



OUR CHURCH

Psalm 118:19-29

*Open the gates of righteousness for me
so I can come in and give thanks to the Lord!*

*This is the Lord's gate;
those who are righteous enter through it.*

*I thank you because you answered me,
because you were my saving help.*

*The stone rejected by the builders
is now the main foundation stone!*

*This has happened because of the Lord;
it is astounding in our sight!*

*This is the day the Lord acted;
we will rejoice and celebrate in it!*

Lord, please save us!

Lord, please let us succeed!

*The one who enters in the Lord's name is blessed;
we bless all of you from the Lord's house.*

The Lord is God!

He has shined a light on us!

You are my God—I will give thanks to you!

You are my God—I will lift you up high!

*Give thanks to the Lord because he is good,
because his faithful love lasts forever.*

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SERVE

- **Council** April 8th 6:30 pm to prepare soups April 9th.
- **Lent Soup Supper** April 9
Sign up on clip boards in narthex to make bars, and to help. Council is making the soup. Set up at 4:00pm
- **UWF** April 3 1:00 PM
April 26 May Basket Sale 7:30am
- **Saturday In Service** April 12 10-2pm,
Fort Dodge Trinity Methodist Church
- **“Singing the Favorites”- Choir**
Easter, April 20, during worship
- **Serve at Beacon of Hope** - TBD

GATHER

- **Sundays Together**

9:00 Sunday School 9:00 Adult Study

9:30 Coffee and Conversation

10:15 am Worship Service

Facebook live, later on Web-Cal channel 575

- **Bible Study** Tuesday 1:30
- **Facebook Devotion** Thursdays 9:30 am
- **UWF Camp Clear Lake District Ed. Mtg.**
April 7 Gowrie UMC 8:15am
- **Lent.** April 2 at Zion, April 9 at GUMC
Soup 6pm, Worship 7pm
- **Holy Week**
 - Palm Sunday,
Sun. School 9:00am, Service 10:15am
 - Maundy Thursday Service
April 17 7:00pm
 - Good Friday Service
April 18 7:00 PM
- **Easter Sunrise Service** April 20 7:30 AM
- **Easter Egg Hunt** April 20 - Sunday School
- **Easter Worship** April 20 10:15 AM
- **Spring Fellowship Auction** - April 27
11:15 Meal followed by Auction.

PRAY

Please call in or email your prayer request, changes and updates to the office.

Nursing Home or Care Facilities: George and Eleanor Anderson.

Health Concerns: DJ (Randy & Viney Mulder’s Son-in-law). All those suffering from chronic pain. All those fighting cancer. All those recovering from surgery and receiving therapy.

All those experiencing family distress.

Grief: Families who lost loved ones in recent disasters

Congregational Prayer Focus:

Pray for all those cleaning up after the recent tornadoes in the mid-west.

Pray for all war torn countries and countries in political distress.

Pray for Israel, the hostages and the people in Gaza.

Pray for Gowrie UMC its ministries, its people, and its Pastor.

Pray for all who have yet to know the saving Grace of Jesus.

CELEBRATE



Palm Sunday
April 13

Lent Worship
April 2 at Zion
April 9 at GUMC



Easter Sunday
April 20 Sunrise
Service at 7:30 am
Worship at 10:15 am

Easter Egg Hunt
April 20 During
Sunday School



PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

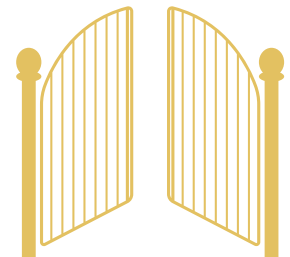
Grace and Peace to You in the Name of Our Risen Savior Jesus Christ!!!

This Lent and Easter Season, in addition to focusing on the Gospels, I will also focus on the Psalms and the story that is held within them. Many of us tend to gravitate toward prose or toward the story. Poetry and song may not speak to us. The Psalms are poetry and song, and their is a story within them.

