

# ◆ NewsNotes ◆

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## 'Imprinting the Image' theme for midweek Lent services

By Rev. Jeff Zell

Wednesday services resume with Lent, which begins Feb. 14. Ash Wednesday, both the noon and 6:30 p.m. liturgy of imposition of ashes and communion will be at Gloria Dei. The noon said Eucharist will always be at Gloria Dei. The evening Eucharist will alternate between the churches.

The theme of the Wednesdays in Lent will be *Imprinting the Image* using Psalm 119. Noon services will be spoken. 6:30 p.m. services will be sung.

During the Sundays in Lent we will use ELW 811

*On My Heart Imprint Your Image* as the gospel acclamation. This is a worthy prayer for your Lenten devotions: *On my heart imprint your image, blessed Jesus, king of grace, that life's troubles nor its pleasures ever may your work erase. Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me, is my life, my hope's foundation, all my glory and salvation!*

Bible study is working through the *By Heart* Small Catechism book. In Lent we will change our meeting time from 10 a.m. to 10:30. We will not have a study on Ash Wednesday.

Here is a prayer for Lent based on Psalm 51.

*In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

*Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*



*I cry to you, O Lord, Let my prayer come before you.*

*Let my mouth be filled with your praise, and with your glory all day long.*

*O Lord, forgive my sins and blot out my iniquities.*

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right*

*spirit within me.*

*Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.*

*Help me, O Lord, this day, to live without sin.*

*O Lord, have mercy on me; Let your mercy remain upon me as my trust is in you.*

*Hear my prayer, O Lord, and let my cry come to you.*

*O Lord, remain with me this day and night. Amen.*

*Our Father, who art in heaven...Ω*



## Meal team makes news 'Live from Hope Ministries kitchen'

Our Hope Ministries meal team made news in January, being featured on the WSBT-TV evening news for a story on the need for more volunteers at local shelters.

Ginny Brummitt was interviewed by Heather Black and explained our congregation's decades-long support of Hope. "Everybody knows when Gloria Dei is serving dinner," Ginny told Heather. "News travels down the street because we try to serve something different every time."

Ginny prepared a mac 'n' cheese meal that fed 160 guests. We also handed out more than 100 pairs of clean, warm socks and donated the rest to be distributed to residents.

Servers were Roni Hobkirk (First English), Harvey Holmes, John Miller, Pat Holmberg, Donald Holmberg and Don's sister, Doris.

Our next opportunity to serve will be March 22, and Social Ministry always welcomes volunteers to donate time and talent. The committee guarantees you will be thanked many times over and feel rewarded with an evening well spent.

This is the link to the WSBT story, and it was still available as the NewsNotes was being edited.

<http://wsbt.com/news/local/local-homeless-shelters-say-they-need-more-volunteers>

## BOF payoff moves ahead of schedule

Good news from the Jan. 21 annual meeting, included the belief that because of the support of members and an upswing in the use of scrip, the Building on Faith obligation may be paid off months ahead of the June, 2020 scheduled termination.

It was also noted that 100% of pledges made in 2017 were filled and that a five-

figure general fund deficit in midyear was reduced by nearly two-thirds thanks to generous giving toward the end of the year.

Reports from other committees and organizations were received and the voting members elected Jack Seifer, Dan Lindborg and Nikole Oliver-Scherer to second three-terms and John Miller as nominating committee chair for 2018.

## Celebrating lives of longtime member and close friends

In January, our congregation celebrated the lives of a longtime member and two close and well loved friends

The Resurrection to Eternal Life Eucharist was held at Gloria Dei for Thelma Nelson, 97, on Jan. 20 and on Jan. 27 for Judithellen Larson, 61.



Nelson

We also remembered Dr. Clayton W.

Henderson, 81, a former music director, whose funeral was held Jan. 20 at the Cathedral of St. James.

Thelma died Jan. 13 in Iowa, where she moved a few years ago to be closer to family. She was a longtime member of Gloria Dei, an active member of the Ruth Circle, a lector, and a past president of WELCA. Most importantly, she was a witness to her faith and her church simply by welcoming all with a bright smile and warm greeting.

Thelma defied her numerical age and remained active well into her 90s, especially participating in and teaching line dancing at the Battell Center and as a past member of the Red Hat Society.

Survivors include her daughter, Judith L. Dixon, and son, Kurt A. Nelson,

Interment was at Chapel Hill Cemetery, and the family requests memorial contributions be made to



Henderson



Larson

Gloria Dei.


Judithellen died Jan. 12 at Center for Hospice Care, after a nearly 30-year battle with cancer and enduring numerous treatments "with grace and perseverance," as her family noted.

She earned a bachelor's degree in library science from Indiana University and a master's degree in social work from Cal State University, but many Gloria Deiers remember most her beautiful voice, which she often shared with us in the choir and occasional solos.

Judi was a member of local choral groups and, with a friend, became the Swing Sisters, performing at nursing homes and elsewhere.

Among the survivors are her husband, Carl Arelt; her parents, Robert and Carol Larson; and two sisters, Bethann and Susan.

