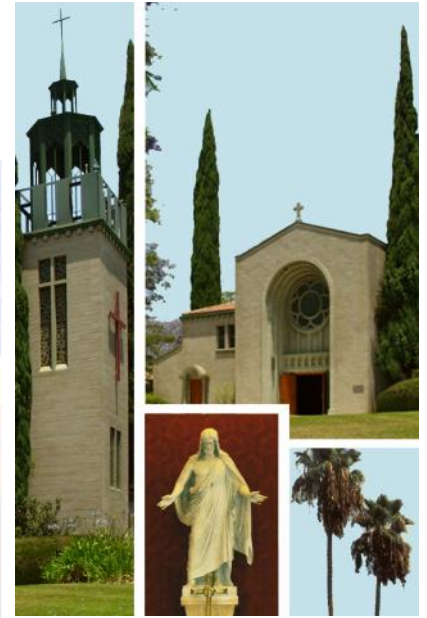


The Messenger

March 2018

A Monthly Non-Profit Newsletter for
EDEN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



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¹⁵rend your **hearts** and not your clothing.

Return to the **LORD**, your **God**,

for he is **gracious** and *merciful*,

slow to *anger*, and abounding in steadfast **love**,

and **RELENTS** from punishing.

Joel 2:13

Eden's Mission: . . . "to love God and all people in Jesus Christ, drawing others into a relationship with him, working together to expand his reign of hope, justice, and peace in our community, and the world."

2018 Holy Week & Easter Calendar

Sunday, March 25



Palm & Passion Sunday

10:00am SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION WITH
DIALOGUE & PROCESSION OF PALMS
PASSION NARATIVE

Wednesday, March 28

EDEN LUTHERAN SCHOOL EASTER EGG HUNT & PICNIC



Thursday, March 29

Maundy Thursday

5:45pm Meal in the Upper Room
7:00 SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION WITH DIVESTING THE ALTAR

Friday, March 30



Good Friday

7:00pm SERVICE WITH CANTATA "AMAZING LOVE"



Saturday, March 31

Holy Saturday

11:00am-4:00pm EASTER VIGIL

Sunday, April 1

Easter Sunday

8:30am Easter Breakfast & Easter Egg Hunt

10:00am Celebration of the Resurrection

Service of Holy Communion & Festival Music



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If you are interested in running the Easter Egg Hunt, contact Pat Sinclair

JANUARY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



Jo Thompson's resignation from Council was accepted.

The Executive Council Member-at-Large and the Finance Ministry Chair were added to the signature cards. MSC

Amending the Constitution to make the third Sunday in February the Annual Meeting was discussed. MSC that this be brought to the Congregation for approval.

\$175 in Good Gifts were donated by Deborah Circle to the ELCA.

Eden's preschool is doing well with steady enrollment.



PRESENT:

Pr. Linda Brown
 Harvey Clark
 Jay Fiene
 Dave Grefe
 Nicolette Rohr
 James Sansom
 Paula Smith
 Marge Steinbrinck
 Chuck Wilson

GUEST:

Lyle Hodgerson

EDEN CARES



Schera Harner and Jay Fiene have provided us with two ways to help those in poverty. Schera continues, with the help of James Sansom, to put together Hygiene Packs for those who receive food cards from Pastor. Jay has applied for and received funds from Thrivent to put together Care Kits that can be kept in our cars and handed out to those on the street in need.

A typical Care Kit consists of a watertight gallon-size zipper lock plastic bag filled with items like:

- ◆ Water bottle, juice or fruit drink box
- ◆ Tuna, peanut butter or cheese & cracker pack
- ◆ Granola bar or cereal bar
- ◆ Fruit snack or applesauce cup
- ◆ Gift certificate for fast food
- ◆ Hand wipes
- ◆ Lotion
- ◆ Pack of Kleenex
- ◆ A few Band Aids
- ◆ Tube of lip balm
- ◆ Combs
- ◆ Mints, cough drops, or gum
- ◆ Mini Fliers - a note of encouragement or uplifting Bible verse from Eden Lutheran Church

If you are interested in donating and/or helping to put together the Care Kits, please contact Jay.



