

The First Sunday in Lent
Red Letter Challenge: Forgiving



Saint John Lutheran Church
Hattiesburg, Mississippi
March 17, 2019

Welcome!

"How great is the Love the Father has lavished on us!" (1 John 3:1).

We are thankful that you are joining in the worship of the people of God this day. Ushers at the door are glad to assist you at any time.

- Please check that cell phones are silenced.
- Restrooms are located down either hallway to the right.
- Prayer requests may be written on the white cards in the pew rack and given to an usher before worship begins, or as you leave.
- A nursery is available to parents as needed, down the first hallway to the right.
- Activity bags to help keep young children occupied during the message are provided in the back right corner of the sanctuary.
- Please tell us a bit about yourself on the *Record of Friendship* during the collection of the offering.

About the Offering

An offering is gathered today during the worship service. Here the people of God bring their tithes and sacrificial offerings as an expression of their discipleship, and for the continuation of Jesus' mission work, both in this community and to the ends of the earth. Guests are not expected to bring financial gifts, but are welcome to join the congregation in offering their prayers and praises.

About Holy Communion

Today we celebrate Holy Communion. In this, we remember that the divine is united with the created as one in the person of Jesus.

This altar is the Lord's table. Here all are welcome who acknowledge their need for a Savior, and look to Jesus. We believe what he simply says about the bread – "This is my body, given for you." – and about the wine – "This is my blood, shed for you." Thus, the Lord Jesus is truly present for his redeemed people in this holy meal. In this we retain the divine mystery in the midst of his ordinary creation. From the many seeds of wheat come one loaf. From the many grapes are pressed one cup. His many diverse people constitute one body and community of faith.

Young children are welcome to this altar to receive a blessing, as are those who have not been instructed in the Christian faith. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest or by simply asking for a blessing.

The individual communion cups in the center of the tray have white grape juice for those who desire it. Gluten-free wafers are available at distribution upon request.

We are imperfect people and we live in an imperfect world. We are all in this together. So when we believe or act wrongly towards someone, or when we feel that another has wronged us, we commit ourselves to the humble teaching and forgiving pattern of Jesus in Matthew 18.

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+ GATHERING +

Prayer As We Begin — *Please stand.*

☩ Heavenly Father, as we come before you this morning in Jesus' name, we pray all that we say and do in our worship will give you glory. Help us, Lord, to focus our thoughts on you, so your Word will find fertile ground in our minds and hearts. May the worship service today accomplish in us the purpose you desire. Amen.

The Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

☩ Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection on God's word and for self-examination. Then the confession.

P I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

☩ The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

P Amen.

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Salutation and Collect Prayer

L The LORD be with you.

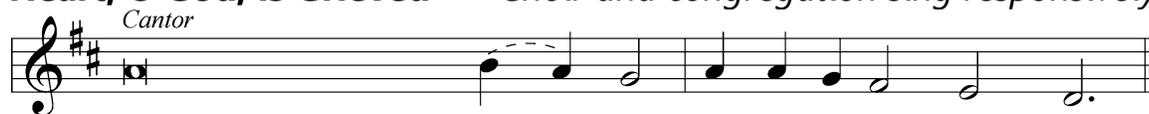
C And also with you.

L We pray together...

C God of love, through Your Son You have commanded us to love one another. By the guidance of Your Word and Spirit, deliver us from impenitence and teach us the truth, that we might confess our sins, receive Your forgiveness, and be reconciled to one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved — Choir and congregation sing responsively. LSB 945



1 O God, Father in heav - en, have mer-cy up - on us.
2 O Son of God, Redeemer of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
3 O God, Holy Spir - it, have mer-cy up - on us.



Your heart, O God, is grieved, we know, By ev - 'ry
Your arms ex - tend, O Christ, to save From sting of
O lav - ish Giv - er, come to aid The fee - ble



e - vil, ev - 'ry woe; Up - on Your cross - for -
death and grasp of grave; Your scars be - fore the
child Your grace has made. Now make us grow and



sak - en Son Our death is laid, and peace is won.
Fa - ther move His heart to mer - cy at such love.
help us pray; Bring joy and com - fort; come to stay.

