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# Cross Winds



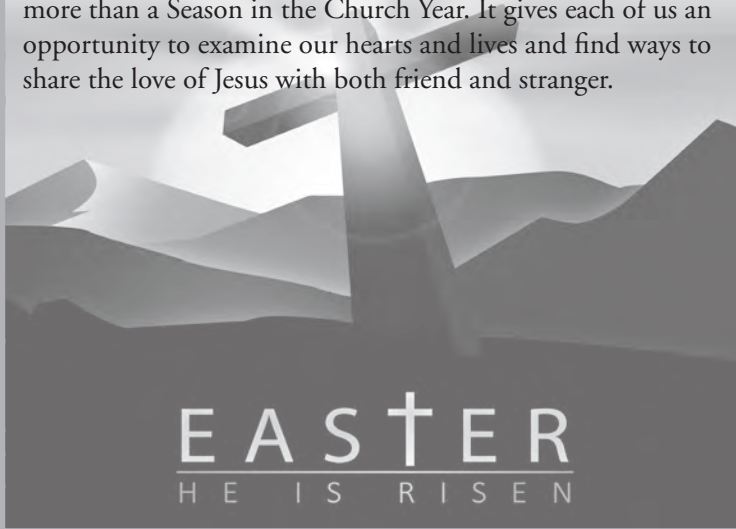
The newsletter of  
*Winds of the Prairie Ministries*

On **Wednesday, February 14th**, we will begin our Lenten journey as ashes are once more placed on our foreheads and we hear the words, “Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return.” The stark truth of our humanity and the reality that we all have a ‘terminal illness’ can be a bit difficult to embrace. But we all know it’s true. What the yearly observance of the 40 days of Lent gives us is an opportunity to repent of our failings and turn around to follow the cross of Jesus anew. **We know what happens after Cavalry**, and we treasure the sacrifice and saving grace of our Savior, who walked the most difficult part of the road for us. Lent is more than a Season in the Church Year. It gives each of us an opportunity to examine our hearts and lives and find ways to share the love of Jesus with both friend and stranger.

## LENTEN SERVICE SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS

- *Ash Wednesday, February 14th*  
12 noon at Bethany-Elim, Ivanhoe  
6pm at Bethany, Arco  
6:30pm at Grace, Lake Benton
- *Wednesday evenings during Lent Feb. 21, 28 and March 7, 14, 21*  
5pm Soup Supper at Bethany, Arco  
6pm Service at Bethany, Arco
- *Sunday, March 25th Palm Sunday*  
8:30am Bethany, Arco  
10:30am Bethany-Elim, Ivanhoe
- *Thursday, March 29th Maundy Thursday*  
6:00pm Bethany, Arco
- *Friday, March 30th Good Friday*  
6:00pm Bethany-Elim, Ivanhoe
- *Easter Sunday, April 1st*  
8:30am Bethany, Arco  
10:30am Bethany-Elim, Ivanhoe

note from DEACON DEB



## Preaching Schedule

	<b>Sunday, December 31, 2017 or Wednesday January 3</b> Theme: Preparing the way for the Messiah Text: John 1: 19-34 Altar Color White	<b>Sunday, January 7, or Wednesday January 10</b> Theme: Come and See the Messiah Text: John 1:35-51 Altar Color Green	<b>Sunday, January 14, or Wednesday January 17</b> Theme: The Messiah's Glory First Revealed Text: John 2: 1-11 Altar Color Green	<b>Sunday, January 21st or Wednesday, January 24th</b> Theme: The Messiah's Encounter at the Temple Text: John 2: 13-25 Altar Color Green	<b>Sunday, January 28th or Wednesday January 31</b> Theme: New Life in the Spirit Text: John 3: 1-21 Altar Color: Green
ny Arco	Wednesday Night 6:30pm	Wednesday Night 6:30pm	Wednesday Night 6:00pm**	Wednesday Night 6:30pm	Wednesday Night 6:30pm
ny-Elim	10:30am	1:00pm Farewell Service	10:30am	10:30am	10:30am

# Bethany-Elim News

*Sunday School update for the new year:*

**No Sunday School on February the 4th.**

**Regular classes on February 11, 18**

**Regular class on February 25** and also we will be singing in church.

Check your mail boxes and emails for any changes or updates.

