

WORSHIP, CLASSES, EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Spend Holy Week and Easter with your Word of Peace family! The schedule of services and activities is available here: [→](#)
For more details, visit wordofpeace.org/Easter. Please pick up a few invitations at the Sanctuary doors to share with friends and family.

Bring your family and friends to see Jesus, his disciples, and an entire Jerusalem cast at the Holy Week Walk on Good Friday, April 19 at 10 AM, Noon, and 2 PM. You won't sit still for these interactive worship services: taste bread in the marketplace, eat with Jesus at the Last Supper, and pray in the garden. This is a great way to experience Jesus' final days. Questions? Contact Pastor Kristin Skare at (763) 496-2404 or kskare@wordofpeace.org.

The Good Friday Prayer Vigil will take place from 6 PM to Midnight on April 19. Sign-up in the Gathering Area for a 30-minute block to pray in the chapel. Questions? Contact Kristin Skare at kskare@wordofpeace.org or (763) 496-2404.

Easter Egg Hunt: Today (Sunday) at 2 PM—Families with infants through 5th grade are invited to enjoy some Easter fun and an egg hunt! This is a community event so please bring your friends and neighbors. Questions? Contact Jill Smith, Event Coordinator, at (763) 496-2402 or jsmith@wordofpeace.org.

April is Mental Health Awareness Month—Join On April 28, guest speaker Rev. Hollie Holt-Woehl will lead a discussion about how scriptures address the issue of mental illness and look at how the creation stories in Genesis can help us understand mental illness. On May 5, Rev. Holt-Woehl will lead a discussion about the challenges of negotiating "typical" adolescent behavior, pastoral and congregational implications, and theological understanding of dementia and ideas for care of individuals and caregivers. Both forums will take place at 9:45 AM in Room 120.

The Walk for Water Experience is Sunday, April 28 from 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM. Experience first-hand some of the struggles that those in the developing world face as they walk miles for water. Participants will carry a jug of water through a simulated "course" and experience obstacles similar to what people deal with in their travels to collect water. Individuals and families are invited to this interactive experience.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The church will be closed on Easter Monday, April 22 and there will be no Monday night worship.

The building project is underway! The Building Committee has hired

architect firm, Bentz Thompson Rietow (for the final design plans) and general contractor, Watson-Forsberg. The new addition has been surveyed, soil borings will be done within the next week, and the Building Committee will meet with the City of Rogers for the approval process. If there are any sub-contractors, companies or individuals in the building trade that are interested in working with Watson-Forsberg on this project, please contact Linda Thomas, Director of Administration, at lthomas@wordofpeace.org or (763) 496-2407.

The "Building On A Strong Foundation" campaign responses are coming in but many are still needed to meet our goal. So far, we have received nearly \$1.1 million in responses. We do need \$100,000 more in responses to secure a loan to cover our proposed building project. If you are still planning to respond to the building appeal, please place your response card in the offering plate, drop it off at the church office, or give your response online at wordofpeace.org/building.

Read through the entire New Testament in just two months! Whether you have been following the daily Bible reading challenge, have fallen behind, or are just starting, this is a wonderful way to walk through the New Testament. Sign up for emails and find the reading plan at wordofpeace.org/cover-to-cover.

The Cover to Cover at-home guide is located in the back of your bulletin each week. Take it home and use it to practice prayer, Bible reading/reflection and family connection.

OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE AND SERVE

Many volunteers are still needed for Holy Week and Easter worship. Stop by the volunteer check-in desk in the North Gathering Area or contact Lydia Svendsen at (763) 496-2421 or lsvend@wordofpeace.org to sign up.

Bible Blast—Help Word of Peace kids explore their relationships with God by providing them with a Bible. Look for the tables in the Gathering Area and outside the Children's Ministry office, or donate online at wordofpeace.org/bible-blast.

Help us keep expenses low with your donations for Vacation Bible School—Go online to wordofpeace.org/vbs to order items from our Amazon wish list. Donations are needed by June 1.

Help Vacation Bible School come to life—There are several creative workshops scheduled between now and June 22 for adults and kids 6th grade and older who enjoy decorating, crafting and building scenery. Learn more and sign up at wordofpeace.org/vbs. Questions? Contact Jill Smith at jsmith@wordofpeace.org or (763) 496-2402.

If you wish to donate items for the Easter breakfast youth fundraiser, please sign up on the board near the Children, Youth & Family en-

trance or contact Christina Verbick at cverbick@wordofpeace.org or (763) 496-2430. Donations are needed by April 17.

