

Vernes Lutheran Church News

April Showers Bring May Flowers!! April 2021

WE ARE BACK WORSHIPPING AT VERNES EVERY SUNDAY!
WEARING MASKS & PRACTICING SOCIAL DISTANCING

April Ushers & Janitors: Wayne Brekke, Norris Syverson, Les Finseth

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April Birthdays are listed on the Calendar Page.

Ladies Aid: Serving Easter breakfast at 8:30 am. Chairperson Carol Sollie asks: "For those who are not asked to bring something for this event, a donation of \$10 to Ladies Aid would be appreciated." Can mail to Carol at PO Box 246 Fosston.

April Ladies Aid meeting is canceled but we plan to meet together again on May 18, 2021.



Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday March 28 & reaches its zenith on Easter Sunday April 4!

Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service is on April 1 at 7:00 pm—as we go through the “Shadows” of Betrayal, Agony of Spirit & Arrest, Denial, Accusation, Crucifixion & Humiliation, Death & Burial plus much singing--

“Were you there when they crucified my Lord?”



“Up From the Grave He Arose!”

Come to Easter Breakfast at 8:30, followed by the Worship Service at 9:00. We will be singing all of our favorite Easter songs as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord!



Pastor's Pathways:

It's Spring! A time I start thinking about flowers & gardens & lovely green grass.

We welcome Blooming Time!

So what does “bloom where you're planted” mean? While I can't speak for all believers who use it, the likeliest meaning is, “*Be content where God has placed you in life and make the most of your*

opportunity.”

Theologically, the doctrine of creation teaches us that God has designed and outfitted his creatures with particular skills, interests, and abilities, and he has sovereignly placed them in their circumstances to exercise dominion over the earth ([Gen. 1:26–31](#); [Acts 17:26](#)). Martin Luther rediscovered this biblical doctrine and taught Christians to fulfill their individual callings, whether serving society as a banker, farmer, or homemaker. Giving careful attention to your calling will produce valuable goods for the community and, in the case of mothers & fathers, train the next generation.

Here is an example Paul gives in [1 Corinthians 7:17](#), regarding those anxious over getting married: Only let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him, and to which God has called him. . . . In whatever condition each was called, there let him remain with God. ([1 Cor. 7:17, 24](#))

Paul doesn't make this an absolute rule, for he tells the slave to be content with his status in life but to seek freedom if possible ([1 Cor. 7:22](#)). Those married must remain so, but the unmarried are free to either marry or stay single ([1 Cor. 7:9, 27–28](#)).

Nevertheless, Paul recognized wisdom in burrowing yourself into your God-given calling and seeking contentment and productivity there— rather than constantly looking around and pining for something else (cf. [Prov. 17:24](#)). Nor does genuine repentance necessarily require a change in one's work ([Luke 3:10–14](#)). But it might—and that's where we come to a deficiency in the saying, “Bloom where you are planted.” Perhaps being **contented** is another way to look at it!

We are overjoyed to be blooming together at Vernes again!

PRAAYER TIME AT VERNES –

I encourage each of you to make prayer a routine in your lives; maybe spending a few minutes at church during the week to pray, read the Bible, meditate. . . .

Please text or e-mail prayer requests to 218.791.7520 or ralys@gvtel.com

Prayer Schedule:

Apr 1	Sidney & Lynae Finseth	Joey & Betsy Drellack
Apr 8	Jordan Finseth, Brittany- Kamron, Arriana	
Apr 15	Sierra Guy – Corbyn, Dylan, Brooks	Shawn & Don Hagen – Isabella Soller
April 22	Katherine Howard; Ava, Bergen, Chloe, William, Iris	Robert Jasinski

- Those on April prayer schedule
- Healing for Vernes members and friends
- Sunday school/ leaders and teachers/ confirmation/ church council. Pastor Jill.
- Jennifer Albright; continued blessings in her mission work in Slovenia
- Global neighbors/ President Biden and staff/other leaders in our land and around the world.
- Pray for those persecuted for their faith.
- **Commit to pray for our nation and its leadership.**
- Military: Austin Sannes, Briana Finseth, Dusty & Lisa Halvorson, Zachary Olson-Burkman, Dawn Fick, Katherine Finseth
- Praises to God for His presence - Who He is. Let us adore Him. **“I trust You Jesus”.**

You Version is a great resource for prayer, devotions, Lenten programs. .

