The Palm Leaf

The Church of the Palms, UCC 14808 N Boswell Boulevard Sun City, Arizona 85351

A LETTER FROM PAUL

Ecclesiastes 3:1

"For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven." After a lifetime of ministry, Richard Rohr said, "I have become convinced that most anger comes, first of all, from a place of deep sadness."

Life disappoints and hurts us all, and the majority of people don't know how to react—except as children do, with anger and rage. It's a defensive, reactionary, and totally understandable posture, but it often goes toward bitterness and retaliation.

The Hebrew prophets converted this connection between anger and sadness into truth-telling. But first the prophets needed to get angry at injustices, oppression, and war. Anger can be deserved, and even virtuous, particularly when it motivates us to begin seeking necessary change. But only until sunset, (Ephesians 4:26), then we need to let it go. And that's the difficult part for many, including me. If we stay with our rage for too long, we will righteously and unthinkingly pass on the hurt in ever new directions, and we injure our own souls in ways we don't even recognize. Doing justice.

Loving kindness.

Walking humbly with God.

APRIL 2025

The challenge is to learn to grieve prophetically, seeing our world, even at its darkest, with the vision and spirit of the prophets. Those ancient teachers warned that the world was out of balance and that its repair requires our help. The challenge is to remember, even in our justified anger, that answering insult with insult just worsens the situation for everyone. "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that," MLK, Jr. When we grieve prophetically, we heal ourselves and the world by looking to shape the larger forces that damaged the soul of the person who caused hurt or anger.

The prophets modeled that anger must first be recognized, as an expression of the deep, normally inaccessible sadness that each of us carry. Even Jesus "wept" over the city of Jerusalem (Luke 19:41) and at the death of his friend Lazarus (John 11:35). In his final "sadness" in the Garden of Gethsemane (Matthew 26:37), "his sweat fell to the ground like great drops of blood" (Luke 22:44).

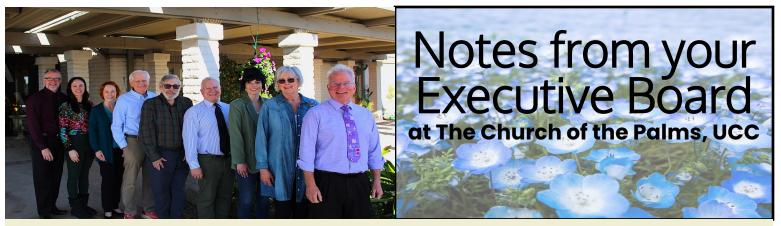
Before you jump to the resurrection, take the time to experience this season of anger and sadness.

Shalom, Paul

God is Still Speaking



IMAGINE!



"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

It's the beginning of April and the first quarter of 2025 is over. So many things are happening around us. Outside of the church, actions are radically affecting so very many lives and, unfortunately, the effects are not positive. Here at The Church of the Palms (TCOTP) we continue to move forward with our social justice initiatives. It's within this context that we strive to counteract as much of the negativity around us as we possibly can. It would be so very easy to take a step back and simply pray that sanity will prevail for our country and for the others that our country's actions are hurting. But we cannot just pray; we must act.

There are so many ways that TCOTP is working to have a social justice impact. I have every faith that we will continue to do so with all our many participants. In addition to regular ongoing efforts of our boards, teams and committees, we are also taking steps to establish a procedure that we can follow in the event any member of one of our vulnerable populations is approached by an unlawful entity here at the church. We will not stand by idly but will support our vulnerable populations in every possible way. We also are working to see if there is a way that we can continue with some form of the IHELP program that Lutheran Social Services canceled as of the end of March due to the loss of federal funding support. All in all, our social justice actions have had and will continue to have a positive impact.

Our Ministry Fair held on Sunday, March 9th did an excellent job of sharing with our members the various opportunities for advancing our social justice mission here at TCOTP. I encourage all of you to be involved. If you are interested in learning more about a particular group and don't know who to contact, please feel free to check with anyone on the Volunteer Engagement Committee (Pastor Jim Alexander, Richard Campbell, Pam Caron, Larry Cornelius, John Durbin, Phil Ladd, Victoria McWilliams, Nancy Nonini) who will connect you with the appropriate person.

