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— Sunday, April 7, 2019 —

9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Ross

"Anointed for Burial" John 12:1-11

This morning we welcome the adult choir as they bring us the gift of music, singing *"He Did it for Me"*. Thank you for blessing MRC this morning!

Next Sunday at MRC

9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Ross

"The Entrance of the King" Luke 19:28-44

5:30 PM Evening Worship

DVD — *"My Life Can Change"* by Kyle Idleman

Thank you, oh my Father, for giving us Your son...

Church Family Prayer

- Continue to keep **Loren Vander Schaaf** in your prayers as he continues to heal. Pray for peace and that there is no more remaining cancer.
- We extend our sympathy to **Linda & Roger Wissink and family** as Linda's brother, Jeff Meyer, was killed in a car accident. Pray for strength, comfort, and peace for family and loved ones during this time.
- We extend our sympathy to **Butch & Linda Vander Laan** as Butch's dad, Bud, passed away. Prays for comfort & peace for family and loved ones during this time.

Continued prayers for Lorna B, Brent DK, Linda Z, Val D & Ruth H.

MRC HAPPENINGS



FINAL Worship in the Refuge: *Prayer & Intercession*

Please join us this week Wednesday, April 10, from 7:25-7:55 pm in The Refuge for the final Refuge Worship of the year! It is going to be a great time of prayer, reflection, and worship as we begin to close out the year! *All are welcome...come and go as you please!*

Please note: Good News Circle will be meeting at 7:00 pm tomorrow (April 8).

Golden Hour will be meeting this Wed, April 10, at 2 pm, and will be covering Lesson 6. Hostess – Eileen W; Devotions – Lylis VD; Hospitality – Wilma VS

MRC is leading the prayer meeting at Pioneer Home on Wednesday, April 10 at 7:00 pm and the Worship Service at Prairie Ridge next Sunday, April 14 at 2:30 pm. Please contact Pastor Wick if you are able to accompany on the piano or share a special musical number.

We're dreaming of summer: VBS registration is now open!

We'd love to have your children join us at *Roar VBS*, which is coming to MRC on **June 3-7 from 8:45-11:30 am**. Kids will have a blast discovering that even though life gets wild, God is good!



The morning will be filled with singing, Bible stories, crafts, games, snacks, and so much more! VBS is open to Kindergarten-6th graders (based on their grade next fall), and you can register your kids at <https://mrc.breezechms.com/form/vbs20171395>. (If you volunteer to help at VBS, we offer nursery and classes for 3 year olds and preschool/TK). We need lots of wonderful volunteers like you! If you'd like to help out, please sign up online at: <https://mrc.breezechms.com/form/vbsvolunteer6433>. Paper versions of both registration forms are available at the information table. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to Bonnie Wolf, Jamie Kamerman, Jessica Oolman, or Sara Wielenga. *Please note that registrations are due by May 12, which ensures you will receive your FREE music CD before VBS begins. If you sign up after the deadline, you will receive your CD during VBS week.*

A BIG thank you to Lisa Smit for the beautiful chalk art this month! What a wonderful reminder as we anticipate Easter and celebrate the deepest and most amazing love of all.



We need your help! The kids are excited about the carnival MRC is going to have on **April 24** but we need LOTS of volunteers to make this happen! There is a sign up at the information table, or please stop by or call Bonnie and chat about openings! Your help will make this a super fun night for everyone! Thanks!

Forty Days-Forty Items will be collected at church on Easter Morning! Have you been finding items in your closet to donate? There will be an assigned place to put them on Easter! Please do not bring them to church until then. Thanks!

Children ages 3 through 5th grade will practice for Psalm Sunday singing TODAY during Sunday school singing time. Please be sure your child goes directly to their singing room right after the service. Thanks!

Searching.....We are searching for a few actors to help make the Bible stories come to life at VBS! You can design your own set too! *Do you like to act? Do you love kids? We need you!* Contact Sara Wielenga at 441-9066 today!



Men (and young men) are invited to attend the 32nd annual Good Friday Men's Prayer Breakfast on April 19 from 6:30-7:45 am at Northwestern Rowenhorst Student Center. Alan Greene is our speaker. Alan is the Founder of LifeLight. His passion is to share the Gospel message with as many people as possible and encourage the on-going work of evangelism and missions. He will certainly set our hearts and minds on Christ as we begin the Easter weekend! Please join us for a time of food, fellowship, prayer and reflection in this holy season. To attend, please contact Caleb Haverdink at 712-463-3241 for tickets.

Easter Celebration in Maurice – Saturday, April 20 – The Maurice Girls Club invites you to celebrate Easter with them. The girls will tell the Biblical account of Jesus' death and resurrection. This will be followed by an Easter Egg Hunt, Carnival, and lunch. All are welcome! Events start at 10:00 am.

April's Special Offering: Awakening Grace (see Maurice Moments article for details). Please mark your envelope or check with "Special" and place it with your regular giving in the offering plate.

