



Faith, Culver



First, Meadowlands



St. John's, Saginaw



St. Peter's, Canyon



MINISTER’S MESSAGE FROM DAVE’S DESK

As this newsletter goes to print, we are in the middle of the season of Lent. I hope you have had the chance to worship with us weekly on Wednesday evenings studying our sermon series, “A season of hope,” as well as joining us at 5:30pm prior to worship for some wonderful soup suppers, and great fellowship time.

On Sunday March 24th, we turn our attention to Palm Sunday and Holy week, including Maundy Thursday and the Last supper, Good Friday, and the crucifixion of our Savior on the cross, and of course the celebration of Christ’s victory over death on Easter Sunday. I hope that we can all set aside time for these worship services to learn and better understand Jesus’ journey to the cross in order that we may have the hope of salvation.

I’d like to share a story written by Pastor David Simpson teaching his son a better understanding of death and Christ’s resurrection: He writes, “our son John learned a valuable lesson about death when he was a child. One day he took aim with his new BB gun at a little bird sitting on a limb near our back deck. He aimed and fired and hit his target and the bird collapsed to the ground...dead. At first there was excitement of being a good marksman, but then upon finding the bird, there was the shock of its results. I’ll never forget what John said: “Is he dead?” Yes son. “Dad, bring him back.” Son, there’s nothing I can do.

Talk about a helpless moment! But at the same time, a teachable moment. So, what did we

do? The only thing a Pastor knows to do. You have a funeral service and turn to the one who is our greatest help in time of need. So, we got a shoebox, dug a hole, had a little service, and said a prayer.

You see...There is only one who has the answer to death. There is only one who truly conquered death forever. There is only one who defeated death and gave us hope in our most difficult hour...and that’s our Savior Jesus!”

That’s why Easter is such a glorious occasion! It is a celebration of Jesus defeat of our greatest enemy...death. Without Jesus, death is the end. Because of Jesus, death is merely a threshold, and entrance to a new life.

I look forward to seeing all of you on Easter Sunday when we stand together as a community of believers and celebrate Christ’s victory over death and our hope of salvation!!! Happy Easter!

In God’s peace, Invite a friend – Minister Dave

~CLERGY SCHEDULE & CONTACT INFO~
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~S.A.L.T. PARISH MEETING~
Next meeting: Mar. 7th, 6:30p at Faith
All are welcome!

SALT Parish February Meeting Summary
 Our condolences to Christine Wolvin on the passing of her husband John on January 30th. Faith is celebrating 125 years this year with St. Peter's celebrating 125 years in 2025. Lots of planning is underway for a celebration this fall. If anyone has any old anniversary booklets, please let Deb know. St. Peter's is looking for someone to mow the church lawn and cemetery this summer, please contact Sharon @ 218-591-0978 if you can help. Barb and Deb mailed out Children's Lent envelopes for 13 families. They are trying to keep kids involved as we do not have enough for Sunday school at this time. Doing a Peanut Butter Drive for Food Share Month in March to go to the Floodwood food shelf. Amber will ask South Ridge about a basketball game night to do a donation collection too. Soup suppers are planned for Lent and Dave and Beth will have containers with them for any extra to be sold. Synod will be on April 27th and as a zoom only this year, Amber will be representing Faith. Representation from the other churches was not known yet. Cost is \$35 before March 15th to register. Education evening about Alzheimer's and dementia is scheduled for April 10th, at Faith. Health and Wellness meeting after Lent worship at Faith on March 13th.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2024 Lenten Series "A Season of Hope"

Soup Suppers at 5:30 pm
Lenten Worship at 6:30 pm



- March 6 "Hope in Uncertainty"**
St. Peter's, Canyon
- March 13 "Hope in the Face of Injustice"**
Faith, Culver
- March 20 "Hope Through Doubt"**
First, Meadowlands
- March 28, Maundy Thursday "As Often as You Eat This"** St. John's, Saginaw
- March 29, Good Friday "Hope in Despair"**
St. Peter's, Canyon
- March 31, Easter Sunday "A Reason for Hope"** Faith, Culver 8:45 am
First, Meadowlands 10:30 am

~CULVER QUILTERS~

If you would like to support our quilt ministry, our supply needs list includes Cotton Fabric (any sized pieces) Thread, Batting, Flat sheets (Dbl., Q or K size), Cash donations can be given to Faith's WELCA. Thank you!
 Culver Quilter's Meet Mondays at Faith 10:30am