Imagine! Do justice, Love kindness, Walk humbly with your God! Our ongoing actions at The Church of the Palms will bring some level of sanity to what is currently a sanity-light country.

Victoria McWilliams, Executive Board Chair

April Worship Themes

April 6th Fifth Sunday in Lent—The Sanctuary Choir, Rev. Linette Turner, Rev. Mark Makowski and our keyboard musicians will present "Messages and Music for Everything In Between." We will journey from Jerusalem to Mount Calvary.

April 13th Palm Sunday—Read Luke 19:28-40. Pastor Paul will be preaching. Be careful to choose the right parade.

April 17th Maundy Thursday 5p—The Church of the Palms will be hosting our sister congregations for a community worship service. Pastor Paul will be preaching. Communion will be served.

April 18th Good Friday 2p—We will join together in The Chapel at the Palms to reflect, pray, and meditate. Bobbie Chapman, Bonnie Green, Mary Hoy and Pastor Jim will guide us.

April 20th, 8a—Easter Worship Service outside around the Fountain Patio. Pastor Jim will be preaching from Isaiah 65:17-25. Because Jesus is risen, there is a glorious new creation!

April 20th, 10a—Easter worship. Pastor Paul will be preaching. Read John 20:1-18. Easter is the proclamation to us and to the whole world that God is present and still cares. And God still moves the boulders, the rocks, the stones block our path and view.

April 27th—Creation Justice Sunday. Rev. Dr. Terry Olthoff will be preaching. Read Matthew 25:31-46.



April Birthdays

Patsy Comer 3 Georgia Feiste 5 Magaret Carpenter 7 Joseph Comito 7 Nancy Mahaffey 7 Pastor Paul 9 John Lukens 10 Lurene Ladd 12 Pat Anderson 14 **Bernice Fintlemann 15** Babz Zimorino 17 Jan Hutchins 18 Wendy Whitlock 20 Chris Jensen 23 **David Princehouse 25 Bob Carlson 27** Viola Hustedt 28 Jana Fogle 29 Debbie Lane 30 James Yang-Hellewell 30



Lenten Study Sacred Self-Care

Our Lenten Study will examine this and many other aspects of self-care. The book is available on Amazon for \$9.99 for the print version and \$16 for the Kindle version. Dave Klingensmith will lead the **last two sessions** April 2nd & 9th from 10:00a-11:00a in the Behle Resource Center. Participants can share how they're doing at their own self-care. Even if you can't come to the class you are encouraged to get the book and care for yourself.



"LET'S TALK SUICIDE: IT IS NOT A TABOO TOPIC, IT IS A NEEDED DIALOGUE"

<u>April 26th and May 3rd (both Saturdays) there will be Part I & II (two) classes on suicide; 1:00-3:00p in the boardroom. Class size is limited to 20 participants; pre-registration is required. Sign up in the Narthex of the church. Kay Klinkenborg will be the lead facilitator for these classes; assisted by Certified W.I.S.E first aid mental health first aid responders.</u>

All professional research validates that openly talking about suicide saves lives! Whether it is in the moment of actual crisis of a decision or an open preventative discussion about the facts and helpful tools to use when discussing suicide, both potentially can save lives.

This will be a safe (unrecorded) environment to talk about one of the most difficult subjects in our lives. Words hard to say: Suicide and suicide prevention. The class will provide an opportunity to learn tools, resources and creative ways to have a real conversation with the people in your life. You don't need special training to have an open, authentic conversation about mental health. Often, just talking about it can be the first important step in staying connected for yourself or someone else and helping get support or treatment if needed. Bringing up the subject of suicide DOES NOT increase the chances that a person will become suicidal or be more apt to act on such thoughts or impulses. In fact, it is just the opposite.

