



# Messenger

St. Paul's Lutheran Church 120 N. Easton Road Glenside, PA 19038

April 2026



## HOLY THURSDAY, April 2

**7:30 PM** Holy Thursday Worship Service with Eucharist and Living Last Supper portrayal.

During the Living Last Supper, thirteen men from the congregation will portray the last meal of Jesus with the disciples.

## GOOD FRIDAY, April 3

**12:00 PM** Good Friday Community Walk through Glenside, with interdenominational witness. Meet in the St. Paul's parking lot.

**7:30 PM** Good Friday Worship.

## SATURDAY, April 4

**9:00 AM** Set up for Easter Services in the sanctuary.

**10:00 AM** Annual Easter Egg Hunt in Fellowship Hall.

## SUNDAY, April 5

**8:00 & 10:30 AM** Easter Sunday Services

**9:15 AM** Easter Breakfast at Fellowship Hall





At the March 11 midweek Lenten service, the Holden Evening Prayer, I was touched by the hymn “O Blessed Spring” (ELW 447).

It came at an appropriate time, as the temperatures outside the sanctuary on that day had reached 80 degrees; a bit unseasonal for early March, but still a

reminder of the arrival of spring in the not-so-distant future, nonetheless.

The hymn touched me first because of the beautiful and almost a bit haunting melody that winds until it finally reaches the end in a long note. But it wasn't just the music. As each verse unfolded, I was fascinated by the text. I read a little bit about the hymn by the author of the text, Susan Palo Cherwien, who describes the hymn not as a progression with a theological point at the end but rather with each verse similar to a bud that grows on a tree or flower, each holding its own mystery and beauty.

That is probably why the hymn spoke to me at that moment. Sitting in the sanctuary during the darker Lenten season we behold the mystery of Christ. During the Midweek Lenten services we only light one single candle, similar to the last one that shines on Good Friday when there is a brief darkness as we commemorate Christ's death. The light returns and fills the entire sanctuary.

“O Blessed Spring” incidentally also begins with a pause, or “break” as we call it in music. We hear the downbeat played by the piano or organ, but we are forced to be silent and take a breath before beginning to sing.

While “O Blessed Spring” is not designated as an Easter hymn, it so perfectly illustrates what is happening when we are fed by the power of the Resurrection throughout our lives. Through our faith and the waters of baptism we are joined to Christ who is our vine and tree of life. While the one tree back in Eden led to our death and separation from God, the tree that Jesus died on now becomes our eternal tree of life.

I encourage you to open your hymnal and read the text of ELW 447. You can also find it online. If you would like to read Susan's reflection and background on the hymn, it's very worthwhile. You can find it online here: (<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/history-of-hymns-o-blessed-spring>)

As we go together into another Easter season and admire the beauty of spring all around us, we remember that this light came from the darkness, from the grain that died in the soil and sprung up again to bring life a thousandfold. The great mystery of our faith shapes us like the first disciples of Jesus as it invites us to ponder and have faith even when the world around us is shaken mightily.

Jesus will prevail. Jesus will continue to lead us throughout the course of our lives. “Jesus still lead on, till our rest be won; and, although the way be cheerless, we will follow calm and fearless; guide us by your hand to the promised land.” (“Jesus, Still Lead On” ELW 624)

Depending on when you will have a chance to read this article, Holy Week may already be history, and even Easter Sunday might be behind us. But, of course, I would like to mention that another rendition of the Living Last Supper will take place on Maundy Thursday, April 2.

Christ gives us a new commandment to love each other as God has loved us. Yet during the Last Supper we hear the words: “One of you is going to betray me.”

“How is that possible?” each disciple asks in turn.

One of the reflections we do during Living Last Supper preparation is centered on that question. We come before Christ and ask ourselves honestly where we have betrayed him.

That part of Judas is in all of us. We are all capable of betraying and forgetting the love that Christ has shown us and commanded us to live out. Therefore, we find ourselves on Good Friday facing the cross of Christ and know that we have contributed to his death on the tree.

But then the sacred Easter spring awakes that moves the tree that was marked by death to become an instrument for new life and a hope that is stronger than anything.

Come and drink from that river of life! Come and believe that you can learn to love again and be made whole again.

