**Announcements**

**Special Thanks:** Special Thanks to Jane & Gary Gramkow for placing the flowers in the sanctuary during the month of February.

**W.O.C. Meeting:** The Women of the Church will plan to meet on Sunday, March 17th, following our worship service.

**Coffee Hour:** We are looking for 1 more volunteer to bring 2 dozen goodies for Coffee Hour on Sun., March 17th. Please sign the sheet in the Narthex if you are able to help.

**FCA Spring Banquet:** Save the Date! This will be held on Sunday, April 7th at 6PM at the Menno City/School Auditorium. Our guest speaker will be Coach John Stiegelmeier, former SDSU Jacks Football Coach! Please **RSVP** to the Church Office or Text Ivory Wintersteen @ (605) 680-2595 if you are planning to attend. We are excited to have Coach Stiegelmeier as our speaker!

**M/O Community Easter Cantata:** Anyone high school age or older is encouraged to participate! Martin Sieverding will be directing and Kay Smidt will be the accompanist. Practices are as follows @ 7:30 PM:

Monday, March 4th @ Zion Reformed Church

Monday, March 11th @ Grace Lutheran Church

Monday, March 18th @ Salem Reformed Church

Thursday, March 21st @ Salem Reformed Church

Concert is Palm Sunday, March 24th @ 7:00 PM at Salem Reformed!

**Upcoming Lenten Services**

**Wednesday, March 13th @ 7 PM**

**Maundy Thursday, March 28th @ 7 PM**  (w/Holy Communion)

PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS OF SALEM REFORMED CHURCH

**\*Pat Pommerville,** as she had knee replacement surgery this past Friday in Sioux Falls.

**\*Julie Crick,** as she recovers from a broken pelvis.

**\*Kobee Sherman,** the young man from Viborg who is battling cancer. Prayers for strength and healing as he continues on with chemo.

**\***We pray for all of our **Care Center Residents and Assisted Living Residents** as well as the **Staff**who work so hard in caring for them. **\*Larry Klaudt, \*Jan Nebelsick, \*Jackie Scott**, **\*Bruce Kunze, \*Eloise Hora**(Baby)**, \*Dustin Christensen, \*Kobee Sherman,**as these individuals are in various stages in their battle against cancer and/or other health struggles.  We praise the Lord for His Power that is mightily at work within each one, and giving them strength!

**\*Travis Gramkow**(U.S. Navy - Virginia), **\*Parker Schultz** (U.S. Air Force – Alabama), **\*Aaron Helgerson**(U.S. Navy - Rhode Island), **\*Katie (Schultz) Paulsen**(U.S. Air Force - Texas),**Patrick Ireland**(U.S. Army Chaplain - Ft. Bliss, TX), **Tyler J. Brandt**(U.S. Army - Georgia), **\*Logan Schmidt**(U.S. Navy - Ft. Travis, CA), **\*Troy Heckenlaible, Derek Fischer, Dan Wonnenberg, Katie Huber, Trevor Bertsch, Chad Boettcher**(Army National Guard), **\*Lee Heckenlaible, Carmen Taylor, Brett Andersen, Evan Wintersteen**(Air National Guard), **\*Travis Brandt, \*Jayme Schaaf**(U.S. Army)**, \*Jake Haider**(U.S. Army - Florida),  **\*Alex Olson** (U.S. Navy),**\*Alex Ulmer**(U.S. Marines), **Cameron Christensen** (U.S. Army - Belgium, Germany) **- we pray for God's protection over all who serve in our Military!**

***“That You Bear Much Fruit”***

**Text: John 15:1-10**

**Lenten Series:** Working Through John 15

**I. THAT YOU BEAR MUCH \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

 **John 15:8 – *“This is to My Father’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be My disciples.”***

**NOTE:** Bearing fruit is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to God!

(See Jn. 13:35; Jn. 15:2b; Jn. 15:5b; Jn. 15:16

 **A. FRUIT BEARING**

\*Spoken of \_\_\_\_\_ x’s in the Old Testament

 \*Spoken of \_\_\_\_\_ x’s in the New Testament

**II. WHAT IS THIS FRUIT SUPPOSED TO LOOK LIKE ?**

 **A. NOT LIKE THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE FLESH!**

 **Gal. 5:19-21**

 **B. YES, LIKE THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE SPIRIT!**

 **Gal. 5:22,23; Rom. 12:9-16**

**NOTE:** The fruit should grow \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as the years go by!

 **C. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ PEOPLE TO CHRIST!**

 **John 15:6 – *“You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you to bear fruit – fruit that will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .”***

**III. WHAT’S THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ OF ABIDING/FRUIT BEARING?**

 **Answer: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

 **John 15:11 – *“I have told you this so that My \_\_\_\_\_\_ may be in you and that your \_\_\_\_\_\_ may be complete.”***

 **A. What’s so Great About This Joy?**

 **Neh. 8:10 – *“The joy of the LORD is your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!”***

**Ps. 16:11 –**

**IT’S ALL FOR GOD’S \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ !**