

Dwight - Mooreton Lutheran Parish

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Lenten Service Schedule

Please come and worship with us during our Wednesday Lenten and Holy Week Worship services.

The schedule is as follows:

March 1	7:00 p.m.	Mooreton
March 8	7:00 p.m.	Faith
March 15	7:00 p.m.	Mooreton
March 22	7:00 p.m.	Faith
March 29	7:00 p.m.	Mooreton
April 6 <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	7:00 p.m.	Mooreton
April 7 <i>Good Friday</i>	7:00 p.m.	Faith
April 9 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	8:30 a.m.	Mooreton Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Faith Worship

Sunday School parents-
Please mark your calendars. The children will be singing during Worship at Faith on Palm Sunday. (April 2). If you have any questions please feel free to contact me. Thank you! ~Tertia



Ushers

Mooreton: Brad & Joey Glarum

Church Council

Faith Church Council

Next meeting: March 8 following Lenten Worship.

Mooreton Church Council

Council members will be contacted with the date of the next meeting.

Church Women

Mooreton Church Women

March 20 at 6:30 p.m.

We will be doing spring cleaning tonight, everyone is welcome/encouraged to come help out. Please help out during the month with cleaning during March.

Faith Church Women

will not meet in March.



Mooreton Coffee Servers

March

- 5 - Karlene Ellingson
- 12 - Amanda Ward
- 19 - Aimee Skovholt
- 26 - Ruth Johnson



Faith Altar Guild

- March Valerie & Diane
- April Terry & Colleen
- May Vaughan & Wendy
- June Toviao & Linda



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Sun

Mon


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Fri

Sat

			1 7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship at Mooreton	2	3	4
5 <i>2nd Sunday in Lent - Purple</i> 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:20 Sunday School 10:30 Faith Worship	6	7	8 5:30 p.m. Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship at Faith 7:45 p.m. Faith Church Council	9	10	11
12 <i>3rd Sunday in Lent</i>  8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 10:30 Faith Worship	13	14	15 <i>Newsletter Info Due to Tertia</i> 7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship at Mooreton	16	17 	18
19 <i>4th Sunday in Lent - Purple</i> 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:20 Sunday School 10:30 Faith Worship	20 6:30 p.m. Mooreton Church Cleaning	21	22 7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship at Faith	23	24	25
26 <i>5th Sunday in Lent - Purple</i> 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:20 Sunday School 10:30 Faith Worship	27	28	29 5:30 p.m. Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship at Mooreton	30	31 	

JOIN US FOR
PTO FUN NIGHT

March 24, 2023, 5-8pm
Richland High School in Colfax

Community Dinner

Baked potato bar with various meat and vegetarian topping options, mixed greens salad, chips, dessert, and a drink for \$10

Come for the dinner, stay for the fun!

- \$2,000 in raffle cash prizes (contact an elementary student or either school for tickets)
- New and classic Fun Night games
- Concessions available all night

Bring your family, friends, and neighbors!

March Birthdays

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| March 2 | Nancy Hegseth |
| March 4 | McKenzie Roob |
| March 10 | Jason Steger |
| March 12 | Amie Benedict |
| March 13 | Hailey Helgeson |
| March 15 | Jeremy Jensen |
| March 22 | Steve Worner |
| March 25 | Addie Christensen |
| March 29 | Cody West |

If we missed your birthday, please let us know. We may not have your birthday on file.



Dear friends,

I am writing this on the day after we had to cancel Ash Wednesday services due to the blizzard that was taking place that day. I have to admit it was quite a contrast to what I was experiencing a little over two weeks ago when Wallyn and I had the privilege of traveling to sites sacred to our faith in the Holy Land. I had expressed to our council presidents, Ruth Johnson and Kyle Christensen that traveling to Israel would be to fulfill a lifelong dream and I was hoping for a time of spiritual renewal, for both Wallyn and myself.