+ WORD +

Psalm 32— *We speak the psalm responsively.*

Psalm 32:1–11

¹Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

²Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

³For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

⁴For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;

my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

⁵I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

**I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

⁶Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time
when you may be found;

surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

⁷You are a hiding place for me;

you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

⁸I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;

I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

⁹Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding,

which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you.

¹⁰Many are the sorrows of the wicked,

but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

¹¹Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous,

and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

**☩ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

The Lenten Verse — *Please stand.*

LSB 157



☩ Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Holy Gospel

Luke 7:36-50

℣ The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 7th chapter.

☩ Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁶One of the Pharisees asked [Jesus] to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and took his place at the table.

³⁷And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, ³⁸and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the

hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment. ³⁹Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner." ⁴⁰And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher."

⁴¹"A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴²When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?" ⁴³Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly." ⁴⁴Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. ⁴⁵You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. ⁴⁶You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. ⁴⁷Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." ⁴⁸And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." ⁴⁹Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even forgives sins?" ⁵⁰And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

ℒ This is the Gospel of the Lord.

☩ **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

ℒ Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

☩ **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

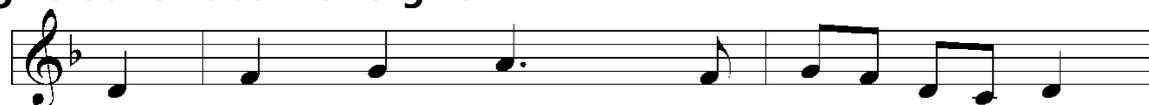
the resurrection of the body, and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated.

The Children's Message —

"Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive"

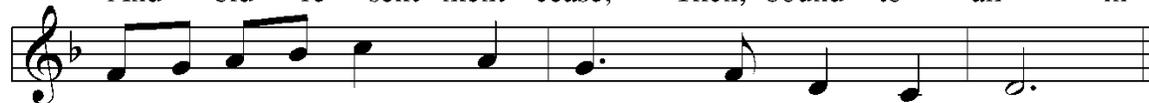
LSB 843



1 "For - give our sins as we for - give,"
2 How can Your par - don reach and bless
3 In blaz - ing light Your cross re - veals
4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls



You taught us, Lord, to pray; But You a - lone can
The un - for - giv - ing heart That broods on wrongs and
The truth we dim - ly knew: What triv - ial debts are
And bid re - sent - ment cease; Then, bound to all in



grant us grace To live the words we say.
will not let Old bit - ter - ness de - part?
owed to us, How great our debt to You!
bonds of love, Our lives will spread Your peace.

The Message — *Red Letter Challenge: Forgiving*

The Prayers of the Church

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings — *For the continuation of Christ's work, both in this place and to the ends of the earth.*

Get Connected — *We are grateful to worship together today. Please note your attendance in the Record of Fellowship. New and updated contact information is always helpful. Thanks!*

Words of Presentation

L: O Lord,

G: "Who am I, and who are my people, that we could give anything to you? Everything we have has come from you, and we give you only what you first gave us. We are here only for a moment, visitors and strangers in the land as our ancestors were before us. Our days on earth are like a passing shadow, gone so soon without a trace. As for all this abundance that we have ... it comes from your hand, and all of it belongs to you." (1 Chronicles 29:14-16)

781 We Give Thee But Thine Own



1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;



All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

+ MEAL +

This is Christ's table. Our Savior invites those who trust in him to share the feast which he has prepared. In this meal we truly receive the body and blood of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. This is a great and divine mystery! Here we are joined with God and all the saints, and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Young children and those who would prefer to receive a blessing are welcome to come forward.

The individual communion cups in the center of the tray contain white grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available at distribution upon request.

