



Bridging God's Love to the Community

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The People of The Passion: Easter Sunday

*Come, join the women as they discover
the Risen Christ.*

*Memorial Lutheran Church, April 5
at 10:00 am*

Leadership and Core Values

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Local Mission

We value caring for the needs of our community.

Cherished Relationships

We value friends that bring us closer.

Responsible Generosity

We value faithfully sharing our gifts to help ministry thrive.

Diverse Worship

We value scripturally based experiences that engage all people.

Aspirational Values

Invitational Evangelism

We aspire to reach out and engage new members.

Embracing Innovation

We aspire to use creative methods in our ministry.

Vibrant Ministries

We aspire to create more opportunities for developing enthusiasm in all age groups.

Mission Statement

We cherish, engage and serve all in celebration of God's love.

Vision

Bridging God's love to the community.

Motto

Build Us Up, Lord!

On a Path of Renewal



Pastor Mary's Musings...

When Jesus walked out of the grave 2000 years ago, he made it possible for our resurrection on the last days and our life after death in heaven with our God. This is our belief, from what we know in the Bible, the truth we base our whole faith upon. This is what we are celebrate on Easter Sunday, Christ's power over death and the grave. It is Glorious indeed that we have a God who loves us so much, He won't let anything get in the way of our relationship, our salvation, and our eternal life with Him. He made sure that we will be loved forever. His love for us will never end! Alleluia!

Let me tell you that there is more, if that weren't enough! God wants to restore our lives now! I'm reminded of a song called, "Ain't No Grave" by Bethel Music, Molly Skaggs.

"Oh, shame is a prison as cruel as a grave;
Shame is a robber and he's come to take my name.
Oh, love is my redeemer, lifting me up from the ground.
Love is the power where my freedom song is found.

There ain't no grave (ha-ha)
gonna hold my body down.
There ain't no grave
gonna hold my body down.
When I hear that trumpet sound
I'm gonna rise up outta the ground
There ain't no grave
gonna hold my body down

Oh, fear is a liar with a smooth and velvet tongue.
Fear is a tyrant, he's always telling me to run.
Oh, love is a resurrection and love is a trumpet sound.
Love is my weapon, I'm gonna take my giants down.

Oh, there was a battle, a war between death and life.
And there on a tree, the Lamb of God was crucified.
And He went on down to hell, He took back every key.
He rose up as a lion and He set all captives free

Oh, if You walked out of the grave, I'm walking too"

This Lent we talked about “Letting Go” of everything that binds us, gets in the way, or takes our focus off Jesus. As we celebrate that Jesus walked out of a man-made grave physically and as we too are promised that in the future, He also gifts us with the fact that we can walk-out of the man-made graves that we exist in alive here on earth. This world tries to bury us with shame, fear, and doubt. Piles on piles of dirt on us like expectations, demands, and hardships, basically--cursing us. But Jesus broke the power of lies, the power of heart-ache, the power of hardship, the power of sadness. He has broken every power that hurts us, has made it possible to rise from all of this in this life as well as saving us eternally. Every moment is important—not just the future. So in the here and now we are of great value to Him. He wants us to have freedom to love, serve and be in relationships that are life-giving, a life full of purpose that is light, easy, and peace-filled. Let go of what puts you in the grave and focus on Jesus. Alleluia!



Holy Week

Maundy Thursday:

April 2, 6:00 pm

Worship

Agape Meal—In the Annex

Host KCCM/MLC

Worship with Foot Washing and Holy

Communion--Sanctuary

Message: Rev. Blue. KCCM,

Presiding: Rev. Adelsberger, MLC

Good Friday:

April 3, 12:00 pm Noon -

Worship in Sanctuary

Message: Rev. Adelsberger

Holy Saturday

April 4, 12:00 pm Noon -

Service in Sanctuary

Prayer Service

Facebook taping

In person welcome

Leading: Rev. Adelsberger, MLC

Hot Cross Buns and Coffee

In the Welcome Center

MLC host



You are invited to a Fun Night! Hope you can come!

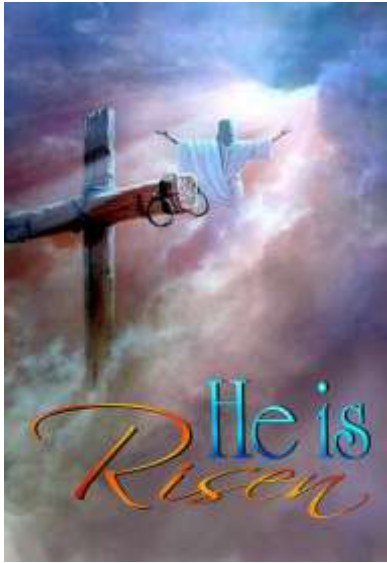
What: Game Night—come play all kinds of board games together and have fun!

