

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE AT BLESSED REDEEMER

<b>Saturday Mar 13-</b>	5:30pm	Worship
<b>Sunday Mar 14-</b>	9:00am	Worship w/Communion
	10:15am	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School
	7:00 pm	Daughters of the King
<b>Monday Mar 15-</b>	7:00pm	Book Club
<b>Tuesday Mar 16-</b>	7:00pm	Council Meeting
<b>Wed. Mar 17-</b>	6:30am	Men of Brandon (MOB)
	6:00pm	Lenten Service
	7:00pm	Midweek Classes
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
	7:00pm	Envelope Stuffing
<b>Thursday Mar 18-</b>	7:00pm	Board of Youth Meeting
<b>Saturday Mar 20-</b>	5:30pm	Worship w/Communion
<b>Sunday Mar 21-</b>	9:00am	Worship w/Communion
	10:15am	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School
	7:00 pm	Daughters of the King



### OUR RESPONSE LAST WEEK:

**General Offering for Week of 3/7/2021:** \$ 13,010.61

**Church Attendance for Week of 3/7/2021:** 93

**Lenten Midweek Worship 3/10/21:** 39

*Weekly General Offering Needs:* \$5,341.00

*General Fund Checking Balance as of **February:*** \$70,295.83

### ALTAR GUILD

**March-** Lisa Erck & Erica Mortensen

**Altar Flowers:** You may provide flowers to beautify our sanctuary.  
Please speak with the Altar Guild.

### ATTENDANCE RECORD

We ask that visitors please sign the guest book and that both members and visitors fill out the attendance record in the pew rack and pass it to the person next to you so that we may be aware of your presence with us today. If your attendance record is empty, please use one from a nearby pew and alert the Elders after the service. May the Lord, your God, bless your time of worship!

## **In Our Prayers**



**Celebrating Birthdays this week:** Isaiah Melius, Kristin Reiffenberger, Andrew Walton, Rhonda Kopp, Jackie Alberts, Doug Fick, Darla Schuttloffel, Maynard Derksen, Pastor Gary Klatt

**For those ill, hospitalized or recovering at home:** Melanie Johnson (mother of Joe Johnson), Glen Baden

**Those mourning the loss of loved ones:** Family of Fred Ledwell

### **Adult Bible Study Gets “A New Focal Point”**

Technically speaking, when Jesus turned water into wine, it wasn't his first miracle, but it is one of the best known, and most misunderstood miracles. This week when we learn more “Stuff They Didn't Teach Me in Sunday School” we will also discuss why this miracle still shocks and even disappoints some people today, and why it is a great comfort to others. Please join us after the Sunday morning worship service as we learn why Jesus is “A New Focal Point” and a lightning rod still today to critics of the Bible.

### **MOB Learns Why “A Man Needs a Tribe”**

Several years ago it was popular for men to go out in the woods and beat on drums in “Iron John” gatherings. We will not go to that extreme, but this week the Men of Brandon Bible Study will learn why we need a tribe, the communion of saints, and how men can positively help boys transition into manhood. Our study of “Man Up!” is proving to be one of the most well received of all our studies, and all of our books are going to good use, but we would definitely be glad to share with any man who still wants to join the tribe.



### **Lenten School Kits Being Collected for Orphan Grain Train**

This week's item for our Orphan Grain Train (OGT) school kits is **ruler, 2 glue sticks, and scissors**. Hopefully you can find these on sale at a local retail store! We will gather items to fill the backpacks with each week, and if you didn't get a list, there are extra copies on the table in the narthex. Your care and concern will make all the difference for a student in an impoverished country who might not otherwise be able to afford supplies.

### **Lenten Midweek Theme is “A Troubled Heart”**

The hearts on our special Lenten cross are about to start getting more colorful beginning this week when we add “A Troubled Heart.” We will look at one of the paradoxes of the Bible, how Jesus can tell people to weep for themselves, not him, while also telling them not to be troubled. Special children's messages continue as well, and if your child didn't get a “Jesus is the Light and the Way” flashlight last week, be sure to ask Pastor Deardoff for one after worship today!

### **Preschool Corner: School is on!**

This Thursday and Friday, we WILL have classes. Originally these were snow days. With our late start and canceled class, we will have preschool on the 18th and 19th.

