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IN WORSHIP TODAY

He should have been crucified. He should have been hung on that cross. I'm talking about Barabbas, of course. He deserved every bit of the pain of that cross and more God, in heaven. Yet, there was a substitute for him - Jesus! What a miscarriage of justice! What an improper use of power on Pilate's part, making Jesus a pawn so that he might keep control of the people. Yet, Jesus stood in for Barabbas and us too! We deserved every bit of the pain of the cross and more! Yet, Jesus took our place! He stood in for. He was abandoned. He was rejected by God and the people. All this so that we will not be abandoned. All this so that we will not be rejected.

FREE GIFT

If you are a first-time guest with us today, we have a gift for you. Please stop by the Welcome Table with your Connection Card. We'd love to share this gift with you.

NEXT STEPS

If you're new with us today or would like a refresher study of the Bible's teachings, you're invited to take this next step. Learn more about God's ways through Christian Essentials. Ask Pastor Bourman for more information or sign-up here:

https://bit.ly/CE_Interest

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, March 11

6:15 pm - Board of Outreach 7:30 pm - Board of Nurture

Tuesday, March 12

5:30 pm - Board for Ministry Support 7:30 pm - Maintenance Team

Wednesday, March 13

4:30 pm - Midweek Worship 5:15 pm - Soup Supper 6 pm - Midweek Worship

> **Saturday, March 14** 8:30 am - Ladies Study

FISHING

We can't control if people will come if we invite them. **But** we can control if we invite them at all. Let's do what we can to fill up our sanctuary this Easter!

God can do more with your simple invitation and with two people having a conversation than if you say nothing and do nothing.

"Come follow me and I will teach you how to fish for people." Jesus.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, March 17

Call Meeting, then "Rally the Family" open forum after church.

Saturday, March 23

9 am - Indoor/Outdoor Spring Cleaning

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HELLO, I'M

It's "Name Tag" Sunday. Grab a Nametag and greet someone.

Here's a conversation starter. How long have you been connected to Mount Lebanon? What was your first connection?

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Easter is Coming! Can you help make it awesome?

There are many ways you can help! From cleaning the church, setting things up, handing out postcards, or serving breakfast on Easter. Check out the sign-up on the back table or talk to Pastor Nate for more information.

Easter Flowers

There is still time to help beautify our sanctuary for Easter. Order forms for flowers are on the back table. If you have any questions, please contact Pam Helmig.

LWMS Mission Offering

If you would still like to give for this cause, you may also place an offering in the offering plate and label it for LWMS until March 17.

JA Biztown/ Finance Park

Our middle school scholars regularly participate in experiences that prepare them for real life. On March 27, we will have one such experience. We need many volunteers to make this happen. Please talk to Brandi Bowling if you would like to help.

Call Meeting

Last Sunday, we postponed a call meeting so that we could pursue additional candidates. We would like to have that call meeting on March 17 before the open forum begins.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For **David DeLay**, the nephew of Karen Runge, who is in prison.

For *Elsie Krane*, who broke her ankle and is rehabbing in Brookfield.

For **Carol Fairbairn,** who was hospitalized this last week.

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Ministries currently faces.

• List (at least) five opportunities that Mount Lebanon Ministries currently has.

• List as many 3-year targets as you can (aiming at 2027). These can be either aspirational (dreams) or specific and measurable.