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Women's February Birthday Dinner



Back row, left to right: Kathy Myers, Mary Ann Wieand, Liz Gingrich, Barb Westerbeek, Karen Sommers;
front row: Esther Farmwald, Leah Beth Shetler, Celina Romero, Claramae Klink, Esther Stutzman and Lorna Claassen.

Recently, the WMC women with February birthdays were invited to Karen Sommers' home for dinner and sharing. (It continues a tradition that began 20 years ago). It has been an enjoyable time of blessing as we are together.

Lenten worship – “Show us”

With our Ash Wednesday service on the evening of Feb. 26 (7 p.m., after a 6:00 pancake supper provided by the JYF), we once again usher in the season in the church year called Lent. Lent is a time to slow down and breathe in the life of Jesus, as we prepare ourselves for the experience of the suffering, death and resurrection of our Lord. In this season of the year we especially focus on the ministry and saving work of Jesus Christ.

If we pay careful attention Jesus shows us who he is. At different points in the story, Jesus invites us into a deeper understanding or relationship with him. Hence, the theme for our worship services in Lent this year is, “Show us”, because we desire for Jesus to show us who he is and who we are. The Scriptures this year demonstrate that Jesus wants to be revealed in new and deeper ways to his church. Our desire is for the church to fall in love again with the story of Jesus. One way we will receive and “show” this message is by learning a key phrase each week that we can “say” using American Sign Language.

You can see on the next page the Scripture texts and the preachers for each Sunday. More details will follow later about special observances in Holy Week.

Lenten Worship Schedule

Date	Scriptures	Preacher
March 1: Lent 1	Gen. 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Matt. 4:1-11	Neil Amstutz
March 8: Lent 2	Gen. 12:1-4a; John 3:1-17	Becky Stoltzfus (Goshen College President)
March 15: Lent 3	Exo. 17:1-7; John 4:5-42	Neil Amstutz
March 22: Lent 4	1 Sam. 16:1-13; John 9:1-41	Cindy Voth
March 29: Lent 5	Ezek. 37:1-14; John 11:1-45	Katie Misz
April 5: Lent 6	Isaiah 50:4-9a; Matt. 21:1-11	Neil Amstutz
April 12: Easter	Acts 10:34-43; Matt. 28:1-10	Cindy Voth



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Budget Update

Facilities and Finance has reviewed updated January financial information and thanks everyone for your continued generosity in your monetary gifts. Our giving as of January 31 is \$18,098 less than where we would like to be. At this rate, giving will be \$24,131 below budget by year end. To make up for this, our giving for this quarter (February, March, & April) would need to increase by 12%. Another update will be given in an early March Buzz. Thank you again for your generous spirit in our congregation's ministries.

Thank You

To Waterford Mennonite Church:
Thank you for the visits, plant, funeral service and meal, and kind words during our mother's recent illness and death. It was much appreciated.
—The family of Mary Gingerich.

MYF Service Auction - What's New in 2020?

1. New time - Auction will begin right after potluck on Sunday, March 1. Plan to have a potluck meal together then head directly to the sanctuary for the auction. Start time will be at approximately 1:00 p.m.

2. Auctioneer will be Cory Bowman this year...you won't want to miss it!

3. Bidding on Baskets - a few packed-to-the-brim themed baskets will be a fun addition this year. Tickets for \$1 each will be available for purchase. Tickets can then be placed in jars next to your favorite basket in hopes your number will be drawn, declaring you as the winner. Drawings will take place during the live auction. See final sale bill for exact lineup.

Proceeds from the auction go towards future MYF projects and trips. So, don't miss out on a fun auction for a good cause. We hope to see you there!

—2020 MYF Service Auction Committee
(Krista Daniels, Kevin Miller, Christy Smith, Alex Berkey and Ava Chupp)

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