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### OPEN MY EYES AFRESH TO SEE JESUS

***"He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised and we esteemed him not. Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds, we are healed." Isaiah 53:3-5***

I love seeking Jesus in the Old Testament. It always gives me a sense of the beautiful interconnectedness of the whole of Scripture. We see in this wonderful "fifth Gospel" that takes our breath away and then refreshes us again and again. In a fresh look of Isaiah we see this wonderful evangelist/prophet revealing Jesus.

Isaiah 53, the fourth servant song is central to the powerful Gospel presentation that Isaiah makes. In this chapter it is though Isaiah is an eye-witness to the cross, and through his vantage point, we see Jesus the "servant" who comes on the scene in Israel's history at a very spiritually dry time. Isaiah sees Jesus as being rejected by the religious establishment of His day. He sees our Lord "...pierced for our transgressions,...crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed." (Isaiah 53:5) He truly sees Jesus on the cross and all the suffering Jesus experienced in Pilate's judgment hall leading up to the cross, seeing Him marred beyond recognition. Isaiah even sees His burial in a garden tomb by Joseph of Arimathea, when he says that "...He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth." (vrs. 9)

I believe that Isaiah in poetic language sees the resurrection and our Lord's eternal reign in Glory..."he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand." (vrs 10)

Isaiah received this vision in a horribly depressing time in Israel's history; the nation was crumbling and about to go into Babylonian captivity, yet he sees Jesus.

During this coming Lenten season may we be refreshed with the story of the Passion of Christ. May our eyes be opened again to see how great and tender, loving and compassionate, forgiving and caring our Lord is to us.

Prayer: Lord as you opened Isaiah's eyes to see so much of the suffering and work of our Risen Lord, open my eyes to see Jesus afresh this day. Lord, I repent that often all I see are my failings and the failings of others around me. You are the living present Lord, right here, right now, with me. Like Mary, I wait at your feet. Amen.

Pastor Schufreider

From: **Rev. Alan Ludwig** <[alan.ludwig@lcmsintl.org](mailto:alan.ludwig@lcmsintl.org)>

Date: [Sat, Jan 27, 2018](#) at 2:37 AM

Subject: Siberia Letter January 2018

To: Alan Ludwig <[alan.ludwig@lcmsintl.org](mailto:alan.ludwig@lcmsintl.org)>

Dear friends,

Here in Siberia we are experiencing some of the coldest and darkest days of the year. Someone said it was warmer right now in Antarctica. No matter: the season of Epiphany proclaims Christ as the Light of the world, a Light to the nations. He is the Sun of righteousness, who warms the natural coldness of our hearts.

The latest issue of my Siberia Letter is available for viewing or download at the following link:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/50s8m45r4nxwltc/Missionletter41.pdf?dl=0>

In this issue we celebrate the 20 years of Lutheran Theological Seminary, of which I have been privileged to be a part almost from its beginning. I reflect on the past, rejoice in the present, and look to the future.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Rev. Alan Ludwig  
Novosibirsk, Russia

## *Morning of Prayer*



### *Who am I? What is my identity?*

*When: Saturday, February 17, 2018*

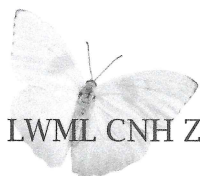
*Where: St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
1075 El Monte Ave., Mountain View  
Rev. Aaron Smith— Prayer Leader*

*Time: 9:30 am Coffee and Pastries  
10:00 am Prayer Service*

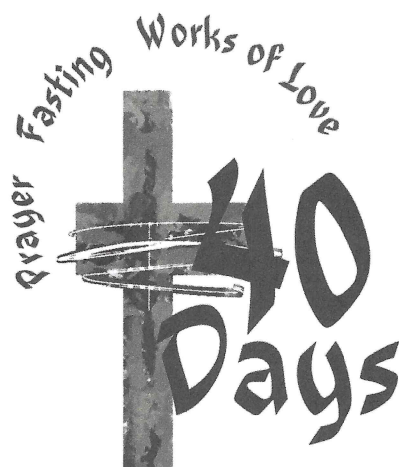
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*Many factors come to mind when we think of who we are — our identity. In his first letter, Peter continually reminds his readers of their identity. Rather than focus on inane worldly details, he zeroes in on what's most important: our standing in the eyes of God or our place in His kingdom.*

*"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, . . ."  
1 Peter 2:9-12*



LWML CNH Zone 8



## *Lent Midweek Services at*

### **First Lutheran Church**

#### **THEME:**

**“Blood, Swear, and Tears;  
Heart, Hands and Voices”**

Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo Saxon word *Lenten*, which means "spring." The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry.

Lent is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent was a time to prepare new converts for baptism. Today, Christians focus on their relationship with God, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others.

Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini-Easter" and the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with joyful anticipation of the Resurrection.

#### **LENT SERVICES**

February 14	ASH WEDNESDAY	7 PM
February 21	2 <sup>nd</sup> Midweek Service	7 PM
February 28	3 <sup>rd</sup> Midweek Service	7 PM
March 7	Dinner/Devotion/Craft	6 PM
March 14	4 <sup>th</sup> Midweek Service	7 PM
March 21	5 <sup>th</sup> Midweek Service	7 PM

#### **HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

March 29	Maundy Thursday Worship	7 PM
March 30	Good Friday Worship	7 PM

# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

## FEBRUARY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 10:00 am – Sun School 10:45 am – Worship	5	6 10:00 am – Bible Study	7	8	9 12:00noon- Mission Luncheon	10
11 10:00 am – Sun School 10:45 am – Worship 12 noon – LWML Bites for Mites Bake Sale 12 noon – Council Mtg	12	13 10:00 am – Bible Study	14 12:00 noon - Ash Wednesday	15	16	17
18 10:00 am – Sun School 10:45 am – Worship	19	20 10:00 am – Bible Study 11:30am - Stewardship 4:30 pm – Fellowship Meeting	21	22	23	24 8:00 am – Men's Prayer Breakfast
25 10:00 am – Sun School 10:45 am – Worship	26	27 10:00 am – Bible Study	28			

Office Hours: Monday: 9:00 to 1:00 · Tuesday: 9:00 to 2:30 · Wednesday: 9:00 to 1:00 · Friday: 9:00 to 2:30





**FUNDING MISSION GRANTS  
ONE TASTY BITE AT A TIME**  
DISTRICT-WIDE FUNDRAISER FOR THE LWML CNH

Sunday, February 11  
following worship.

Come sponsor this delicious event.

**Proceeds will go to supplement  
the grants for missions.**

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## **Worship Schedule**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR

### ***Bible Study***

Tuesday 10:00 am

Wednesday 6:00 pm

### ***Sunday School***

Sunday 10:00 am

### ***Worship***

Sunday 10:45 am