The Preface and Hymn of Praise — *Please stand.*

P The LORD be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the LORD.**

P Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Our Father

C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,**

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Institution and Agnus Dei

LSB 962

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; grant us Your peace, grant us Your peace, grant us Your peace.

Please be seated.

Distribution Hymns

Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness

LSB 788

1 For - give us, Lord, for shal - low thank - ful - ness,
 2 Teach us to thank You, Lord, for love and grace,
 3 For - give us, Lord, for self - ish thanks and praise,
 4 Teach us, O Lord, true thank - ful - ness di - vine,

For dull con - tent with warmth and shel - tered care,
 For life and vi - sion, for a pur - pose clear,
 For words that speak at var - i - ance with deeds;
 That gives as Christ gave, nev - er count - ing cost,

For songs of praise for food and har - vest press,
 For Christ Your Son, and for each hu - man face
 For - give our thanks for walk - ing pleas - ant ways
 That knows no bar - ri - er of "yours" and "mine,"

While of Your rich - er gifts we're un - a - ware:
 That shows Your mes - sage ev - er new and near.
 Un - mind - ful of a bro - ken broth - er's needs:
 As - sured that on - ly what's with - held is lost.



- 5 Forgive us, Lord, for feast that knows not fast,
 For joy in things that meanwhile starve the soul,
 For walls and wars that hide Your mercies vast
 And blur our vision of the Kingdom goal:
- 6 Open our eyes to see Your love's intent,
 To know with minds and hearts its depth and height;
 May thankfulness be days in service spent,
 Reflection of Christ's life and love and light.

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

LSB 655

1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are
 3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and

by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your
 Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that
 u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal

Son And bring to naught all He has done.
 we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
 strife And lead us out of death to life.

Hymn Notes Concerning *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

The occasion for this hymn is undoubtedly attributable to the difficult times for the Empire. In August of 1541 King Ferdinand suffered a severe defeat by the Mohammedan Turks at Budapest, a fact that Luther mentions in correspondence the following September and October. In October a hurricane destroyed the fleet of Emperor Charles V near Algiers, an event to which Luther responded with his Admonition to Pray against the Turks. In July of 1542 Francis I of France made an alliance with Sultan Suleiman over against the emperor. Reports had it that the Pope had sided with this pact. Thus, of all things – Pope and Turk in alliance against Christendom!

In a letter to the pastors in the confines of Wittenberg, Luther urged devout prayers after the sermon and he frequently stressed the importance of prayers by the children. Such were the conditions that prompted this hymn, the hymn of Luther that, of all his hymns, has perhaps enjoyed widest use.

+ SENDING +

Concluding Prayer, Benedicamus, and Blessing

L Let us bless the LORD.

G Thanks be to God.

L We speak the Romans 15 blessing to one another:

**May the God of HOPE
fill you with all JOY and PEACE
as you TRUST in him,
so that YOU may overflow with HOPE
by the POWER of the Holy Spirit.**

L The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The LORD look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

G Amen

Grant Peace, We Pray, in Mercy, Lord

LSB 778



Grant peace, we pray, in mer-cy, Lord; Peace in our time, O send us!



For there is none on earth but You, None oth-er to de-fend us.



You on - ly, Lord, can fight for us. A - men.

Hymn Notes on *Grant Peace, We Pray, in Mercy, Lord*

This hymn is a free paraphrase of an old Latin antiphon, "Da pacem, Domine, in diebus nostris," based on 2 Kings 20:19; 2 Chronicles 20:12; and Psalm 122:7, dating from the sixth century. It is likely that Luther wrote it shortly before its presumed appearance in Joseph Klug's *Geistliche Lieder* (1529), for in that year the evangelicals had ample reason to pray for peace: there was the uncertainty of the forthcoming second Diet of Spires plus the threat of the Turks approaching Vienna. In his *Admonition to Pray against the Turks* Luther expressly recommended that this hymn be sung.

Would you like to pray with someone following worship?