A sacred circle of safety will be the structure of the classes. Most people in our age range have some personal experience with suicide of someone they know. Some know the private struggle of suicidal thoughts or plans. Safe non-judgmental listening will be modeled, when personal stories are shared. One hard fact is that the senior citizen population is at high risk for suicide in America. It is documented that people ages 85 and older had the highest rates of suicide in 2022. According the CDC suicide is the 3rd leading cause of death for our youth ages 10-24 (2022 CDC WISQARS). That rate has doubled in ages 10-14 since 2021 (2022 data is the most current data from CDC and AFSP).

There is the possibility that our loved ones, family members, grandchildren, friends, etc. could present with suicidal tendencies at any time. These classes give us an opportunity to become informed on how to be supportive and caring during these difficult encounters. This is an integrated program designed from highly recognized sources on 'suicide issues': Mental Health First Aid Responders (MHFA); W.I.S.E. Training Manual; American Foundation for Prevention of Suicide (AFPS); CDC (Center for Disease Control) and other professional counseling resources.

Topics covered by not limited to: current statistics across age-groups; risk factors; warning signs; you hear 'talk of suicide...what to do'; Triple A's Model of Prevention; survivors responses to suicide; self-care; the church's response to suicide; resources for help... for individual use or to share. Short DVDs, didactic presentation and learning from each other are the modalities of these classes.

Kay Klinkenborg currently is a Spiritual Director/Companion; a retired RN, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) and Clinical Member of AAMFT (American Assoc of Marriage & amp; Family Therapists). The facilitators are members of The Church of the Palms. Classes will be held in King Hall. A break will occur; cold water provided. Bring a snack to eat at your discretion.



CARE Corner

Brought to you by The Church of the Palms' CARE & SUPPORT Ministry Team

Senior Citizens or Persons with chronic illness that live alone have a resource they can activate to check on them one time a day by phone.

R.U. OK

The Maricopa County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) offers a FREE automated telephone service to help keep Sun City senior residents safe. Through the RUOK program, which stands for "are you okay?" participants receive phone calls from MCSO at a designated time each day to check on their status. If no one answers the phone after several tries, MCSO deputies drive to the home to check on the resident. This program is limited to residents of Maricopa County and those living within the boundaries of Sun City.

Enrolling:

Participants can enroll by entering the information below or by picking up forms available at: R.U.O.K. request form on **Narthex table in the church** or found online: https://suncityposse.org/r-u-ok/ or pick up in person:

> Sun City Posse 10861 W Sunland Drive Sun City, AZ 85351

If there is a problem once you start receiving telephone calls from R.U.O.K, you should call 602.876.4123 and leave a message. If after two weeks you have not started receiving R.U.O.K calls, then call the Chaplain 623.972.2555 x132, and we will resend your application to the Sheriff's Office.

R.U.O.K. REQUEST FORM ON NARTHEX TABLE OR FOUND ONLINE:

https://suncityposse.org/r-u-ok/

You select the time of day you wish to receive a 'R.U.O.K' call; if you don't answer they will send an officer to check on you. **You can stop the program anytime you wish.**





Children's First Academy Water Bottle Drive

The Social Justice Leadership Team has combined forces with the Homeless Ministry and the Creation Justice Ministry to help homeless kids by providing them with re-usable water bottles which will also help protect our environment.

For the last several years our church has provided bottled water for kids attending Children's First Academy (a school for homeless kids near downtown Phoenix). The water is provided to kids as they ride the bus to and from school in the hot months of the year. This year we will be providing reusable water bottles which the school can provide for students. The school has installed drinking fountains (like the one near our King Hall entrance) which have a spout to refill water bottles and hopefully reduce or eliminate the need for plastic water bottles which are used once and discarded. Inexpensive eight and twelve ounce reusable water/juice bottles can be purchased at Walmart or Target stores. We will be collecting these reusable water/ juice bottles during April. Please consider picking up a package of these bottles and bringing them to the Donations Area near the Narthex. Or, if you wish to make a donation to support this effort, place cash or check in a church envelope and mark it HELP KIDS & SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT. Thank you!



