

# First United Methodist Church of Saline

Rev. Tom Zimmerman  
February 4, 2021

*“I will bless the Lord and not forget the glorious things he does for me” (Psalm 103:2).*

Dear Friends:

Grace and peace to you from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We are right in the middle of our series “When God Speaks” as we journey through the book of Exodus. I hope you’ve been able to follow along. This week, we’ll be looking at the passage on Passover which highlights God’s call for the Israelites to remember.

Truth be told, it’s amazing how short their memory was! Whether it was the plagues, the parting of the Red Sea, manna in the wilderness or water from a rock—however God miraculously provided—they seemed to forget quickly and complain that God wasn’t remembering them.

But we shouldn’t be too quick to judge them, because we do the same thing. When a delay occurs in our lives, we start acting like God’s never done anything for us. Instead of forgetting, we might want to remember God’s promises. There are more than 7,000 of them in the Bible.

Remember that this week!

See you in church or on Livestream!

Blessings,

*Pastor Tom*

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES + PRAYER LIST

**Birthdays** ~ James Adams, Donald Drake, 2/7; Steve Bredernitz, 2/8; Mary Hess, Nancy Gill, James McClelland, 2/9; Debbie Bates, Brian Milkey, John Niemenski, Madison Corn, Ron Jedele, Kayla Wilson, Samantha Henes, 2/10; Jake Stein, Sarah Stuke, James Gill, 2/11; Tamera Miller, 2/12; Vaughn Bateman, Paige Fordice, 2/13.

**Anniversaries** ~ Matt & Jane Brehmer, 2/10; Marina & John Tyson, 2/11.

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**Prayer Concerns**—Kim Durham, Lil Vaughan, Mike Ulrich, Will Minnette, Charlie, Kent & Joyce Aurand, Joe Luben, Pat Allen, Nicole Oaks, Angie Prieskorn, college students, those who are ill and all impacted negatively by the pandemic, safe travel, our country and our leaders, for those having side effects from the COVID-19 vaccine.

**Sympathies**—Jeanne Hess & family on the passing of her aunt, Sybil Lister. Rachel & Naomi Woods and family on the passing of their sister, Sarah Palmer.

**Praises**—Those who have received the COVID-19 vaccine.

**Continue to Pray for**—Jim Ducca, Julie O’Keefe, Gayle Rogers, Bill Doren, Steven Baker, Mike Walker, Sally Hanifi, Jack Ceo, LeeAnn Redies, Rob Fowler, Kent Aurand, Abby Cudney, Doris Sekerka, Macy family, Blaine Zimmerman.

**Military**—Erik Maddock, J.T. St. Dennis.

**Pray for the homebound and those in special living facilities**—Betty Charles, Naomi Woods, Betty Sellers, Florence Belt, Norma Jean West, Lysle Smith, Nancy Jedele, Vera Bennett, Doris Schmerberg, Virginia Sherman, Dorothy Bredernitz.

**Prayer Quilt**— Please tie a “virtual” knot and say a prayer for our dear friend Tim Cockerham. *Note: due to the pandemic, the quilt will not be on display, nor will there be a prayer sheet to sign.*

February Memory Verse: *“Those of steadfast mind you keep in peace—in peace because they trust in you.”* Isaiah 26:3

# Announcements

## Important Tax Information

To ensure the deductibility of your church contributions, do not file your 2020 income tax return until you have received written acknowledgement of your contributions from the church. Statements were mailed on January 19, 2021.

**Lay Servant Ministries Spring Classes**—Lay Servant Spring Classes will be held online via Zoom on various dates in March and April, with registration deadlines starting February 25. Classes offered are: *Introduction to Lay Ministries: Basic Class*, *Class Leaders: Recovering a Tradition*, *Delivering an Effective Sermon*, *Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts*, *Leading in Lay Pastoral Care*, *Living our United Methodist Beliefs: Heritage Class*. Contact the church office at 734-429-4730 for more information.



**COVID REMINDERS**  
FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP

- Make a reservation for attendance by calling the office or using the online form
- After worship, exit the narthex promptly & fellowship outside the building if desired.
- Stay seated following the announcements for an usher to dismiss your row.
- Wear your mask over your nose AND mouth



**Family**  
**WORSHIP**

Join us next Sunday as kids help lead in worship!



DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

# Communion

DRIVE THROUGH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH  
10:30~11:30 AM



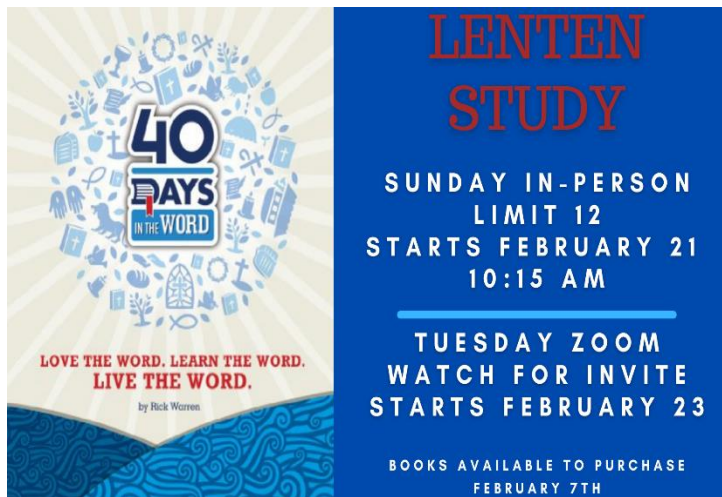
**Lent**  
FEBRUARY 17 - APRIL 1

**Good Friday**  
APRIL 2 & 3

**Easter**  
APRIL 4

Starting Sunday, February 7th we will have crosses for you to display in your yard throughout the season of Lent. They will come with felt stoles you can place on them, as well. With some assistance, our 5th through 12th graders are laboring in love to get this special gift ready for you!

We will have 75 crosses available for pick up while supplies last!



**40 DAYS IN THE WORD**

LOVE THE WORD. LEARN THE WORD.  
LIVE THE WORD.

by Rick Warren

## LENTEN STUDY

SUNDAY IN-PERSON  
LIMIT 12  
STARTS FEBRUARY 21  
10:15 AM

TUESDAY ZOOM  
WATCH FOR INVITE  
STARTS FEBRUARY 23

BOOKS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE  
FEBRUARY 7TH



## Lenten Live Stream Series

Thursdays 7:00 pm  
throughout Lent  
February 25th  
Out of The Box Ways  
to Observe Lent