JR. GAP MINISTRIES

Schedule:

- **April 10** – *Testimony Night*: Josie Bunnell
- **April 17** – Youth Sunday Prep/Practice

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Jr. GAP Youth Sunday – Apr. 28
Power Connection – July 23-28

Lunch Schedule:

- **April 10** – Ashlyn A, Kye K, Cole V, Adam VB
- **April 17** – Carson J, Logan F, Brett VG, Jocelyn M

Middle School Retreat - Hidden Acres - Dayton, IA - April 5-7

Please be in prayer for the students and leaders who will be returning from the Middle School Retreat today. Pray for safe travels and that this was an impactful weekend for all involved!



Power Connection Minneapolis - Bethel University

July 23-28 – Registration is open until May 1! Sign up is at

www.synodyouth.org, click on "Register Online" and continue to sign up for Power Connection. The cost is \$110 per participant. If this is an obstacle or hurdle for your family at this time, please contact a Jr. GAP leader or Jon Eveland.

Jr. GAP Youth Sunday – Sunday, April 28 at 9:30 AM – The Jr. GAP

students will be leading us in worship on Sunday morning, April 28, sharing their gifts and passions to bring glory to God! On April 17 and 24, we will be prepping and practicing for that service, and it is valuable that we have all students present to participate and be a part of the planning, practicing, and necessary prep work. Some of the opportunities for students to be involved are helping in the sound booth, praise team, building/creating sets, skit team, dance, ushering, greeting, giving a message or testimony, etc. We are excited to see the gifts of the Jr. GAPpers on full display as we worship together on April 28!



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SR. HIGH MINISTRIES

Schedule:

- **April 10** – *Uganda Sharing*: Katie Leusink
- **April 17** – Blessings Night

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Alaska Remaining Balance Due – TODAY
Easter Pancake Breakfast – April 21
Prom Sunday & Brunch – April 28

Lunch Schedule:

- **April 10** – Breanna O, Caylee VD, Landon H, Alex VD
- **April 17** – Tyler A, Amber H, Miranda M, Eric P

Sr. High Summer Mission Trip - July 13-20 - Eaglecrest Alaska Missions

We are about 3 1/2 months out from going to Sutton, Alaska for our Summer Mission trip serving with Eaglecrest Alaska Missions! Our group consists of 30 students and 9 adults. We do intend to have a couple team meetings prior to leaving, so stay tuned for more info regarding that. **The remaining balance of \$250 is due TODAY.** Checks can be made out to MRC Sr. High. If you have any questions, please contact Jon Eveland or a Sr. High Youth Leader.



INTERNATIONAL
MISSION TRIP
2019



Easter Pancake Breakfast – Sunday, April 21, following the Easter Sunrise Service – On Easter Sunday, Sr. High students and leaders will be serving breakfast in the FLC following the Sunrise Service. Donations received will go towards the Sr. High Youth Ministry. *We ask that students arrive in the FLC at 6:30 am, prior to the service, to begin preparation.* As in the past, we unfortunately will miss most of the Sunrise Service while we are getting breakfast prepared and ready. *Also, please bring a gallon of orange juice and milk along with you the week of Easter or that morning.*

Prom Sunday & Brunch – Sunday, April 28 – Attention ALL prom goers!

You are encouraged to wear your prom attire on Sunday, April 28 and help greet before church that morning. *Please be in the fellowship hall at 9 am to help greet as people arrive for the morning worship.* It is Jr. GAP Youth Sunday that morning, but we want you to all be greeters! We hope to have you sit together near the front of church as well. *Following the service, ALL Sr. High students are welcome to join us for brunch in the Sr. High Youth Room.*



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THIS WEEK AT MRC...

Sunday, April 7

9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Ross

10:45 AM Sunday School

Monday, April 8

8:30 AM Fellowship Through Fitness

7:00 PM Good News Bible Study

Tuesday, April 9

9:00 AM Staff Meeting

6:30 PM Consistory Meeting

Wednesday, April 10

2:00 PM Golden Hour

5:30 PM Meal

6:20 PM Pioneer Club

6:20 Jr. GAP

7:25 PM FINAL Refuge Worship

7:55 PM Sr. High

Thursday, April 11

8:15 AM Fellowship Through Fitness

Sunday, April 14

9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Ross

10:45 AM Sunday School

Wednesday Night Meal

Creamed chicken on a bun, potato chips, green beans, Oreo fluff salad, and dessert

Come for a great time of food and fellowship!

	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
ORGAN/PIANO	Janene VG/Kristi H	Praise Team
NURSERY	Jill Muilenburg, Shianne and Tye Borchers	Kyle & Katie Phillips, Jacie Van Wyk, Morgan Feenstra
PRAYER ROOM	Laura Haverdink	Jerry Vermeer
FLOWERS	Sharon Plendl	Sharon Plendl