Among the many distinguished titles and positions held by Clayton Henderson, who died Jan. 7, we were



**BUILDING ON FAITH REPORT**  
To Dec.. 31, 2017

YEAR TO DATE

Receipts for December	\$ 3,945
Mortgage paid for January	2,379
Loan principal on Jan. 1	56,249
Mutual Bank balance on Jan. 1	14,993
<b>Total paid from scrip sales</b>	<b>60,000</b>

At present, 89% of each payment reduces the principal. Current interest rate is 4.95 percent . Mortgage termination date is April 2020. Twenty-seven payments remain. Pledges totaling \$150,543 were received in a 2014 fund drive. Congregation should continue making regular contributions and purchasing scrip.

*Dan Lindborg*  
Jan 16, 2018

proud to call him our organist and music director for a few years in the early 21st Century, retiring in 2009.

He was widely known and received many accolades as an organist and scholar in the music of the church and its liturgy.

He also wrote acclaimed books and articles on famed composers and noted Hoosiers, including brothers, author Theodore Dreiser and composer Paul Dresser ("On the Banks of the Wabash").

He was slowed by Parkinson's in his last years, but Clayton found ways maintain his music and his unflinching sense of humor.

## Mary Circle, 1st English trivia night, more important miscellanea

Mary Circle will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 6 at the church. Members are asked to bring an appetizer and a devotion, both for sharing.

Pastor, Marie and Thomas say "Thank You for your generous Christmas gift. It was used right away to pay for an unexpected car repair bill."

First English will conduct a Trivia Night, at 7 p.m. Feb. 2. Cost is \$10 per person; no size limit to your table. Bring your own snacks and beverages. No need to RSVP, but call the church for information, 255-4234.

Belated thanks and apologies to Katie Weldy, who stepped in at the last minute to join past queens on the royal court for December's wonderful Luciafest. Katie graciously came aboard after the bulletin was printed and her name also was omitted from last month's NewsNotes article.

All are invited to the installation service for Pastor Caroline Satre and Pastor Brad Davick, at 2 p.m., Feb. 4 at Christ the King, South Bend.

Bishop Bill Gafkjen will install the pastoral team, and a light reception will follow the service.

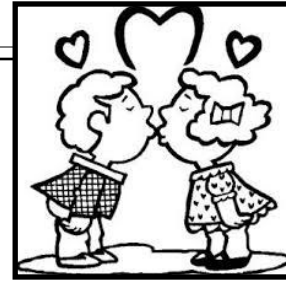
Women of ELCA are invited to a Quilting Blitz, rom 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Feb. 17 at Faith Lutheran Church, Goshen.

Please bring scissors and come and enjoy the company of others to make quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Snacks and lunch will be provided.


RSVP to Cheryl Avery, (574) 862-2815 or (574) 202-1411.



# February



Sun                      Mon                      Tue                      Wed                      Thu                      Fri                      Sat

<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px;"> <p><b><i>Every Sunday at Gloria Dei:</i></b>  <i>9:45 a.m. Sunday School (11th and 25th); 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour; 10:45 a.m., Sung Liturgy</i></p> </div>				<p>1 Pastor at Synod office for Shared Ministries</p>	<p>2</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>Happy Groundhog Day!</p>  </div>	<p>3</p>
<p>4 <b>Presentation of Our Lord</b></p> <p>Souper Bowl Sunday Collection</p>	<p>5</p> <p>1st English council, 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>6 Mary Circle, 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>7 Bible Study, 10 a.m.</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11 <b>Transfiguration of Our Lord</b></p>	<p>12 Connect program by Pastor Nyland, 6:30 p.m., 1st English</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 <b>Ash Wednesday</b></p> <p>Eucharist at noon and 6:30 p.m., Gloria Dei</p> <p><i>Valentine's Day</i></p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18 <b>Lent I</b></p> <p>Social Ministry</p>	<p>19 Good Shepherd council, 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>20 Congregation Council, 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>21 <b>NN Deadline</b></p> <p>Eucharist at noon, Gloria Dei and 6:30 p.m., 1st English Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25 <b>Lent II</b></p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 <b>NN Mailed</b></p> <p>Joint councils, 6:30 p.m. 1st English</p>	<p>28 Eucharist at noon and 6:30 p.m., Gloria Dei. Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.</p>			

