

# MESSENGER

**SAVED TO SHARE CALLED TO CARE**

## From the Desk of Pastor Tanney

SPRING IS IN THE AIR!



How do I know? The calendar tells me so, but much more than that. The squirrels on my backyard tree are playing games and making a home in the loft of my garage. My home got a spring-cleaning before the grandchildren came for a visit. It's March Madness and college teams I had no knowledge of or interest in are now suddenly being watched and rooted for so that my brackets do better than my family's brackets. The BBQ and Sausage dinner fundraisers are in full swing. Schools enjoy spring break from classes. Cardinal opening day is finally here and baseball games are taking priority in the sports news.

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### Plan to Attend

*Wednesday, April 3*

*Lenten Service*

*7:00pm*

*Saturday, April 6*

*St. Johns BBQ*

*11:00am-4:00pm*

*Sunday, April 7*

*Joint Contemporary Worship*

*9:00am*

*Wednesday, April 10*

*Lenten Service*

*7:00pm*

*Sunday, April 14*

*Palm Sunday Service*

*9:00am*

*Thursday, April 18*

*Maundy Thursday Service*

*7:00pm*

*Friday, April 19*

*Tre Ore Service-South City Circuit*

*Messiah Lutheran Church*

*12:00pm-3:00pm*

*Tenebrae Service*

*7:00pm*

*Sunday, April 21*

*Easter Sunday Service*

*9:00am*

*10:00am Brunch with Grace Nepali*

*Church*

*Sunday, May 5*

*Friendship Sunday*

*9:00am*

*Sunday, May 19*

*Voters Meeting*

*following bible class*

NBA basketball is heading for the playoffs and if you are a hockey fan that too is heading for the playoffs. All are trying to be the best and find themselves seeded No. 1 or to be the first team to win.

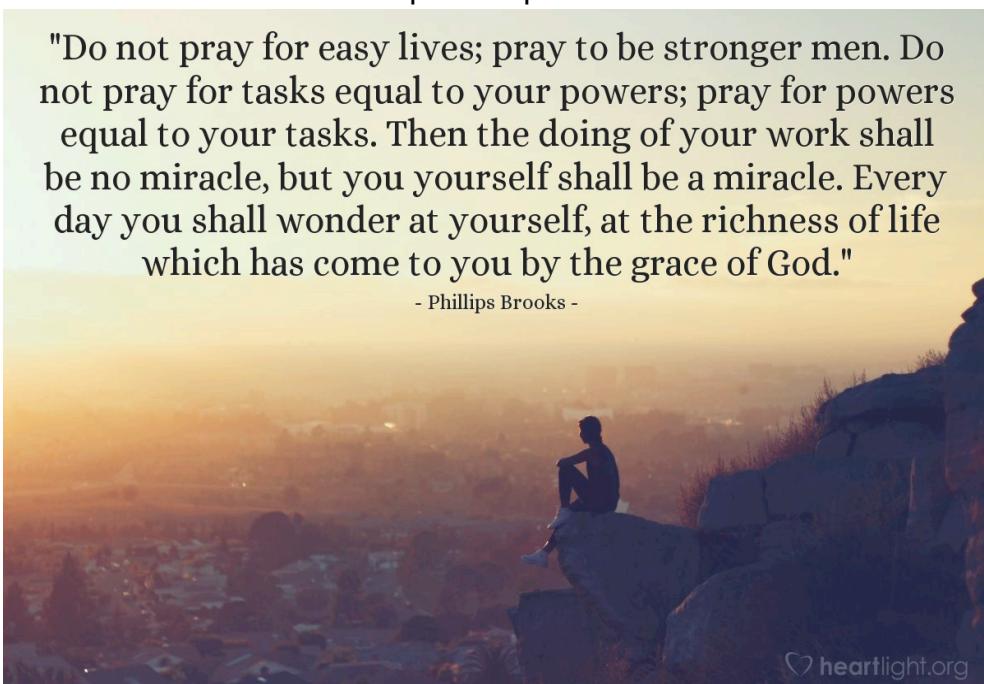
On the home front our first prayer breakfast was well attended and the breakfast was delicious, a special thanks to Melba and her desire to bring us into a conversation with our Heavenly Father.