A Prayer Servant will be stationed at the right sanctuary window following the sending hymn today. They will gladly serve you in prayer. Anything you share with them will be kept confidential. Our heavenly Father delights in the prayers of his people.

Serving the Lord Today

Pastor John Karle
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Altar Guild Debbie Frederick and
Pat Davenport

Organist Jason Sims

Communion Assistant Nancy Kaul
601.307.5127

Ushers Willy Noffke and
Ethan Potesta

Nursery Gabby Stringer

Sunday School Lillian Smith, Ethan Potesta,
and Gabby Stringer

Confirmation Classes Ellen Heck, June Songy,
Pat Potesta, and John Karle

Adult Classes Nancy Kaul, Pat Davenport,
Debbie Frederick, and
Steve Lawrence

Office Hours:

Wednesday and Thursday, 9am-1pm

Sunday Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday at 10am.

Altar Flowers: John and Jennifer Karle in
Celebration of Cameron's Birthday.

Eternal Candle: The Stringers in
Celebration of Friends and Family.

Birthdays

Lynn Pye March 18
Renee Elledge March 20

Baptisms

Dorothy Longworth March 19
Macy Reid March 23

Wedding Anniversaries

Warner and Darlene Boortz
37yrs March 20

Hearing Assistance Devices are available from the ushers upon request.

Live Streaming of Worship Services — www.saintjohnhattiesburg.com.

Online Giving — Online giving is available to members and friends of Saint John via the 'Give' tab on our webpage. Thank you for supporting our work together in Jesus' name.

LUTHERAN CAMPUS MISSION

Campus Mission — Welcome to all college students! We're glad you're here. Please check in with Pastor John after worship today (or text/call at 318.332.3352).

New Pictures for the Picture Wall — We would love for all members to update their photos for our member picture wall by meeting with Bjorn after worship in the conference room.

Lutheran Study Bibles — We have five regular size print *Lutheran Study Bibles* available for purchase for \$50 each. These resourceful ESV translations with extensive study notes may be viewed in the church office. Larger print versions of the *Lutheran Study Bible* are \$59.

Tuesdays at Trinity — Trinity Episcopal Church will host concerts on Tuesdays beginning March 19th at 12noon. Lunch is served after the concert (\$10) at 12:30pm. See the poster near the fellowship hall entrance for more information.

RED LETTER CHALLENGE

This is our special emphasis for the 40 days of Lent. Home & Study Groups all start this week. The Red Letter Challenge is great for youth and adults. Books are \$15 each, or pay what you can, when you can. Each day is four pages of simple reading, which often includes a challenge idea or activity. Let's read the Red Letter words of Jesus together and put them into practice!

Home & Study Group Options

Sunday Mornings @ 9:15am	2001 Hardy Street (FH & Community Room)
Sunday Evenings @ 4:00pm	501 S. 19th Ave (20- & 30- somethings, John/Jennifer Karle)
Wednesdays Evenings @ 5:30pm	2001 Hardy Street (starts w/soup & salad)
Thursday Mornings @ 10:00am	39 Trillium (NW Hattiesburg, maps available, Dennis/Lillian Smith)
Time/Date TBD	Poplarville (Ellen Heck)

West Hattiesburg Bible Study meets the first and third Wednesday of the month at 10am at the home of Shirley Thone, 2 Bluebeard Point. (Phone: 228.324.6697) Bring your Bible as we're working our way through the book of **Romans** as facilitated by Debbie Frederick. Friends—men and women—are very welcome here! Next meeting is Wednesday, March 20th.

The Avenues Bible Study meets the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 10:30am in classroom #2. For more information, please contact Pat Davenport at 769.223.2889. They are currently studying of **"The Screwtape Letters"**. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 28th.



Free Family Movie Night
Join us on Sunday, March 17th
(St. Patrick's Day) at 5pm in the
Fellowship Hall for some fun Saint
Patrick's Day activities followed by
*Wreck It Ralph: Ralph Breaks the
Internet*. Snacks and drinks are
provided. Grab a friend and come
watch a movie!