We will be sending out a calendar with all the Sunday school dates

and actives so please check your mail boxes.

Thanks and stay warm!!!!!!!



## 100 years old on February 16th!! Congratulations to Vernon Moravetz!!

Let's do a card shower for him:  
Vernon Moravetz  
14593 Bowers Dr. NW  
Anoka, MN 55303-7212

Mark your calendar! } Bethany-Elim Beef Dinner  
Sunday, March 11th 11-1pm

## Bethany News

No news this month

## Grace News

No news this month

Farewell service of Winds of the Prairie was held on January 14th at Bethany-Elim Church in Ivanhoe. We wish to thank all who participated to make this a momentous event. God's Blessings to Peace Lutheran, Grace Lutheran and St. Paul's Lutheran.



# SHETEK

LUTHERAN MINISTRIES

### February 11

SLM Annual Meeting

### February 11

Women's Tea and Ski

### February 16 & 17

Couples Retreat

### March 10

Pre-Marriage Retreat

### March 10

Family day making

Maple Syrup

### March 16 & 17

Confirmation Retreat

### March 25

Sugarbush

### April 20-21

Confirmation Retreat

### April 21

Pre-Marriage Retreat

### April 22

Sprint Toddlers and

Trees

### April 28

Spring Clean-Up Day

For more information, call 507-763-3567 or check out their website at [www.shetek.org](http://www.shetek.org)



## FEBRUARY WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

### Grace

#### Ushers for February

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#### Alter Guild for February

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#### Deason for February

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### Bethany Lutheran

#### Ushers

Tony & Amber Dwire

#### Altar Guild

Ruth Rasmussen

#### February 7

Lector: Dar Schreurs

#### February 14 - Ash Weds

Lector: Glen Sorensen

Assisting

Minister: Ilene Sorensen

#### February 21

Lector: Gayle Rasmussen

#### February 28

Lector: Matthew Rohde

Assisting

Minister: Jewel Noble

### Bethany-Elim

#### February 4

Ushers: Blaine Kurth,  
Roger Nelson  
& Doug Willhite

Acolyte: Megan Krog

Lector: Molly Krog

#### February 11

Ushers: Blaine Kurth,  
Roger Nelson  
& Doug Willhite

Acolyte: Austin Topero

Lector: Jennifer Krog

EM: Margo Willert

#### February 18

Ushers: Dustin Richmond Family

Acolyte: Karrie Richmond

Lector: Karrie Richmond

#### February 25

Ushers: Kevin Swanson Family

Acolyte: Tyler Schmidt

Lector: Karen Richmond

EM: Deb Swanson

#### Altar Guild

Mike & Margo Willert



Out and about?  
Why not stop and  
visit our WOTP  
members in Care  
facilities, a smiling  
face is always  
appreciated.

#### **Divine Providence Health Center Ivanhoe**

Esther Wayland—Bethany-Elim  
Marion Bennett—Grace  
Harriet Weeks—Bethany-Elim

#### **Hendricks Nursing Home** Valgean Lundberg—Bethany-Elim

**Sunrise Manor-Tyler**  
Gladys Meleen—Bethany  
Larry Lustfield—Grace

**Luverne Veteran's Home**  
Earl Klitzke—Grace  
Willie Oltmans—Grace

**Boulder Creek**  
Ken Swanson—Bethany-Elim

**Boulder Estates**  
Leone Pedersen—Bethany

# Dates to Remember...

## February 4 & 7

**Bethany-Elim** and **Bethany** a farewell for Pastor Eunice during the service please join us to wish her well on new adventures (last preaching day 2/25)

