

The Kresge Courier March 2022



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February 28, 2022, tomorrow I'm 8 weeks post up. The past few days I've experienced some new intense pain. To be honest my patience is wearing thin and I'm ready to be done with this. I can tell the surgery worked, and that God is healing my worn out back. For that I am thankful!

I am thankful for much, especially that God is bigger than any storm, struggle or situation. I am thankful for our family – Cindy and I, our children their spouses and our grandchildren. Not to mention our parents and siblings, nieces and nephews.

I am thankful for the steadfast members of this congregation who stay committed to loving God, and loving others.

I am thankful in the midst of trials and tribulations, pandemics, loss of life, rumors of war and real war, political and social strife – I am thankful because God, the One and Only has a plan to restore and resurrect. Out of the ashes of our self-destruction God raises up a remnant, time and time again, throughout the grand sweep of scripture.

Lent is a time to realize this and respond, I invite you to join me this Lenten season as God rebuilds and restores the parts of our lives we have allowed to burn up. Let us put on the beautiful headdress we are promised in Isaiah 61:3. Not to forget our struggles but to remember God's desire is to restore, renew and return His Creation to the original image – to make beautiful that which we have broken.

I am thankful!
In His grip, Ed



Lenten Offering 2022

To give thanks and praise for Gpd's Word through Warren Lathem while Pastor Ed recovered from back surgery, we are receiving an offering during Lent to purchase rice and beans for the people of Venezuela. Our contributions will be donated to Venezuela Now staff here in the US, they will ensure safe passage, arrival, and distribution in Venezuela.

During Lent we are asked to give something up so we can take on more of Christ. The idea this year is to give up a meal a day, or three-four meals a week (you decide) then donate the dollar amount saved by not going through a drive through, for example, to this effort. At the end of Lent we will use the offering to buy bulk from a warehouse store.

There is a display in front of the sanctuary that has 50 lbs of rice and 48 lbs of beans. With tax, rounded up to nearest dollar amount this cost \$54.00. At the end of Lent could we possibly have an offering large enough to send 1000lbs of rice and 960lbs of beans? \$1080 is all that it will take.

Each Sunday during Lent our offerings for this gift may be left in the container by the display.

Pray, pray, pray - respond to how God desires you to participate.

Upcoming Kresge Activities in March

March 8th- Kresge Women's Group 2:30 in the fellowship Hall.
Bring a snack if you can and come enjoy the fun.

March 11th- Game Night returns at 5:30.
All are invited. Games, food, and laughter are the goal!

March 14th- Easter Egg Hunt planning meeting at 10:00 a.m.
Hop on over and be a part of the fun

*We Greatly Appreciate the Gift Given in Honor Of,
Kresge Family & Friends*

Thursday Small Group

Clothing Bank the first
Thursday of each month.
The following Thursdays
they meet at 11:30
They will be beginning a
new study soon.

Tuesday

Small Group

Meets @ noon





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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Anniversaries and Birthdays are on the calendar.		1 Tues. Mom Prayer Group 10:30 am Small Group 12:00 Luke 16	2 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> Luke 17	3 Clothing Bank Grief Share 7:00 pm LUKE 18	4 Clean Team Edge, Cook, Willingham Luke 19	5 Luke 20
		6 Worship @ 10:55 Masks Optional Luke 21	7 <i>Martha Robinson</i> Luke 22	8 Tues. Mom Prayer Group 10:30 am Small Group 12:00 Luke 23	9 Luke 24	10 Small Group 11:30 am Grief Share 7:00 pm John 1
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20 Worship @ 10:55 Masks Optional <i>Judy Cook (Jim)</i> John 11	21 John 12	22 Tues. Mom Prayer Group 10:30 am Small Group 12:00 S.H.- Gaynelle Owens John 13	23 <i>Greg Cooper</i> <i>Vandy Cobb</i> John 14	24 Small Group 11:30 am Grief Share 7:00 pm S.H.- Deborah Edge John 15	25 <i>George Robinson</i> John 16	26 John 17
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