When: Date: Sunday, April 19, 2026, Time: 6:45 PM

Where: Memorial Lutheran 3215 Douglas Rd (behind the igloo). In the social hall, downstairs.

How: Enter through back door! Bring friends! Bring a Snack to share!

RSVP: Pastor Mary 916-517-0874 or sign up in the Welcome Centers.



Easter Service

One Service for MLC and KCCM

Sanctuary at 10:00 am

Rev. Adelsberger - MLC Pastor

Rev. Irene Blue - KCCM Pastor

Easter Continental Breakfast

Come before the service at 9:00 am

or stay after the service

for delicious treats

served in the Welcome Center



Worship Happenings

Worship Pads - There are new worship pads at the end of each pew to be filled out by everyone in attendance. Please take a moment each Sunday to complete the questions on the pad. This will help us get to know everyone who is attending the service. It will also give us the opportunity to welcome visitors to our church.

Facebook - If you are unable to attend the Sunday service in person, please go to the Memorial Lutheran Facebook page to watch the live stream at 10:00 am, or you can also watch the video later in the day!

TikTok - We have recently started a TikTok page. Follow us at Memorial.lutheran1 on TikTok to see clips of the sermon each week!

https://www.tiktok.com/@memorial.lutheran1?_r=1&_t=ZT-94AHstTv6Ba

Kelly Staples

MLC Sunday Morning Service at 10:00 am
with Holy Communion

KCCM 12:30 Prayer 1:00 pm Service

Cantors in April

April 5 Dr. Bo Young Kang
April 12 Craig Bartley
April 19 Dr. Bo Young Kang
April 26 Greg Silliman

Readers in April

April 5 Karen Pease
April 12 Felicia Page
April 19 Amy Horst
April 26 Alice Crandell

BoYoung Announces Music Schedule for April

April 5 Anthem
April 12 Solo
April 19 Anthem
April 26 Solo

**The choir will
rehearse weekly
but not sing
weekly.**



Schedule for Our Ushers

First Sunday: Gary Edwards and Judy Ganoom
Second Sunday: Felicia and Arnie Page
Third Sunday: Sandy Hill and Dan Twietmeyer
Fourth Sunday: Kelly and Avery Staples

April 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
			1 Pastoral Visits
			5 <i>Easter</i> Singer Warmup 9:30 am MLC and KCCM Worship Service: 10:00 am Continental Breakfast Before and After
12 Pastor Mary on vacation. <i>Season of Easter</i> Singer Warmup 9:30 am MLC Worship Service: 10:00 am Coffee & Fellowship: 11:15 am Choir Practice: 11:15 am KCCM Prayer Time: 12:30 pm KCCM Worship 1:00 pm	13	14 Staff Meeting: 9:00 am All Committees Night 6:30 pm	15 Quilters: 9:30 am Pastoral Visits
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THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>2 Maundy Thursday</p> <p>Agape Meal in Annex 6:00 pm Worship in Sanctuary to follow</p>	<p>3 Good Friday</p> <p>Service: 12:00 pm</p>	<p>4 Holy Saturday</p> <p>Service: 12:00 pm Decorating for Easter: 1:30 pm Pastoral Visits</p>
9	10 Pastor Mary on Vacation	11
		Confirmation Mentoring: 11:15 am
<p>16 Pastor Mary is off. Pastor Mary at Toledo Conference meeting: 9:00 am Park UCC</p>	<p>17 Pastor Mary is off but has Conference Calls: 11:00 am and 1:00 pm</p>	<p>18 Acts Bible Study: 10:00 am KCCM - Healing Hearts Grief Group with potluck Open to Memorial as well Apostles' Hall: 10:00 am Confirmation Mentoring: 11:15 am</p>
<p>23 Pastor Mary is off.</p>	<p>24 Pastor Mary is off but has a Conference Call: 1:00 pm</p>	<p>25 Acts Bible Study: 10:00 am Confirmation Mentoring: 11:15 am</p> <p>Executive Council Meeting 12:00 PM</p>
<p>30 Pastor Mary is off.</p>	<p>Small Group Council Meeting May 12 Ascension May 14 Pentecost May 24 Synod Assembly May 30 Confirmation May 31 Small Group Council Meeting June 9 Congregational Meeting July 19</p>	



Going forward, let us review Pastor Mary's weekly schedule.

- Pastor Mary should not be contacted on Thursday or Friday unless it is an definite emergency. She has one conference call at 1:00 pm on Fridays and once a month at 11:00 am. One Thursday a month, she will be attending a Toledo Conference meeting at 9:00 am.

If a definite emergency comes up, please do contact Pastor Mary.

