

# Welcome to Mt. Carmel!

## Announcements for the Weeks of March 22 and 29

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### SUSPENDED OR CANCELLED

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In an abundance of caution and concern for our church members and larger community and to follow the recommendations of our scientists and government leaders, as of March 18, the following Mt Carmel church activities have been suspended, cancelled, or moved online:

- Sunday Worship Services – Sundays March 22 & 29  
*See info below about Sunday Worship Online*
- Lenten Wednesday Supper & Services on Wednesday evenings through April 1
- Feed My Starving Children Packing events on Fridays
- We Gather Together Fellowship Lunch – postponed
- Choir Practice on Wednesdays March 18, 25 and April 1.
- Painting Event scheduled for March 22
- Circle of Friends scheduled for March 24
- Scout activities at the church building

The April Tidings is delayed pending our plans for April.

The Mt. Carmel Child Care Center, the Casa de Oracion a las Naciones congregation, and the AA Complete Defeat Group that all use our church building will be making their own decisions about their events and scheduling.

### MEETING ONLINE

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**Good Fruits Bible Study** – Tuesdays at 2 p.m.  
(Contact Leona Olson at onodave@yahoo.com)

**Men's Bible Study** – Wednesdays at 6:45 a.m.  
(Contact Ralph Matthes at merinosdelimpls@gmail.com)

**Reflect Group** – Sundays at 11 a.m.  
(Contact Nick Ralston at faithformation@mountcarmelimpls.org)

### SUNDAY WORSHIP ONLINE

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Join with Pr. John and the Mt. Carmel faith community for Sunday worship at 10 a.m. on Facebook Live. This 30-minute service will include Bible lessons, message, prayer, in-home communion, and music. Watch the Candle email for more details.

### THIRD SUNDAY OFFERING FOR EASTER BASKETS

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Our Third Sunday Offering for March will support the distribution of our Easter Baskets this year. Many individuals and families count on this important outreach to alleviate food insecurity. Our congregation regularly assembles about 18 food baskets with all the fixings for an Easter meal. Our goal is \$800 in funds to support this ministry. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Kathy Halverson or Barb Hollister. Contributions can be made online or by mailing your check to the church office. Thank you.

### MT. CARMEL CHILDCARE “PLANTS-A-PLENTY” PLANT SALE FUNDRAISER

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Spring WILL COME! Think positive and order plants! Perennial pre-orders forms are now available on the church website. Plants available include hanging baskets, larger annual, herbs, and tomatoes. Pre-order forms can be found on the bulletin board outside the church office. Pre-orders are due by March 30th.

Last year, funds from the plant sale purchased the 2 colorful bug crawl tunnels (located on the St. Anthony Parkway side of the building), play mats, and a larger refrigerator for the kitchenette. This year Brenda Wetzel, Childcare Director, is planning on adding large muscle items for the play area in Fellowship Hall. Please support the plant sale through pre-order sales or by shopping the plant sale May 14-17.

## EASTER GARDEN

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**We are still receiving orders for Easter Lilies!** Order forms available on the church website. Lilies cost \$9.50 each and a check must accompany the order. They can be ordered in memory or honor of someone. You may choose to take your plant after worship or donate it to brighten the spirit for one of our homebound members. The deadline for orders is Sunday, March 29. (Flower orders will be held until we are able to worship together again.)

## CONTRIBUTIONS

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Your continued generous support for Mt. Carmel will be greatly appreciated. Give online at [www.mtcarmel.net](http://www.mtcarmel.net) or mail your check directly to the church. Thank you for your continued financial support even during this time of uncertainty.

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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For the near future, our office hours will be Mon and Tues 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. However, please call ahead or make an appointment before coming by as hours will vary according to conditions and workload. Pr. John, Steve Robertson, Ruth Bills, and Nick Ralston will be working from home when not in the church office. Their contact info is below.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Mar 25 Cheryl Moroz  
Mar 28 Ruth Emerson, Mary Jauss  
Mar 30 Ellen Subrook  
Mar 31 Alison Wirth  
Apr 1 Chris McMahan  
Apr 4 Kathy Halverson  
Apr 4 Isabel Hansen  
Apr 6 Janell Partyka, Liz Pukins  
Apr 7 Al Erickson  
Apr 8 Gerry Johnson

## THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

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**Gerry Johnson**, recovering from a stroke

**Kathy Smith** recovering from a stroke (*MaryJo Wigger's friend*)

**Glenn** with cancer (*Brian Wirth's brother*)

**Peggy** struggling with anxiety & depression (*Jodi Wirth's friend*)

**Charles Kirk** recovering in transitional care

**Dick Anderson** recovering from knee surgery

**Robert Anderson** on the death of his wife **Wilma Anderson** on Feb 2, 2020 (*The memorial service has already occurred.*)

**The family of Beth Strickland who died Mar 12** (*Audrey Erickson's long-time friend*)

**The family of Joyce Perfetti**, who died Jan 14. The family will be holding a private service at this time.

*To include your prayers in this list please contact the church office. If you would like Pastor John to be aware of your prayer concerns but do not want them named publicly, please be sure to note that. Please let the office know of any updates or changes.*

## REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

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Ethel Antonson, Marlene Black, Ray and Lorraine Carlson, Annette Dahl, Patty Griffith, Marion Harris, Chuck Kirk, Carol Kwecien, Jennie Porter, Virginia Schaal, Dale Thorsen and Dorothy Warhol.

## PRAYER CHAIN

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**To to lift up a prayer concern** for the prayer chain, please contact Leona Olson at 612-859-7075.

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