



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR



Mon	Mar 18	6:00 PM Gerry's Quilt Class-Criswell Hall.
Tue	Mar 19	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 10:00 AM Sew n Sews-MMR, 11:00 AM Chair Yoga-CH, 1:00 PM Bible Study-CH, 1:30 PM Finance-PS, 3:30 PM JOY Circle-member's home, 5:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal-HR.
Wed	Mar 20	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 9:00 Church Work Morning-CH, 2:00 PM Church Council-MMR.
Thu	Mar 21	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 10:30 AM SPRC-PS, 4:00 PM Children's Ctr Board-MMR, 5:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal-HR, 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary.
Sun	Mar 24	8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service-Sanctuary. 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary.

Abbreviation Legend

- CH--Criswell Hall
- S--Sanctuary
- K--Kitchen
- L--Library-Room #123
- MMR--McMillen Room #113
- PS--Pastor's Study
- HR--Handbell Room #115



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8:30 AM



FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

Sat Apr 6 Tiber Canyon Olive Oil Tasting 3:00 PM. Meet at church at 2:45 to carpool. Located at 280 W Ormonde Rd, SLO. Deadline to register is Mar 31. Sign up at Connections desk. Admission is free. Olive oil is available for purchase.



Sat Jun 22 Looking forward to June! We have an invitation to visit the home and garden of member Scott Trees. Put the date on your calendar and watch for more details.



For information on flower dedications and ordering flowers, please contact the church office.



- Sunday March 24 Palm Sunday**
8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service
10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service
- Thursday March 28 Holy Thursday**
6:00 PM in the Sanctuary
following 5:00 PM soup supper
- Friday March 29 Good Friday**
6:00 pm in the Sanctuary
Ritual of Tenebrae, A Service of Shadows
- Sunday March 31 Easter Sunday**
8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service
10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service





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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

HANDBELL CHOIR

*O Perfect Love
Air from "Water Music"*

Joseph Barnby, arr. Douglas E. Wagner
G.F. Handel, arr. Douglas E. Wagner

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONGS

*Bless the Lord Oh My Soul
For Those Tears I Died
Once Again*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ILLUMINATION

Forever

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 31:31-34
John 12:20-33

SERMON

JOURNEY TO SUNRISE:
Heart Knowledge

Rev. Mary Birgelaitis

OFFERING

I Just Want to Praise You

COMMUNION

Old Rugged Cross

FINAL BLESSING

Give Thanks

CLOSING

Nobody

*Praise Band Leader: Mike Clark Bass: Bob Jorstad Singers: Connie Clark and Pam Garza
Handbell Director: Leonard Lutz with the Grande Ringers*

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Today's Scripture

The days are surely coming says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband says the LORD. This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days says the LORD: I will put my law within them and I will write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

John 12:20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has

come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Today's Liturgist: Susan Thronson

ATTENDANCE						GIVING
WEEK	8:30	10:30	IN- PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	
02/18	33	65	98	17	115	\$ 4,092
02/25	32	55	87	35	122	\$ 1,212
03/03	40	65	105	15	120	\$ 7,692
03/10	33	57	90	18	108	\$ 7,692
Our Fiscal Year started July 1 Weekly Offering Needed \$6,038						
STEWARDSHIP REPORT: YTD Received \$239,381 Budgeted \$211,780						
UMCOR \$403 EASTER Received \$806 Easter Budgeted \$5,000						

HOSPITALITY TIME

Today's Hosts:

FINANCE

**Next Sunday
March 24**

**Nominating
Committee**