We will be having our first Sunday worship and Bible study with the Nepalese congregation in April. Friendship Sunday is coming up soon in May and before Summer officially begins we will have our church picnic and a large confirmation class will be confirmed.

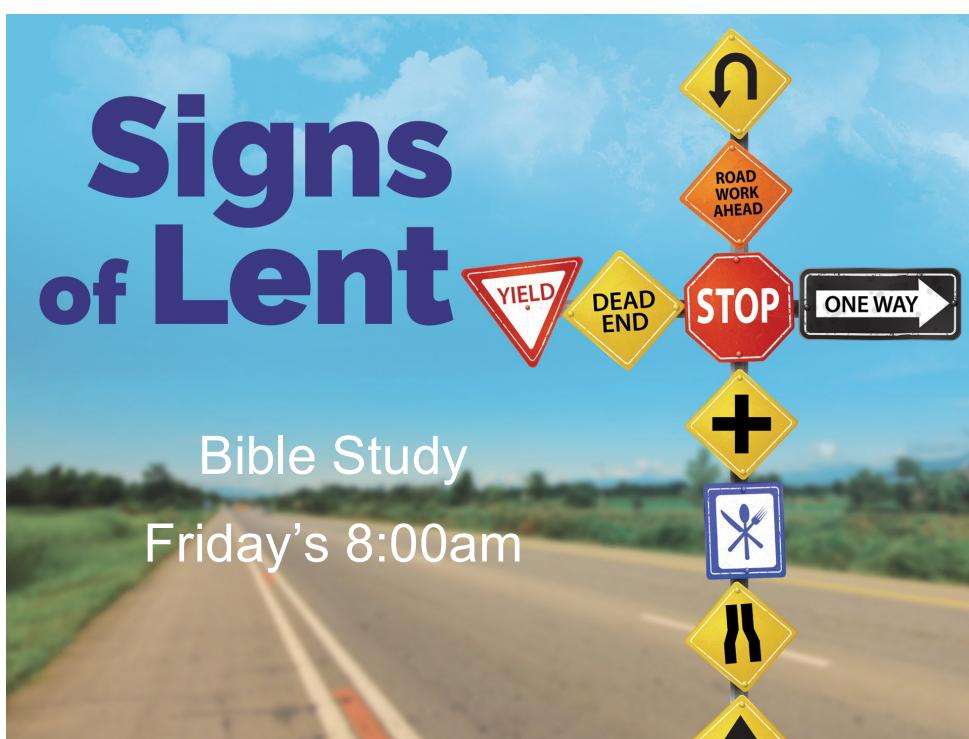
A lot is going on in Spring, but don't lose focus on the passion and Easter celebration that comes along with Spring. Our first Lent round-robin will be over before you know it, five preachers will have stepped in our pulpit to deliver messages on why it was necessary for God to be a man. Our life depends upon his death. The death that

"Do not pray for easy lives; pray to be stronger men. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers; pray for powers equal to your tasks. Then the doing of your work shall be no miracle, but you yourself shall be a miracle. Every day you shall wonder at yourself, at the richness of life which has come to you by the grace of God."

- Phillips Brooks -



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held us captive this winter now gives way to life, we see it in the ground as flowers bloom and trees bud, as rain falls and the sun warms the earth again. All this to say that as sure as Spring is in the air so our taxes are due.