## February Ministry Schedule

	<b>Feb. 4</b> <b>Presentation of</b> <b>Our Lord</b> <b>10:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Feb. 11</b> <b>Transfiguration of</b> <b>Our Lord</b> <b>10:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Feb. 14</b> <b>Ash Wednesday</b> <b>Noon &amp; 6:30</b> <b>p.m.</b>	<b>Feb. 18</b> <b>Lent I</b> <b>10:45 a.m.</b>
<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>	Dan Lindborg	Leslie Miller	12:00 Brian Saine 6:30 Dan Lindborg	Patty Carr
<b>Servers and Acolytes</b>	Thomas Zell	Liam Boyd Garrett Miller Mackenzie Miller		Colin Dreher Cora Kazmierzak
<b>Cantor</b>	Marie Zell	Jack Seifer	Aylse Jamieson	Aylse Jamieson
<b>Lector</b>	John Miller	Jean Petersburg		Ginny Brummitt
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Mary Ann Sorocco	Melinda Foley		Michelle Megyese
<b>Sunday School</b>		John Miller		
<b>Greeters</b>	Dorothy Anderson, Jean Petersburg	Carol & Bob Larson		Phyllis Thompson, Lindy Dreher
<b>Altar Flowers and Sanctuary Lamp</b>	<b>F:</b> By Jeanette Taylor <b>L:</b> Open	<b>F:</b> John Miller's birthday <b>L:</b> Open		<b>F:</b> No flowers, Lent <b>L:</b> Open
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Patty Carr, Peggy Niedbalski	Patty Carr, Peggy Niedbalski	Phyllis Thompson, Lindy Dreher	Gloria Buysse, Jill Seifer

**Ushers:** Harvey Holmes, Stephen Saine, Russ Buysse.

**Counters:** Feb. 4: Sorocco and B. Saine; Feb. 11: Lindborg and Fortson; Feb. 18: Forslund and Taylor; Feb. 25: Miller and C. Saine.

Ushers scheduled by Russ Buysse, counters by finance committee; Altar Guild by Patty Carr, Sunday School teachers by Worship & Music; all others by Jack Seifer (mlkusa@sbcglobal.net)

**February Ministry Schedule (Pt. 2)**

	<b>Feb. 21 Wednesday Noon (6:30 p.m. at 1st English)</b>	<b>Feb. 25 Lent II 10:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Feb. 28 Wednesday Noon &amp; 6:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>	12:00 John Miller	Lisa Suter	12:00 Ginny Brummitt 6:30 Karen Siderits
<b>Servers and Acolytes</b>		Tyler Marek Dylan Marek Amelia Marek	
<b>Cantor</b>		Jim Carr	
<b>Lector</b>		Bob Suter	
<b>Communion Assistant</b>		Peggy Niedbalski	
<b>Sunday School</b>		Kathy Marek	
<b>Greeters</b>		Dolores & John Miller	
<b>Altar Flowers and Sanctuary Lamp</b>		F: No flowers, Lent L: Open	
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Gloria Buysse, Jill Seifer	Mary Ann Sorocco, Dolores Miller, Sheryl Taghon	Mary Ann Sorocco, Dolores Miller, Sheryl Taghon

**Souper Bowl collection to aid local charities**

On Feb. 4, Big Game day (we do not want Roger Goodell swooping down on us), our Sunday School boys and girls again will collect for the only bowl that matters, the Souper Bowl of Caring.



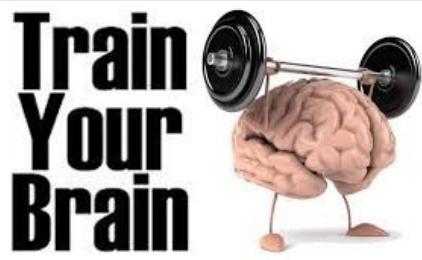
Pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars collected will be donated to a local charity of their choosing that helps fight hunger or assist the homeless or needy.

Since 2000, our congregation has contributed more than \$3,700 to a number of local organizations. In conjunction with last year's Big Game, 6,547 groups reported a nationwide total of \$10,166,965 was collected in cash and food items that were distributed in their local communities.

*Those who have asked for our prayers include ....*

Lorraina Doolittle, Al Saari (Darlene Scherer's brother-in-law), Jordan Cone, Samantha Croymans, Ken, Thelma Lemanski, Douglas Sorocco, Shirley Brunt, Paul Scherer, Darlene Scherer, Don Tetzlaff, Gloria Sheneman, Gene Fortune, Amy Fischetto (friend of Shenemans), Carolyn Scherer, Paula Sheneman (daughter-on-law), Bill Miller (John's brother), Maria Miller, Fred Esmay, our shut-ins.

***Quizmasters Suter and Seifer have planned another grueling round of brainbusters for this annual event that has become SRO over the years.***



**Friday, March 16**  
**\$10/pp**  
**Tables of eight**  
**BYOB Snacks/**  
**Beverages**  
 Doors open 6:30 p.m.  
 First puzzler at 7 p.m.

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*Please notify the church office if a special occasion is missed*

*Those celebrating birthdays and wedding anniversaries in February include...*

### February Birthdays

William Fortson	Feb. 1	Sheryl Taghon	Feb. 14
Zachary Weldy	Feb. 1	John Miller	Feb. 15
Marie Olson	Feb. 2	Katharine Ulrich	Feb. 20
Gene Fortune	Feb. 6	Stephen Megyese	Feb. 22
Brynn Johnson	Feb. 6	Joan Hartman	Feb. 22
Barbara Henry	Feb. 8	Kenneth Senn	Feb. 27
Dorothy Anderson	Feb. 11	Mary Ann Sorocco	Feb. 29
		Catherine Bradley	Feb. 29

### February Anniversaries

Kristine & Kenneth Senn      Feb. 17