What if every blooming bud we come across became a prayer of thanksgiving? Wouldn't our hearts be filled with gratitude to last through a lifetime?

“Christ, holy Vine, Christ, living Tree, be praised for this blest mystery: that word and water thus revive and join us to your Tree of Life.” (Verse 4 of “O Blessed Spring” by Susan Palo Cherwien)

Peace and blessings to all in this wonderful Easter tide.

*With wonder,*

*Pastor Henrik*

P.S.: There is German saying and song I learned as a boy: *Wo man singt, da lass dich ruhig nieder, böse Menschen haben keine (guten) Lieder.*  
(Where people are singing, there you may stay a while, because evil people have no (good) songs.)



*Susan Palo Cherwien, 1953-2021*



Greetings! Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

If you are reading this prior to Easter morning, **STOP!!!**

Please return to this article no earlier than Easter Sunday, April 5 -- the Sunday of the Resurrection -- after we have corporately experienced the betrayal, passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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Everybody back? OK, I can now safely assume that we are together in experiencing the season of Easter. Please note that I say the *season* of Easter because the Church has set aside the next fifty days to intentionally celebrate the single event that defines our Faith. The question that most naturally follows from this emphasis on the fifty-day season of Easter is "How do we best celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord for fifty days rather than just on Easter Sunday?"

Once we return to the routine of our daily lives, the message of the Paschal mystery is often, to some degree, set aside except when we gather for Sunday worship. However, once we have been given this gift of Holy Hope through Jesus' resurrection, we have an obligation – a commandment from Jesus, in fact -- to share this gift with others.

We often characterize this sharing as evangelism, but we should not compartmentalize this activity with a name that many find grating. Instead, we might better think of this sharing as a mission to live out our faith through our everyday activities both as an example for others and as an entry point for discussion.

In the Great Commission from the Gospel of Matthew (Matthew 28:19–20) Jesus describes our mission with complete clarity in these words:

*Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.*

When we think about "making disciples," our first thoughts might be of some caricature of someone standing on a streetcorner with a bullhorn handing out printed material or of being cornered by enthusiastic believers desperate to share their conversion experiences. I am not trying to denigrate those who do such things; their conviction is unshakable, and their intent is undoubtedly pure. I am merely stating that other methods

exist and might better match how God has called each of us to make disciples.

Sharing the depth and breadth of our relationship with Christ is inherently part of sharing the Gospel and it is often the most compelling aspect of building and supporting discipleship in others. This is part of the reason I tend to avoid the use of the word *evangelism* when “building discipleship” better captures the goal of what we are doing.

Inspiring others to turn their hearts toward Jesus sometimes requires only a subtle link between the way we live and the faith we have.

But how are we to strengthen and prepare ourselves for carrying out this mission?

Two specific things strengthen and prepare us: the Sacraments and prayer.

In corporate worship we unite ourselves with others to acknowledge the holiness of God, to hear God’s Word, to offer prayer, and to celebrate the Sacraments. It is in this corporate setting of our Sunday worship that our relationship with God is expressed in the most visible way: by participating in Holy Eucharist as we receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

Beyond this outward and visible sign of inward and spiritual grace we also participate in a variety of types of prayer. It is this aspect of our relationship with God that we most easily carry with us outside the walls of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church to share with others. Prayer opens our hearts to God and slowly changes us into instruments of God’s mission to make disciples -- a growing light that no bushel can hide.

To better refine our efforts, it is helpful to examine what prayer actually is.

A definition of prayer and a succinct summary of the various types of prayer can be found in the Catechism of the Book of Common Prayer of the Episcopal Church beginning on page 856 (I am certain that some Lutheran resource conveys the same message, but please forgive my lack of familiarity).

The Episcopal definition states that prayer is an interaction with God, with or without words, in which we respond to

God in thoughts, words, or deeds because of the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. In an attempt to be more specific, we can break down the seven general types of prayer in this way:

**(1) Adoration:** lifting up of the heart and mind to God, asking nothing but to enjoy God’s presence.

**(2) Praise:** expressing of our admiration for God not to obtain anything, but because God's being draws praise from us.

**(3) Thanksgiving:** expressing our gratitude for our life, for our redemption, and for whatever draws us closer to God.