She does welcome calls on her regular workdays.

Pastor Mary will be on vacation until April 13. Pastor Irene will be on call; her number is 419-297-7587. Second on call, Deaconess Chaplain Ann Augustin at 419-350-3846.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO BETTER KNOW GOD

The Sunday Morning Adult & Youth Forum on “Isaiah”

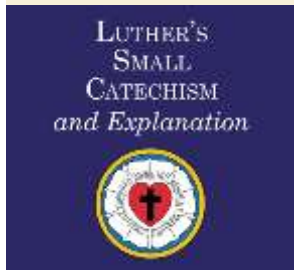
Mary Martha Lounge



This Biblical book is amazing. The prophet looks back as far as Abraham and forward to the new heaven and earth. He prophesies about his nations situation as well as being an access of hope and promise in our society today. He steps into human crisis with the message of God, the source of power, peace, justice and promise. Join us on the first Sunday, May 3, at 8:30 am to 9:15 am to be made new in the presence of Emmanuel, God with us—long foretold, but very present and active today and into eternity. **(No class Easter Sunday)**



Gatherings on Saturday Morning resumes Saturday, April 18, at 10:00 am Bible Study in the Mary Martha Lounge



Luther's “Small Catechism” for Confirmands at 11:15 am - in the Mary Martha Lounge

Luther's “Small Catechism” for Confirmands, and Mentors. We will be looking at the Confessions, the Sacraments, the 10 Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, and the Office of the Keys. Confirmands are asked to attend the Adult Forum on Sunday, as well. Confirmation mentoring going on in April. On May 31, Reece will be confirmed.

- **Healing Hearts Grief Support Group**, sponsored by KCCM, is open to members of both congregations. Each third Saturday of the month at 10:00 am, they meet in the Mary Martha Lounge. A potluck is part of their activities. The next date is April 18.



We Are Collecting

SCHOOL SUPPLIES - Please put items in the box labeled School Supplies in the Welcome Center.

OLD EYE-GLASSES - Please put your items in the box labelled eye glasses in the cloak room.

ALUMINUM CAN TOP TAB PULLS - Please put your items in the box labelled tabs in the cloak room.

COATS - MMH 419 is distributing coats and other items. A box is located in the main Welcome Center for your donation.

FOOD FOR LSS - They also have a box located in the main Welcome Center for your donation. See the next announcement.

Our Mission to Collect Food for Lutheran Social Services

We are beginning to collect food items for the pantry at LSS. If you are can purchase any of these items:



- Peanut butter, Pasta, and Cereal
- Canned soup, fruits, vegetables, stew, fish, and beans
- Baking mixes (cake, cookie, etc.) and frostings/condiments

Bring them to church and find boxes in the Welcome Centers to place what you bought.

Talk with Ken Richmond on how you can order food items online.



When leaving a voicemail after hours for Pastor Mary, press 2, not 1, as the recorded message asks. We will get this fixed as soon as possible. Until then, do not leave confidential email messages. These messages for Pastor Mary go directly to her email address, and she is alerted. Please leave for emergency messages only.

If using the lift and a problem occurs, there is a number to call Pastor Mary directly. Please use it.

Mission Outreach Ministry Update - Amy Horst

Our Ministry delivered the large accumulation of the aluminum pull top tabs to Ronald McDonald house this month. The representative from the house was very happy to see the donation, as they recycle them and use the proceeds to help support the families that stay at the Ronald McDonald house. Please continue to bring in your pull tabs from any aluminum can and place them in the designated box in the narthex coat room.

We also want to report that the organizations that are renting space from us have moved in to their respective rooms in the basement this month. We welcome Zach Crowe's team from Mission Mental Health and Valerie Powell and her team from Cradle4Youth. We are so excited to have you here!



Happening in April

On the last Wednesday of each month
MMH of Toledo is hosting a community meal
downstairs in the social hall at 6:00 pm.
MMH of Toledo is asking for our help to engage
with folks at the meal.

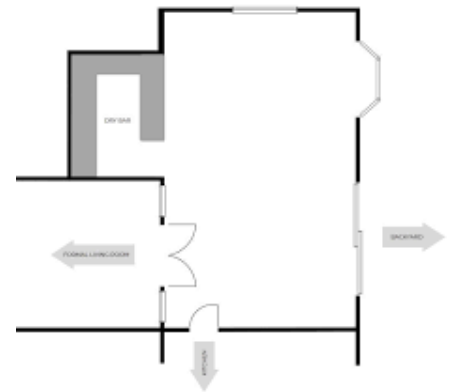


New Room Assignments

1. MMH of Toledo is using/renting classrooms 1 & 2 in the basement & 1 storage room.
2. Cradle4Youth is using/renting classrooms 3 & 4 in the basement.
3. KCCM is using/renting the Sanctuary on Sunday afternoons, the lounge on the third Saturday of the month, and the second classroom upstairs.

