

**Good Friday
APRIL 18, 2024**



**WEEKLY WORSHIP
BULLETIN FOR
ST. JOHN'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF THE ERIE LUTHERAN PARISH**

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We welcome you to our congregation this weekend! We are glad to have you with us. We celebrate Holy Communion at every service. We believe that Christ is present in this meal of forgiveness and unconditional love. We welcome all to join us at the Lord's Table. If you choose not to commune, we welcome you to come forward for a blessing.

If you are new to us, everything you need for worship is projected on the screen and in this bulletin. Please feel free to use the red hymnal found in your pew, if you are more comfortable. The pages and hymn numbers are to the left of this bulletin.

Please join us for coffee after worship in the lobby.

Should you need a restroom, they are through the glass doors in the back of the nave (sanctuary) and down the hallway on your left. A family/handicap accessible restroom with baby changing station is available in the front lobby (Peach Street entrance).

TODAY'S THEME

Life and death stand side by side as we enter into Good Friday. In John's passion account, Jesus reveals the power and glory of God, even as he is put on trial and sentenced to death. Standing with the disciples at the foot of the cross, we pray for the whole world in the ancient bidding prayer, as Christ's death offers life to all. We gather in solemn devotion, but always with the promise that the tree around which we assemble is indeed a tree of life. We depart silently, and we anticipate the culmination of the Three Days in the Easter Vigil.

Today's Message

"It Is Finished"

by Rev. Ralph Mineo

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

OUR PRAYER LISTS:

Members: Barb Huff, Tom Tell, Nancy Varner, Janel Anderson, Carol Snippert, Cathy Goellner, Carolyn Sturtevant

Cancer treatments:

Friends of the congregation: Michelle, Baby Easton, Matt, Mary Bemis, Derf Hopsecger, Jonathan B., Joe Mineo, Heidi Sturtevant, Jill Eichner, Walter Ang, Charles Schlaufman, Rev. Bill Cox

Cancer Friends: Canda, Chris, Denny Hetrick

Pray for those who grieve: Pray for the family of Willow West, two-months old, who died February 25th of AIDS. Pray for Skyler and Jacob, and Rose West, and grandparents Matt Sanders and Brenda Wurst.

Prayer Requests/Names will be removed on the 1st of each month unless otherwise requested. If you would like a name on the prayer list, please use the "Prayer Request" link on our church website, email or phone the church office.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Easter Worship

Saturday, April 19, 5:00 pm Sunday, April 20, 10:00 am

Easter Sunday Morning Festival Worship:

Instrumentalists from the Gem City Band and St. John's Chancel & Youth Choirs.

Thank you: We would like to thank the Chancel Choir for their gift of music this evening.