OUR EDEN FAMILY

DANIEL THOMAS VALDESPINO

Born:

October 11, 2017

Baptized:

January 28, 2018

Parents:

James & Shannon Valdespino

Great-grandmother: Betty Jean Denham



Baptized
into
the Lord's
Family

RYAN SINCLAIR WILLIAMS

Born:

December 26, 2017

Baptized:

February 11, 2018

Parents:

Luke & Katherine Williams

Grandparents: Ron & Pat Sinclair

We pray for Daniel & Ryan
God's Blessings all their
lives long.

- 2 Evan Hodgerson
- Jeanette Passalaqua
- 4 Zachary Bengtson
- Zena Bengtson
- 6 Paul Smith
- 7 Joshua Anderson
- Marissa Kent
- 9 Robert Schrader

- 15 Ron Smith
- Denell Scarborough
- 17 Judith Asher
- 18 Larry Subriar
- 19 Jillian VanStockum
- 21 Kyle McCallum
- 22 Suzanne Silveira
- 31 Carol Latoof



March
Birthdays

DON'T FORGET
BIRTHDAY SUNDAY
MARCH 0, 2018

Please notify the office if your birthday or wedding anniversary is incorrectly listed, or missing.
Our goal is to include everyone! Thank you!



It's Baby Shower!!! for Shannon Barkley

AND SHE'S HAVING A GIRL

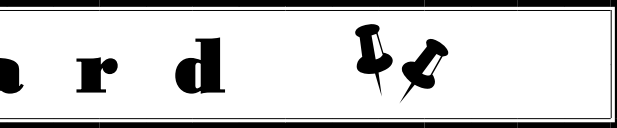
MARCH 10, 2018

2:00PM

IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Come and enjoy the fun All the Eden Family is Welcome

REGISTERED AT TARGET & AMAZON.COM



Sack Lunch Fillers

Eden's Homeless Lunch Program can make use of any fruit you may have, as well as any other food goody that you would like to donate.



*Call:
Schera Harner
653.0317*

Messenger Deadline

The deadline for any article/information for the Messenger is the 10th of every month. If this date falls on a weekend the deadline will be the following Monday. If Monday is a holiday, it will be the following Tuesday!

Submit to Susan Downer via e-mail either as an attachment done in Word, Word Perfect, Publisher, OR as text in the main body of the e-mail. For those without a computer, submission can be made by giving copy to Nicole in the Office or Susan.

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owner, Editor

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR MINISTRIES

Questions or ideas? Let your Ministry Teams know. Better yet, join a Ministry! Current committee rosters are listed here. Let any member know if you would like to serve on a committee and please prayerfully consider serving in the future.

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK.

EVANGELISM
Harvey Clark
Chuck Wilson

FINANCE
Marge Steinbrinck
Harvey Clarke
Lyle Hodgerson
Chuck Wilson
Pat Sinclair
Gene Maas
Don Eissfeldt

HELPING HANDS MINISTRY
James Sansom
Schera Harner

LEARNING
Zach Anderson
Shannon Barkley

PROPERTY
David Grefe
Kelly Kersten
James Sansom
Erv Seidel
Ron Sinclair
Larry Subriar

SERVICE & FELLOWSHIP
Pat Sinclair
Marge Steinbrinck
Gloria Youngerman
Sandra Boyum
Esther D'Aguiar

STEWARDSHIP
The Stewardship Team is transitioning this year...please consider bringing your ideas to this team. See Marge Steinbrinck to get started.

TECHNOLOGY
Steve Anderson
Zack Anderson
Arlea Anderson
Schera Harner
James Sansom
The Technology Team is in need of a few extra people who are willing to be trained to work the soundboard during worship. Please see the Andersons for more information.

WORSHIP & MUSIC
Marilyn Anderson
Denise Olsen
Dick Anderson
Harvey Clark
Cathy Carlson
Paula Smith
Jo Thompson
Carol McAnern, Altar Guild
Chair

reunited.

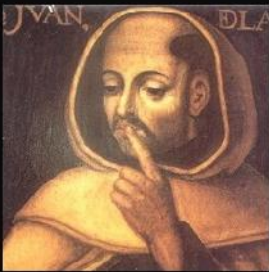
John's writings, together with Teresa's, are the most important mystical works in Spanish and have deeply influenced later spiritual writers all over the world.

