

**WELCOME!** We're glad you're here and have decided to join us today!

Lent is a beautiful time of preparing our hearts for Easter, for the death and resurrection of the Son of God. As a sermon series over the next weeks at Living Water, we will walk through the days of Jesus' last week on earth (often called "passion week") taking one day of the week each Sunday.

**TEACHER:** Pastor Garry Nyenhuis

**SCRIPTURE:** Matthew 26:6-13

**SERMON SUMMARY:**

This week we look at Jesus' anointing at Bethany. As we continue through the season of Lent, pay attention to what the Holy Spirit is pointing out to you today!

**Feel free to use these sermon points and questions to help you think about this incredible passage!**

- What is important about Jesus' location for this story?
- Which people do you notice in this story?
- Jesus' response is obviously a key to this account; in His response, what does He seem to be saying? Maybe just as important, what isn't He saying?

**Here are some possible application points for you to consider: These points are not meant to create shame, nor are they meant to create pride. These questions are meant to help us take inventory of our life!**

- Is anything more important than Jesus to you? Really? Would your actions back that answer up? Your time log over the past week? Your money transactions over the past year?
- What have I placed more value on than I should? What have I not placed enough value on? How do I give everything for Jesus? Am I so very in love with Him that I value nothing more?

**Try this:**

- Spend time falling in love with Jesus again, or maybe for the first time. In Jesus, God shows us an incredible love; a deep love; a ridiculous love. He is so in love with you! If you have run away from Him, if you have never realized His love, if you have taken it for granted-He still loves you! Spend intentional time with God this week, basking in His love.
- Read song of Solomon and hear the longing that the author expresses for their lover-and recognize that deep love is only a glimpse of God's love for you!
- Read the book "Crazy Love" by Francis Chan; it's a great description of the experience of God's love.
- Tell someone about God's love for them. Teaching is one of the greatest ways to learn! Explain to them that God loves them so very much that He gave His only Son. As you are telling them, realize that you are telling yourself, as well!

**OUR FAMILY**

**PRAY:** Please keep Ken & Tres Ver Steeg's grandson, Nathan, in your prayers. Pray for wisdom and insight for the doctors as they review his case and try to determine the cause of Nathan's seizures. Ken and Tres attend the Sheldon Campus.

Pat and Sylvia Busby are grateful for LW's support following their basement flooding. "Thank you GOD; all these people are a blessing." (OC Campus)

Making relationships is one of the key goals of Living Water; therefore, everyone (individuals and couples) are invited to be a part of a Linking Arms group. The groups will meet two times over a meal to build new relationships within the body of Living Water Church. Please email one of the following people by March 27 to be a part of a Linking Arms Group: Rod (rbdeboer@outlook.com) or Brittany (dan\_brittanyforeman@yahoo.com) or Matt (mkmellema@yahoo.com)

TODAY	THIS WEEK
<b>9:30am COFFEE SHOPPE</b>	
<b>10:00am WORSHIP</b>	<b>Mon, Mar 25</b>
<b>10:20am LITTLE TREASURES</b> 3-5 yr olds time to worship God meets in Upper Room watch for dismissal slide <b>Please remember to check your child in at the table in the lobby</b>	<b>7:00pm-LifeJacket Mtg</b> (OC)
<b>11:00am STAY AND PRAY</b> SW corner of the Worship Center	<b>Wed, Mar 27</b>
<b>WAVE</b> 6th-8th gr Meets in large classroom in SW corner of the lobby 12:00 dismissal	<b>12:00 noon</b> - worship folder announcement deadline
<b>11:10am JAM PRAISE &amp; WORSHIP</b> 5 yrs-5th gr Meets in the JAM room next to kitchen <b>Sunday School small groups follow</b> 5 yrs-1st gr - meets upstairs 2nd gr-5th gr - meets on main floor 12:00 dismissal <b>Parents pick up children from their classrooms</b>	<b>7:00pm-OVERFLOW</b> -Youth Worship at the HOME building in Sioux Center - the HOME building is located behind Culvers. If you need a ride, please contact Pastor Garry at gdnyenhuis@gmail.com
	<b>6:45pm-GEMS</b> -OC Immanuel CRC
	<b>Cadets-Pine Wood Derby</b> to be held at OCCS
	<b>6:00pm-weigh in</b> <b>6:45pm-races begin</b>
	<b>Thurs, Mar 28</b> <b>7:00pm-Worship Team Practice</b>

