



WEEKLY BULLETIN

MARCH 29TH, 2026

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THE SPIEL



THE SPIEL—HOLY WEEK EDITION

Entering Panel 5 of *The Tapestry: Kings & Longing*

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Lead Pastor

I work to advance our "Household WELL" Vision through preaching and leadership of the Church Leadership Board and League of Elders. I work with our staff and coach our leaders to ensure day-by-day mission effectiveness.

There are meaningful weeks in the Christian year. And then there is **this week**.

*The week begins with palm branches waving.
Crowds shouting.
Hope rising.*

But the road leads somewhere else.

*To an upper room where a King kneels with a towel.
To a garden heavy with prayer.
To a cross lifted against a darkened sky.*

And then...

*To a stone rolled away.
To an empty tomb.
To a victory no one expected.*

This is the week that changed everything.

Holy Week stands at the center of the Christian story. Everything hangs here.

If Jesus had not lived in perfect obedience to His Father...

If He had not suffered...If He had not died...If He had not risen again...

our faith would be empty.

As Paul writes, *"If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile."* (1 Corinthians 15:17)

But the good news we celebrate this week is simple and powerful: **He did.**
And because He did, everything changes.

A NEW PANEL IN *THE TAPESTRY*

Today, we begin Panel 5 of our year-long series, *The Tapestry: God's Story—Woven by Grace from Beginning to End.*

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This panel is called “Kings & Longing.”

For generations, God’s people longed for a king who would set things right, one who would defeat evil, restore what was broken, and lead with righteousness and mercy. The prophets spoke of Him. Israel’s songs anticipated Him. Generations waited.

And then **the King arrived**. But not as anyone expected.

Not on a war horse—but on a **donkey**.
Not demanding loyalty—but **washing feet**.
Not seizing power—but **laying down His life**.

Jesus reveals that God’s kingdom is not built on domination, but on **sacrificial love**. Holy Week is where that truth unfolds.

DON’T JUST OBSERVE—FOLLOW JESUS!

Holy Week isn’t meant to be watched from a distance.
Follow your Savior into the city. Sit with Him in the Upper Room. Stand near the cross.
Run with the disciples to the empty tomb.

When we walk this story together, it does more than inform us. It **forms us**.

Our hearts are renewed.
Our hope is restored.
Our faith is strengthened.

JOIN US THIS WEEK

We would love for you to walk through Holy Week with us. You can see the full schedule here: <https://lifelifeogether.com/holyweek/> Each service helps us enter more deeply into the story that changed the world.

THE WEEK THAT CHANGES EVERYTHING

Holy Week reminds us that our deepest longing isn’t simply for a leader or a good teacher who instructs.

It is for a **Savior**. And in Jesus Christ, **that longing is fulfilled**.

So this week, slow down.
Step into the story.
Come and worship.

The King has come.
And through Him, **life is restored**.

HIGHER GROUND

equipping our youth with life-long skills to be followers of Jesus.

COMING UP FOR YOUTH:

HIGHER GROUND: MARCH 29ND: 6:30PM-8:00PM

Higher Ground is having a spring break game night.

Join us and bring a friend.

Life
IN THE
WORD

NO LIFE IN THE WORD: MARCH 29TH

QUESTIONS? CONTACT EMILY POWERS: [EPOWERS@LIVELIFETOGETHER.COM](mailto:EPowers@LIVELIFETOGETHER.COM)



Our Adopt a School Partner is:
LEOPOLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WAYS TO SERVE:

Continuing Needs: At the meeting we were made aware of a family who has some urgent needs that can be best helped with Woodman's Gift Cards and /or Kwik Trip gift cards. If you feel moved to give one of those in any dollar amount I will make sure those gift cards get to the social workers at Leopold. And as always please continue to pray for the staff and the families at Leopold that God would meet their physical, emotional and spiritual needs as only He can.

Questions? Contact Amy Meyer: ameyer@livelifetogether.com

Kids **CONNECTION**

Kids Connection is for children 4th grade and under, and their parents. Kids learn bible stories through games, crafts and songs. Kids build strong relationships with each other while learning truths about Jesus. 5th and 6th grade students are invited to attend this class as junior helpers. Contact Emily Powers at epowers@livelifetogether.com.

KIDS CONNECTION: MARCH 29TH: 10:15AM-11:30AM

We'd like to invite all families to join us for a fun and exciting Easter Party on Sunday, March 29th. We'll have crafts, play games, eat snacks, and have an Easter Egg Hunt!

