



*March 2022*

# Good News

**Mt Zion – St Luke Lutheran**

## March 2022

**3-1** Centering Prayer 8:30a  
**Pancake Supper**, 6:30pm

**3-2** Ash Wednesday 6:30p

**3-6** S.S. 10 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
*Online Option*  
Soup & Small Group after  
worship

**3-8** Centering Prayer 8:30a

**3-12** Coogle Wedding  
Shower 10:30 -12:00 p.m.

**3-13** Council 8:45a  
S.S. 10 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
*Online option*  
Soup & Small Group  
after worship  
Confirmation with PB

**3-15** No Centering Prayer  
PB on vacation 3/15-3/20

**3-20** S.S 10 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
*Online option*  
Soup & Small Group after  
worship  
**Newsletter Deadline**

**3-22** No Centering Prayer  
PB at Dean's retreat

**3-27** S.S 10 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
*Online Option*  
Soup & Small Group after  
worship

**3-29** Centering Prayer 8:30a



## *A Note from the Pastor...*

Dear Members of MZSL, in our February newsletter, we let you all know that we will resume our Congregation Vitality Process that we had been working on before the pandemic hit and changed all our plans. We, like Christian churches all over the globe, have been wondering how we might best serve God and our neighbor in these challenging times. Now, more than ever, we need to come together as a people of God to finish our discernment process as to who we are, why we are here, and what God would have us do to meet the needs of our neighbors in Oglethorpe. Lent is the perfect time for searching our hearts and asking for God's direction as to what ministry opportunities we should engage in.

The best way to learn the needs of the people who live in the shadow of our steeple is to ask them! This is the schedule we have planned to lead us in our Lenten process of discernment:

**Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>:** After worship and lunch, Pastor Barb will lead us in a short devotion. She will then give a brief run-down of the prayers we listed in our previous small group prayer meetings before the pandemic hit. We will then break out into Small Groups only long enough for each of us to choose a name or two apiece from a list of businesspersons, city officials, agencies or neighbors to contact in the next two weeks. We will ask them three simple questions aimed at identifying the needs in our community.

**Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>** After Soup, Our Small Groups will meet to share learnings from our first week of contacts, writing down our findings. It may take a while for everyone to reach the person or agency they have chosen, so we will continue to reach out until Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. *Pastor Barb will meet with Confirmation Class.*

**Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>,** After Soup, we will continue our small groups to finish sharing our listenings from our neighbors with the group. By the end of this small group meeting, each group will have a list of needs and possible ministry opportunities for MZSL to consider.

**Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** .After Soup, we will gather as a large group and compare lists, combine any similar ideas and organize needs into possible ministry opportunities. We will all take the list home and pray on it.

**Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>,** After Soup, we will gather as a large group and choose one or two ministries we want to engage in as a congregation to begin in 2022. We will work out a timeline, who will lead it, funding, etc.

In order for this to work, we need each of us to be invested in the ministry we choose to support. We need the input of every member, so please make every effort to participate in this vital work of our church. Thank you in advance for your prayers as to how MZSL can best be of service and represent Christ as a part of Oglethorpe and our surrounding communities.

**Blessings, Pastor Barb <><**

**Matthew 5:16**

### *From The Stewardship Committee*



It is truly a blessing to be a member of MZSL Lutheran church. As members, you all serve and volunteer as needed to help in any situation. Many of you do it without being asked or without any recognition. A heartfelt THANKS to all of you that go above and beyond to teach, sing, minister, and donate your time and money to be Christian stewards for our church family and community.

The stewardship committee is still collecting and recycling aluminum cans to help the environment. If you are interested in recycling aluminum cans ONLY, (NO food cans or pie plates) bring and put in bins behind small storage building at the church by the last Wednesday of each month. Also, our litter pick up day in January was cancelled due to the very cold temperature and high winds. The next litter pick up day will be in April (specific date and time will be posted in the April newsletter). If you have any questions, please call David Haigler.



Two bluebird houses have been mounted around the church grounds. Hopefully, the houses will attract these beautiful creatures to live on the church grounds to be enjoyed by all, except Pastor Barb and Duck's cats.

*Diane Cagle, Chair of the Stewardship Committee*

### **Coogle's Wedding Shower**

We will have a wedding shower for Courtney Coogle on Saturday, March 12th from 10:30 to 12:00 to celebrate her upcoming marriage to Jase and to surround her with our prayers.