CROSS Food Needs for April: Boxed potatoes, toothpaste, paper and plastic grocery bags. Donations may be dropped off at the CROSS Corner in the North Gathering Area.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY

Registration for church school and confirmation for the 2019-2020 school year is now open. Register online at wordofpeace.org or pick up a paper form outside the Children's and Youth Ministry offices.

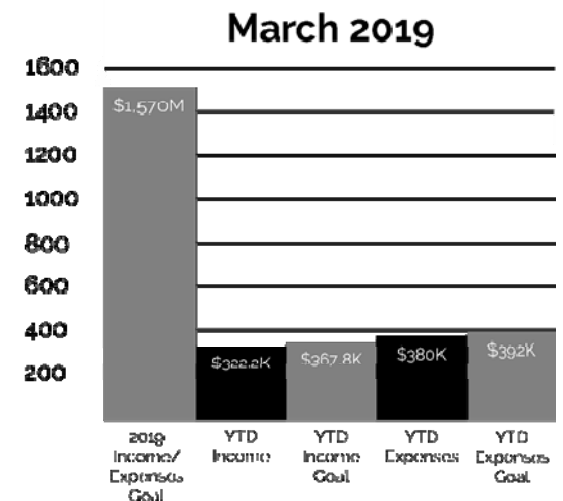
Confirmation Updates—There will be no Confirmation on April 17. Confirmation resumes at the regular (non-Lent) times on April 24. 5th grade students and parents are invited to Confirmation Open House on April 24, 6:30-7:45 PM. 6th & 7th grade parents are invited to learn more about the new 2-track confirmation program at an informational meeting on April 24, 7:15-7:45 PM. 8th grade confirmation projects are due May 1. 8th grade parents should plan to attend the required PAR-ENT ONLY meeting on May 8, 6:30-7:30 PM.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Word of Peace is solely funded by the financial gifts from church members, guests, and attenders like you. If you are currently giving to Word of Peace, THANK YOU! Your continued giving is vital to support the 2018 operations and the ministry that Word of Peace provides to the congregation and community.

Please consider a recurring gift to ensure that you are continuing to support Word of Peace even when you are unable to get to church. More information at wordofpeace.org/give.

Questions? Contact Linda Thomas, Director of Administration, at (763) 496-2407 or lthomas@wordofpeace.org.



Total Loans: \$57,924

Budgeted Loans: \$24,249

Holy Week and Easter

Palm Sunday—April 14 & 15

Sunday Worship at 8:30, 9:45 & 11 AM
Easter Egg Hunt at 2 PM
Monday Worship at 6:30 PM

Maundy Thursday—April 18

Worship at 6:30 PM

Good Friday—April 19

Holy Week Walk at 10 AM,
Noon & 2 PM
Traditional Service at 6:30 PM
Prayer Vigil from 6 PM-Midnight

Easter—April 20 & 21

Saturday Worship at 5:30 PM
Sunday Worship at 6:45, 8:15,
9:30, 10:45 and Noon
Pancake Breakfast Served
from 7:30-11 AM

WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

Sunday, April 14

PALM SUNDAY
Worship at 8:30, 9:45 & 11 AM
Church School at 8:30, 9:45 & 11 AM
11 AM Baptism Class
12 PM High School Mission Trip Mtg.
2 PM Easter Egg Hunt
4 PM Grace Musical Rehearsal
5:30 PM Yoga
7 PM Men's Group

Monday, April 15

Church School at 5 & 6:30 PM
5 PM Kids of the Kingdom
5:30 PM Monday Night Meal
(sandwiches)
6:30 PM Worship
7 PM Deo Glorias

Tuesday, April 16

9 AM Women's Friendship Circle
6:30 PM BeFriends

Wednesday, April 17

9 AM MOPS Steering Committee
7 PM Festival Chorus

Thursday, April 18

MAUNDY THURSDAY
Worship at 6:30 PM

Friday, April 19

GOOD FRIDAY
Holy Week Walk at 10 AM, Noon,
and 2 PM
6 PM Prayer Vigil
6:30 PM Tenebrae Worship

Saturday, April 20

EASTER SATURDAY
9 AM Hallelujah Chorus Rehearsal
5:30 PM Easter Worship

Sunday, April 21

EASTER SUNDAY
6:45 AM Sunrise Worship
8:15 & 9:30 AM Traditional Worship
10:45 & Noon Contemporary
Worship
Easter Breakfast from 7:30-11 AM

Monday, April 22

EASTER MONDAY
Church Closed
No Monday Worship

IN OUR PRAYERS

Prayer concerns are listed in the worship bulletin for one week unless otherwise requested, or it is an on-going difficulty for a church member. Prayers of the Church that are spoken during worship will include new prayer concerns and updates. Thank you for understanding as we meet the many prayer requests and needs of the Word of Peace congregation and community.

