

The Newsletter of Community Church

March 2024 Pastor's Letter

Grace and peace to you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; grace that provides divine assistance for daily living and peace to comfort us through all circumstances of life through the power of Holy Spirit! We have had an unusual winter, starting cold and snowy, now unusually warm. This weather reminds us of the warm breezes of spring!

For Christians, the day that assures us of the coming of spring, is Easter!

For the past several weeks, we have been focusing on what the church would look like if we were more like the early church.

Now, we start preparing for Easter, the day that transformed humanity. The disciples didn't realize the significance of the events that were unfolding before them! **Think of the disciple John**, he didn't understand that Friday's tragedy would turn to Sunday's triumph. In fact, John later admitted in the Gospel of John 20:9, he "did not yet understand from the Scriptures that Jesus must rise from the dead."

But what John did (or didn't do) on Saturday was very important! While we don't know much about what happened the Saturday after Jesus was crucified; we know on Sunday, Mary Magdalene knew where to find John. John's friend and Savior was dead and buried. Even though the disciples believed the Jewish leaders would be coming for them, John didn't run! Why? John admitted, as far as he knew, Jesus was gone forever and he wasn't expecting a Sunday resurrection

So why did John stay? I think it was because John promised to take care of Jesus' mother; or maybe, John stuck around because he loved Jesus!

John had a habit staying close to Jesus! He was close to Jesus in the upper room and in the Garden of Gethsemane. John was at the foot of the cross at the crucifixion, and a quick walk from the tomb after the burial. You don't abandon a friend - even if your friend is dead, so John stayed close. John didn't understand what has happening that weekend, but he never left Jesus!

What would you do when you are in John's position? When it's Saturday in your life, and you are between yesterday's tragedy and tomorrow's triumph, what do you do? Do you leave God—or stay close? John chose to stay close, and because he stayed close on Saturday, he was around on Sunday to see the Resurrection miracle!

Jesus Christ took our sin and the death it brings, rose from the dead that Resurrection morning and conquered sin and death. That is why Easter is forever, and why we have new life instead of death; liberty instead of bondage; joy instead of sorrow. Because Jesus lives - we live! *That's the message we proclaim at the Community Church; and the promise from God you can claim because of the resurrection of Jesus!*

That's also the core ministry of the Community Church, sharing the Message of hope and grace of Resurrection Sunday.

This Easter, I invite you to prayerfully consider inviting a friend (Who is not attending another church) to come to church with you Easter Morning! Use the Easter Invitation Cards found in the Church Lobby and place a yard sign in front of your home! Pray that God will move in the heart of those you invite and that they hear the Gospel message of grace and love!

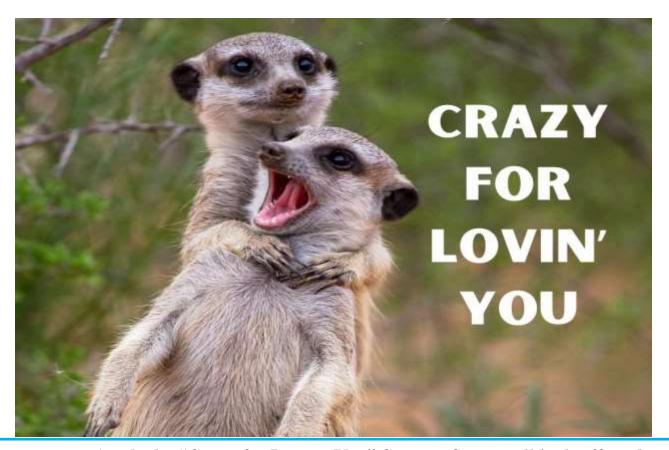
I also invite you to prayerfully consider a special Easter Offering for the Preschool Ministry! They are working hard to provide a high quality Christian programming for preschool children!

Maybe you see it as a praise and thanksgiving offering for the Resurrection.

Maybe you see it as an Easter memorial to the great sacrifice Christ made on the cross.

Whatever you may want to call it, please prayerfully consider what the Lord would have you do and follow His leading. Your regular giving and Special Easter Offering will be used to share the good news of Resurrection Sunday with those who are living a "Saturday Life." Remember, it may be Friday, but Sunday's coming!