The Worship of the Holy Church Throughout the World During the Season of Lent

*Return the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. (Joel 2:13)*

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and lasts forty days, excluding Sundays, which are always feasts in celebration of the resurrection. The forty days recall Jesus' forty days of temptation in the wilderness following his baptism.

Lent — the word originally referred to the lengthening days of springtime — is to be understood as a time for rebirth and renewal, especially in view of one's own baptism, in preparation for the celebration of Easter.

Reflecting this emphasis on repentance and preparation, the liturgy is starker and more reserved during Lent. The music is subdued and the Alleluias are removed from the Church's singing. They will return in full force at Easter, the crown season of the Church's year.

Let us pray that our dear Father in heaven, for the sake of his beloved Son and in the power of his Holy Spirit, might richly bless this Lententide for us that we may come to Easter with glad hearts and keep the feast in sincerity and truth.

Church Wide Pot Luck — Please bring your favorite main dish, plus a side, salad, or dessert to share with the congregation on Sunday, March 31st after worship.

Great American Cleanup Day — Great American Cleanup: Saturday, March 23rd — Meet in the church parking lot at 8am for the Keep America Beautiful — Great American Cleanup! Many hands make light work. We'll be primarily working in the neighborhood in the blocks surrounding Saint John Hattiesburg. If you'd like other options, please check with the church office, as each ward in the city of Hattiesburg has launch locations. We're the one for our Longleaf Heights Neighborhood. Donuts and waters will be provided. Please bring your own gloves and wear closed toe shoes.

THIS WEEK

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>
<u>9:15am Sunday School</u> <u>RLC Group</u> <u>10:30 Worship</u> <u>4pm RLC Group</u> <u>5pm Family Movie Night</u> <u>RLC #13</u>	<u>12pm AA</u> <u>RLC #14</u>	<u>12pm AA</u> <u>RLC #15</u>	<u>10am West Hattiesburg Bible Study</u> <u>12pm AA</u> <u>5:30pm RLC Group</u> <u>RLC #16</u>	<u>10am RLC Group</u> <u>12pm AA Mtg</u> <u>RLC #17</u>	<u>12pm AA</u> <u>RLC #18</u>	<u>8am Great American Cleanup</u> <u>10am AA</u> <u>RLC #19</u>

Faith & Finances at Saint John Hattiesburg

ABOUT the Faith and Finances Emphasis at Saint John Hattiesburg – We want to find meaningful ways to help people with their value-based financial decisions. We're partnering with Thrivent Financial professionals Terry King and Patti Young in 2019 to host a series of workshops and other similar opportunities for you, your family and friends, and your neighbors. The presentations are "product-free" (They're not selling anything.) and provide strong opportunities for improving your life now and in the future. We'd love your help increasing the positive impact of these events by your own participation and by your courageous inviting of others. Please RSVP via the church Events webpage for each workshop you plan to attend.

Women and Money

March 25th

Monday

5:30pm

Today it's critical that women know how to save, invest, and plan for their future. Women have never been in a better position to achieve financial security. This evening workshop will pamper the women in attendance while showing how you can take charge of your financial future, become a more-knowledgeable investor, advocate for yourself in the workplace, plan for retirement, protect your income and assets, and create an estate plan. Refreshments provided.

Facilitated by Terry King and Patti Young. *RSVP deadline March 21st.*

Invitations for friends available today!

Who Are Our Thrivent Financial Professional Partners?



Terry King has worked in this field for 15 years. During that time, he has pursued education and designations to be able to help you navigate through difficult financial decisions. He is a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ professional, Retirement Income Certified Professional, Certified Kingdom Advisor, and Fraternal Insurance Counselor Fellow. He is a member of Lutheran Church of the Pines in Waveland.



Patti Young is a member of the Central Gulf Coast Thrivent Team, whose primary responsibility is to encourage and assist members to use the Fraternal Benefits. She enjoys representing Thrivent's culture of Generosity because she values the way of life made possible by using these member benefits. She formerly served as the administrative assistant at Lamb of God Lutheran Church in Slidell and currently serves as Treasurer on the Southern District Lutheran Church BOD.