~NEWSLETTER DEADLINE~ **Deadline for the Apr. issue: 2nd Sun of Month: Mar. 10th**
To mail information to Misty: 1236 County Rd 4 Wrenshall MN 55797 Or email to: Bergman.misty22@gmail.com

~~RUBY'S PANTRY~~

5577 Cromwell Park Dr, Cromwell, MN
 2nd Thursday of the Month, Mar. 14th, 2024
 9:00 – 10:30 am

5007 Maple Grove Rd Hermantown, MN
 2nd Tuesday of the Month, Mar. 12th, 2024
 5:00 – 6:30 pm

2300 E Skyline Blvd (Copper Top Church)
 3rd Thursday of the Month, Mar. 21st, 2024
 4:30 – 6:00 pm

Bring your own boxes/baskets for food. (\$25) cash donation at the door is appreciated. Everyone is welcome!!! For more information call 651-674-0009 or visit www.rubyspantry.org

Save the Date April 10, 2024

**An evening of learning more about
 Alzheimer's and Dementia**

Men's Breakfast, March 15th, 8am
 Country Corner, Hwy 2, Brookston



Sunday Morning Livestream

SALT Parish Facebook Page
 10:30 am



Bulletins will now be available for The Livestream. The link will be posted on the Parish Facebook page or the bulletin can be accessed at saltparish.org/bulletins

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St. John's – April 28th, following Worship.



March is Minnesota Food Share Month

During the month of March all funds donated to the food shelves are matched dollar for dollar.

SALT Parish will be collecting Peanut Butter during the month of March which will be donated to the Floodwood Food Shelf. Peanut Butter is the number one item requested at food shelves because of its nutritional value. Through the end of March, drop your Peanut Butter in one of the boxes at any of the churches. If you prefer to donate cash, please make your check payable to the "Floodwood Food Shelf."



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Thank you

so much!

Thank you to all the people who donated to Heartfelt Hugs. Thank you to Suzie Janke for being the contact at South Ridge and making sure the families received all the gifts. Thank you to the SALT churches, parishioners, and the communities made Christmas a joyful holiday for over 50 children. Blessings to each and every one of you! Thank you! SS

Thank you to all our Parish volunteers and members who give much of their time to make this Parish special. Volunteers are not paid – Not because they are Worthless, but because they are Priceless!! Your contribution is very much appreciated. Happy Easter.

CAN YOU GUESS WHO I AM?

Draw a line from the clue to the person it describes.



Mary Magdalene

I was crying, but then I heard Jesus say my name and saw Him standing in front of me!

I was guarding Jesus' tomb. When I saw the angel, I got very scared.



Simon Peter



Angel

Jesus asked me if I loved Him three times - and I said "Yes".

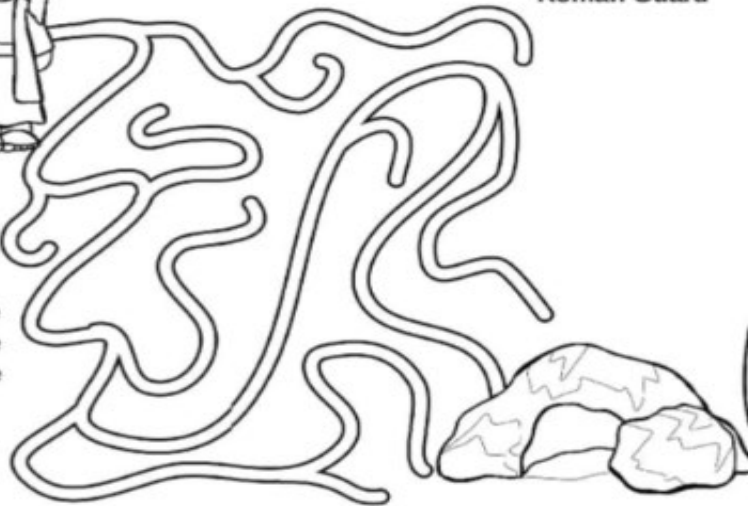
I told the women, "Do not be afraid; Jesus has risen from the dead!"



Roman Guard



Can you help the disciples and the women get to the empty tomb?



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