Ministering together, Pastor Bill Busch



Beginning in April, the "Crazy for Loving You" Sermon Series will kick off with a Weekend Conference with author, speaker, minister Bruce Van Natta who will teach about the tools and weapons of 11 Corinthians 10:4-6 that the Lord provides for us so we can live the powerful, victorious Christian life we were created for. This series will help us understand how we can use these tools and weapons in the relationships that drive us crazy. Whether it's a spouse, a significant other, sibling, parent, co-worker, relative, or that one person who loves causing crazy in your life. This series will help bring sanity and transformation into your relationships, so you not only survive - but thrive.

We continue with our RESTORE Sermon Series and Easter Worship throughout March and begin Crazy for Lovin' You Sermon Series April 7th, 2024.

Sunday, April 7- Bruce Van Netta

Sunday, April 14 - Freedom from Crazy Relationships James 3:13-18

Sunday, April 21– Freedom from Pushed Buttons and Pulled Chains Proverbs 12:16

Sunday, April 28 - Freed to Clear Conflict Romans 12:17-18

Join us at 8:00 or 9:30am

Livestreamed on Facebook and CommunityChurchWaterford.org





Sunday, March 3rd



GIRLS JUST WANNA HAUE FUN DANCE PARTY!

SATURDAY, MARCH 2ND 6:30-9PM COMMUNITY CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL

LADIES OF ALL-AGES ARE INUITED TO JOIN!



Calling ladies of all ages!

Join in on Saturday, March 2nd from 6:30-9pm for the Girls Just Wanna Have Fun dance party!!

There will be a fun photo booth to take snap shots but we ask that other than the photo booth, please no pictures or videoing.

Pizza, snacks and root beer floats will be provided.

A perfect opportunity to invite your girl friends to come have some fun at Community Church!



Join us for the Men's Breakfast 8:00AM

POSTPONED until

Saturday, March 9th, 2024

A perfect opportunity to get connected!



Have you ever had the chance so walk through or check out The Way to Grow Preschool? Palm Sunday will be an opportunity to do just that! Our wonderful teachers and school board members will be available to give tours and answer any questions you may have. The preschool will be open *after first worship service through second service.* Come check out all things Preschool!



You're invited to
Easter Worship
He Is Risen!
Sunday, March 31st
8:00am and 9:30am
services

There are invitation cards in the Lobby for you to invite your friends and family to rejoice with us Easter morning.



Have you ever thought about helping others through the grief process?

GriefShare is a wonderful way to guide people through their grief to find hope after the death of a loved one.

Please consider joining Fay Tichy and Bernie Mann in the new GriefShare session beginning Tuesday, January 2 at 1pm or any Monday thereafter during the 13 week session.

Come and see how beautiful it is to lead people through this material helping them find relief, support, direction, and healing.

Maybe you'll find it's the perfect ministry for you!!!

To our Church Family,

WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS THE GRATITUDE THAT
WE FEEL FOR EACH OF YOU. YOUR LOVE AND
SUPPORT DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME OF LOSING
OUR SON RYAN MEANT SO MUCH TO US. WE
WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO HELPED IN ANY
WAY DURING AND AFTER RYAN'S FUNERAL. YOU
ALL MADE A DIFFICULT TIME A LITTLE EASIER.

with love, Dan, Wendy & Family

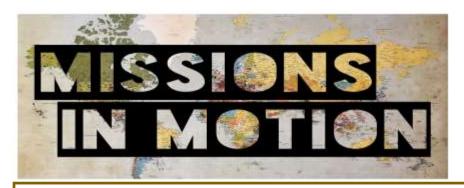






VISITATION AND CARE MINISTER

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Community Church Missions collects monthly for a variety of organizations who appreciate our contributions to their cause!

M & M (has replaced the Noisy Can Collection)

A new name supporting the organizations that touch our hearts!

Sunday, March 10th - M&M Collection Changing a Destiny

Please prayerfully consider supporting this amazing organization Look for the orange M & M Containers!

MISSIONS IN MOTION

SECOND SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH

SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH

Changing a Destiny

Changing a Destiny is a non-profit organization founded to improve the lives of children in the poorest countries in Kenya. They have been established to educate children and provide a brighter future, creating future Christian leaders in the process. As we do this, we keep Christ as the reason we do everything.

They have purchased 2 acres of land and have fully funded a church to be built. Along with this they are planning to build a school to educate the children. Please prayerfully consider donating to this wonderful organization.

SERVE SATURDAY!



Community Church Missions Ministry has an opportunity for you! We will be reaching out to our local community with hands on service with this opportunity being held each month.

Community Church will be missionaries serving in our local area.

What is Serve Saturday?

Serve Saturday is an opportunity for our church members to be directly involved in Missions Ministry by being the hands, feet and heart of Jesus in our local community.

