

Refrigerator News

March 03, 2019



This Week at Lincolnshire

Monday, March 4

9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study
5:00 Open Gym Night

Wednesday, March 6

7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, March 7

7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
Dawson's

Next Sunday, March 10

First Sunday of Lent
POTLUCK

Baptisms of the Mann Family
DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

Reservations are still being accepted for the Women's **Retreat here at Lincolnshire** on Saturday March 30 with guest speaker Debbie Roth. The theme is "Spring Forward." The retreat begins at 9:00 and concludes at 2:00 with coffee, rolls and lunch provided. The cost is \$20. Please turn in your reservation by March 18 if you plan to attend. Sign up during Women's Bible Study on Mondays or at the Hospitality Table on Sunday morning.

Church growth and social media



As churches grow and adapt to the era of omnipresent Wi-Fi and smart phones, social media has become one of the most effective—and necessary—ways of reaching new members. Through Facebook postings of our many social events, we have seen and felt the excitement of new people coming to church on Sunday mornings, participating in worship services and yes, being baptized. Pastor Cheryl, with her ever-present cell phone camera has captured those happy times on power point and shared them with churches, with Timbercrest, when visiting homebound members and at our own church to help us celebrate and appreciate special events and sometimes, just ordinary moments. But we also realize that not everyone is comfortable having their photos taken and/or having them posted on Facebook. If you prefer not to have your picture taken, please notify Pastor Cheryl, Sara Loutsenhizer or Jan Williams. Just let us know by email, note or in person so that we are aware of your wishes. Thanks!

*"I think Jesus is divine love manifest on Earth,
as it comes through the community of Christians." ~ Anne Lomont*

Herb and I want to thank our loving Lincolnshire "community" for their cards, prayers, thoughts and attentions through these difficult days of my illness. No matter how dark the day, no matter how rough the road, you were right there beside us with your loving support. We know not what lies ahead of us but we do know that you will be there with us and for that, we give our deepest thanks.



~ Herb and Dorothy Tripp



March 2	Margaret Pletcher
March 8	Alberta Ilnicki
March 9	Jeff Terrell
March 10	Bill Leverton
March 15	Heather Grady
March 21	Lucas Kolb
March 22	Tom Dawson
March 29	Alivia Carter
March 30	Allen Shaw
March 31	Russell Muex

Don't forget to set all your watches, clocks, microwaves, stoves, car clocks, and all other time telling devices forward an hour on **March 10!** Church services begin at the regular time.



A look ahead at our Lent Season

We want to keep you and your loved ones aware of the activities during Lent Season that begins Wednesday, March 6. As you know, Lent season lasts for 40 days, ending with Easter sunrise service at 7:30 a.m. Keep in mind that our regular schedule is 9:00 a.m. S.S. classes, worship at 10:15 with coffee and donuts in between. Here are dates/times to keep in mind.

Wednesday, March 6 - Ash Wednesday Service, 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 10, 17, 24 and 31 – Regular Service Times

Sunday, April 7 and 14 (Palm Sunday) – Regular Service Times

Thursday, April 18 – Maundy Thursday, full communion at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 21 – Sunrise Service at 7:30 a.m.

Followed by breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Worship Service at 9:00 a.m.

No Sunday school classes/children or adults



The symbolism of ashes

This Wednesday March 6, is the first day of Lent and an Ash Wednesday Service will be held at Lincolnshire beginning at 7:00 p.m. During this service, Pastors Paul and Cheryl will make a cross of ashes on our foreheads. The ashes are made by burning the palm branches from last year's Palm Sunday.

God's people have used ashes as a sign of mourning, humiliation and penitence. In the Old Testament, ashes were used as a purification offering. The New Testament speaks of repenting in "sackcloth and ashes" (Luke 10:13, NRSV). On Ash Wednesday, we begin the season of Lent, knowing that it leads to resurrection on Easter Sunday. Please plan to attend this Wednesday as we begin our journey together through Lent.



Why do we baptize?

Jesus invites us to baptize one another as a marker along our journey of following him. Being baptized in public celebrates that we have received God's forgiveness. Baptism symbolizes our participation in the church, the body of Christ, the ways we share in what God is doing in the world through our gifts, talents, and whole life. Following the potluck dinner on Sunday, March 10, we celebrate the baptisms of the Mann family with Rick, Bethany, Raeanna and Nevaeh into God's kingdom and into membership at Lincolnshire.