Psalm 118 is a beautiful song of praise. We lead with it on the front page of the newsletter. It is a song of hope. It is a song of thanksgiving and rejoicing. It is a song lifting up God's work. It is beautiful.



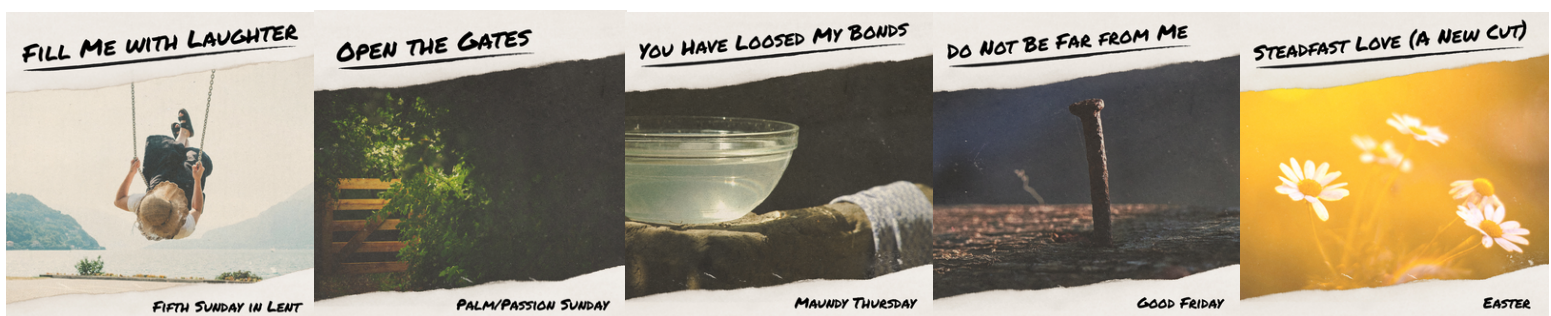
Open the gates of righteousness for me
so I can come in and give thanks to the Lord!
This is the Lord's gate;
those who are righteous enter through it.



Take a moment and read through the Psalm again. What strikes you? Where do you find your hope? This Easter season let us remember, "This has happened because of the Lord." Our Salvation, our hope in this life and the next is because of Jesus. Let us rest in this fact.

Pastor Susan

Holy Week Sermon Series Sunday's in April 2025 "STEADFAST LOVE"



April 6th:

Isaiah 43:16-21
Psalm 126
Philippians 3:4b-14
John 12:1-8

April 13th:

Psalm
118:1-2, 19-29
Luke 19:28-40

April 17th:

Exodus 12:1-14
Psalm
116:1-4, 12-19
John 13:1-7, 31-35
1 Corinthians
11:23-26

April 18th:

Isaiah 52-53:12
Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25
John 18:1-19:42

April 27th:

Acts 10:34-43
Psalm
118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians
15:19-26
John 20:1-18
Luke 24:1-12

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APRIL SUNDAY SERVICES



9:00 am Sunday School & Adult Sunday School
 9:45 am Coffee and Conversation
 10:15 am Sunday Worship and Facebook live, later on Web-Cal Channel 575

Nuss Family April 6 & 13
 Bergan & Carrie Dalley April 20 & 27

April 2
 Soup Supper at Zion Lutheran Church @ 6:00 pm
 Worship at Zion Lutheran Church @ 7:00 pm

April 6
 Communion: Nuss Family
 Worship Leader: Eric Adam
 Music: Colleen Palmer & Jeff Patterson
 Tech: Owen Nuss & Glenn Rohden
 Altar Flowers: Pastor Susan
 Bulletins/Online: Marj Johnson

April 9
 Soup Supper at GUMC @ 6:00 pm
 Lenten Worship at GUMC @ 7:00 pm
 Tech: Bergan & Carrie Dalley