## February 10

Everyday Reformers at Willmar call the office to register

## February 14

Ash Wednesday

## March 10

Live Generously project 9-3 pm SMSU

## March 10

Saturday night 6pm service at Bethany-Elim

## March 11

Daylight savings time - Spring ahead

## March 11

Bethany-Elim Beef Dinner

## March 25

8:30am service Palm Sunday at Bethany

10:30am service Palm Sunday at Bethany-Elim

## March 29

Maundy Thursday service at 6:00pm at Bethany Arco

## March 30


Good Friday Service 6:00pm at Bethany-Elim Ivanhoe

## April 1

Easter Sunday Services

8:30am Bethany Arco

10:30am Bethany-Elim Ivanhoe

February 2018	Bethany Arco **Wednesday Nights 6:30pm**	Bethany-Elim Ivanhoe **10:30am**	Grace Lake Benton **8:30am**	St. Paul Minneota **8:30am**	
Thursday, February 1 <sup>st</sup>					
Friday, February 2 <sup>nd</sup>					7am Bible Study at Bethany at 19 & 75 Café in Ivanhoe
Saturday, February 3 <sup>rd</sup>					
Sunday, February 4 <sup>th</sup>					10:30am Bethany-Elim Service with annual meeting to follow.
Monday, February 5 <sup>th</sup>					9am Grace Bible Study
Tuesday, February 6 <sup>th</sup>					
Wednesday, February 7 <sup>th</sup>					10am DPHC Bible Study WOW 5pm Meal, 6:30 Worship, 7:15 TFA and Church School
Thursday, February 8 <sup>th</sup>					10:30 Sunrise Manor Service in Tyler 1:30pm WELCA at Bethany-Elim
Friday, February 9 <sup>th</sup>					7am Bible Study at Bethany at 19 & 75 Café in Ivanhoe
Saturday, February 10 <sup>th</sup>					8:30-3:30 Equipping Congregations in Willmar
Sunday, February 11 <sup>th</sup>					4pm Camp Shetek Annual Meeting
Monday, February 12 <sup>th</sup>					9am Grace Bible Study
Tuesday, February 13 <sup>th</sup>					6pm Joint Council at Bethany
Wednesday, February 14 <sup>th</sup>					ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE 12:00 noon Bethany-Elim, Ivanhoe 6pm Bethany, Arco 6:30pm Grace, Lake Benton
Thursday, February 15 <sup>th</sup>					2:30pm Service at Minneota Manor
Friday, February 16 <sup>th</sup>					7am Bethany Bible Study
Saturday, February 17 <sup>th</sup>					
Sunday, February 18 <sup>th</sup>					
Monday, February 19 <sup>th</sup>					9am Grace Bible Study
Tuesday, February 20 <sup>th</sup>					10am Rebekah Circle at Bethany-Elim
Wednesday, February 21 <sup>st</sup>					10am DPHC Chapel Lenten Services ONLY at BETHANY ARCO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5pm Soup and Sandwich</li> <li>• 6pm Worship</li> </ul>
Thursday, February 22 <sup>nd</sup>					
Friday, February 23 <sup>rd</sup>					7am Bethany Bible Study
Saturday, February 24 <sup>th</sup>					
Sunday, February 25 <sup>th</sup>					
Monday, February 26 <sup>th</sup>					
Tuesday, February 27 <sup>th</sup>					
Wednesday, February 28 <sup>th</sup>					Lenten Services ONLY at BETHANY ARCO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5pm Soup and Sandwich</li> <li>• 6pm Worship</li> </ul>
Thursday, March 1 <sup>st</sup>					
Friday, March 2 <sup>nd</sup>					7am Bethany Bible Study 1pm Service for World Day of Prayer Held at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church Ivanhoe
Saturday, March 3 <sup>rd</sup>					
Sunday March 4 <sup>th</sup>					
Monday, March 5 <sup>th</sup>					
Tuesday, March 6 <sup>th</sup>					



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**Office Hours**  
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 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30-1:00  
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