:30am-WBS	14 9:15am-North Scott Food Pantry	15
16 8:00am-Worship HC 9:15am-SS/BS 10:30am-Worship	17	18 6:30am-MBS 9:00am-Quilting 6:30pm-Bell Choir	19 1:00pm-Worship 7:00pm-Worship	20 9:30am-WBS	21	22
23 8:00am-Worship 9:15am-SS/BS 10:30am-Worship HC	24	25 6:30am-MBS 9:00am-Quilting 6:30pm-Bell Choir Confirmation Archery	26 1:00pm-Worship 5:30pm-Dinner 7 & 8 Gr 6:00pm-Confirmation 6:00pm-LYTES 7:00pm-Worship	27 9:30am-WBS	28	29 8:30am-LWML Rally @ Trinity Davenport
30 8:00am-Worship HC 9:15am-SS/BS 10:30am-Worship HC	31 6:30pm-Elders Mtg					

March Serving Schedule

Ushers

- 2 Jeff Pearce, Wayne Ott, (8:00)
Brian Klever, Doug Amhof
Andrew Claeys, Joe Claeys (10:30)
Rich Atwood, Scot Schaar
- 9 Dan Kilen, Jerry Hartwig, (8:00)
Andy Hartwig, John Pischke
Rob Martin, Zach Cameron (10:30)
Gayle Rasmussen
- 16 Lee Holden, Rod Kjersten (8:00)
Dave Amhof, Jerry Wuestenberg
John Schaub, Craig Tannahill, (10:30)
Mark Hundley
- 23 Tim Raleigh, Del Traub (8:00)
Shawn Gerard, Chuck Moeller
Andrew Claeys, Joe Claeys, (10:30)
Rich Atwood, Scot Schaar
- 30 Jeff Pearce, Wayne Ott, (8:00)
Gene Horn, Brian Klever, Doug Amhof
Rob Martin, Zach Cameron (10:30)
Gayle Rasmussen

Elders

- 2 Scott Campbell/Quintin (C)
(8:00)
Tim Raleigh (10:30)
- 5 Brian Klever (C) (1:00pm)
Jim Gruntorad (C) (7:00pm)
- 9 Quintin Gerard (8:00)
Jim Gruntorad/Craig Tannahill (C)
(10:30)
- 12 Scott Campbell (1:00)
Craig Tannahill (7:00)

- 16 Kyle Rehn/Brian Klever (C)
(8:00)
Craig Tannahill (10:30)
- 19 Jim Gruntorad (1:00)
Tim Raleigh (7:00)
- 23 Scott Campbell (8:00)
Craig Tannahill/Brian Klever (C)
(10:30)
- 26 Brian Klever (1:00)
Craig Tannahill (7:00)
- 30 Jim Gruntorad/Kyle Rehn (C) (8:00)
Tim Raleigh/Craig Tannahill (C) (10:30)

Acolytes

- 2 Michaela Goodwin (8:00)
Maddox Drummond (10:30)
- 5 Kip VanWetzinga(7:00)
- 9 Maddox Grunwald (8:00)
Mason Rathe (10:30)
- 12 Liam Deweerdt(7:00)
- 16 Maddox Grunwald (8:00)
Ryker VanWetzinga (10:30)
- 19 Mason Nemeth (7:00)
- 23 Oliver Mangan (8:00)
Michaela Goodwin (10:30)
- 26 Alliana Ray (7:00)
- 30 Kenneth Chumbley (8:00)
Maddox Drummond (10:30)

Communion Washers

- 2 Connie Youngers
Barb Huff
- 9 Sue Raleigh
Catherine Schaub

- 16 Julie Daniels
Linda Schroeder
- 23 Caralee Gruntorad
Donna Ploog
- 30 Mary Lou Engler (8:00)
Jackie Holden
Mary Lou Kaney (10:30)
Teri Wuestenberg

Counters

- 2 Susan/Paul Kalainoff
Mary Fish
- 9 Mary Lou Engler
Sharon Tannahill
- 16 Lee/Jackie Holden
Doug/Aimee Egesdal
- 23 Randy Ridgeway
Tracy Carstens
- 30 Connie Youngers
Ralph/Pam Schneklloth

Nursery

- 2 Mary Lou Kaney
- 9 Sami Merten
- 16 Cheryl Lunardi
- 23 Bethany Hoft
- 30 Mary Lou Kaney