MESSAGE & NOTES

THE TAPESTRY: KINGS AND LONGING THE HUMBLE KING ARRIVES

Zechariah 9:9-10; Luke 19:28-40

Focus: The King God promised finally arrives, but not as the kind of king the crowd expected. Riding on a donkey instead of a war horse, Jesus reveals a kingdom built on humility, peace, and surrender rather than force and power. Palm Sunday invites us to recognize that the King we truly need may not be the one we imagined. As the crowd cries "Hosanna," we are confronted with a question that echoes through every generation: Will we welcome the humble King on His terms?

WORD

Read Matthew 28:1-10

What stands out to you from this account of the Resurrection story?

What emotions do you notice throughout the story?

What instructions are given to the women? How do they respond?

What does this passage reveal about who Jesus is and what he has done?

How can you move from knowing about the resurrection to living in its power daily?

PRAY

Offer God thanks and praise that He has conquered death and that because He lives we will live. Pray for those who are far from God that He would draw them to himself and realize the hope of the resurrection.

LOVE

Because Jesus is alive, we can move forward with courage, even when we feel afraid.

This week, choose one intentional step:

- **Name your fear** and bring it to God in prayer.
- **Take one action of obedience** you've been hesitant to take.
- **Share encouragement or hope** with someone—reminding them that Jesus is alive and present.

Let the truth of the resurrection shift your posture from hesitation to trust, remembering that Jesus meets us as we go and says, *"Do not be afraid."*

CALENDAR & EVENTS



UPCOMING:

SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH: 9AM WORSHIP

Join us for our in-person and online worship on Sunday at 9am. Join us online at lifelifetogether.com/thisweek. You will find the livestream, the bulletin, the lifeLines and all that you need for the week, on this page. We look forward to worshipping together.

*SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH: NO 2*22 THIS WEEK*

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Stay after worship to participate in the Medical Emergency Training. More information below.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH: 10:30AM-12PM MEDICAL EMERGENCY TRAINING

Learning lifesaving skills shouldn't take long or cost a lot, and, on March 29, the Church Safety Team will welcome Chief Patrick Anderson from Fitchburg EMS to join us after worship to teach us all some of what we need to know! Everyone is welcome and whether you're hoping to learn about Hands-Only CPR for sudden cardiac arrest or Stop the Bleed techniques to care for severe bleeding, you'll get to practice what to do, what to say, and how to act quickly and safely while waiting for EMS to arrive. Even if you don't plan to join the Safety Team these are skills that are critical to help in a traumatic situation, but we hope to have a lot of fun learning about it together.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

THURSDAY, APRIL 2ND: MAUNDY THURSDAY, 6:30PM

FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD: GOOD FRIDAY, 6:30PM

SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH: EASTER SUNDAY, 8AM & 10AM

The youth are hosting a continental breakfast Easter morning between 7:30am-10am. Free will donations will be taken to help send the youth on their summer mission trips. Join us for food, fellowship, and crafts for the kids.

SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH: CONNECTIONS CLASS DURING 2*22

We are excited that there are several Households that are considering joining our family at the Church. We will be having Connections Class during 2.22 on April 12, 19, 26 and May 3 and we invite everyone to attend. You will have the opportunity to meet and get to know these new people, and be refreshed in your understanding of what we are all about at the Church and how you can be fully engaged in our ministry and the calling God has on all of our lives. We will also still be offering the opportunity to gather with other parents and take time to pray over our children. Make plans to join us at one of these opportunities from 10:30am-11:30am. Children can participate in Kids Connection.

MONDAY, APRIL 26TH: COMMITMENT SUNDAY

More information will be coming soon. Keep an eye out.

UNITED WEEK OF PRAYER

April 26 - May 2 Collaboration Project is encouraging Dane County churches and their members to pray with intention for the flourishing of the community. Through prayer walks and collaboratively-led prayer events, we'll see Christians unite in prayer. This is a chance to engage deeper in prayer, to get to know the blessings and needs of our community better, and to be a part of a bigger movement of the Spirit. Sign up to do a prayer walk or to attend a prayer event or at collaborationproject.us/united-week-of-prayer-2026)

MONDAY, APRIL 27TH 6:30PM THE CHURCH LEADERSHIP BOARD MEETING

The Church Leadership Board Meeting will be at the Church on April 27th at 6:30pm. If you have any questions, please contact the board at board@livelifetogether.com.