### Sunday School families!!

YES....PRIZES!!! For each Sunday you attend Sunday School you will be entered to win a prize with the person(s) attending the most times to win **THE GRAND PRIZE!** The challenge is on! If you are out of town bring a certificate of visitation or your lesson pamphlet from the other church to show that you attended Sunday School. We hope to see you all back! May God bless you all and stay safe!

Board of Education

(Sarah Peterson, Molly Leopold, Jennifer Thompson, and Juliana Ruud)

### Position Filled, Positions Needing Filled

For our congregation to function smoothly, we still need volunteers to fill the positions of Vice Chairman (the easiest job on the Council!), Treasurer, and several spots on both Board of Youth and Board of Education.

### 40 Days of Life

Are you interested in participating in a peaceful prolife vigil? BRLC is looking to cooperate with our sister congregation Faith Lutheran by filling one hour prayer vigil slots on Monday, March 22nd from 7am-7pm. If you are interested please contact Pastor Deardoff and he will help arrange for you to participate.

### Camp Minneboji

Calling all 4th-9th graders: Registration is open for Minneboji 2021! Minneboji is a summer camp program sponsored by South Dakota District LCMS, to encourage young people to grow in Lutheran faith and friendship. Going strong since 1949, Minneboji is held at Camp Okoboji in Milford, Ia. This year's camp will be June 20-26, exploring the theme "Washed!" A study of God saving his people in the book of Judges." Cost for 4th-8th graders is \$390. Cost for 9th graders (Honors) is \$420. Booklets are available on the table in the narthex. You can also find more information at [www.minneboji.com](http://www.minneboji.com) or by emailing the camp at [Minneboji@gmail.com](mailto:Minneboji@gmail.com).

### Envelope Stuffing-NYG

We are stuffing envelopes for the Optimist and would appreciate everyone's help in raising funds for NYG. We will be stuffing at the following times:

Wed, March 17 @ 7:00 - 9:00

Sun, March 21 @ 11:00 - 2:00

Wed, March 24 @ 7:00 - 9:00

Sun, March 28 @ 11:00 - until finished

### IS BRY

Calling all 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. In lieu of hosting the traditional Lock-ins this year, our new Youth Director, Jackie, is holding a Zoom Scavenger Hunt!!! The Hunt will be held March 26 from 7:00 – 8:00. The Scavenger Hunt will be for items IN YOUR HOUSE and will involve prizes. Please join Jackie for this NEW event to help make it a success. Look for a Sign-up Genius to come to your parents email the week before the event.

### Blood Drive Coming in July

Blessed Redeemer will host a Red Cross Blood Drive on July 29th when the blood mobile visits our church. We will ask the students who participate in VBS to try to enlist donors, and students who find a donor get a medal from the Red Cross. We need two volunteers to check people in, as the majority of the work will be done by the Red Cross. Please talk to Michelle Ternus or contact the office if you would like to help.

### Lutherans Woman Quarterly

LWML members please pick up your Lutherans Woman's Quarterly on the LWML counter located in the Narthex.

### Choir Practice

Please consider staying after Lenten service for choir practice at 7pm. Be a blessing to others by singing beautiful praise to God!

# Opportunities for Prayer and Service

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## March 14th, 2021

## Fourth Sunday in Lent

### *The Lord Feeds His People*

The Lord provided bread from heaven for His people in the wilderness (Ex. 16:2–21). Now He who is Himself the living bread from heaven miraculously provides bread for the five thousand (John 6:1–15). This takes place near the time of the Passover, after a great multitude had followed Jesus across the sea, and when He went up on a mountain. Seen in this way, Jesus is our new and greater Moses, who releases us from the bondage of Mount Sinai and makes us free children of the promise (Gal. 4:21–31). Five loaves become twelve baskets—that is, the five books of Moses find their goal and fulfillment in Christ, whose people continue steadfastly in the doctrine and fellowship of the twelve apostles, and in the breaking and receiving of the bread of life, which is the body of Christ together with His precious blood, and in the prayers (Acts 2:41–47). So it is that God's people "*shall not hunger or thirst*" (Is. 49:8–13). For He abundantly provides for us in both body and soul.

**Please take this folder with its inserts home today to remind you of opportunities for prayer and service in the upcoming weeks.**

*If you have information for this publication, please submit it to the office no later than the Wednesday prior to the Sunday edition.*