Download the app by going to youversion.com

as **Spring is here. We know that by “dead” foliage “coming to life” well as other signs. It is an amazing time as the resurrection process appears in nature.**

My rhubarb plants have new growth amidst the frozen greens. It is always a surprise and a delight when the buds first appear. Take time to appreciate the blossoming of new life and recognize this as a symbol of Jesus’s death and resurrection for the sole purpose of saving our souls.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8, 14

There is an appointed time for everything. And there is a time for every event under heaven –

A time to give birth,	and a time to die
A time to plant	and a time to uproot what is planted
A time to kill	and a time to heal
A time to tear down	and a time to build up.
A time to weep	and a time to laugh
A time to mourn	and a time to dance
A time to throw stones	and a time to gather stones
A time to embrace	and a time to shun embracing
A time to search	and a time to give up as lost
A time to keep	and a time to throw away
A time to tear apart	and a time to sew together
A time to be silent	and a time to speak
A time to love	and a time to hate
A time for war	and a time for peace

I know that everything God does will remain forever; there is nothing to add to it and there is nothing to take from it, for God has so worked that men should fear Him.

John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.

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- 1. Judg. 13-15, Luke 6: 27-49
- 2. Judg. 16-18, Luke 7: 1-30
- 3. Judg. 19-21, Luke 7: 31-50
- 4. Ruth 1-4, Luke 8: 1-25
- 5. 1 Sam. 1-3, Luke 8: 26-56
- 6. 1 Sam. 4-6, Luke 9: 1-17
- 7. 1 Sam. 7-9, Luke 9: 18-36
- 8. 1 Sam. 10-12, Luke 9: 37-62
- 9. 1 Sam. 13-14, Luke 10: 1-24
- 10. 1 Sam. 15-16, Luke 10: 25-42
- 11. 1 Sam. 17-18, Luke 11: 1-28
- 12. 1 Sam. 19-21, Luke 11: 29-54
- 13. 1 Sam. 22-24, Luke 12: 1-31
- 14. 1 Sam. 25-26, Luke 12: 32-59
- 15. 1 Sam. 27-29, Luke 13: 1-22
- 16. 1 Sam. 30-31, Luke 13: 23-35
- 17. 2 Sam. 1-2, Luke 14: 1-24
- 18. 2 Sam. 3-5, Luke 14: 25-35
- 19. 2 Sam. 6-8, Luke 15: 1-10
- 20. 2 Sam. 9-11, Luke 15: 11- 32
- 21. 2 Sam. 12-13, Luke 16
- 22. 2 Sam. 14-15, Luke 17: 1-19
- 23. 2 Sam. 16-18, Luke 17: 20-37
- 24. 2 Sam. 19-20, Luke 18: 1-23
- 25. 2 Sam. 21-22, Luke 18: 24-43
- 26. 2 Sam. 23-24, Luke 19: 1-27
- 27. 1 Kings 1-2, Luke 19: 28-48
- 28. 1 Kings 3-5, Luke 20: 1-26
- 29. 1 Kings 6-7, Luke 20: 27-47
- 30. 1 Kings 8-9, Luke 21: 1-19

AND GOD IS ABLE TO BLESS YOU
ABUNDANTLY, SO THAT IN ALL THINGS AT
ALL TIMES, HAVING ALL THAT YOU NEED,
YOU WILL ABOUND IN EVERY GOOD WORK.

2 Corinthians 9:8

NOTES

April 2021

Birthdays are in BLUE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Ushers: Wayne Brekke Norris Syverson Les Finseth</p>				<p>1 Maundy Thursday Tennebrae Service 7:00 Communion & Stripping of the Altar following</p>	<p>2 No Good Friday Service</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4 Easter Sunday With Communion A Light Breakfast at 8:30 Worship Service 9:00 No Sunday School or Confirmation Bergen & Chloe acolyte</p>	<p>5 Joan Lee</p>	<p>6 Haaken Colbert Kelsey Lofgren</p>	<p>7 Diane Sundrud Ariana Finseth</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11 Worship service 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Shelby & Courtney acolyte</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 Trevor Lecy</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18 Worship Service 9:00 Sunday School & Confirmation 10:00 Jeremey Finseth Bergen & Chloe acolyte</p>	<p>19 Wayne Schmiedeberg</p>	<p>20 Mason Lofgren Lindsey Otto</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 Will Tofstad</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 Carol Sundrud</p>
<p>25 Worship Service 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Shelby & Courtney acolyte</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>			

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