April 13
 Worship Leader: Anna Cottington
 Music: Tom Hlubek & Jeff Patterson
 Tech: Lincoln & August Akins
 Altar Flowers: Pastor Susan
 Bulletins/Online: Dennis & Barb Tucker

April 17 **Maundy Thursday Service**
 Worship at 7:00 PM
 Tech: Bergan & Carrie Dalley

April 18 **Good Friday Service**
 Worship at 7:00 PM
 Tech: Bergan & Carrie Dalley

April 20 **Easter Sunrise Service**
 Worship at 7:30 AM

April 20 **Easter Sunday/Choir Sings**
 Worship Leader: Darin Wooters
 Music: Nancy Vogt & Jeff Patterson
 Tech: Bergan & Carrie Dalley
 Altar Flowers: Easter Lilies
 Bulletins/Online: Gary & Kendale Vosberg



April 27
 Worship Leader: Chelsey Worrel
 Music: Jeff Patterson
 Tech: Keith & Dena Sytsma
 Altar Flowers: Crystal Wilks
 Bulletins/Online: Jim & Jane Frahm



Automatic Payments and E-payments are a great way to give on your schedule. You can set frequency and date of all gifts to fit your budget.



Extravagant Giving

Because of your faithful gifts to the church. Gowrie UMC engages in worship throughout the Lenten season and Holy Week. Your gifts make your Pastor's time available to all, throughout this season! Thank You!

March Offerings
 \$8,775.00

Outgoing Automatic Bill Withdrawals Per Month
 Approximately \$9000

APRIL 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p style="text-align: right;">30</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Colleen Traster Dale Brandt</p> <p>9am Adult Sunday School 9am Sunday School 9:45am Coffee and Conversation 10:15am Sunday Worship</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">31</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Jeff Frahm</p> <p>Pastor's Sabbath</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">1</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Dave Kalous</p> <p>9am Office Open 1:30pm Bible Study</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">2</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Jake Schneider</p> <p>9am Office Open 6pm Lent Supper @ Zion 7pm Lent Service @ Zion</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Ethan Tucker Jake Stewart</p> <p>9am Office Open 9:30am Facebook Devotion 1pm UWF Mtg.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">4</p> <p>Pastor's Prep Day</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">5</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Bergan Dalley Ed Stewart Hannah Rees Bridal Shower</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">6</p> <p>Happy Birthday! John Field</p> <p>9am Adult Sunday School 9am Sunday School 9:45am Coffee and Conversation 10:15am Sunday Worship</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">7</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Joyce Kruse Ron Warrick</p> <p>Pastor's Sabbath 8:15am UWF Educational Study</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">8</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Bertie Royster</p> <p>9am Office Open 1:30pm Bible Study 6:30 Church Council Mtg.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">9</p> <p>9am Office Open 6pm Lent Supper @ GUMC 7pm Lent Service @GUMC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">10</p> <p>9am Office Open 9:30am Facebook Devotion</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">11</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Kelsey Pennebaker</p> <p>Pastor's Prep Day</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">12</p> <p>10am-2pm Saturday in Service @ FD Trinity Methodist Church</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">13</p> <p>Palm Sunday</p> <p>9am Adult Sunday School 9am Sunday School 9:45am Coffee and Conversation 10:15am Sunday Worship</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">14</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Dave McLoud</p> <p>Pastor's Sabbath</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">15</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Anna Cottington</p> <p>9am Office Open 1:30pm Bible Study</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">16</p> <p>9am Office Open</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">17</p> <p>9am Office Open 9:30am Facebook Devotion 7pm Maundy Thursday Worship</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">18</p> <p>Pastor's Prep Day 7pm Good Friday Worship</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">19</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Gary Vosberg Nate Johnson Paul Kail</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">20</p> <p>Happy Easter!</p> <p>7:30am Easter Sunrise Services and breakfast 9am Adult Sunday School 9am Easter Egg Hunt 9:45am Coffee and Conversation 10:15am Sunday Worship/Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">21</p> <p>Pastor's Sabbath</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">22</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Darin Wooters Dave Tjepkes</p> <p>9am Office Open 1:30pm Bible Study</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">23</p> <p>9am Office Open</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">24</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Gage Smith</p> <p>9am Office Open 9:30am Facebook Devotion 9am UWF May Basket Sale Prep</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">25</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Don Reed Mike Krayenhagen</p> <p>Pastor's Prep Day</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">26</p> <p>7:30am-11am UWF May Day Basket Sales</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">27</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Dick Hubbard</p> <p>9am Adult Sunday School 9am Sunday School 9:45am Coffee and Conversation 10:15am Sunday Worship 11:15 Spring Fellowship Auction</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">28</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Braeden Johnson</p> <p>Pastor's Sabbath</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">29</p> <p>9am Office Open 1:30pm Bible Study</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">30</p> <p>9am Office Open</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">1</p> <p>9am Office Open 9:30am Facebook Devotion 1pm UWF Mtg</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">2</p> <p>Pastor's Prep Day</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p> <p>Happy Birthday! Laurie Long</p>