Thank you to those who have participated in our *Action Team* meetings as well as the *Making a Difference* meeting. These faith and finances classes are tools to help us better ourselves, our church, and our community. Thank you for joining us as we try to Love. Like. Jesus.

Prayers Needed			
Chris Thiel	Serving Stateside (S.C.)	Son of Norbert and Trenia Thiel	10/1/16
Kelly Thiel	Serving Stateside (N.C.)	Son of Norbert and Trenia Thiel	11/20/16
Cory Thiel	Serving Overseas	Son of Norbert and Trenia Thiel	12/4/16
Matt Geroux	Serving Overseas	Son of Kerry and Debbie Geroux	12/13/17
Joey Kahrs	Serving Stateside	Family of Cheryl Webb	2/18/18
Scott Chaney	Serving Stateside	Member	5/6/18
Bailey Walters	Serving Stateside	Member	10/31/18
Darrin Torrey	Serving Overseas	SIL of Jerry & Helga Herrington	10/31/18
Bill Lowry	Serving Overseas	Member	11/7/18
Edward Curry	Cancer	Brother of Shelia Curry	2/11/18
Jerry Frederick	Cancer	Member	4/29/18
Nelson Cubley	Lymphoma	Brother of Bob Cubley	5/15/18
Charlotte Walsh	Cancer	Family of Bill Coll	6/3/18
Dale McClanahan	Cancer	Cousin of Virginia Rosenberger	7/11/18
John Krahlung	Cancer	Son of Joyce Coll	7/15/18
Michelle Karcher	Cancer	Cousin of Bill Coll	8/3/18
Warner Boortz	Cancer – Radiation/Chemo	Member	9/2/18
Laura Deneke	Stage 4 Lung Cancer	Sister of Nancy Kaul	12/16/18
Richard Radavich	Health and Strength	Member	1/31/18
Edith Pierce	Health and Strength	Member	7/1/18
Sherry Lawrence	Health and Strength	Mother of Steve Lawrence	11/18/18
Diane Whitchurch	Health and Strength	Aunt of Patrice Lovdahl	11/18/18
Lisa Case	Health and Strength	Member	12/2/18
Tash White-Clayton	Health and Strength	Friend of Alicia Liverett	1/20/19
Johnny Case	Health and Strength (heart)	Brother of Dewey Case	2/3/19
Earnie Case	Health and Strength	Brother of Dewey Case	2/3/19
Cory Mack and Kara Lowery	Birth/Newborn Complications	Friends of Wayland & Jane Johnson	2/3/19
Paul Amacker	Recovery from Surgery	Coworker of Alicia Liverett	3/3/19
John and Joshua Floyd	Recovery from Surgery/Tumor	Friend of Steve & Lorhetta Lawrence	3/3/19
Treavor Coombs	Recovery from Car Crash	Grandson of Shelia Curry	3/10/19
Family of Amy Cannon (11)	Recently Died – Car Crash	Family of Brandon & Bridgette Lee	3/3/19
Family of Jimmy Penton	Recently Died	Grandfather of Jayce and Gabe W.	3/7/19
Family of Willie Pierce	Recently Died 3/13/19	Member	3/13/19

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Saint John's Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Sunday, April 14th at 2pm at the home of Aubrey Canfield (112 Pinehills Drive Hattiesburg). Cake and punch will be provided but you are welcome to bring any other snacks as well as your lawn chairs. Kids should bring a basket to collect all their eggs.

We are looking for donations of pre-filled candy eggs. No chocolate. To donate eggs, please see Gabby Stringer or Lorhetta Lawrence.

Free Tax Preparation Help is available in Hattiesburg, Petal, Laurel, and all over the Pinebelt. For info, pick up a blue flyer by the fellowship hall entrance. Share with friends.