**(4) Penitence:** confessing our sins, and making restitution where possible, with the intention to amend our lives.

**(5) Oblation:** offering ourselves, our lives, and our labors - in union with Christ - for the purposes of God.

**(6) Intercession:** bringing the needs of others before God - that God's will may be done.

**(7) Petition:** bringing our own needs before God - that God's will may be done.

Conveniently, the number of prayer types coincides with the number of days of the week and I invite you to choose one type of prayer each day of the week as the focus for the day.

Continuing this pattern of prayer for the entire seven weeks of the Easter season will build a closer relationship with God as well as allow for ample time to pray for the needs of others.

Following this pattern over the course of time makes it less of a personal piety and more integrated to our very being. Please join me in this Easter discipline as an expression of joy that must be shared as we follow Christ's command to make disciples.

Blessed Easter!

Vicar Jeffrey





## EASTER EGG HUNT ON

**APRIL 4!**

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place at 10:00 AM on Holy Saturday, April 4, 2026. Please join us for a morning of crafts, storytelling and an egg hunt to celebrate the season! We will meet in Fellowship Hall and weather permitting, we will enjoy the egg hunt outside! (Participants in the Easter Egg Hunt will take part in making some crafts while members of St. Paul's Confirmation Class hide the eggs.) Then, the hunt begins!

*-- Vicar Jeff Wenzel*



## EASTER BREAKFAST POTLUCK ON APRIL 5!

The annual Easter Potluck Brunch will take place between the 8:00 and 10:30 AM services on Easter Sunday, April 5. If you are willing to make a dish for this event, please place your name on the sign-up sheet located in the Great Room. (Please note: there will be no Sunday School this day).

**Request:** Food donations and volunteers for set up (8:45 a.m.) and clean up (10:15 a.m.) are needed - please use the sign-up sheet located in the Great Room. Please contact Vicar Jeff Wenzel with any questions! Thank you!



## **SPRING RUMMAGE SALE! SAVE THE DATES!**

We are looking forward to the next running of the Church Rummage Sale. It will be held during **the week of April 12**. Here is a snapshot of the schedule:

**Sunday April 12** —Drop-offs begin

**Wednesday April 15** — Set up of the fellowship hall in the evening

**Thursday, April 16**— Sorting/Organizing and pricing will occur during the day with a congregation exclusive sale in the evening

**Friday, April 17** — evening public sale (6-9 PM)

**Saturday, April 18** — public sale/bag sale (10 AM-2 PM), with clean-up/break down and storage or transportation of items to recycling centers thereafter.

More details will follow in the Tidings. As always, we are hoping for lots of good, lightly used donations, and, more especially, **volunteers** of all sorts. Look for posters and sign-up sheets in the Great Room.

Any questions contact Cyndee Folk at 202-577-1007.



## **THE CHILDREN'S MUSICAL – Sunday, April 26, 2026**

On Sunday, April 26, the Cherub and Children's Choirs of St. Paul's will present a musical message at the 10:30 AM service... A Sermon in Song!

The musical will be ***Life of the Party – The Story of Mary & Martha*** by Allen Pote and Tom Long. In their own words, the writers share:

*The stories of Mary and Martha in the gospels deal with issues that are instantly recognizable – family conflict, making time for Jesus in the midst of hectic lives, and trusting God when things get tough. Any parent who has taken a long car ride with children in the back seat knows that the first of these issues is universal. Likewise, anyone today who goes to work, attends school, or watches the news has wrestled with the other two.*

*In the original production, our young cast had a great time in both rehearsals and performances – and along the way we think they experienced the truth of the story in a new way; A long time ago, Jesus had a close circle of friends who came to believe he was “the Resurrection and the Life.” Today, it's still possible to be one of those friends.*

Please plan to join us on **Sunday, April 26**, to support our young singers in this music ministry event. It is a great time to bring all the family, neighbors, and friends!

## THE CHANCEL CHOIR TO SING VIVALDI ON MAY 17

On Sunday morning, May 17, the Chancel Choir of St. Paul's will present Antonio Vivaldi's *Gloria* as a musical offering for the 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM worship services. This is a beautiful, multi-movement work that celebrates the different elements of the liturgical order of worship (the Mass).

