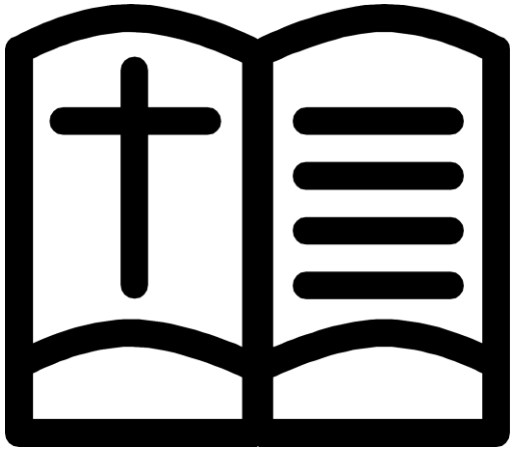

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THE STORY

Read the story. Experience the Bible.
Know God's Story and your own.

LENT is a season that calls us:

to fast from discontent and to feast on gratitude;
to fast from anger and to feast on patience;
to fast from bitterness and to feast on forgiveness;
to fast from self-concern and to feast on compassion;
to fast from discouragement and to feast on hope;
to fast from laziness and to feast on commitment;
to fast from complaining and to feast on acceptance;
to fast from lust and to feast on respect;
to fast from prejudice and to feast on understanding;
to fast from resentment and to feast on reconciliation;
to fast from lies and to feast on the truth;
to fast from wasted time and to feast on honest work;
to fast from grimness and to feast on joy;
to fast from suspicion and to feast on trust;
to fast from idle talk and to feast on prayer and silence;
to fast from guilt and to feast on the mercy of God.

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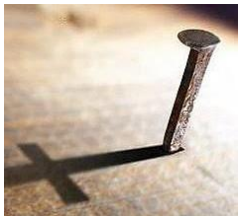


Sunday, April 2, 2017
Giving Up…
"SELF"

**** please stand as you are able***

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome, Announcements, Greeting

We Prepare to Worship…in story

We Prepare to Worship…in song

"Shout to the North" *(Smith)*

"Open the Eyes of My Heart" *(Baloche)*

We Prepare to Worship…in prayer *the Bible is carried in*

TO WORSHIP GOD

Call to Worship *insert*

* Response *"Blest Are They Who Trust"* (*Hopson/Orthodox chant)*

*Prayer of Approach, Confession; The Lord's Prayer

The Good News of God's Mercy and Forgiveness

*Hymn of Praise *"Creation Sings the Father's Song"* *(Getty)*

We Profess What We Believe *The Apostles' Creed*

Fifth Sunday In Lent

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Children's Time

*Song *"Yes, Lord, Yes"* *(Traditional)*

We Prepare to Hear God's Word

Scripture *Daniel 3:8-18 (p. 712)*

Psalm 103 (p. 489)

Matthew 26:36-44 (p. 805)