**AN IRISH BLESSING FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

**MAY THE ROAD RISE TO MEET YOU,**

**MAY THE WIND BE ALWAYS AT YOUR BACK.**

**MAY THE SUN SHINE WARM UPON YOUR FACE,**

**THE RAINS FALL SOFT UPON YOUR FIELDS,**

**AND UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN,**

**MAY GOD HOLD YOU IN THE PALM OF HIS HAND.**





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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		1 Centering Prayer 8:30a Pancake Supper 6:30p	2 Ash Wed Service 6:30 p.m. Jimmy Watson	3  April Martin	4	5
6 S.S. 10 a.m. Worship 11 am <i>Online option</i> Soup & small group after worship	7	8 Centering Prayer 8:30 a.m.	9	10	11	12  Coogle Wedding Shower 10:30 – 12p
13 Council 8:45 am S.S. 10 a.m. Worship 11 am <i>Online option</i> Soup & small group after worship Confirmation class with PB	14  Winn Martin	15 <b>No</b> Centering Prayer. PB on vacation  <hr style="width: 100%; border: 0.5px solid black;"/>	16	17  <b>PB Vacation</b>	18  Phillip & Carla Stuckey	19 Women on the ELCA Lunch 9:30-3p
20 S.S. 10 a.m. Worship 11:00 a <i>Online Option</i> Soup & small group after worship  <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>  →	21 PB on Dean's retreat	22 <b>No</b> Centering Prayer  PB on Dean's retreat	23 No Centering Prayer PB on retreat  Patsy English	24 PB at Synod for vow renewal all morning	25	26
27 S.S. 10 a.m. Worship 11:00a <i>Online option</i> Soup & small group  Landon Martin	28	29 Centering Prayer 8:30 a.m.  Jamey Cannon Jimmy & Mary Kay Watson	30  Jamey & Angela Cannon	31  Ivy Moretz Cazier		

## Serving Our Lord in March

<b>Ushers</b>	Jamey Cannon & Tommy Coogle
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Gail Coogle & Mary Lynn Robinson
<b>Lectors</b>	Karen Coogle & Mary Kay Watson
<b>Sound Technicians:</b>	Bobby Martin & Duck Koch
<b>Kyrie</b>	Tommy Martin
<b>Acolyte</b>	Dolice Choppla

**Family Day Meal : Soup and Small Group luncheon following worship**

**Coffee Hour: *No Coffee Hour until further notice.***

### **Flowers:**

- 3-06** Jim & Patricia Trask in honor of their children and grandchildren
- 3-13** Ann Coogle and Sara H Dawson in loving memory of Annette and Ed Coogle; Ed Coogle, Jr.
- 3-20** Jon and Karen Coogle in memory of Barbara and Bill Scovill
- 3-27** Joy McNutt in memory of Joe's grandmother, Ruth Shields

**Soup Kitchen: *No Soup Kitchen until further notice.***

**Youth:** Upstairs – Katie Felker, Angela Hobbs, & Renee Collier teaching.

**Adult:** *Lingle Room* – John Coogle & David Haigler teaching.

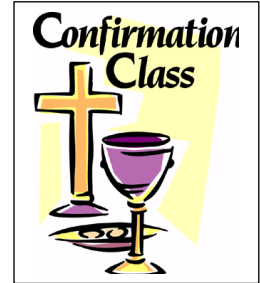
## March Birthdays and Anniversaries

03-02 Jimmy Watson	03-27 Landon Martin
03-03 April Martin	03-29 Jamey Cannon
03-14 Winn Martin	03-29 Jimmy & Mary Kay Watson
03-18 Phillip & Carla Stuckey	03-30 Jamey & Angela Cannon
03-23 Patsy English	03-31 Ivy Moretz Cazier

## Cinquain Poems from our Confirmation Youth

Last month, I included some of the Cinquain poems that our Confirmation Youth had written as part of their studies. A Cinquain poem uses the following pattern:

- 1 word as your Subject
- 2 words describing the subject
- 3 words describing the subject's activity
- 4 words describing your feelings about it
- 1 word with the same meaning as the subject.



The assignment was to read the Apostles Creed, pick a word that spoke to them and create the poem from that word as his or her Subject. This exercise helps us think about what we believe and deepens our understanding of the Apostles Creed as a way of expressing our faith. Here is another of our student's poems:

### **Dolice Choppla**

Arson  
Red hot  
Setting fire somewhere  
It catches my eye  
Pyromania

Be sure and let Dolice know that you read her poem! *Pastor Barb*



## Looking Ahead to our Holy Week Schedule for 2022

**Palm Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>:** .....Worship live at 11:00 a.m. with online option

**Maundy Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** ..... Worship live at 6:30 p.m. with online option

**Good Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>** ..... Worship live at 6:30 p.m. with online option

**Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, April 16<sup>th</sup>** ..Bonfire with Bible Readings, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

**Easter Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>** ..... Joint Sunrise Service around 7:00 a.m. at the Oglethorpe Cemetery, led by MZSL. *Breakfast to follow in the Lingle Room.*  
*Easter Sunday Worship Service* live at 11:00 am with online option at MZSL

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All women of Cluster 2 are invited to attend the 2020 spring Cluster Meeting to be hosted by Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 2922 Sandy Plains Road Marietta, Ga 30066 on Saturday, March 19, 2022, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person including lunch from Chicken Salad Chick. The theme will be: Together at the Table – Tasting Grace. Please bring towels, sheets, and/or children's undergarments for an ingathering to benefit Must Ministries, a non-profit that feeds and assists homeless and needy person in Cobb County.

If you would like to attend this luncheon, contact Pastor Barb

***Please help keep this prayer list current. Contact the Church Office to update list.***

***Pray for Members:*** Al Coogle, Brenden Fitzgerald, Jr, Emily Harvill, Myrtle Joiner, Zack Martin, Joy McNutt, Nancy and Mac McCarty, Helen Smith, Angie and Heather Summer, Tony Webb, our college students, and for all the ministries of our church.

***For Friends and Family:*** Carl Ethridge, Dan Harvill Jr., Carol Jacobs, Janice Haugabook, Cleveland Hobbs, Bob Melvin, Crystal Miller, Buddy Murph, Myra Odom, Charlene Oliver, Don Oliver, Leigh Powel, Ann Roberts, the family of Larry Smith, Judy Stegal, Marina's friend Chrystal, our nation, and the world.

***Serving our Nation:*** John Edwards