Antonio Lucio Vivaldi was born in Venice on March 4, 1678, and died in Vienna on July 28, 1741. He was the son of one of the leading violinists at St. Mark's Cathedral in Venice. From an early age he was educated for both music and the priesthood.

In 1703, he was appointed to be music director at the Ospedale della Pietà, a conservatory for orphaned and homeless girls. The school had a reputation for the high quality of its music instruction. That same year, Vivaldi was also ordained a priest but, due to ill health, was excused from active service a year later. Vivaldi still carried the nickname "Red Priest" (*il prete rosso*), because of the color of his hair, which was a family trait. The exact date of when Vivaldi's *Gloria* was composed is unknown, but it was certainly completed during his second period of working at the orphanage between 1713 and 1719. This is backed up by all the solo parts being written for sopranos and contraltos. It would have originally been performed in a liturgical context (worship service) as part of the Mass at the church at the Pietà.

On **Sunday, May 17**, the Chancel Choir will be accompanied by a string ensemble along with trumpet, oboe, and keyboard. The *Gloria* will be presented as one continuous work and offered up as the sermon for this day – A Sermon in Song.

Please invite family and friends to join us to enjoy this final musical offering of the 2025-26 choir season at St. Paul's.



## **Put Your Faith Into Action – Apply for a Grant!**

Do you have an idea that could change a life? Now's the time to put your faith into action—whether it's right here at St. Paul's or out in the wider community.

The St. Paul's Faith in Action Grant Program is back for Spring 2026, and we're looking for bold, meaningful, and creative ideas that bring our values to life. Whether it's helping neighbors, improving our church home, or enriching our shared ministry, this is your opportunity to turn inspiration into impact.

### **What kind of projects are we talking about?**

Here are just a few past examples:

- Epiphany Singers Concert
- Camperships to Bear Creek
- Tablecloths and pew cushions to refresh our community space
- Educational initiatives including books for children, classroom author visits, and adaptive equipment for student programs
- Support for community food programs, including the St. Paul's pantry and Jenkintown Food Cupboard
- Contributions toward community outreach such as an adjacent congregation's anniversary dinner and the Cradle of Hope organization

The possibilities are as limitless as your imagination. The MEM Committee loves to champion projects that matter—and that make a difference.

## **Grant Details:**

- Open to active members of St. Paul's
- Awards range from \$100 to \$3,000
- Projects must meet all application and completion deadlines

## **Project Categories:**

- Outreach – Shine God's light in the community (e.g., food pantry initiatives, community dinners)
- Capital Projects – Improve and uplift our shared spaces (e.g., landscaping, furnishings)
- Ministry Initiatives – Nurture the hearts and faith of our congregation (e.g., scholarships, support resources)

## **Key Dates for Spring 2026:**

- Applications Open: April 1
- Applications Close: April 30
- Project Completion Deadline: August 31 (receipts required for reimbursement)

✦ Applications and full details are available on the St. Paul's website: [2025 Faith in Action – St Paul's Lutheran Church](#)

Need help getting started? Reach out to Kathy Donaldson, Susan Duffy, Leslie Maxwell, Kristan Moyer, and Doug Strachan—we're here to help!

**Apply today and turn your faithful idea into action!**

# Earth Day 2026



Our Power, Our Planet “This theme emphasizes the crucial role of renewable energy sources and encourages a global shift toward sustainable practices. It highlights that each of us has the power to contribute to a cleaner, greener world.” Yes, we’re celebrating Earth Day, 2026! From Earth Sunday (April 26) to Memorial Day (May 25) we’re accepting soft plastic, which Earth Day will become decking material. Check out the Recycling Challenge at [nextrex.com](http://nextrex.com) to see how this works. What we collect at church will be dropped off regularly at the Limekiln Pike ACME, two or three bags at a time, so we don’t clutter our church property.

