

March
2017



Martin Luther

Sing me a song

Luther was very keen on music. An accomplished Lute player, he composed countless hymns and he is regarded as one of the most important German composers prior to Bach.

ROAD TO THE REFORMATION

Martin Luther's Early Life

Martin Luther's father owned a copper mine in nearby Mansfeld. Having risen from the peasantry, his father was determined to see his son ascend to civil service and bring further honor to the family. To that end, Hans sent young Martin to schools in Mansfeld, Magdeburg and Eisenach. At the age of seventeen in 1501 he entered the University of Erfurt. The young student received his Bachelor's degree after just one year in 1502! Three years later, in 1505, he received a Master's degree. According to his father's wishes, Martin enrolled in the law school of that university. All that changed during a thunderstorm in the summer of 1505. A lightning bolt struck near to him as he was returning to school. Terrified, he cried out, "Help, St. Anne! I'll become a monk!" Spared of his life, but regretting his words, Luther kept his bargain, dropped out of law school and entered the monastery there.

During the time Luther was preparing to become a priest, he traveled to Rome. It was in Rome that he began to see things going on in the Roman Catholic church that disappointed him greatly. He transferred from the monastery in Erfurt to the one in Wittenberg, where after receiving his doctor of theology degree, he became a professor of biblical theology at the new University of Wittenberg. **It was here that the Reformation truly began.**

Thank you all so much for the continued prayers during my sickness. It really does mean a lot to me .
The power of prayer truly works. I am always astounded with all the love and concern I receive from all of you You have all made an impact on my life. I love you all!
Cameron

Wittenberg: an artists' colony
Wittenberg, where Luther lived for much of his life, was a tiny town in the Germany of that period. And yet Luther found himself living only a few doors away from two of the greatest German painters of the day, Lucius Cranach and his son. The Cranachs are responsible for the series of striking portraits of Luther that still survive.

The dawn of a new faith
With his translation of the Bible into German Martin Luther attained permanent fame as far as a unification of the German language was concerned. Today some 70 million believers on all five continents are members of the Lutheran Church.

Easter Service Schedule

**ZO 6:00 am Sunrise
Service**

ZO 7-8:30 am Breakfast

ZO 9:00 am Easter Service

**Advent 9:30 am Breakfast
Advent 10:15 am Egg
Hunt**

**Advent 11:00 am Easter
Service**

ers for March

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Altar Guild:

3/5 Andrea Young, Gwin Poston
3/12 Margaret Harken
3/19 Thelma Horres
3/26 Ruthie & Ron Padgett

Lay Readers

3/5 Jade Jones
3/12 Lin Donnell
3/19 Jane Beam
3/26 Ruthie Padgett

Ushers

Lance Harrelson
Greg Harrelson
Andrew Young
Emily Newbold

Greeters: All Members of Advent

Audio Assistant: Jade Jones

Happy Birthday!

Brigitte Payne - 9th
Bobby Holladay - 11th
Jenna Monogan - 20th
Courtney Gaither - 24th
David Gilmore - 26th
Ryan Gilmore - 29th
McKenzie Carroll - 29th
Bubba Dunlap - 30th
Beverly Dyson ó 19th

Golden Agers

Thelma Horres - 21st

To the workers, volunteers, and staff of Advent,
On Friday, I was told that you have hot lunch and groceries from DSS. I came over and ate and received groceries. I wanted to say thank you for this service. On that particular day, I was very hungry and had very little food in my house.

Thanks again, Z. M. Ladson

All my fellow members of Advent,

I would like to express my heartfelt thank you for all the love, thoughts, and prayers during the recent loss of "Papa" Hooker. All these things have been a great comfort to us.

Jenny & Rodney Hooker

Esther Circle
March 5
Ann Long ó
Hostess
Gwin Poston ó
Program

Dear Advent Members,
Thank you for the flowers, calls, visits, cards, and prayers. Your continued thoughts and caring provide me with support needed and blessings from the Lord. I am so deeply grateful.
Yours in Christ. Rae

Reminder: Daylight Savings Time begins March 12th..Set clocks ahead one hour!!!!



Thank You to Bill Anderson for the great job he's doing with painting our halls.



DEDICATED IN February

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have passed; Bill Meyer, Mary & Julian Meyer,

Thelma Kemp, Betty McConnell. Given by Beth Meyer

In memory of Al Hooker given by Sarah Pinkerton

In memory of Colleen Shields given by Sarah Pinkerton

In celebration of Smiley Corbin's birthday given by Rae Wolfensberger

2/5 In memory of Al Hooker given by Betty Jean Huggins

2/19 In memory of John Asquith given by Thelma Horres

In honor of All Women of Advent given by Thelma Horres

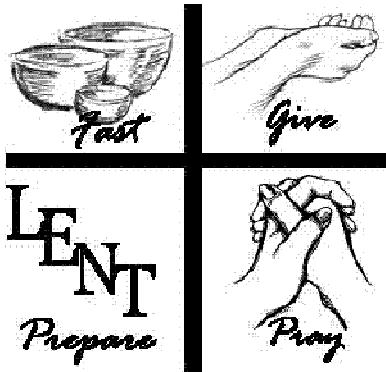
2/26 In memory of Mary Garcia given by Sarah Pinkerton and Ron & Ruthie Padgett



Lenten jars will be distributed on Ash Wed. and First Sunday of Lent. They will be collected Palm Sunday. Offering will go to Congo Mission support with Rev. David Nuottila and Rev. Stephan ' Kalongi NALC Pastors



*Thank you so much for the amazing prayer shawl. It really has helped me a lot. I am constantly finding myself wrapped up in it. I know how much love and care went into making it. I really do love it, and I love you too!
Love Cameron*



What is Lent? Lent is a season of the church year that lasts for 40 days (not counting Sundays) recalling Jesus' 40-day fast in the wilderness. As Lutherans, the time is full of prayer, service and self-examination. Some choose to live more simply or some other spiritual discipline to follow throughout the season. The season begins with Ash Wednesday, a day when we confess our sins and are marked on the forehead with a cross of dust and the words, "Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to family and friends of Mary Garcia, who passed to the Church Triumphant on February 15, 2017.

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life"

Almighty God, source of all mercy and giver of comfort: Deal graciously; we pray, with those who mourn, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayer from the Lutheran Book of Worship



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Friday, March 10th
Back to 80's Fun Night 630
80's Food
Music, Games, Fellowship
All Welcome!



Tuesday, March 14, 7:30pm
Lenoi-Rhyne University A Cappella Choir
Holy Spirit Lutheran Church
3075 Bees ferry Rd. Charleston...
No ticket necessary



Saturday, March 25th
Annunciation Day Picnic
Charlestown Landing 11-2
West Ashley
All Welcome
Men bring drinks, Women bring chips
or side dish



Friday, March 31st
Chrismons Workshop
9-4 @ Advent

A Word from Pastor Jones:

Individual Confession offered during Lent

I will be offering Individual Confession and Forgiveness during the Lenten season. This form of confession is basically a prayer of confession, which may or may not include an accounting of specific sins and pardons.

Confession consists of two parts. One is that we confess our sins. The other is that we receive absolution or forgiveness from the confessor as from God himself, by no means doubting but firmly believing that our sins are thereby forgiven before God in heaven."

Small Catechism

Luther intended confession and absolution especially for those who were about to receive Holy Communion and the Lutheran Church, as a whole, has maintained that connection.

Please feel free to contact me any time to make an appointment to reap the benefits of this office.

In the peace of Christ,
Pastor Jones