DYSART Community Center has a need.

The Center feeds about 61 children daily. The children start arriving about 6:30a in the morning before school. Breakfast is supplied by donation only. Dinner is supplied by

Saint Mary's and the food bank.

DCC could use a donation of breakfast cereal, the sugary kind, because you know that is what an average kiddo would eat.

Cereal can be brought to church - and placed in a box at the card table at the back entrance by King Hall. Cereal will be delivered to DCC as often as it's received.

This isn't under a head of a committee but under the umbrella of love .

Thank you for sharing & caring.

Dysart Community Center is also always grateful for the assistance given by members of The Church of the Palms. In March they welcomed Barbara Schwellein who is now volunteering with the younger children at the center. Volunteers continue to be needed for both youth and adults.

If you have several hours a week that you could volunteer, please contact

Linda Hofmann at 623.242.6382. In addition to volunteers, donations of cereal (sweetened because the children won't eat healthier choices) for the

before school program, which provides much needed breakfasts, are needed.

Also, food, toiletries, household items, clothing, art supplies, books, and puzzles are also welcome. Contributions may be placed in the Dysart Community Center

box in the donation center. Thank you for continuing to support Dysart Community Center.

2025 Advent Devotional

Our church is a blessed community of believers with a host of highly insightful and qualified leaders both lay and clerically trained. Our Lifelong Learning Team has taken on the challenge to solicit Advent devotionals prepared by our congregants and compile them into a booklet that we can share for mutual encouragement from the first Sunday of Advent (November 30th) through Christmas day.

This April Palm Leaf announcement soliciting these devotionals allows plenty of time for 26 of you to plan and consider submitting a devotional for this project. Perhaps some of you have already written one that you could "polish up" and submit.

We would ask that you submit your devotional by November 13th. You should attach your devotional to an email message and send it to my email address at juddrinsema@yahoo.com

To help us plan ahead please send a message to the above email address indicating your intention to contribute to this project.

Thank you all for your willingness to enrich our coming advent season.

Judd Rinsema

The Church of the Palms Lifelong Learning Team

LIFELONG LEARNING

The Holy Bible serves as one of our primary sources for shaping our faith and the structure of our beliefs. Verses from the Bible hold the center of most sermons that we hear from the pulpit. We have a regular Bible study class that discusses verses at length. We memorize bible verses that lift our spirits when we are discouraged such as "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want." However, we often forget that our English translations and paraphrases of the Bible are based upon documents written in a language that no one has spoke in a millennium. We rely on the integrity of Biblical scholarship and translators to be accurate as possible. What happens when that integrity is not maintained? What effect can that have on our beliefs? To give one perspective of this problem, Lifelong Learning will present the film 1946: The Mistranslation *that shifted the Culture* on April 16th in King Hall with a discussion following led by Mark Makowski. Please sign up in the Narthex either of the next two Sundays so that we can estimate the number of people willing to attend.



*The following article is from URE which is a not-for-profit, member-owned electric and natural gas distribution utility headquartered in Marysville, Ohio.

Celebrate Earth Day: Why Taking Steps to Conserve Matters

April 22nd is Earth Day, a time when we celebrate this beautiful planet we are lucky to call home. Electricity is essential to our daily lives. It gives us opportunities to learn, keeps us safe and comfortable, and provides entertainment. The downside is that every source of energy generation has consequences. Fossil fuels emit carbon. Hydropower dams limit the passage of migrating fish. Even solar panels can't be made without mining minerals. Using less electricity is a way to mitigate the impact of producing the electricity that powers our lives. Conservation has the best return on investment. It's often free and can save a little or a lot – depending on what you are changing and how drastic of a change you make. Your biggest energy user in the average household is your heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) equipment. Save energy while you sleep by programming your thermostat to be a few degrees closer to the outside temperature at night. Typically, the second biggest energy user is the water heater. Replacing an electric storage water heater with a heat pump/hybrid water heater is a great example of an energy-efficient project. Adjusting the temperature setting to the recommended 120 degrees and using less hot water in your home conserves energy. Wash clothes in cold water. When washing dishes by hand, don't let the hot water run longer than necessary. Earth Day also lends itself to thinking of ways we can connect with electricity-free opportunities with your family or community. It's rewarding to unplug and get outside with friends and family by going for a hike, taking a walk, or even just spending time in your yard or local park, we can all be grateful for this planet we call home. It offers so much to sustain us. Any small changes we can make to benefit the planet can add up if we all pitch in.