WORSHIP LIVE ON FACEBOOK AND ON LATER CHANNEL 575 AT 11:00 AM

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United Women in Faith

2025: Carrying Our Faith Forward
April 3, 1:00 PM

“Let us therefore no longer pass judgement on one another, but resolve instead never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of another.” Romans 14:13

Program: May Baskets/
Annual Meeting
Server: Shirley Wooters



April 24

Prep For Sale 9:00 Am until complete



CAMP CLEAR LAKE DISTRICT
United Women in Faith
EDUCATION AND INTERPRETATION STUDY
Monday, April 7, 2025
Gowrie United Methodist Church
1306 Market Street, Gowrie, Iowa 50543




**WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?:
EMBRACING CHRIST'S LOVE FOR IMMIGRANTS**
Presented by: Camp Clear Lake District Officers and
Lorna Leavitt, E and I Coordinator, Conference and District

8:15 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.	Registration and Coffee and Rolls
9:30 a.m. to 12 noon	Morning Session with break out session
12 noon to 12:45 p.m.	LUNCH AND FELLOWSHIP
12:45 to 2:30 p.m.	Afternoon Session

BRING A CARLOAD OF WOMEN AND ENJOY YOUR DAY OF FELLOWSHIP AND LEARNING!!

Please return this portion with your meal registration. **Make checks for meals payable to Gowrie UMC.**

Contact Name: _____

Name of Unit: _____

Number of Regular Meals: _____ x \$10.00 = Total \$ _____

Number of Gluten Free Meals: _____ x \$10.00 = Total \$ _____

Check Enclosed \$ _____

Mail to: Rita Kail
420 Niebel Street, Box 66
Farnhamville, IA 50536-0066

Lunch is \$10.00 (includes morning coffee & treat)
MEAL RESERVATION DEADLINE is March 24, 2025

If any questions: Call Rita at 515-351-9854 reetah45@yahoo.com

April 7

Camp Clear Lake District Educational Study.
Please register ahead.

MAY BASKET SALE

April 26

7:30 am to 11:00 am



To Order your May Baskets
ahead.
Call Rita Kail at 515-351-9854

Come Purchase May Day Baskets
for your friends and Families.
Coffee and Treats served. All
baskets are created by our local
United Women in Faith!!!



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Are You Ready?

May Baskets you love will soon – be ready,
 The United Women In Faith – are ready,
 May Basket Sale is scheduled – be ready,
 Mark your calendar – be ready,
 May Baskets...coffee and cookies – are ready,
 April 26th is the date – be ready!
 Select your special May Baskets – Ready?

GOWRIE UMC



YOU ARE

INVITED!

Let's take a whole group to this event. It will be fun!!! Pastor Susan will drive and we may need another driver!

There will be a clipboard in the Narthex, or contact the [office](#) or [Pastor Susan](#) if you are interested in participating.

