



## 3.16.2026 Open Arms Weekly News

### Scripture for the week:

“So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal” 2 Corinthians 4:18

### MINISTRY NEEDS

**M.E.A.L. needs**, on April 2 (Maundy Thursday), appetizers, desserts, and beverages. This would be more of a potluck situation-please sign up for what you can bring.

**Charitable Organization Establishment** Do you or someone you know have knowledge of 501c3's? Can you assist Open Arms in establishing one? Would you have any background in laying the groundwork for it? Speak with Pastor Eddie or Ken Kincaid.

**TEAM TIGERS** needs Fruit cups, 1 lb. bags of rice, Knorr pasta sides, Macaroni and cheese, Spaghetti-ohs, Applesauce cups/pouches, Juice boxes/pouches, Mini boxes or cups of cereal, Pop-tarts, Nutri-grain bars, and soup. Please place all donations in the orange Team Tigers box sitting at the entrance.

**MONDAY MEN'S WORK CREW** meets every Monday at 6:00pm to work on projects around the church and day care. If you are handy and are looking to share your skills, contact Don Wellman to get involved!

Open Arms will be introducing **AMPLIFY** – a fully integrated e-giving, check-in, directory, scheduling, and “stay connected” system – over the next month. Be on the lookout for Debbie and others who will be available before and after Worship service to answer questions and give quick demos on the new interface.

### MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

#### **Lenten Preaching Series “Dying His Death, Living His Life”**

3/15 – Dying to Turmoil, Living in Peace

3/22 – Dying to Judgement, Living in Grace

3/29 – Blessed is He

4/2 – Remember His Death

4/3 – He died for all

4/5 – He Lives Triumphant!

**Baptized** into the Kingdom of God on 3/15/2026 is Violetta Maria Yanity. Praise God!

**LWML Prayer Service** March 21<sup>st</sup> at MOST Ministries office – 655 Phoenix Dr, Ann Arbor 48408. Mite Box collection is at the Welcome Center!

**501-3c Meeting** at Open Arms 9:30am on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Join us to help support the beginning of this vital part of our ministry!

**Easter Egg Hunt** Saturday 3/28 at 10:30am.

**Maundy Thursday Service** will be on 4/2 at 6:00pm. **Good Friday Service** will be on 4/3 at 7:00pm.

**Easter Sunday Services** will be on 4/5 at 7:30am and 10:00am with breakfast being served in between.

**Confirmation Service April 12<sup>th</sup>**. Join us in giving thanks for everyone who will be confirmed in their faith this day!

**TEAM TIGERS** Bowling Fundraiser is scheduled for Friday, May 1, 2026. Be on the lookout for more information to come soon!

**BLOOD DRIVE** on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at Open Arms. See Princetta Morales for more information and how you can help to make this event a success!

**Next Family Fun Day** – May 31<sup>st</sup> after Worship! Bring your favorite board games!



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### DIG INTO THE WORD

**Youth Bible Study** (9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade) will be meeting in room 234 (North Hallway past the restrooms) after Worship on Sunday's. Bible study lasts approximately 30 minutes. If you have any questions or want to learn more, look for Tom Griffin or Kara Garcia. Our current study is in the book of Romans.

**Men's Bible Study** is held on the 3rd and 4th Tuesdays, at 6:30 pm, in the Upper Room.

March 2026: 3/17 & 3/24

April 2026: 4/21 & 4/28

May 2026: 5/19 & 5/26

For 2026, we will be reading and discussing the Minor Prophets of the Old Testament. Come and join us and learn how these minor prophets affected the Jewish people of their times, and how the writings from the minor prophet's impact each of us today. In addition, you will enjoy stimulating conversations and true fellowship. Please contact Deacon Dave if you have any questions (734) 461-2458 or ferber\_david@yahoo.com.

**B.L.T Basic Lutheran Teaching** - members are encouraged to join the class to learn more and dive deeper into their faith! We invite lifelong members to join as well to discover hidden gems of their faith as they continue their faith journey.

**Confirmation Classes** Sundays after Worship. See Marty Moro for more information.

### PRAYER REQUESTS AND INTENTIONS

**Let's pray for those who are grieving:** Kelly, Roger, Ann Marie, Tiffany, Booth Family, Richie, Mahaffey Family, Sandy

**Let's pray for those who are sick:** Bob, Sherry, Linda, Ron, Jason, Clydine, Gaige, Daryl Cutter, Daycare children, Barbara Jean, Richard Red, Richard, Ian, Nola, Kelly

**Let's pray for those in need of prayer:** Mildred, Aubree, Sarah, Tina, Danielle, Olena, Daycare Staff, Chelsey, Danielle, Christina

**Let's give thanks and blessings:** Tony and Allyson for their marriage, for the healing of Greta's ankle, for the healing from surgery for Claudia

3/8/2026 attendance: 102