Jennifer Hoppe's Studio Presents!!

A FREE concert of mixed genres Pianists and Vocalists of all ages! Come join us <u>Saturday</u>, <u>April 26th at 1:00p in the Sanctuary</u>.

Super Salad Spectacular!

The Fellowship Team is excited to announce that The Church of the Palms Super Salad Spectacular will be returning April 27th during Fellowship Hour in King Hall. We start with nice fresh crisp lettuce and then add all the diverse and wonderful ingredients that make a salad a SALAD. And the best part of the feast is that everyone brings their favorite "fixins" to the table. It might be olives, garbanzo beans, onions, mushrooms, raisins, etc.... You name it, you bring it, and we will put it on your salad plate. It is a wonderful way to enjoy a great meal with your The Church of the Palms family and friends, enjoy some good fellowship and perhaps win some trivia prizes.



NEEDLES AND PINS CRAFT GROUP

Check out the picture! We are the members of Needles and Pins Craft Group, as well as Margaret Carpenter and Carol Reynolds (not pictured). We hold our monthly meetings in the boardroom at The Church of the Palms on Wednesdays from 9:00a-11:00a. We also have members that because of working, health, etc., cannot come, but contribute. Notice the bundle in Sharon's hand? We presented the food

servers 15 beautiful aprons, for which they were delighted. They were made by one of our contributors, Ellen Merchant. She makes them in various patterns and we display and sell them in King Hall. She does lovely work, but has contributed more than we can use at this time, so we searched for a home for some of them. The servers at Banner were delighted to have them and will wear them to brighten up the room as they serve. Ellen, we can't thank you enough, and they do, too.

In addition we have journals, quilts, afghans, and earring on display that were made by members who cannot attend weekly. Remember that birthday, anniversary, or occasion coming up that you need just a little gift for? Check out our table for these and many more items; from animals and dolls to shawls and lap robes. Just select and put your donation in the basket on the table. All monies go into our account, and almost 100 percent of it is given to worthy causes, as they arise. The latest cause was for the water bottles for the needy children at First Academy, a school for homeless children.

Did you once crochet but have gotten "rusty," or would just like to learn? Join us any Wednesday, or call Lynette Nickelson and she will give you a few refresher lessons. You can start from scratch with the simple stiches and work up. We also have snacks and fellowship while we're there also.



Included in the picture from left to right: Lynette Nickelson, Bobbie Chapman, Sharon (Olive Branch Senior Center), and Bonnie Green.



Bees Buzz April 27th!!

On Sunday, April 27th the hives will gather to plan ways to support each other over the summer. Often we don't easily see each other because some members fly to other locations. There used to be chain letters. Now with our social media we can still Bee Connected.

The LGBTQ+ Ministry Team



The LBGTQ+ Ministry Team has some exciting upcoming opportunities to be get involved in our ministry and local LGBTQ+ community! On Monday, March 10th, the LGBTQ+ Ministry is hosting an *Imagine: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion* Potluck at Mark Makowski's home (photos above). We had a wonderful time with lively discussions about upcoming events and important legislation to be aware of and take action on within our state. Thank you to all those who attended! Also, stay tuned to your Sunday bulletins for future potlucks and activities so all who wish to can participate over time!