We welcome them and will be sharing in ministry with them.

Please refrain from going into their rooms.





- 3 Avery Staples
- 11 Ryan Klawonn
- 24 Abigail Barshel
- 27 Carol Topolski
- 30 Dan Twietmeyer

When new information is received, we update our records in Shepherd Staff. If you are active at Memorial and have a February birthday but did not see it on the list above, please let the office know by calling 419-472-2161.

Remember in Your Prayers

Homebound

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| Bob Rank | Myrtle Scheibert |
| Emma Ersepke | Nancy Churchill |
| Dave Gilbert | Betty Seagert |
| Lavisa Gehring | Carol Topolski |
| Sally Paquette | |

Health, Wholeness, and Healing

Aaron from Patron Saints

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| Claudia Sauer | Marcene Jackson |
| Andrea Wellman | Susan Hall |
| Terri Storer | Tony Blue |
| Alice Crandell | Joyce Starr |
| Edward, Mikaela & Oliver Sheets | |
| Sandy Hill | Joe Lutz |

Serving Our Country

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| Ryan Woods | Henry Kozak |
| Dustin Pawloski | Henry Sheets |
| Reid Leslie | Elijah Gilbert |
| Issac Sheets | |

Families in Grief

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| Fred Schaefer | Kevin Natter |
| Barb Schulze | David Nodine |
| Diane Calcamuggio | Mike Brady |
| Alicia Fessel (Nodine) | David Wellman |
| Dee Carew | Craig Pym |
| Rick Adelsberger | Peggy Scholl |
| Russel Pfeiffle | |
| Mary Anne Herbert | |



The Apostles' Hall

This large banquet hall is available for use most days of the week. It provides tables and cloths, chairs and covers, a number of décor decorations, and a monitor for viewing home-made videos. Although a caterer is necessary because the kitchen is unavailable, it still would be a great help for larger gatherings. Let your friends know about this room.

Regaining Our Presence Online as of March 2026

	YouTube
Mar. 1	7
Mar. 8	10
Mar. 15	12
Mar. 22	12
	Total 41
	Average 10

	Facebook Viewed
Mar. 1	162
Mar. 4	222
Mar. 8	414
Mar. 11	347
Mar. 15	208
Mar. 18	196
Mar. 22	35
	Total 1,884
	Average 269

	TikTok
Mar. 1	118
Mar. 8	176
Mar. 22	141
	Total 435
	Average 145



We Are Now on TikTok

To see the video's click on the QR Code

This QR Code will take you to TIKTOK. Before you can watch or listen you may need to download the TikTok app on your phone.



Servers from
MMH of
Toledo with
Pastor Mary

2026 Chili Cook-off Winner
Chipotle Pineapple Pork Chili
Congratulations Dan Twietmeyer!
(Dan used these brands)

INGREDIENTS

- 1 pound ground Pork
- 1 - 15-ounce can dark red Kidney Beans, rinsed and drained (Bush's)
- 1 - 8-ounce can Tomato Sauce (Contadina)
- 1 - 4-ounce can mild Green Chilies (La Preferida)
- 1 - 16-ounce can Pineapple Chunks (Dole)
- 1 - 16-ounce jar Chipotle Pineapple Salsa (Stonewall Kitchen)
- 1 - Tablespoon of Chili Powder (McCormick)
- 1 - Teaspoon Chipotle Chili Pepper (Kroger)
- 1 - Teaspoon Cumin (Private Selection)

DIRECTIONS

Brown pork & drain

Stir all ingredients into a 3-quart crackpot (pork, kidney beans, tomato sauce, green chilies, pineapple chunks, salsa, and seasoning).

Cook in crackpot on low setting for 8 hours **(best results cook for 2-3 hours the night before, refrigerate, then reheat chili for the remainder of the 8 hours)**

Stir every hour (if possible)

Pastor Mary's Home

CHIPOTLE PINEAPPLE SALSA

If you can't find Chipotle Pineapple Salsa you can make it as follows:

Add 1/3 to 1/2 cup of crushed pineapple to regular salsa, season with chipotle chili pepper to taste.



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Worship is on Facebook and YouTube

Worship at Memorial is streamed live on YouTube at 10:00 am and recorded for viewing whenever you are able. Pastor Mary is taping the service to upload to Facebook live or can be viewed later

Handicap Accessibility Options

A ramp is available from street level to the Sanctuary level.

A lift is available between floors.

For those with a hearing loss, hearing devices are available during the service at the Media Desk.

Like larger print? The bulletin is available in a regular and large print format.



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