

## Hilltop Neighbor Garden

Men's group and Women's group are planning to make Hilltop Neighbor Garden in our East Parking lot. An initial meeting was held on Saturday, 9 am. Contact Joe Williams.

## Job Opening

**Our custodian**, Kent Severson, is retiring after serving our church for almost 25 years. If you are interested in applying for this part time position, stop in the church office to complete an application.



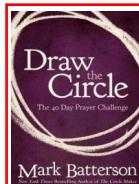
Also, a **IT person** is needed for handling PPT, Website, Facebook, Weekly E-News. Contact the Office.

## Study on Draw the Circle

**5 Thursdays in Lent, 10 am**

**Mar. 28, April 4**

**Prayer is the difference between us fighting for God and God fighting for us.** There is a God in heaven who directs our steps, who prepares good works in advance, who causes all things to work together for good, who fights our battles for us! And if you pray through, there will be a breakthrough! Amen.



## 40-Day Prayer Challenge

**During Lent, 7:14 am**

**Our most powerful prayers are hyperlinked to the promises of God.** When we know we are praying the promises of God, we can pray with holy confidence.... Our problem typically isn't overclaiming the promises of God; it's underclaiming them. Amen.

## Seder Meal

You are invited to **Passover Seder Meal** and **Feet Washing** on Maundy Thursday, 6 pm. Bring your towel and basin, if you can.



## Dinner Church

**March 27th, 5-6 PM**

**Entrée: Meatballs, red potatoes, California blend veggies, cheese bread ball, and dessert**

All are welcome to attend!

**Volunteers** are needed to help prepare and serve food, greet and mingle. Volunteer sign-up sheets are in the gathering area or you may sign-up online at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4FAAAC2AAAFBC16-47489118-dinner>.

No User Name or Password is required.

Contact Marcia Hagen or Charlene Galston for questions regarding Dinner Church.

**Dinner Church Leadership meets on Tuesday, 26th, 6 pm.**

## Bible Study in Lent

**5 Wednesdays, 6 pm**

**Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27**



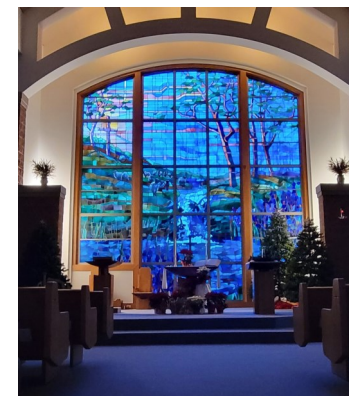
The **purpose of the burnt offering** was for general atonement of sin and expression of devotion to God.

The instructions for the burnt offering are given in Leviticus 1:3–17. The offering could be a bull (v. 3), sheep or goat (v. 10), or dove or pigeon (v. 14). The animal was to be burnt whole overnight (6:8-13), though its skin was given to the priest (1:6).

## Upcoming Meetings

Sun	Mar. 24	<b>Pancake Breakfast</b> <b>Mission Outreach</b>	10 am
Thu	Mar. 28	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> <b>Seder Meal/Feet Washing</b>	6 pm
Fri	Mar. 29	<b>Good Friday Service</b>	6 pm
Sun	Mar. 31	<b>Easter</b> <b>Egg Hunt/Church Photo</b>	9 am 10 am
Sun	Apr. 14	<b>Native American Sunday</b>	9 am

# Black River Falls United Methodist Church



## UMC Mission Statement:

*"To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."*

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

*\* Indicates, please stand if able.*

Palm Sunday                      March 24, 2024    9 am

Liturgist: Jim Bible

WELCOME, PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST,  
& ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE    Carol Prindle

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

**P: We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips;  
we will travel through betrayal and death, cradling hope  
deep in our hearts.**

L: Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow, for  
he is the life we long for, he is the Word who sustains us.

**P: We wave palm branches in anticipation; we lay our love  
before him, to cushion his walk.**

L: Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes:  
modeling humility and obedience for all of us.

**P: Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the One who brings us  
the kingdom of God.**

### \*OPENING PRAYER (John 12:24)

**Our souls are troubled, Holy One, until they find their  
rest in you. When we live in fear of our mortality, help  
us face the future unafraid. Write the truth of Christ's  
words on our hearts: "Unless a grain of wheat falls into  
the earth and dies, it can only be a single seed. But if it  
dies, it bears much fruit." In our living and in our dying,  
draw us together with all your people. Amen.**

OPENING HYMN    UMH #280

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

\*CHILDREN'S TIME    Christine Schultz

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Psalm 31, Mark 14–15)

**Gracious God, you know our every sorrow, our every  
need. Hear us as we remember the times when our  
strength failed us, when our distress led us onto paths  
of hopelessness and despair.**

**Forgive us when we betray you, when we deny you, when  
we deride you, or mock you. Awaken in us a new resolve  
to be aware of your call and presence in our lives. Help  
us stay awake, even when the days are hard and the  
nights are long.**

**Strengthen us to trust in you and to walk with you, even  
on this path to the cross. Let your face shine upon us,  
that we may know your steadfast love and trust in your  
resurrection promises. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE (Psalm 31, Philippians 2)

Know that the Lord is God, and that Christ's face shines  
upon us even when we turn away from God's brightness.  
Walk in the light, dear friends. Gaze upon the Son and know  
that in the name of Christ, we are forgiven!

PASTORAL PRAYER    Rev. Shon

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (*In Unison*)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us  
our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against  
us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from  
evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the  
glory, forever. Amen.**

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING (Jer. 31, Psalm 51)

The One who writes the law of love on our hearts, the One  
who saves us from the worst parts of ourselves, is here to  
bless us once more. In giving, we receive; in loving, we  
find love. Let us show our care for those in need as we of-  
fer our tithes and offerings to God.

DOXOLOGY    UMH #94

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OFFERTORY PRAYER    Rev. Shon

SCRIPTURE    John 15:9-17

<sup>9</sup> “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now  
remain in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commands, you will  
remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's com-  
mands and remain in his love. <sup>11</sup> I have told you this so  
that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be com-  
plete. <sup>12</sup> My command is this: Love each other as I have  
loved you. <sup>13</sup> Greater love has no one than this: to lay  
down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if  
you do what I command. <sup>15</sup> I no longer call you servants,  
because a servant does not know his master's business.  
Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I  
learned from my Father I have made known to you.  
<sup>16</sup> You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed  
you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will  
last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Fa-  
ther will give you. <sup>17</sup> This is my command: Love each oth-  
er.

\*HYMN OF PRAISE    UMH #170

*O How I Love Jesus*

SERMON    Rev. Shon

*Love One Another*

\*CLOSING HYMN    TFWS #2172

*We Are Called*

\*BENEDICTION    Rev. Shon

POSTLUDE    Carol Prindle

Ushers: Don & Vangie Stender  
Fellowship: Pancake Breakfast