And that happened as we were blessed to have a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, to have water from the Jordan River traced on our foreheads, to see the place where our Lord preached the Beatitudes. When we went to the Church built in the area of Cana of Galilee, where Jesus performed His first miracle, that of changing water into wine, Wallyn and I were privileged to renew our wedding vows. WOW!

I have to say that the most incredible experience, one that bordered on overwhelming happened when we visited the Garden of Olives, and saw the excavated ruins of the home of the High Priest Caiaphas and then visited the place where Scholars believe Jesus was held during his arrest and then moved on to visit the Garden Tomb where, again many scholars believe His body was placed and the angels announced Jesus' resurrection, to the women who had the courage to go to the tomb to anoint His body with spices.

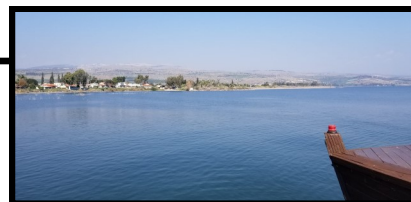
These are some of the things I learned. To begin with, the place where Jesus was held after His arrest and interrogation by the High Priest and members of the Sanhedrin was not at all like the kind of jail, I had always pictured it to be. One with bars with Roman soldiers standing guard outside. No, it is now believed that the jail Jesus was held in was a large room which resembles a vase, that is to say a room that was perhaps 20x40 feet in length and width and at least 20- 30 feet tall. Like a vase the only way into this "storage room" was to be let down from a small opening at the top of storage room. Caiaphas had used this room to store food and drink but had decided it would be the safest place to keep an eye on Jesus. The High Priest did not want to hazard any chance of Jesus' escaping his clutches. It also meant that Jesus would have been strapped into a shoulder harness in order to be lowered into the room, as well as to be enabled to be pulled up through the small opening at the top of the room, for His trial in front of Pontius Pilate. I am haunted by the vision of Jesus strapping himself into that harness knowing that He was being hoisted to his death. Secondly, I never realized that the tomb Jesus' body was laid in had two parts. A large room for preparing a body for burial and then, in this case, three stone slabs so that three bodies could be in the tomb at one time. I cannot put into words what it was to stand in the preparation room and look at the three slabs, imagining Jesus' body lying on the middle slab. And then, to imagine the angels announcing to the women, WHY ARE YOU LOOKING FOR THE LIVING AMONG THE DEAD." I felt closer to the actual experience of those women who ran from the tomb, filled with feelings of joy and dread. The truth of Jesus' resurrection has never burned brighter for Wallyn or for me.

Another experience was that of seeing the stone, every bit as large and heavy, also round, standing outside the opening to the tomb as well as a narrow row of stones about a foot in width and probably 10 feet in length that would have enabled the stone to be rolled to cover the tomb's entrance without slipping away from the soldiers sealing the tomb from anyone desiring to steal Jesus' body. Note: I would be remiss here not to mention that there is another site which for years was believed to be the site of Jesus' burial. A place now within the walls of the Church of the Holy Sepulcher The Garden Tomb was discovered many years later on an archeological dig and because of its proximity to the place of Jesus' crucifixion, Golgotha, has many scholars believing this is the actual site. I happen to agree with this assessment for what that is worth.

I could go on and on. Indeed, I will continue to share insights in little ways during our Lenten worship services but I think I probably should stop here.

Again, thank you for being so encouraging of our trip. It means the world. Now, as we head into spring may our services during Lent and the celebration of Easter create the deep sense of meaning and hope in each of our hearts.

Love in Christ,
Pastor Gordy



Pastor Gordy & Wallyn in a boat out on the Sea of Galilee.

***Information for the weekly bulletins is due to Tertia by **Wednesday at noon**.

***Information for the **April** newsletter **must** be in to Tertia by **March 15**.

***If you would prefer to receive the monthly newsletter via email versus a paper copy, please let Tertia know or send an email to:

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