Rainbows Festival – Saturday, April 5th & Sunday, April 6th

The Rainbows Festival is on Saturday, April 5th and Sunday, April 6th! The festival hours are from 10:00a to 6:00p! Sign-up sheets for volunteers shifts for our booth are in the Narthex! We will be handing out bag charms and bookmarks at our booth – along with a map/list of Open and Affirming churches in the area and an intentional focus on making connections with other ONA attending churches and festival goers.

The annual Rainbows Festival & Street Fair is a celebration of the diversity of the LGBTQ+ community. The event is located in historic Heritage Square Park in Downtown Phoenix. Each year, the Rainbows Festival draws a crowd of over 25,000 friends, families, and allies. Rainbows Festival is the 2nd largest LGBTQ+ event in the state of Arizona, only 2nd to the Phoenix Pride Festival. It is a free event open to the public that hosts over 150 exhibitors and sponsors throughout the two-day event and has two stages filled with entertainment throughout the weekend.

For more information on the Rainbows Festival, please reach out to Georgia Feiste or Jessica Hermann.

Current LGBTQ+ Arizona Legislation

We are currently tracking the below legislation that impacts the LGBTQ+ community within Arizona and we would like to share broadly for awareness. Please note this is not a full list of LGBTQ+ legislation in Arizona and the list we are tracking will continue to be updated as we learn more.

SB 1002—This Senate bill prohibits school employees or independent contractors from using any pronoun for a person under 18 other than the one assigned at birth that aligns with their biological sex, unless they have written permission from the parents.

HB 2062—This bill defines male and female entirely on the biological determination made at birth. It asserts there are only two sexes, and allows single-sex environments.

SB 1003—This is the "bathroom" bill that provides for schools to provide reasonable accommodation for people of different sexes and abilities (bathroom and locker, etc.), but then it specifically prohibits having anything special for transgender youth.

HB 2438—This prohibits sex change from one issued on birth certificate if it resulted from surgery.

Save the Date for Upcoming Events!

•Open & Affirming Sunday – Sunday, June 29th •Transgender Day of Remembrance: **TBD**

If you are interested in joining the LGBTQ+ Ministry, please contact Georgia Feiste! -Jessica Hermann

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The Church of the Palms

Lifelong Learning Team

The Lifelong Learning Team is excited to sponsor a special class: "An Exploration of LGBTQ+ from Clinical and Theological Perspectives," taught by Dr. Phil Ladd, an ordained minister and licensed psychotherapist.

With a compassionate and well-informed approach, this class will delve into the clinical aspects of LGBTQ+ identity, sexual orientation, and well-being. Participants will also explore how Christian faith affirms and celebrates LGBTQ+ individuals as beloved children of God.

Progressive Christians often face challenges from some Evangelicals who assert that LGBTQ+ individuals should not be affirmed or accepted. This class will equip you with tools to refute these beliefs and demonstrate that God accepts and affirms everyone, regardless of their sexual orientation or identity.

This Class will be conducted at The Church of the Palms on Wednesdays, April 30th, May 7th, and May 14th. A sign-up sheet will be available in the Narthex a few weeks before the class.



First, I want to thank you for the great support we had at our Applebee's pancake breakfast on March 1st. I'm happy to say it was one of our best events so far and we had a great time serving and visiting with our guests. If you missed it, then be watching for our next one sometime this year.

During the month of February and the first of March the Pantry had several very generous food drives sponsored for us. We are so fortunate to have our pantry shelves overflowing with enough of some items to get us through to the end of May.

But below is our revised list if you want to shop or as always, we can shop for you with a financial donation:

- Pudding cups
- Applesauce cups
- JIF-TO-GO

Thank you again for your loyal support and I hope you enjoy our Spring weather.