Message

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

Hymn *"Take O Take Me as I Am"* *(Bell)*

"He Will Hold Me Fast" *(Merkel)*

Prayers of the People

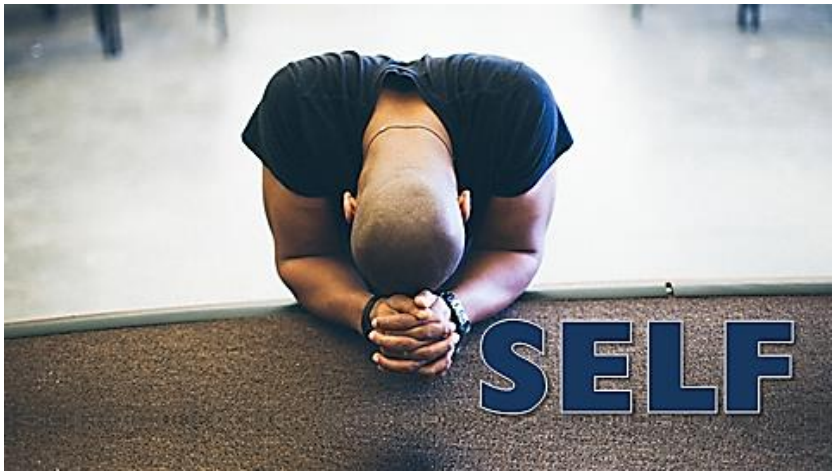
Offering and Dedication

WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS, WE GO TO SERVE

Hymn *"The Stand"* *(Houston)*

We are Encouraged and Blessed by God

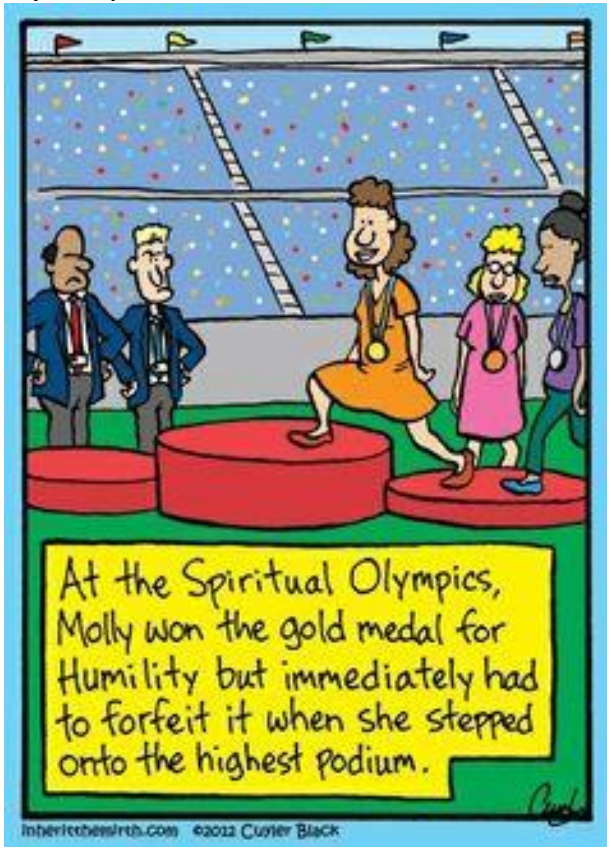
Benediction *"Go Now in Peace"* *(Besig and Price)*



AN EXTRA PLACE AT THE TABLE

This month and next, Contact House is in need of any of the following items:

canned fish, tuna ,salmon, canned meat, canned fruit, jellos, puddings, soda crackers and juice boxes for kids' lunches. On the non-food side: toilet paper, shampoo, empty dish soap/laundry soap containers.



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GOOD MORNING!

Hi there! We're glad you're here today! If it's your first time, or first time in a long time, or you're here all the time, we hope you'll be encouraged: to think, to explore, to believe, to become, to take a step on the journey of life and faith with greater hope and a deeper desire to serve. You'll find more about worship on the next page – if you have any questions, please ask the person who greeted you at the door! At KPC, you are among friends…God's grace and love abide…so come as you are, and come to know something about the life and love of Jesus and the presence of God's Spirit with us always and everywhere!

We are in the season of **LENT**, *40 days of walking with Jesus Christ towards the cross. Our theme this year is* **GIVING UP** *a familiar phrase in relation to Lent. We think of giving up chocolate, or Facebook, or dessert. But what would God have us give up for Lent? for life? Join us week by week as we practice a different kind of* **GIVING UP**. *This morning:* **GIVING UP SELF**

A Word **About Worship…**

You are welcome here. Really. You are among friendly people who care, who aren't perfect, but are on a journey of faith. If you are a guest, we don't expect you to give an offering; if you wish to do so, we're grateful. Join us for refreshments downstairs after worship. We hope you are blessed by being here, and that you'll come again!

KID CONNECTION *welcomes all children! Come up front for the children's time; parents welcome, too! Then join the group and head downstairs after the children's song. Children will rejoin us for the closing song. Feel free to accompany your child downstairs and then return for the message once they are settled. NURSERY ministry for those under school age is available downstairs as well.*

***Washrooms** are at the back entry and in the downstairs hall; **baby change stations** are located in the back entry washroom and just off the front entryway.*

We have hearing assistance devices available. Just ask a greeter or the staff at the sound booth at the back.

Please join us for refreshments and conversation following worship! Head downstairs after the service – You'll be welcome! Apple juice and bottled water are available on the back table by the front entry door.

Hospitality is important for everyone who comes to KPC! Be sure to welcome one another! As one wise pastor said, *"On Sunday morning at church, greet your friends and visit with the visitors!"*

THIS WEEK:

Greeters: Troy & Julie Stellingwerff
Dianne Rice & Karen Alberti
Children's Greeter: Anna Herrington
Nursery Ministry: Alice Francis
Youth Group Snack: Ruth Hughes

NEXT WEEK:

Greeters: Paul & Linda Willsie Phil& Marie Clark
Children's Greeter: Anna Herrington
Nursery Ministry:
Youth Group Snack: Marie Clark

women's ministry

LEGACY CENTRE, THEDFORD Saturday, May 6 10.00 a.m.

Guest speaker CAROL KENT. *author of "When I Lay My Isaac Down" and "Between a Rock and a Grace Place"*

Carol and her husband Gene lived in Port Huron, MI, until a phone call changed their lives forever. A powerful story of living faithfully when things don't work out the way you thought they would. Tickets $35.

