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Mission Statement

As members of Ocean Park Lutheran Church, we promise to be a witness of Jesus Christ by sharing the love of God and Christian faith in our community.

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From the President

The growing season is beginning and a decision has not been made how to revitalize the area in front of the church. The council hopes to make the decision in the near future. There is a major roadblock holding the council back. That is the cost. There have been designs submitted and Gary will be organizing the ideas very soon.



To help cover some of the cost we are having the **Gospel Barbeque Night** on the 24th. There are several local talent groups that have committed for the entertainment. Where else could you go where you get entertainment and a great dinner for the price? Not only are you having a fun night out, but also you will be helping with the maintenance of the church. So get those tickets bought. **Mike Tompkins** will be the chef and has planned quite a fare. You will have your choice of BBQ ribs or chicken as an entrée. Along with that you will have corn on the cob, beans, cole slaw, bread and finish with a decadent dessert. Then comes the night of jokes and Country Gospel. It should be a night that you will not soon forget.

Tickets are available at the church office for \$120 for a reserved table for six. General admission is \$15 on a first come basis. Check with Curt for availability. We have limited seating.

Rose Wallace has our Constant Contact email newsletter up and running. Some of you may already have received some Emails from the new site. **Pastor Linda and Jim** have stepped up and are paying for the first year. It should be an electronic way of staying in touch. There will be a signup sheet on the credenza in the narthex in case you are mystified by the signup process from our blog. If you are not involved or need more information talk to Rose.

Some of you may be asked to take over some of the events this year. The council decided to take some pressure off the church support chairwoman, **Sidsel Tompkins**. The council felt that we are asking a lot for her to organize and run all of the events. We are planning almost one

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Easter Greetings to each of you!!!

I realize that I am probably more zealous about Holy Week worship than most of you. However it does provide us with the opportunity to remember what Jesus has done for us in order to provide a way for humanity to be reconciled with God.

The wonderful thing is that God never gives up on any of us. As we read in our Old Testament lessons these last five weeks, over and over again God found a way to bring humanity into closer relationship,

During Holy Week our services will be at 7 p.m. On Thursday we will remember Jesus teaching us to be servants; on Friday we will hear the Passion story from John and on Friday, during Easter Vigil, we recall many of the wondrous acts of God, Creation, Deliverance of God's people from slavery, and the Valley of Dry Bones. Some are read others will be sung. We will have Remembrance of Baptism, and the story of Resurrection with Holy Communion.

On Easter Sunday, of course, we will focus on the Resurrection as told by Mark.

I would encourage you to read the stories and participate as much as you can. For Christians this is the holiest week of the year. We don't have to make a pilgrimage to another place; we have the opportunity to worship in our own congregation, in our own community.

Bud Runyan and the members of the choir have also worked in order to provide music not only for Lent, Palm Sunday but for Maundy Thursday as well for Easter Sunday. Thank you for your gift of music. **Miriam** and **Theresa** have also contributed to our Lenten Season and I thank you for extra time for practice for the choir.

Easter Brunch will be provided. Generous folks have offered to set-up, cook and clean up. Thank you for your gift of time and talent.

Thanks to **Dwayne Smallwood**, **Sandra Farrell** and **Joyce Jones** for their help with mid-week services as readers.

For all the wonderful soup and bread these past five weeks I also thank you. It does take all of us to do the ministry of hospitality. Thank you for your part.

May you have peace in your home and in your heart.

Pr Linda



March Attendance and Giving

March 1	76	\$2,627
March 8	76	\$1,754
March 15	73	\$1,782
March 22	70	\$1,292
March 28	60	\$1,762

Pancake Breakfasts

To accommodate our need to have an extra source of income year round, council has decided to offer a pancake breakfast to our community once a month as a fundraiser for our general fund. We picked the 4th Saturday of each month so that we don't conflict with the Senior Center's pancake breakfast, which is the second Saturday of each month.

We plan to be open from 9-12 to catch those garage salers and late Saturday morning errand running trips. We'd like the community to count on us each month and to have repeat customers. The menu is simple, but hearty. Pancakes, ham slice, scrambled eggs and juice and coffee.



Laurie Carter and **Karl Johnson** will be the chefs on alternating months. We hope to put together a team or teams to staff the breakfast. We'll need 2 servers, a cashier and an extra cook, plus a cleanup team to come in at 11:30.

We will also make this a **Community Table** event by giving vouchers for a free breakfast to our clients on the Monday before each Pancake Breakfast. Clients will need to come in to cash in their voucher. We'll have signup sheets for our teams out soon. If you have a food server's card, please consider signing up for the assistant cook, server, or clean-up positions.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this opportunity.

Rose Wallace

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 5:30 Soup Supper 6:30 Prayer around the Cross	2 9:00 Quilters 11:00 Grief/ Loss Support Group	3	4 9:00 to 12:00 Church Clean-up and Lunch
5 Palm Sunday 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 2:00 Nursing Home Visitation 5:00 Women's AA	6 10:00 Prayer Team 11:30 Com- munity Table Team 7	7 10:00 Mens' Do Nothing Club 10:00 Text Study Trash Pickup	8 9:00 Foot Clinic	9 Maundy Thursday 9:00 Quilters 7:00 Foot Washing Service	10 Good Friday 7:00 Service	11 Easter Vigil 7:00 Service
12 Easter No Sunday School 10:00 Worship Brunch following the Service 5:00 Women's AA	13 10:00 Prayer Team 11:30 Com- munity Table Team 1	14 10:00 Mens' Do Nothing Club 10:00 Text Study 5:30 Council	15 1:00 Book Club	16 9:00 Quilters 10:00 Com- munity Table Meeting 5:30 Grief/ Loss Support	17 1:30 Parkinson's Support Group	18
19 Easter 2 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 5:00 Women's AA	20 10:00 Prayer Team 11:30 Com- munity Table Team 2	21 10:00 Mens' Do Nothing Club 10:00 Text Study	22	23 9:00 Quilters 7:00 Choir	24 6:00 Chuck Wagon BBQ and Gospel Music	25
26 Easter 3 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 5:00 Women's AA	27 10:00 Prayer Team 11:30 Com- munity Table Team 3	28 10:00 Mens' Do Nothing Club 10:00 Text Study	29	30 9:00 Quilters 7:00 Choir		

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event each month that needs to happen. I hope you will make yourself available to help out. These events give us some extra money to carry on God's work.

Plans are still moving forward to complete our float for Loyalty Days. **Ray** has submitted the plan and now we need to do the building. You will be hearing more about this in the next month. Get your hammers and staplers ready. Loyalty Days are the first weekend in May.

Remember the council serves you and if you have some suggestions for money raising or other ideas, talk to a council member.

God Bless

Bob Lindberg

Staff Listing

Linda Smith - *Pastor*
Curt Davis - *Office Professional*
Bud Runyan - *Choir Director*
Miriam Galbraith - *Musician*