Mickey - Hart Pantry Board Member

THE LENTEN SCHEDULE



Lenten Musical Presentation Sunday, April 6th—10:00a SA "Messages and Music for Everything In Between" Presented by: The Music Department Maundy Thursday Thursday, April 17th—5:00p @ SA Good Friday Friday, April 18th—2:00p in The Chapel at The Palms CHP Easter Sunday (Two Services) Sunday, April 20th—8:00a on the patio PT & 10:00a SA

April 1-30 Calendar

Tuesday, 1

9:00a Men's Fellowship (a) George's Café OS (All Day-Truck in for Maintenance)

Wednesday, 2 9:00a Needles & Pins Čraft Group BR 10:00a Sacred Self Care Class BRC/HY

Thursday, 3 9:00a Blessings Board Mtg BR 1:00p Worship Team Mtg BR/HY 2:30p Choir Rehearsal SA 3:00p Inspirit Bible Study BRC/HY

Friday, 4—Office Closed

Saturday, 5 10:00a-6:00p Rainbows Festival @ Heritage Gardens in Pheonix OS

Sunday, 6 8:45a Choir Rehearsal SA *10:00a Worship Service SA Lenten Musical Presentation SA 10:00a-6:00p Rainbows Festival @ Heritage Gardens in Pheonix OS 11:00a Fellowship Hour KH

Monday, 7 10:00a Lifelong Learning Mtg BR/HY

Tuesday, 8 9:00a Creation Justice Mtg BR 10:00a Ministry Council Mtg BR/HY 1:00p Presentation on Refugee Family KH

Wednesday, 9 9:00a Needles & Pins Craft Group BR 10:00a Sacred Self Care Class BRC/HY

Thursday, 10 2:30p Choir Rehearsal MR 3:00p Inspirit Bible Study BRC/HY

Friday, 11—Office Closed 12:00p Criminal Justice Mtg BR/HY 1:00p Social Justice Mtg BR/HY

Saturday, 12 9:00a Mini-Golf tournament OS

PALM SUNDAY, 13 9:00a Choir Rehearsal MR 10:00a Worship Service SA 11:00a Fellowship Hour KH

Monday, 14 10:00a Executive Board Mtg BR 1:00a Advocacy Team Mtg BR/HY 2:00p Board of Trustees Mtg BR/HY 2:00p LGBTQ+ Mtg NA or KH

Tuesday, 15 9:00a CDE Beehive/Japanese Friendship Garden OS 9:00a Men's Fellowship @ George's Café OS

Wednesday, 16

9:00a Needles & Pins Craft Group BR 10:00a Lifelong Learning-Mistranslation that Shifted Culture Discussion KH 10:00a Care & Support Ministry Team Mtg MR

MAUNDY THURSDAY, 17

2:30p Choir Rehearsal MR 3:00p Inspirit Bible Study BRC/HY *5:00p Maundy Thursday Service SA

GOOD FRIDAY, 18—Office Closed *2:00p Good Friday Service CHP

HOLY SATURDAY, 19

EASTER SUNDAY, 20 (Two Services) *8:00a First Worship Service PT 9:00a Choir Rehearsal MR 10:00a Second Worship Service SA

Monday, 21

Tuesday, 22—Earth Day

Wednesday, 23 9:00a Needles & Pins Craft Group BR 10:00a Evangelism & Growth Team Mtg BRC

> Thursday, 24 2:30p Choir Rehéarsal MR 3:00p Inspirit Bible Study BRC

Friday, 25—Office Closed

Saturday, 26 1:00p Jennifer Hoppe's Piano Recital SA 1:00p Suicide Prevention Class BR Led by Kay Klinkenborg.

Creation Justice Sunday, 27

9:00a Choir Rehearsal MR 10:00a Worship Service SA 11:00a Super Salad Spectacular/ Fellowship Hour & Beehive Gathering KH

Monday, 28

Tuesday, 29

Wednesday, 30 9:00a Needles & Pins Craft Group BR 10:00a LGBTQ+ Clinical Point of View Class BRC

* = Special Lent Services

SA=Sanctuary; B2L=Bridges to Learning; HY=Hybrid; KH=King Hall; BR=Boardroom; OS=Offsite; NA=Narthex; CHP=Chapel at The Palms; PP=Pastor Paul's Office; MR=Music Room; BRC=Behle Resource Center; PT=Patio