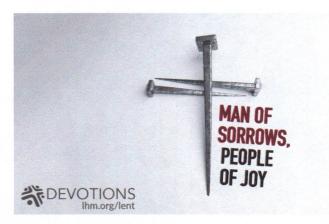


Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, ... and when they saw Him [Jesus,] they worshiped Him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all



nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:16a, 17-20)

Have you ever heard of the "mopping-up" stage of a war? It's what we call the time when it's clear to everybody who has won this war, but there's still fighting going on.

This is the mopping-up stage of Jesus' war. The devil knows he has lost—he has known it ever since Jesus' death and resurrection. But he's still spreading lies. He is still trying to get us to doubt Jesus. He can't win the war, but he can try to take down as many people with him as possible.

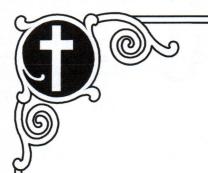
And so Jesus sends us out with a job: "Go and make disciples of all nations." Jesus wants as many people as possible to share the life, hope, and forgiveness He won for us at the cross. And to encourage us, He reminds us: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me." He promises to be with us always. Who can be afraid with Jesus nearby?

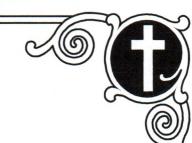
WE PRAY: Thank You, Lord, for giving me a share in Your work. Amen.

- WELCA Steak Supper April 6th 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Thank to everyone who help with the steak supper. We had a great turn out and so many were so happy that we had returned to eat in or take out. I know this was a little more work but I hope everyone will look at it as an outreach for the community from our congregation. There are so many who look forward to the fellowship. Thank you again from WELCA.
- LMM Will meet on April 10th, at 7:00 p.m. John Coleman and Luther Long will be preparing the meal. All Lutheran Men are invited.
- Church Council April 14th 8:00 a.m. PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE.
- WELCA Sunday May 12th This year WELCA Sunday will be on May 12th, Mother's Day. What a wonderful way to celebrate all of our Mothers' in the congregation. The Youth Puppets Ministry will be delivering the message. Please plan to attend to Support the WELCA and our Youth.
- Lutheridge Day Camp July 15th to 19th Please mark your calendars. We are looking forward to another great camp. Spread the word to anyone that you think might be interested. There will be no camp fee for campers this year. We are hoping that this will bring in more campers for this wonderful outreach program. Watch for more information as the camp week draws near.
- Reuben Backpack Food Program The SOW Committee will again be sponsoring at-need students at Reuben Elementary School during the 2023-2024 year with the Reuben Backpack Food Program. Distribution of the packed bags will begin September 8th. If you would like to assist with delivering the food bags to Reuben please let Anna Bedenbaugh know. Through letters from families, as well as messages of appreciation from the school administration, this program has made a difference. Your monetary donations help support the children of the community.

Manna House – Food pantry is accepting monetary donations which can be sent to Manna House, c/o Sue J. Mitchell, 2210 Timber Lane, Newberry, SC 29108. Food supplies are currently low. Nonperishable food items are being accepted as well as dish and laundry detergent. There is a basket in our Narthex that you my put your donations in and the SOW Committee will take them to Manna House for you. For info call (803) 321-2155.







MEMORIALS FOR MARCH 2024

Martha Bowers

Harriett Kesler & Family Peggy Hendrix

Lilah Julia McGlohorn

Terry & Kim Crone Katherine Hawkins Jimmie & Sybel Bowers

William (Bill) Floyd

Harriett Kesler & Family Bill & Mary Lou Burriss Karen Stone Kenneth & Tracy Haltiwanger Mr. & Mrs. Jim Suber Jewel Oxner Terry & Kim Crone Louella Brehmer Leland & Patsy Epting Katherine Hawkins Dell Miller Mr. & Mrs. George Piersol Mike & Mary Willingham **Grace Pingleton** Sam & AJ Baird Donna & Meghan Perry Joe & Kay Mueller Ronnie & Linda Cromer Henry Summer & Company Peggy Stoudemire Mr. & Mrs. Rudie Tarver Susie Epting Jimmie & Sybel Bowers Stacy Guy





Circle II

April 10th

2:00 pm

Hostess

Leader

Joan Perry

Joan Perry

Circle IV

April 2nd

7:00 pm

Hostess

Leader

Jessica Piersol

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WELCA Heartland Spring Conference
April 21, 2024
Macedonia Lutheran Church



WELCA would like to invite & encourage all women of the church to join a circle.

This is a wonderful outreach program.



SERVING GOD IN APRIL 2024

If a conflict arises and you cannot serve on the appointed date, please find a replacement. Each person and their duty is vitally important to the worship service. Head Usher * Greeter **. Thank you for serving.

Ushers

April 7

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Terry Bryant * Nick Piersol Lindsav Piersol ** Shannon Bowers

Communion Steward

Mike Willingham

Offering Tabulators

Christopher Smith April Bryant

Securing the Church

Christopher Smith



Jackson Parker 28

Johnny Hayes

Lay Reader Jay Piersol Helen Shealy Brandy Wix

Altar Flowers

Mary Grace Bryant

Lori & Michael Parker Louella Brehmer Casey & Cayce Lybrand

Nancy Ruff

Happy Birthday to the Following.....

| April 1 | Josh Piersol | 11 Chase Lybrand | |
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| 6 | Shannon Bowers | 20 Pat Malcom | |
| 8 | Cassie Gilliam | Clay Smith | |
| | Christian Gilliam | 25 Ali Chapman | |
| 10 | Roland Smith | Shirley Fant | |
| | | Brandy Wix | |

Happy Anniversary to the Following.....

April 3 Stacy & David Guy

Anyone missing? Please let us know. We want to recognize everyone! Also if you see an error, please contact the Church office or Mary Willingham (944-9191.) Thank You.

April 2024

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | | | |
| | 1 | 7:00 p.m. WELCA Grp IV | 3 | 4 | 5 | WELCA Steak Supper 5 - 7 pm Eat in or Take Out | | | |
| 9 am Choir 10 am Sun Sch 11am Worship/ Communion | 8 | 9 | 2:00 pm WELCA Grp II 7:00 pm LMM | 11 | 12 | 13 | | | |
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