

THIS WEEK @SPLDECATUR

Sunday 4/14 *Palm Sunday*

- 9:15 am Education Classes
- 9:15 am Choir Rehearsal for Good Friday (Choir Room)
- 9:15 am/11:45am Family Talk (?s for Pastor in Family Room)

Monday 4/15

- 6:00 pm SPL Women Bible Study (Dining Room)

Tuesday 4/16

- 8:00 am SPL Foundation Meeting (Conference Room)
- 3:30 pm Junior & Senior High LoftTime (The Loft)
- 6:15 pm Lay Ministry (Large Conference Room)
- 6:30 pm Cancer Companions (Family Room)

Wednesday 4/17 LCMS Youth Gathering Fundraiser @Papa Murphy's 11a-8p

- 9:00 am Seder Meal Prep (All Day-Kitchen)
- 5:30 pm Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 6:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal for Good Friday (Sanctuary)

Thursday 4/18 *Maundy Thursday*

- 6:30 am Men's Bible Study (Conference Room)
- 9:00 am Matzah Baking (LSA Kitchen)
- 3:30 pm Junior & Senior High LoftTime (The Loft)
- 6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Seder Meal (Seating begins 6pm)

Friday 4/19 *Good Friday* (ELC closed)

- 1:00 pm Good Friday Worship with Handbells
- 7:00 pm Good Friday Worship with Strings/Handbells

Saturday 4/20 *No Saturday Worship*

- 7:30 am Motivated by More Exercise (SPL)
- 10:00 am Easter Worship Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 10:00 am AA Big Book Study (Room 122)

Sunday 4/21 *Easter Sunday*

- 6:30 am Easter Sunrise Traditional Worship
- 7:30 am Easter Breakfast (Until 10:15am-Dining Room/Room 122)
- 8:00 am Easter Celebration Worship
- 10:30 am Easter Celebration Worship

Monday 4/22 *Church Office Closed / ELC Open*

Tuesday 4/23 *St. Paul's ELC Preschool Pop-In (6:00pm)*

Actual Giving Year to Date

\$611,912 as of 4/07

Budgeted Giving year to Date

\$593,625

2019 Annual Budget =
\$2,260,000

Year to Date Ahead =
\$ 18,287

WE WORSHIP...

- Last Weekend in Worship: 754
- Four Week Worship Average: 774
- Wednesday Lent Average: 260

...BETTER TOGETHER!

OUR BELIEF: Receiving the Lord's Supper

The Apostle Paul wrote, "A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup." (1 Corinthians 11:28) In order to examine yourself before attending the Lord's Supper, when offered, ask yourself the following questions:

1. Do I believe I am a sinner, and am I sorry for my sins?
2. Do I believe Jesus, by His death, offers me forgiveness for all my sins?
3. Do I believe I receive the body and blood of Jesus in and with the bread and wine? (They are not merely symbolically present.)
4. Do I truly desire to turn from my sinful ways?

If you are able to answer "yes" to these questions, we invite you to join us for the Lord's Supper, when offered. Children and adults who cannot answer affirmatively are invited and encouraged to come forward for a blessing but should refrain from receiving the bread and wine.*

*For those who are unable, or prefer not to consume wine, cups with white grape juice are located in the center of the communion trays.

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6:00 PM & 10:30 AM WORSHIP

April 13 & 14, 2019

PASTOR ERIC TRICKEY

PASTOR MARK GEARIG

PASTOR BILL GRUENINGER

"HOSANNA!

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
even the King of Israel!" --John 12:13*

Thought Before Worship

"I didn't go to religion to make me happy... If you want a religion to make you feel really comfortable, I certainly don't recommend Christianity." -- C.S. Lewis

Call to Worship

Only King Forever

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Opening Praise

Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)

Excerpt from "He Chose the Nails" - Chapter 15

Here I Am to Worship

Confession and Absolution

You asked for my hands, that You might use them for Your purpose. I gave them for a moment, then withdrew them, for the work was hard.

You asked for my mouth to speak out against injustice. I gave You a whisper that I might not be accused.

You asked for my eyes to see the pain of poverty. I closed them, for I did not want to see.

You asked for my life, that You might work through me. I gave a small part, that I might not get too involved.

Lord, forgive my calculated efforts to serve You— only when it is convenient for me to do so, only in those places where it is safe to do so, and only with those who make it easy to do so. Father, forgive me, renew me, send me out as a usable instrument, that I might take seriously the meaning of Your cross. Amen.

Words of Institution

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

If you have not communed with us before, please read "Our Belief: Receiving the Lord's Supper" located on the back page. We encourage families to commune together. Prayer Ministers will be at the back of the Worship Center to pray with you during this time.



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