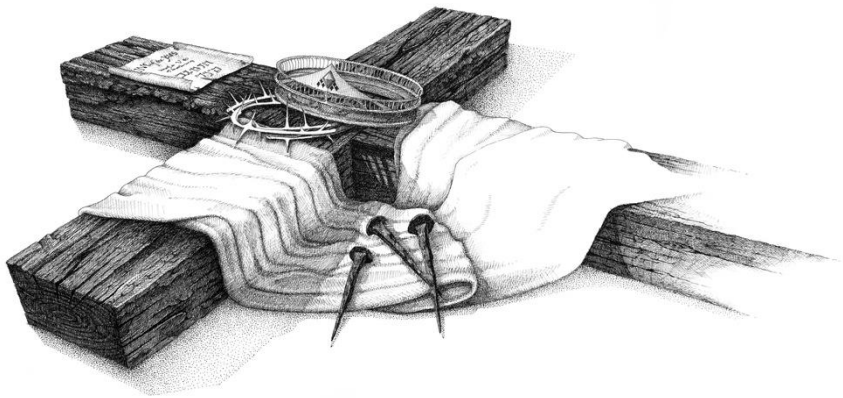
Available from Brenda Stewardson, Teresa Bakker or at Ravell Insurance, Forest

What's Happening

Monday - Tuesday pastor Chris leading Soul Care retreat
Tuesday 1:30 -3:30 Knox Knitters
7.00 p.m. Grief Share
Wednesday 7.00 p.m. Water's Edge
Saturday 9.30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. Kids and Communion
Sunday 9.30 a.m. Worship and KID CONNECTION

Palm Sunday

GIVING UP
"POPULARITY"



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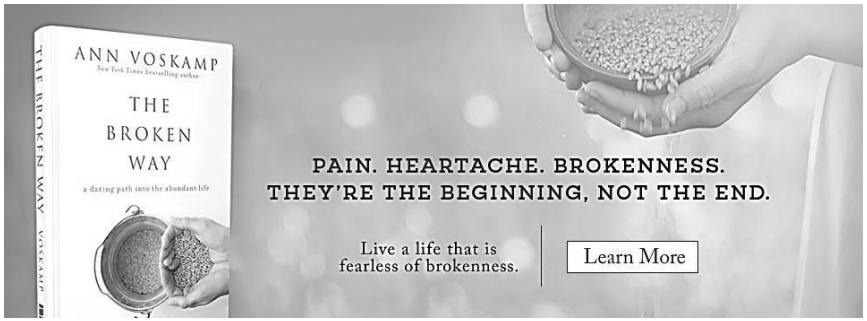
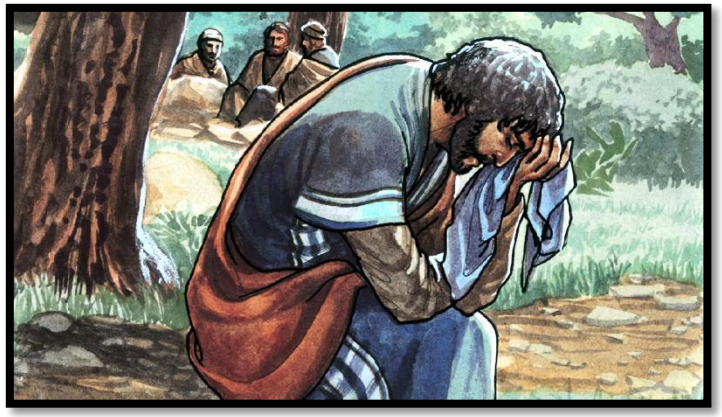
THE BROKEN WAY
Small Group Study on Ann Voskamp's new book! 6 sessions
Starts MAY 10 afternoons 1.30 – 3.00 p.m. evenings 7-8.30 p.m.





Grounded in Faith.
Growing to Serve.

The first major hurdle is crossed! the Presbyterian Church Building Corporation approved our project. Now there is financial paperwork and approval by the architecture committee. We have been assured all will go well. We are thankful, we are excited, we are doing the work needed for a shovel to go in the ground this spring! Next, the forms for the municipality will be completed. Seeking quotes is in the works. God is faithful, we are grateful! Your prayers and support have been inspiring. **A reminder that the initial pledges (due March 31) are to be marked GTS – Initial Pledge on the OTHER line of your envelope. Regular givings to GTS should be marked GTS – Regular. Thank you!**

HOLY WEEK 2017

PALM SUNDAY 9.30 a.m.

Join us as we celebrate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem!

Monday – Wednesday 7.00 – 7.30 p.m.

TEACHING IN THE TEMPLE 3 Stories from Matthew
A House of Prayer – A Hard Message – Be Ready!
Join us as we hear Jesus teaching in the final days before the cross

Maundy Thursday

6.30 p.m. Family Friendly Upper Room Gathering
8.30 p.m. Upper Room Experience

Good Friday

7.00 p.m. **GIVING UP…Our Lives**
Join us for a service around the cross, as we reflect on what Jesus Christ has done for us. This service will include a children's time. Invitations to the community are encouraged!

EASTER SUNDAY

7.00 p.m. Sunrise Service and Breakfast
Men, please join in the preparation and serving of a delicious pancakes and sausage breakfast. Jesse is in charge, and would appreciate your help!

9.30 a.m. Easter Celebration and Communion
Join us for **GIVING UP…DEATH! A celebration with dance, song, gifts and much joy!**