Look for the marked bin near the church entrance for your donations. If your plastic is pliable and doesn't crinkle when crushed, you've got a winner, even if it's not marked with a recycle logo. A complete list is available in the Great Room. It's great to have a market for these items that usually fly down the street, get stuck in trees, or clog the waterways. We can make a difference this Earth Day if we all pitch in. Best of all, a month of collecting soft plastic for recycling might even create a new earth-friendly habit for us as individuals. Here's what to save: bread bags, produce bags, newspaper sleeves, pallet wrap and stretch film, salt and ice bags, grocery bags, cereal bags, case overwrap, bubble wrap, wood pellet bags, plastic shipping envelopes, dry cleaning bags, Ziploc and other resealable food storage bags. You get the idea. Thank you, St. Paul's, for being part of the pollution solution! If you have questions/suggestions, please contact Janet Bischoff (215-543-0494),  
Care of Creation coordinator



# THE LAST SUPPER

**The annual Living Last Supper at 7:30 PM on Maundy Thursday, April 2,** will once again feature The Chancel Choir performing music by Ruth Elaine Schram and thirteen men of the church portraying Jesus and his disciples.

This year's group is Chris Ojeda, Jason Ojeda, Aurelio Ojeda, Tom Medena, Vicar Jeff Wenzel, George Neveil, Leo Picado, Rob Gerlach, Michael Harrington, Jim Hagan, Mike Campbell, Michael Edelman, and Bob MacMillan.

(Special thanks to George Neveil, who with this presentation completes his Living Last Supper service, having portrayed all twelve disciples!)



Each disciple on April 2 will present an original monologue based on the Sunday Bible studies they have been discussing since February 8.

This annual presentation is always a moving and enlightening spiritual experience for the participants and congregation. Don't miss it!



## The Pathfinders' March 21 Event

We had an awesome group, as seen in the photos below. The weather was perfect for walking, and we all enjoyed it as a great workout.

Thanks once again to Paul Ziegler for finding such a great location. Paul's knowledge of the different park systems in our area never ceases to amaze me. Thank you, Paul!

And... thanks to all who could attend the event. To all those who were unable to attend today, we are already planning our next event for next month (date to be determined). As always, we look forward to seeing all of our Pathfinder members. I think we have a really good, growing group with great fellowship and friendships. We did something really good for our health and well-being today!

It was an awesome day!

*All the best.*

*Don Stevenson*

#1 photo: left to right, Paul Ziegler, Jim, Kathy Kersul-Wiener, Chris Berglund, Kathy Kolb, Vickie MacMillan, and Helen Miklautz.

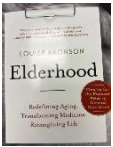
#2 photo: left to right, Chris Berglund, Dale Reiser, Marlen Livezey, Jim & Kathy Kolb, Vickie MacMillan, Don Stevenson, Helen Miklautz, and Kathy Kersul-Wiener.



# Announcements

## Aging Grace-Fully

### “Elderhood” Discussion



On **Sunday, April 12**, at 9:15 AM, the adult education class will have their next meeting continuing their discussion of Louise Aaronson’s book *Elderhood*. We will discuss the chapters titled “Senior,” found on pages 241-271, and “Old,” found on pages 273-323. The group will meet in Room 200 Hope to see you there!



**SUNDAY SCHOOL.** JOIN US EVERY SUNDAY 9:15 - 10:15 AM for in-person classes.

Ages 3 to Pre-K (Room 201); Grades K-2 (Fellowship Hall);  
Grades 3-6 (Room 101, next to the downstairs elevator).



**Messenger Deadline Reminder** If you would like to submit an article to our monthly newsletter, please send it to [cgarcia@stpaulsglenside.org](mailto:cgarcia@stpaulsglenside.org) no later than the third Monday of every month. Articles for the May Messenger are due April 20.



Pre-Planning Event April 19. Facilitated by  
Freed-Givinish Funeral home.  
Room 200 9:15 AM.



## St. Paul's Pantry UPDATE

We're expanding access to better serve our community! Starting March 26, the Food Pantry is now open to the public **every Thursday** from 12:00–2:00 PM. No appointments needed.

### Food Pantry needs:

- Paper towels -single or double pack
- Toilet paper -4 or 6 pack
- Bath soap- single or double pack
- Tissues
- Laundry pods
- Dryer sheets
- Liquid dish soap
- Floor soap

Thank you so much for your generosity!

Two Pantry Committee members are there to help, and to keep the pantry organized. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Claypoole.

Gift cards are also greatly appreciated for last-minute needs.

