



**DURING THE LENTEN SEASON**, The Sunday Morning Worship Services and Bible Classes will use Max Lucado's book, "He Chose the Nails" as a basis for the series. The upcoming worship themes:

- Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, "He Chose to Love Us Forever"
- Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, "He Chose to Give Us Victory"

**A BIG THANK YOU** to Pastor Rob Kasper for preaching on Sunday.

**A SPECIAL CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** is planned for Sunday. Melissa Teeple will be making 3-D printed sheep for all of the children and talking with them about Jesus, the Good Shepherd and the Lamb of God. A big thank you to Melissa for volunteering for the Children's Message this Sunday.

**TEAM TIGERS THIS WEEKS NEEDS:** We are looking to switch to healthier options. We would like to start offering fresh apples, oranges/cuties, and individual size bags of carrots. However, we won't be able to keep a large stock of these items due to spoilage. Currently, we pack approximately 60 backpacks every week. Other needed items are: Hormel Compleats, Granola bars, fruit cups, squeeze applesauce, squeeze fruit, individual sized bags of freeze-dried fruit chips, and individual no-sugar added juice.

**THANK YOU TO THE PRE-K CLASS** lead by Miss Mildred and Mr. Kaden for their Art Show at Meal Time on Wednesday to support Team Tigers.

**HOMELESS LUNCHESS PACKING** is Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00. Please email Dana Underwood at [dunderwood99@hotmail.com](mailto:dunderwood99@hotmail.com) if you'd like to donate. All donations need to be at the church by 10:00 am that day. Please label your donation for the. If you'd like to help pack, please feel free to join us at 10:00 am on April 19 at Open Arms. Needed items:

100 slices cheese	100 juice boxes
100 sweet snacks	100 salty snacks
100 ziploc sandwich bags	8 loaves of bread

**THE OPEN ARMS COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT** is April 12<sup>th</sup>. Donations of candies and small trinkets to fill the eggs are needed. Drop your donations off at the office. People are also needed to help fill the eggs and to help on the day of the hunt. Contact Greta for more information.

**SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

- Someone to run the Worship Service Live Stream once a month. Contact Marty Moro for more information. [morom3@yahoo.com](mailto:morom3@yahoo.com)

- Someone to serve on the Arts and Altar team, helping to prepare for worship services. Contact Audrey Moro for more information: [amoro1031@gmail.com](mailto:amoro1031@gmail.com)

**OPEN ARMS DAYCARE** is looking for summer kitchen help. Training begins in May. Help needed June through mid-August. Responsibilities include: inventory, weekly grocery shopping, preparing and portioning snacks, preparing and delivering weekly pizza lunch, washing dishes and kitchen cleaning. Flexible days and hours. Ideally, 2-3 days a week. **MUST** work on Wednesday morning. This could be a volunteer or paid position. Please talk with Greta or Debbie if you have more questions.

**THE DAYCARE STAFFING NEEDS:** Infant room aide. Toddler room aide. Part-time OR full-time floater. Contact Greta for more information.

**SEMINARY PLACEMENT DATES** are April 29 and 30. Open Arms will learn whether or not a seminary graduate has been assigned to the church after the placements days.

**THRIVENT ACTION TEAM OPPORTUNITIES:** If you have investments or insurance with Thrivent, you are eligible for two Action Team grants of \$250 a year. Here are some suggestions for upcoming events that would benefit from your Action Team grant:

Team Tigers	Community Easter Egg Hunt, April 12
Easter Brunch, April 20	National Day of Prayer, May 1
MEAL Time	Veterans “Take Out Tuesday” gift cards in May
Daycare Summer Camp	Daycare Graduation Party June 5
Homeless Sack Lunches Packing	April 19 <sup>th</sup>

### **HOLY WEEK AT OPEN ARMS**

Palm Sunday, April 13, 10:00 AM service  
 Maundy Thursday, (Jesus’ Last Supper), April 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM service  
 Good Friday, (Jesus Crucifixion), April 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM service  
 Easter Brunch, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 – 9:30 AM  
 Easter Celebration Service, (Jesus’ Resurrection) April 20<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM

**252 KIDS, WEDNESDAY EVENING PROGRAM** for Grade School age children April schedule:

April 2, Bookmarkers	April 9, Stuffing Easter Eggs
April 16, Holy Week –No 252 Kids	April 23, Mother’s Day Gifts
April 30, Kickball, Ice Cream, Smores and Fire Safety (Final Session until next Fall) A	

Big Thank You to Tom Griffin and the 252 leadership team for doing a great job!

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o\\_xOMNiH7\\_w&list=PLyqFOkxicbM17Z7Z0NvGMTmLv3Dck8Kt](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o_xOMNiH7_w&list=PLyqFOkxicbM17Z7Z0NvGMTmLv3Dck8Kt) **WORSHIP MUSIC PLAY LIST LINK**

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