In 1591 John became ill with a skin condition that resulted in him contracting an infection. He died on Dec. 14, 1591. Shortly following his burial there

was a dispute over where he should be buried. The dispute was resolved by removing his legs and arms. Over the years, parts of his body were placed on display or buried across several places. They are still on display to this day in Ubeda, Spain.

John of the Cross was canonized as a saint in 1726 by Pope Benedict XIII. John is also one of the 36 Doctors of the Catholic Church.

John of the Cross



In the twilight of life, God will not judge us on our earthly possessions and human success, but rather on how much we have loved.

AZ QUOTES

A FLOWER CROSS: A GLORIOUS TRADITION

Every Easter we bring flowers to cover the cross.

The procession to bring it in is the beginning of the Celebration of the Resurrection. So bring your flowers Easter morning and join them with all the others in this exuberant display of JOY !!!



March 2018 Helping Hands Projects with Riverside City Mission



Saturday, March 24, 2018 7:30am
Delivery of Food Boxes

Come and help !!! Many hands are needed !!!



On-Hand Inventory

Number of Cards	Merchant	Value Each
2	Amazon	\$25
2	Kohl's	\$25
4	Target	\$25
4	Walmart	\$25
1	Walmart	\$100
2	Olive Garden	\$25
2	Regal Movies	\$25
2	Applebee's	\$25
4	Stater Bros.	\$25
3	Stater Bros.	\$100
2	Vons	\$25
3	Vons	\$100

Join Your Friends
1st Sunday of Every Month
March 4, 2018

EATIN' WITH EDEN
AT
MARIE CALLENDER'S

Be sure to pick up a flyer and give to the wait-person when you order.

Don't forget to sign up with Amazon for additional funds for Helping Hands. And to double the earnings, use Scrip to pay for your orders !!!

More Helping Hands on page 13

Gift Card Fundraiser

USE GIFT CARDS FOR YOUR EVERYDAY PURCHASES AND HELP EDEN'S HELPING HANDS AT THE SAME TIME.

To purchase see Larry Subriar, James Sansom, or Schera Harner. Make your checks out to the Eden Lutheran Church when purchasing Gift Cards.

F L O W E R C H A R T



BE SURE TO SIGN UP ON THE FLOWER CHART IN THE NARTHEX

MARCH		APRIL	
4	Pr. Linda Brown	1	the Rohr Family
11		8	
18	Harvey Clark	15	
25	Wannie Johnson	22	
		29	

The price for 2 arrangements is \$50.00. You may also donate only 1 arrangement for \$25.00. Or share the donation with a friend, each paying for 1 arrangement. You may place your check in the offering plate or mail it to the office (note ALTAR FLOWERS in the memo section). Be sure to include your dedication(s), or call Nicole in the office with this important information.

2017 & 2018 COUNCIL

PRESIDENT:
Jay Fiene

VICE PRESIDENT:
Pat Sinclair

SECRETARY:
Nicolette Rohr

TREASURER:
Harvey Clark

MEMBER AT LARGE
Marge Steinbrink

Shannon Barkley
David Grefe

Olliver Silveira
James Sansom

Paula Smith
Jo Thompson

Chuck Wilson

Looking Ahead

INTO GAMES?

One of the best activities of our 4th of July bar-b-que is the Bingo game. This year we need someone to run it. If you are interested in filling this vital spot, contact Pat Sinclair.

So . . . STEP UP . . . and have good time!

EDEN LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

PASTOR: Rev. Linda Brown

DIRECTOR EDEN LUTHERAN SCHOOL: Darlene Keaneman

PRESIDENT OF THE CONGREGATION: Jay Fiene

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY /BOOKKEEPER: Nicole Torres

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC / ORGANIST: David Christensen

EDITOR: Susan Downer

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION..... 10:00AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL.....

..... following Children's Sermon
[September - June]

COFFEE HOUR.....

..... immediately following Worship

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY..... 11:30AM

[September - June]

EDEN LUTHERAN SCHOOL:

Monday through Friday ✘ 6:30am to 6:00pm ✘ 2 Years through Pre-K