Thank you for continuing to show up for our neighbors.



**Eric Mitchell is currently working hard to support autism research** as part of the Eagles Autism Challenge for 2026 **on May 9**. After riding in support in 2025, he's riding again in 2026, and is looking to raise \$500 to help autism

research in the community. If you're interested in helping Eric do good for the community, here is a link (or talk to Eric at one of the 8 AM Sunday early services).

<https://donate.eaglesautismfoundation.org/donations/new?fundraiser=b00fa7ecbb246cbabd90>



**Pastor Daniel Marrone, our previous vicar**, will be ordained and installed on **Saturday, June 13**, at 2 PM at Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, 333 N. Main St., in Manahawkin, N.J. 08050. Please mark the date on your calendars. All are welcome to attend!

# Best Breakfast Casserole (Hash Browns & Eggs)



## Ingredients

- 1 (2 pound) package frozen hash brown potatoes, thawed
- 1 pound pork sausage
- 1 small onion, diced
- 5 eggs
- ½ cup milk
- ½ teaspoon onion powder
- ⅛ teaspoon garlic powder
- salt and ground black pepper to taste
- 12 ounces shredded Cheddar cheese

## Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Grease an 8-inch square pan; add hash brown potatoes and arrange in an even layer.
2. Place sausage and onion in a large skillet over medium heat. Cook and stir until the sausage is browned and crumbled, about 10 minutes; drain.
3. Meanwhile, whisk eggs, milk, onion powder, garlic powder, salt, and pepper together in a large bowl until well combined; pour over the potatoes and sprinkle with 1/2 of the Cheddar cheese. Add sausage mixture on top and sprinkle with remaining Cheddar. Cover with aluminum foil.
4. Bake in the preheated oven for 1 hour. Remove foil; return casserole to the oven and bake until a knife inserted into the center comes out clean, about 10 minutes. Let stand for 5 minutes before serving.



# APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

APRIL	NAMES	APRIL	NAMES
6-Apr	Valorie Merkle	14-Apr	Grace Sekelewski
6-Apr	Karen Ruth	14-Apr	Alicia Simpson
7-Apr	Elaine Craft	20-Apr	Michelle Allen
9-Apr	Ted Fricker	23-Apr	Nelson Cordon
9-Apr	Laura Mitchell		
11-Apr		ANNIVERSARY	COUPLE'S NAMES
11-Apr	Elizabeth Embery	5-Apr	Amy & Andy Riemenschneider
13-Apr	Sandra Riemenschneider	13-Apr	Randi & Brian Gill

Did we miss your special day? Please let us know your birthday or anniversary so it can be included in The Messenger.



Dear St. Paul's Church Family,

Thank you for giving me the beautiful altar flowers from March 15<sup>th</sup>. They brightened a tough time and reminded me how grateful I am to belong to this wonderful congregation. Your kindness is greatly appreciated. *Warm Regards, Julie Gable*



I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the March 1 celebration of my 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary as your Director of Music. The gifts, cards, table index-card memories, and the beautiful booklet with personal messages are treasures I will cherish forever. The special gift of Ajibola's music and performance was extra special and a wonderful surprise! Finally, the extremely generous monetary gift is something that Eric and I greatly appreciate. Your kindness is overwhelming! It is hard to comprehend how twenty years have past for me here at St. Paul's. The memories of the music-making, but more importantly, the faces of so many of all ages are priceless. I look forward to many more years together. *Thank you, Rae Ann Anderson*



Pastor Sonntag,

Thank you so much for the beautiful altar flowers you gave us in memory of our friend Barry that recently passed away. They have brightened our home during this sad time. God bless.

*From Walt Thompson and Family*



Dear Pastor Sonntag,

Thank you for the altar flowers! It was such a nice and thoughtful surprise!

