

# Valley of Peace Lutheran Church

Sunday, March 30, 2025 - Sunday, April 6, 2025

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9:00 am Children's Faith Formation 9:00 am Adult Faith Formation 10:15 am Worship 11:30 am First Communion class 11:30 Youth Room clean-up

Monday, April 1

6:00 pm Open Ringing 6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm Adult Confirmation

Wednesday, April 3

5:45 pm Soup Supper 6:45 pm Lenten Worship Service 7:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal Thursday, April 4 10:00 am Text Study

Sunday, April 6

9:00 am Children's Faith Formation 9:00 am Adult Faith Formation 10:15 am Worship

Our Mission
Living in God's love and compassion, we are called and sent by God to be disciples of Jesus Christ, as the Holy Spirit works through us for healing, justice, and peace.



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## **LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS**

Join us at 5:45 pm in the Fellowship Hall for our Lenten Soup Suppers (prior to worship). Please sign up for soups, bread, fruit or desserts on the poster near the Welcome Center. It is so wonderful to be together...bring a friend and then stay for worship at 6:45 pm. Only two more weeks!

# "WE MAKE THE ROAD BY WALKING" BY BRIAN D. MCLAREN

In Worship on April 6, we will be referencing Chapter 31.

## **ADULT FAITH FORMATION, APRIL 6**

Bread for the World's 2025 Offering of Letters Come and join Christians from more than 300 congregations throughout the United States in writing letters to our Members of Congress, asking them to support funding for federal programs (e.g., SNAP, WIC and foreign aid) that address the needs of people who are hungry in this nation and abroad. Led by Marty and Dottie Fergus! 9:00 am in the Fireside Room...the coffee is on!

# NOTE ON A VALLEY OF PEACE GENEROUS FINANCIAL GIFT

Valley of Peace received a generous check from a donor-advised fund in late February and two checks from Fidelity (one in February and one in March) These checks do not have the identification of the donors. If you think one of these this might be from your donor-advised fund or your brokerage account, please contact Pam Syverson, our Financial Secretary, financialsecretary@valleyofpeace.org. And, just a friendly reminder that when you are donating out of a brokerage or charitable fund, please be sure to indicate your identity on the check. Thank you for your continued support of Valley of Peace.

### **FIRST COMMUNION**

We do several milestones throughout a child's faith development at Valley of Peace, including First Communion, the Third Grade Bible Milestone, and Confirmation. For children and youth who have not yet had First Communion (typically 2nd graders and above), we are offering a class following worship **TODAY Sunday**, March 30th!

At Valley of Peace, we believe children of any age can receive communion when their family's adults say they are ready. We offer a First Communion class for any child or youth who may or may not already be taking communion, but is ready and interested to learn more about what communion means and have that milestone celebrated in worship on Maundy Thursday's evening worship service (April 17th this year). We ask that each child/youth brings one adult from their family for the meeting on the 30th, and we will give further instructions about Maundy Thursday then.

#### PRISM NEEDS

Although our March Mission of the Month (PRISM) is winding down, please remember that Valley of Peace has made an ongoing commitment to the Food Shelf at PRISM. What does that mean? Filling the grocery cart with non-perishable food! Especially cereal!





#### Birthdays:

Christine Weatherman, 3/28; Naomi Dybvig, 3/28; Erin Voss, 3/31; Jenna Hoge, 4/2; Pastor Ashley, 4/6

We invite you to take the announcements home with you and remember in prayer:

The Lutheran Church of Christ in Nigeria/our Congregation partner - LCCN, St. Luke Cathedral, Mayo-Gwoi, Jalingo, Nigeria and Pastor Talmon Yakaba

The children and youth of Valley of Peace and the members of the congregation who pray for them daily.

The congregation of Valley of Peace, that we extend an open welcome to all people and model in our community the reconciling ministry of Jesus Christ.

Those who have health concerns or are receiving treatment. We especially hold close in prayer Jim Crofoot and Susan and Bob Gerber and their family.

Prayer requests are listed with permission.

If you would like to be included in the prayers please contact the church office. Names will be included for 4 weeks unless otherwise asked for.

Confidential prayer support is also available.

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Valley of Peace is committed to Racial Justice & is a Reconciling in Christ Church.