MAY 22ND—MAY 24TH BRATFEST

Brat Fest is BACK! Do you remember how fun this was? You don't want to miss out. We're volunteering at Brat Fest again this year. Watch for sign ups coming soon! In the meantime, check out all the fun music and events coming up this year. <https://bratfest.com/>

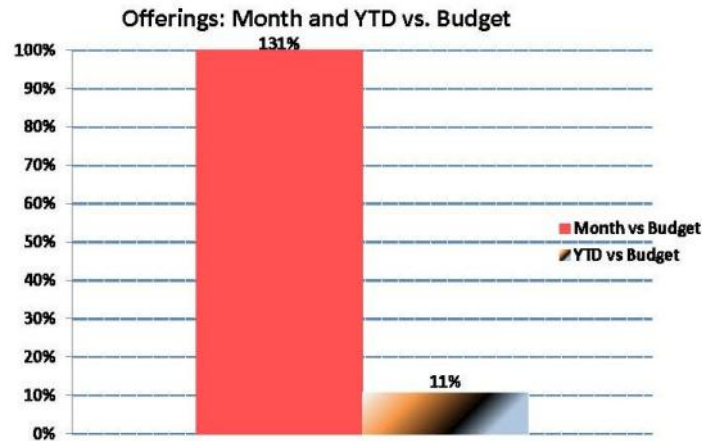
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CHECK OUT UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ONLINE



GLANCE *at the* FINANCE



Tithes and Offerings as of January 31, 2026			
Monthly received	\$ 67,048	YTD received	\$ 67,048
Monthly goal	51,114	YTD surplus/(deficit)	15,934
Monthly surplus/(deficit)	-	2026 goal	624,045
This month last year	\$ 34,309	Goal remaining	556,997
		2025 total	\$ 600,435
Additional Information as of January 31, 2026			
Line of Credit Balance*	\$ 20,385	2022 Loan Balance	\$ 36,768
		Last paid: 12/24/25	
Church Finances as of January 31, 2026			
	2026	2025	
Operating Rev.	\$ 115,732	\$ 44,803	
Operating Exp.	\$ 115,462	\$ 90,849	
	\$ 270	\$ (46,046)	
*LoC must have \$0 balance for 30 days per calendar year			

BIRTHDAYS

4/4 Mark Hoppe

Birthdays and Anniversaries for this week! If your special day does not appear, please contact the church office to update your records.

OUR VISION: STRATEGY

HOW ARE WE DOING IT?



Come to lifeWorship! We join together to focus on Jesus, offer Him praise, and allow Him the space to speak to us. lifeWorship is an exciting part of *the Church* experience. Join us in lifeWorship every week and experience the amazing blessing of freedom that comes in humbling yourself before God.



Connect to lifeGroup! At *the Church* we really do "live life together." In lifeGroup, we meet weekly in each other's homes to share a meal and share our lives as we grow in Jesus. Our connection to other people is at the heart of our Christian experience. Authentic connections happen most effectively in smaller groups where there is opportunity for dialogue and relationships, and our primary place for these authentic connections is lifeGroup.



Commit to lifeServe! At *the Church* we offer our time, talents, gifts, and abilities to serve God, serve His church and serve others. It's easy to come to church only for what we can get out of it, but the Bible says that each of us has something to give back. There is a need each of us can answer. We want you to experience Life in Jesus to the fullest, and encourage you to take time to give yourself away in ministry.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO CONNECT WITH US!

COMMUNION

If you're a guest, you're welcome to attend the Lord's Supper with us this morning. We only ask of you what God asks of us all - that you can answer 'yes' to the following questions:

- ◆ Have I been baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit?
- ◆ Do I believe that I am a sinful human being without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ Jesus?
- ◆ Do I believe that Jesus is God's Son and my personal Savior?
- ◆ Do I believe that Jesus' true body and blood are present in the bread and wine?
- ◆ Do I desire by the Holy Spirit's power to live a Godly life?

If you have questions, please feel free to speak with a Pastor, a Worship Assistant, or someone sitting near you.



SERVICE TIMES:

the Church
2833 Raritan Rd.
Fitchburg, WI 53711

Combined Traditional & Exalt Worship
9:00AM [In-Person & Online]

THE TAPESTRY...Kings and Longing: The Humble King Arrives [March 29th, 2026]