**Joint Contemporary Service**  
**Grace Nepali Church, Compass & St. Johns**

**Sunday, April 7**  
**9:00am**

**10:00am Donuts, Coffee & Fellowship**

**10:30am Joint Bible Class & Sunday School**



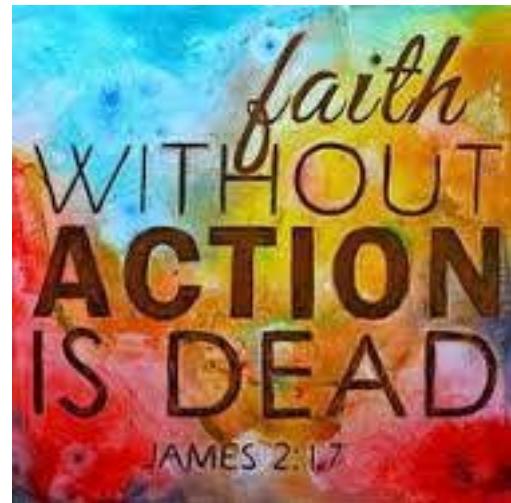
**Weekly Chapel with Pastor Tanney**



## Social Ministry

In the first 3 months of this year we are serving on an average of 40 families a week in the food pantry. It is gratifying to always have enough food to meet the needs of our community.

The mission to which Christ calls the Church clearly includes works of charity. Throughout His public ministry, Jesus demonstrated the degree to which we are to provide service to others. The church is called to direct services, such as providing food, clothing and shelter. The letter of James reminds us



Christians that faith without works is dead. (James 2:14-17) "What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, 'Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed', but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead."

Our food pantry continues to operate because of all of your faith and deeds. Thanks to everyone for helping to serve the community, with providing clothes and monetary contributions.

The Food Pantry will be closed Saturday, April 20

Blessings and peace to all as we celebrate our risen Lord and Savior.

## Evangelism

First of all, thanks & praise be to our Almighty God for answering our many prayers for the first Prayer Breakfast which was on Sunday, March 24. We were blessed with 42 adults & 5 children in attendance. We shared a tasty breakfast, followed by some Scripture, singing & 21 prayers by those in attendance. It was an opportunity to have folks join us in our thoughts & prayers.

Thanks to all who encouraged us with their prayers; those who attended; the financial support from our WOW organization; and for the assistance from our Board of Evangelism.

And now we have another opportunity for you to attend another special event – on Sunday, May 5 for our annual FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY. Our worship service will be at the usual 9a.m. time, followed by a Continental breakfast served downstairs in our Fellowship Hall.

Invite your family & friends to attend church with you & enjoy food & fellowship with us afterwards!





**DINE IN, CARRY OUT, OR DELIVERY** (WITH 4 OR MORE ORDERS)

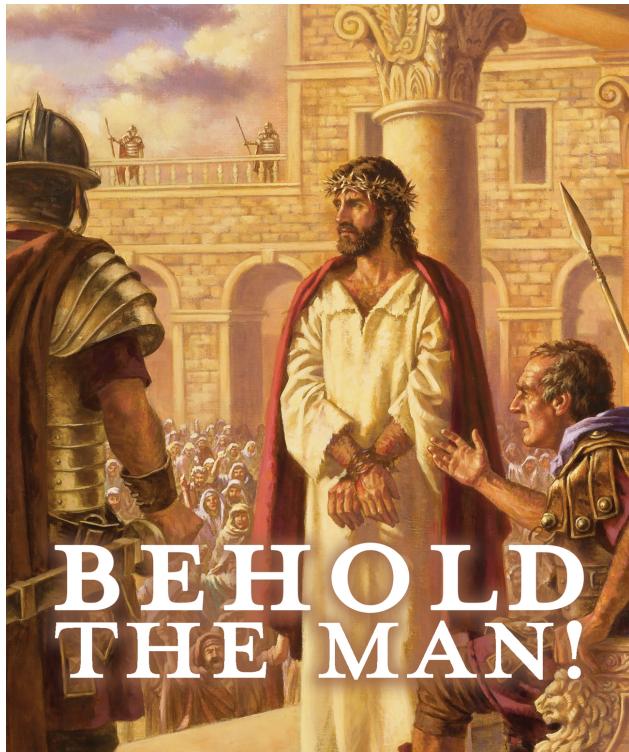
**MENU INCLUDES:**

RIBS, PORK STEAKS, CHICKEN, BRATWURST & HOT DOGS  
DINNERS INCLUDE BREAD, DESSERT AND CHOICE OF 2 SIDES  
\$3.00-\$18.50

**3738 MORGAN FORD RD.  
ST. LOUIS, MO 63116  
314-773-0126**

**EMAIL ORDERS TO: [stjohnslcstl@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnslcstl@gmail.com) by Thursday, April 4**