When is Serve Saturday?

Serve Saturday will be held the first Saturday of each month from 9:30 AM – 1PM, following Men's Breakfast. *Saturday, March 2nd*

How will people in the community recognize us as being there to help?

T-shirts! We will have T-shirts made with a logo that represents this part of our Missions Ministry. Each person participating will be asked to purchase the shirt for \$10 and it can be worn to all future days that they participate in Serve Saturday.

What will Serve Saturday projects look like?

Projects will be identified by the Missions Ministry and may include opportunities like:

Helping seniors in our community with home maintenance, cleaning or other needs

Assisting one of our mission partners with needs they may have at their location

Assisting a veteran with needs they may have in their home

These are just examples of how we anticipate spreading the love of Jesus in our community!

More information is available at the table in the church lobby. Please consider joining us!

Galatians 5:13 "You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your

freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love."



His Kids children (K-Grade 5) continues with exploring the Fruit of the Spirit—ways God changes our lives.

Childrens Church will meet during the month of March, with the exception of Easter when it will be a family worship time with no Childrens Church meeting.

Palm Sunday - Children are encouraged to attend both the 8am and 9:30am services to help lead celebrating Jesus! There will be activities during both services on Palm Sunday.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT!!!

Our next Family Fun Night is

scheduled for

Friday, April 19th

from 5:30-7pm.





Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered,

12 step recovery program for anyone struggling with hurts, habits or hangups of any kind. Celebrate Recovery is a safe place to find

community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our life.

Continuing on Tuesday evenings throughout March - 6:00-8:30 pm.

Enter through the second set of doors on the back of the building. (Door #8)

Ministry Leaders: Scott Swartz - email: bullsitool@yahoo.com

Sue Huerta - email: vipsue@live.com

Scott: 630-478-3968

Sue: 262-994-0116

6:00 pm Food, Fellowship and Welcome

6:30-7 pm, Worship

7-7:30 pm, Lessons and Testimonials

7:30-8:30 pm Small Group Sessions



Anyone in need of groceries is welcome. The third Wednesday of the month, Misfits for Jesus joins the Food Pantry with free weather appropriate clothing of all sizes. Please help spread the word about our wonderful Food Pantry!





NEW INFORMATION REMINDERS

Website:

CommunityChurchWaterford.org

Email:

CommunityChurchWaterford@gmail.com

Giving Info On Checks:

Community Church Waterford

CCW

New Prayer Email:

CCWPrayer@communitychurchwaterford.org



Check out our APP by scanning the QR code or downloading on your IPhone or Android, search: Community Church Waterford





Scan the QR Code to the left

It will take you directly to the Community Church App! Your online giving, connect cards, how to get involved, your Bible, sermon notes and more.

Everything all in one place!





His Loving Arms Senior Program

Meets every second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

Fellowship, devotions, games, snacks, birthday celebrations.
March 12th & 26th

Grief Share is a support group that meets weekly. Each week is a stand alone session,

so you are welcome to join at any time.

The care you need, information you can trust.

Current session continues Monday afternoons from 1-3PM until the end of March.

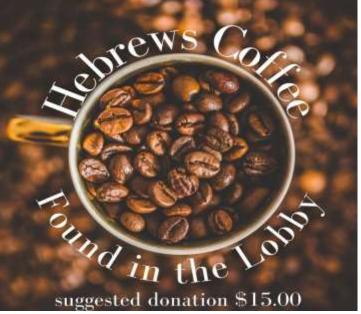
Facilitators:

Bernie Mann - 262-498-2700

Fay Tichy - 262-930-9488







March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	9:30AM-1PM Serve Saturday 6:30-9PM Ladies Dance Party!
3 Communion	1PM Worship Design 1-3PM Grief Share	5 1PM Staff Meeting 6:00-8:30PM Celebrate Recovery	6 3:45-5:45 PM Food Pantry 5:30-7PM His Kids/Youth Group	7 3-4PM Tea at Three 6:30PM Praise Team	8	9 8:00AM Men's Breakfast
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24/31 Palm Sunday *Preschool Open House for the Congregation*	25 1-3PM Grief Share (last meeting of this session)	26 6:00-8:30PM Celebrate Recovery	5:30-7PM His Kids/Youth Group	28 3-4PM Tea at Three 6:30PM Praise Team	6:30PM Good Friday Worship Service	30
31 Easter Sunday! Easter Breakfast begins at 8:30AM						

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Glorify God Encourage One Another Share Jesus



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Worship Services at 8 & 9:30 AM

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