*From Bruce Todd*

# Easter Breakfast Casserole



## Ingredients

- 2 Tbsp. salted butter, plus more for the baking dish
- 1 medium (9- to 12-oz.) baguette, sliced 1/2-inch thick, about 40 to 50 slices
- 1/2 lb. thinly sliced deli ham
- 2 cups shredded gruyère cheese or Swiss cheese, divided
- 8 large eggs
- 2 cups whole milk, divided
- 1 cup half-and-half
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh chives, plus more for sprinkling
- 2 Tbsp. dijon mustard
- 1 Tbsp. chopped fresh thyme, or 1 tsp. dried thyme
- 1/2 tsp. kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp. ground black pepper
- 2 Tbsp. all-purpose flour
- Pinch of nutmeg

## Directions

- 1** Butter a 13-by-9-inch casserole dish. Place half of the baguette slices in a single layer at the bottom of the dish. Shingle slices of ham in a single layer on top of the bread, overlapping as necessary. Sprinkle the ham with 1 1/2 cups of shredded cheese.
- 2** In a large bowl, whisk together the eggs, 1/2 cup of milk, half-and-half, chives, dijon mustard, thyme, salt, and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Pour the mixture evenly over the bread, ham, and cheese in the casserole dish. Top with the remaining bread in a single layer, pressing gently into the egg mixture.
- 3** In a medium saucepan, melt the butter over medium heat until foamy. Whisk in the flour and nutmeg until well combined. Cook, whisking constantly, until the flour smells slightly nutty, 1 to 2 minutes. Whisking constantly, slowly stream in the remaining 1 1/2 cups of milk, whisking until no lumps remain. Continue whisking over medium heat until the sauce thickens and you can run a finger through it on the back of a spoon and the line holds, 4 to 5 minutes.
- 4** To bake immediately: Preheat the oven to 350°F. Spread the white sauce over the surface of the casserole. Sprinkle with the remaining 1/2 cup of cheese. Bake until the top is golden and the egg mixture is set in the center, 35 to 40 minutes.
- 5** Turn the oven to broil and broil the casserole for 1 to 2 minutes until golden brown. Let rest for 10 minutes, then top with more chives and serve.
- 6** To make ahead: Spoon the white sauce into a medium bowl or glass measuring cup. Place a piece of plastic wrap over the white sauce, pressing into the surface and refrigerate for up to 3 days. Cover and refrigerate the casserole overnight, or up to 24 hours.
- 7** Preheat the oven to 350°F. Remove the casserole dish from the refrigerator and let it sit at room temperature for 30 minutes. Spread the white sauce over the surface of the casserole. Sprinkle with the remaining 1/2 cup of cheese. Bake until the top is golden and the egg mixture is set in the center, 40 to 45 minutes.
- 8** Turn the oven to broil and broil the casserole for 1 to 2 minutes until golden brown. Let rest for 10 minutes, then top with more chives and serve.


 IN OUR  
*Thoughts and Prayers*


Rodney Barnhart  
 Hudson Beruta  
 Sharon Birkbeck  
 Betty Bortmann  
 Tina Bria  
 Robert Breuer  
 Claudette Brown  
 Conrad Bush  
 Eric Carlson  
 Claudia  
 Diane  
 Jerome & David  
 Dr. Steven Deets  
 Barbara Deebold  
 Sarah Dolan Schumaker  
 Ruth Donnelly  
 Jackie Duffy  
 Helen Edelman  
 Martha Elliott  
 Barbara Eumch  
 Angela Giordano  
 Peter di Filippi  
 Tim Funk  
 Flossie F. & Gloria F.  
 Kenneth Feinour III  
 Roselee Feinour  
 Tom Finney  
 Leona Finney  
 Rina Fresnak  
 Chad Friedman  
 Family  
 Lorraine G  
 Julie Gable  
 John Gillespie  
 Earl H.

John Hagan  
 Jill Hamilton  
 Bruce Hanes  
 Rich Hanns  
 Dick Harrington  
 Bernard & Barbara  
 Hoffman  
 Barbara and Gail  
 Johnson  
 John  
 Eddie Kaufman  
 Cathy Keim  
 Boaz Lazarus-Klein  
 Thubi Kolmobe  
 Ceci Krull  
 Margerie Kunish  
 Cheryl Kurtz  
 Tom Lackman  
 Linda Landes  
 Marie Leonard  
 Zach Lean  
 Anita Lukach  
 Joe Lukach  
 Ed Mansfield  
 Jean McVeigh-Schultz  
 Mary Scarpello  
 Matthew  
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The family and loved ones of Charmaine Hoff  
 The family and loved ones of June Riemenschneider  
 The family and loved ones of Bob H.