**PROCEEDS SUPPORT ST. JOHNS FOOD PANTRY AND CUB SCOUT TROOP #125**



**Luke 22:11 – “Tell the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’ ”** Did Jesus really need this man’s Upper Room? If the man had refused to let Jesus use it would the work of salvation have been derailed? Of course not. But what an honor for the man who owned this room! It is likewise with us. The Lord needs none of us, but what an honor for God to choose to use our generosity in the work of His Church.

**Wednesday, April 3**

*A God Who Prays*

**Guest Preacher Rev. Charles Henrickson,  
St. Matthew-Bonne Terre**

**Wednesday, April 10**

*A God With A Mother*

**Guest Preacher Rev. Mark Sell  
Our Savior Lutheran, Fenton**

**Board Meetings for 2019**  
All meetings begin after Bible Class



**Voters' Meetings**

May 19

August 4 (Budget)

December 1

**Executive Council**

June 23

September 15

October 27

**Friendship Sunday**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2019**

*Continental Breakfast to follow*



**April 2** Ruth Trauth  
**April 9** Cameron Hampel  
**April 14** Karl Frerichs  
**April 14** Cindy Geiger  
**April 20** Tyler Bohannon  
**April 25** Joan Potvin  
**April 25** Dennis Solomon

### April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 3:00pm Compass 7:00pm Elders	<b>2</b> 3:00pm Compass 6:30pm ESL	<b>3</b> 3:00pm Compass 3:30pm Compass Chapel 6:00pm Choir <b>7:00pm Lenten Service</b>	<b>4</b> 9:30am Preschool Chapel 2:00pm Ridgewood Apts. Bible Study 3:00pm Compass	<b>5</b> 8:00am Bible Study	<b>6</b> 8:00am Social Ministry 8:30am Food Pantry 9:00am Adult Confirmation 11:00am Nepalese Adult Information Class 11am-4pm St. Johns BBQ
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<b>21</b> Easter Sunday 9:00 am Worship w/Communion 10:30am Brunch with Grace Nepali Church usher team-Bob acolytes-Charleigh	<b>22</b> EAGLE CLOSED Church Office Closed	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 3:00pm Compass 3:30pm Compass Chapel 6:30pm Choir 6:30pm ESL	<b>25</b> 9:30am Preschool Chapel 2:00pm Ridgewood Apts. Bible Study 3:00pm Compass Multi- Ethnic Symposium	<b>26</b> NO Bible Study Multi-Ethnic Symposium	<b>27</b> 8:30am Food Pantry 9:00am Adult Confirmation 11:00am Nepalese Adult Information Class
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**May 3**      **Sue Hampel**  
**May 6**      **Victoria Acree**  
**May 8**      **Jonah Drush**  
**May 12**      **Daneille Govero**  
**May 15**      **Thanhthao Nguyen**  
**May 27**      **Ayden Bohannon**  
**May 30**      **Carol Carr**

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<b>12</b> Mother's Day LFCS Sunday 9:00 am Worship w/Communion 10:30am Bible Class & Sunday School 12:15pm Pre-Seminary Training worship screen-Cameron usher team-Don acolytes-Charleigh	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 3:00pm Compass 3:30pm Confirmation	<b>15</b> 9:30am Preschool Chapel 3:30pm Compass Chapel 6:30pm Choir 6:30pm ESL	<b>16</b> 2:00pm Ridgewood Apts. Bible Study 3:00pm Compass	<b>17</b> 8:00am Bible Study	<b>18</b> 8:30am Food Pantry 9:00am Adult Confirmation 11:00am Nepalese Adult Information Class
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