Saturday
12 APRIL 2025
10 AM - 2 PM
 TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 838 N 25th St. Fort Dodge, IA





This event is for adults, youth, and children from churches and communities who want to make a real difference in someone's life. Contact your local United Methodist Church or the number below:

Call For Registration
 by 3:00 PM March 31
515-573-3519

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

SATURDAY IN SERVICE



Learn by watching or participating:

- Weave sleeping mats from plastic grocery bags for displaced persons ✓
- Cut, trace & sew one handle bags and reusable feminine hygiene pads ✓
- Donate/Collect wheelchairs, crutches, slings, & walkers ✓

LUNCH IS INCLUDED!

Sponsored By
Midwest Mission

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SPRING FELLOWSHIP AUCTION



APRIL 27TH, 11:20AM

Come join us for a time of fellowship, friendship and laughter. Come win the bid and take home a Basket full of goodies or a beautiful quilt!

COME HUNGRY!!!

A delicious and simple lunch will be served
Beefburgers, Chips and Homemade bars.

COME PREPARED TO LAUGH!

Set your heart on a basket or quilt and try to win the bid! Maybe you will take it home or maybe your neighbor will!?!?



COME READY TO GIVE

Be assured that all funds raised will go to the ministries of Gowrie UMC. Gifts given will enable us to shine the love of Christ in our community through Sunday Morning Worship, Sunday School, Confirmation, Outreach and support of the Gowrie Community.



Thank You For Being a Part of Our Ministries!

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Guided by the Gospel’s call to “love your neighbor as yourself,” Bishop Kennetha J. Bigham-Tsai will examine how the Rev. Dr.

Martin Luther King’s vision of beloved community can be a counterpoint to Christian nationalism and reflect on the lectionary passages for the Lenten season and the call of the church as we approach the season of resurrection.

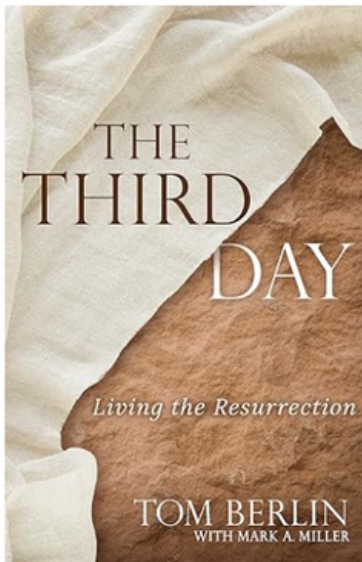
Tuesday evenings, April 1, April 8, and April 15 at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. These will be recorded and available soon after for your small group studies. Register today! You will be emailed a ZOOM link soon after.

Be a Part of Our
SPRING FELLOWSHIP AUCTION!



If you would like to provide a Basket please sign up in the Narthex. We can always use more baskets. If all the lines are filled please feel free to make more!

Come Eat, Bid and Enjoy the Afternoon.



Adult bible study,
Sunday mornings
at 9:00am.

JOIN US

April 6th & 13th
this study
continues.



In “The Third Day: Living the Resurrection”, Tom Berlin uses his gifts of storytelling and understanding the Scriptures to connect the reader to the experiences of several individuals around Jesus in his final days, focusing on new life and redemption rather than loss.

Join the disciples who walk to Emmaus, Paul and Jesus himself and the surprise and joy that awaits them in the resurrection. This study traces events around around these individuals and how the resurrection transforms their lives.

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LET US CELEBRATE

holy
week

April 13 Palm Sunday

“The Colt”
Service of Praise

April 17 Maundy Thursday

“The Cup”
Holy Communion
Stripping the sanctuary

April 18 Good Friday

“The Nails”
Service of mediation

April 20 Resurrection Sunday

-Sunrise Service
-Easter Egg Hunt
-Worship

“The Lily”

Sun. School 9:00 am
Worship 10:15 am

Service 7:00 pm

Service 7:00 pm

7:30 am with breakfast
Hunt 9:00 am
Worship 10:15 am