Ill or Hurt-Solveig Blegen, Dorothy Bern, Ann Criswell, Lou Oberdeck, Carol, John Schlegel, Arlen Sjerven, Barbara Madden, Joe Ondarko, Cindy Adams, Deloris Paul

Battling Cancer-Mary Botz, Kendra Schaub, Barb Karls, Kathy Thiesen, Josh, John Holland, Gretchen Langlie, Karen Glimsdale, Chelsi Terwey, Erin Remme, Cheryl Ganara, Sharon Berndt, David Haugen, Mark Andert, Paul Fiske, Karla Teasley, David Van Dan, Todd Johnson, Bud Redepening, Suzanne Polkeyberg, Bev Reed, Ruth Moen, Lowell Mattila, Tonyia Lucas, Tanner Hoover, Rose Gilbert, Sue Rawlings, Donna Kuhn, Neal Stahl, Jamie Harff, Darlene Personius, Heather Brown, Xander Wold, Hailey O'Malley, Kevin Kleist, Debra Donohue, LeRoy Slater

Thanksgiving-Carol celebrating 22 years being cancer free. Dee Stencil is cancer free.

Mourning-Leah Smith and family mourning the death of her father, Daniel Dames. Judy and Dick Nelson and family mourning the death of her father. Holly, Tristan and Chloe Benson and family mourning the death of their husband and father, Abe Benson. Brenda and Robert Blank mourning the death of Brenda's grandmother, Alice Lennon.

For the Word of Peace Ministry-We pray that our congregation responds with joy and generosity to expanding our building with their time, talent and finances. We pray that this building will be a place for healing, love, and to hear the good news of the gospel.

Those known by our congregation in military service-Matthew Sjerven, Matthew McCormick, Brandon Wegner, Joseph Farrow, Stephanie Westrum, Jenny Rose, Austin Lucas, David Hellerude, Chase Schmidt, Bryce Balfanz, Cody Messner, Nick Jones, Tyeler Schmidt, Michelle Werness, Gabe Vicioso, Eric Ouellette, Eric Leiter, Trevor Young, Shawn Alderman, Jacob Kerkow, Matthew Halvorson, Brian Hornbaker, Adam Schutte, Ryan Broyles, Daniel Reichert, James Miller, Pamela Burns, Bill Cole, PJ Holland, Richard Kiphuth, Erin (Schoephoerster) Kukay, Chris Kukay, Michael Scott, Wendy May, Greg Bowers, Brad Kunz, John Vargas, Scott, Chad and Tad Wellsted.

REQUEST A PRAYER

Prayer Box: Please use the prayer cards provided next to the church office window and place your prayer request in the Prayer Box.

Call or Email: Contact Pastor Kristin Skare at kskare@wordofpeace.org or (763) 496-2404.

Online: Go to wordofpeace.org/pray and use the online form to submit your prayer request.

Prayers will be prayed for during the following week, and the church staff prays for all prayer concerns in the Word of Peace Community each Tuesday.



April 14 & 15, 2019

Welcome to Word of Peace! If you are a guest, please fill out a Connection Card so we can become better acquainted. Cards are available outside the Sanctuary doors and at the Information Desk; or complete the online card at wordofpeace.org/connect.

Children are always welcome! There are a number of spaces and activities designed for children to experience worship in a variety of ways:

- **The nursery** (birth to age 3) is staffed with paid child care assistants. It is located just off the S. Gathering Area across from the kitchen.
- **Busy Bags** (18 mos. to grade 5) filled with quiet activities are available on the racks in the Gathering Area.
- **The PrayGrounds** (birth to age 3) are quiet play spaces in the Sanctuary.

Please help clean up the Busy Bags and PrayGrounds so that they are ready for the next children to enjoy. For more information, please request a copy of the *Children in Worship* handout from an usher or visit wordofpeace.org/children-in-worship.

Hearing-assisted devices are available upon request at the sound & media desk in the back of the Sanctuary.

Join us for social time following worship. Free coffee and \$1 donuts are served in the South Gathering Area on Sundays. Stay awhile and get to know one another!

Looking for more information? Visit wordofpeace.org to find out about upcoming events, learn more about our church programs and ministries, listen to the weekly message, subscribe to our mailing list, make a donation, and more. Or, stop by the Information Desk in the North Gathering Area with any questions.

Our Vision and Mission Statement

Our vision is to be a community where everyone knows Christ's Love and shares Christ's Love with all people.

Christ works through us as we welcome all people to grow in faith, love, and devotion, share Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

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Office Hours
Mon-Thurs 8:00 AM-4:30 PM
Fri 8:00 AM-12:30 PM