**CALENDAR BEYOND THIS WEEK**

**Sun, Mar 31** - Paul Irwin will be professing his faith (OC)

**Fri, Apr 5** - 6:00am - Breakfast and Global Leadership info (OC)

**Thurs, Apr 18** - Maundy Thursday combined LW worship (OC Campus)

**Fri, Apr 19** - Good Friday combined LW worship service (SH Campus)

INFANTS

**NURSERY:** Nursery is available throughout the service for newborns thru 2 years

The nursery is located near the Welcome Center in the front lobby area.

**INFANT CARE ROOM:** A room is available throughout the service for parents with young children. This space is designed for parents to sit with babies or small children for privacy; this room will not be supervised by volunteers.

The infant care room is located right outside the worship area near the stairway.

CHILDREN

**Children's Church Bags** are available for younger attendees at the Welcome Center in the lobby area. Following worship, please return the bags and contents to the Welcome Center.

**LITTLE TREASURES:** A time to worship God for 3-5 year olds; meets during the worship service in the Upper Room. Watch for announcement slide for dismissal (OC)

**JAM:** "Jesus And Me" 5 yrs-5th gr - Praise and Worship meets 10 min after the morning service in the JAM room next to the kitchen; small group Sunday School follows. Dismissal 12:00pm Parents pick up children in classrooms. (OC)

YOUTH

**WAVE:** 6th-8th grade. Meets following the Sunday morning service in the large classroom in the SW corner of the lobby. Dismisses at 12:00noon (OC)

**OVERFLOW:** 9th-12th grade. Meets from 7:00-8:30pm on Wednesday (OC)

**GEMS:** Girls 3rd-8th grade. Meets from 6:45-8:30pm @ Immanuel CRC (OC) Wednesday evenings 2x a month

**CADETS:** Boys 4th-8th grade. Meets from 6:50-8:45pm @ Calvary CRC (OC) Wednesday evenings 2x a month

Stewardship Team Update

Thank you for your generous giving for the ministries of Living Water Community Church during the past eight months of our fiscal year (July 2018 – February 2019). Here are a few highlights based off the February 28, 2019 financial statements:

**Revenue & Disbursements Update** – For the first eight months of this fiscal year (July 2018 – February 2019) we currently have a shortfall of (-\$1,789.83).

\* Total Revenue / Income = \$277,040.36

\* Total Disbursements / Expenses = \$278,830.19

\* Net Increase / (Decrease) = (-\$1,789.83)

**LW Cash-Flow Update** – The Living Water accounts at Northwestern Bank had a balance of \$77,057.54 on February 28, 2019.

\* It costs LWCC approximately \$1,375 to operate on a daily basis.

\* With our cash balances, we have about **56 days** of operating money.

\* The Stewardship Team has a goal of getting up to greater than 75 days of operating cash.

**Building Debt Update** – We currently have one loan to the Sheldon Christian School Foundation for \$100,000. Our debt to equity (the amount of debt based on the market value of our two campuses) is very strong. We are very healthy from a debt perspective.

**GRACE Update** - Our GRACE/Fair Share obligation for this school year (2018-19) is \$104,545.00 (55 Students).

\* As of February 28, 2019 - we have paid the schools \$52,571.04 or 50%.

\* The remaining balance is \$51,973.96 or 50% as of March 1, 2019.

Please continue to remember LWCC in your giving. – The Stewardship Team