# *Easter Flower Dedications*

In memory of The Rev. And Mrs. John A. Johnson and The Rev. And Mrs. J. William Berglund, by Chris, Betsy, John, and Rebecca Berglund.

In memory of our parents, by Janet and Bernhard Bischoff.

In memory of Alice Bischoff, by Arthur Bischoff.

In memory of our loving daughter, Laura Noga,  
by Kathleen and Bob Breuer

In loving memory of the Davis, Politz, and Claypoole families, by Chris Claypoole.

In memory of my husband Herb, by Elaine Craft.

In memory of my parents Charles and Elizabeth Stewart, by Elaine Craft.

In memory of Nick and Dorie Davatzes, by Alexandra Davatzes.

In memory of our parents, by Michael and Susan Duffy.

In honor of our children, by Michael and Susan Duffy.

In memory of beloved Bill Erat, by Linda Erat.

In loving memory of David Huff and Bill Erat, by Tom, Angie, Tommy, and Adam Erat.

In honor and memory of loved ones, past and present, by Cyndee Folk.

In memory of James and Dorothy Gkonos, by Peter Gkonos.

In memory of Gabriel, Irving, and Adam, by Betty Greene.

In honor of Abby and Chris, by Betty Greene.

In honor of Roberta, by Betty Greene.

In honor of Marlise Inazu, by Betty Greene.

In memory of Paul, Catherine, and Claire Coady, by Ed and Linda Hayes.

In memory of Ken, Arlene, and Russell Hayes, by Ed and Linda Hayes.

In honor of Tim, Danielle, Jen, Neal, Colin, and Tyler, by Ed and Linda Hayes.

In memory of Ernst and Frida Schmelzle, Fred W. and Marie Helbig, by Fred and Hilma Helbig.

In memory of Mr. And Mrs. Ernest Barile, and Ernest Barile Jr., by Paul and Jane Kinsey.

In memory of Mr. And Mrs. William P. Kinsey, by Paul and Jane Kinsey.

In memory of my husband Ralph Kolb, by Kathleen Kolb.

In memory of my loved ones, by Kathleen Kolb.

In loving memory of Dagmar Lackman, by Pat and Tom Lackman.

In loving memory of John and Julie Mooney, and Julia Lindenmeyer, by Pat and Tom Lackman.

In loving memory of Richard Mooney, by Pat and Tom Lackman.

In loving memory of Stu and Rita O'Neal, by Pat and Tom Lackman.

In loving memory of Gary Stanley Sr, by Pat and Tom Lackman.

In memory of Kathy Janson, my dear friend, by Susan Lech.

In honor of my grandchildren Gabe, Claire, and AnnaLisa, by Susan Lech.

In memory of Pastor Kenneth Smith by Robert and Victoria MacMillan.

In memory of the MacMillan and McGuigan families, by Robert and Victoria MacMillan.

In memory of my beloved husband, Skip McDowell, by Pamela E. McDowell.

In memory of our parents and my sister Janice by Pamela E. McDowell.

In honor of my children Tim and Suzanne and their spouses, Sybil and Marco, by Pamela E. McDowell.

In honor of my wonderful grandkids Nelson, Gabby, Nico, Alex, and Liam, by Pamela E. McDowell.

In memory of Don Schumacher, by the McGinley family.

In memory of loved ones, by the Mitchell family.

In memory of family, by Charles Morlock.

In memory of Ronald and Darlene Waeltz, our parents, by Ray and Karen O'Brien.

In memory of Raymond and Jane O'Brien, our parents, by Ray and Karen O'Brien.

In honor of Callie Elisabeth and the one to come by Bill Raabe.

In honor of Charles Gustav and the one to come by Bill Raabe.

In honor of the Rev. Esther Rajashekar, by Jayaraj Paul Rajashekar.

In memory of Greg Ritter and Yanjie Lu, by Will and Alice Ritter.

In honor of my secret sister, Elaine Craft, by her Secret Sister.

In honor of Cathy Keim with love, from your Secret Sister.

In honor of Vickie MacMillan and all she does to support the church, by her Secret Sister.

In honor of Celia O'Leary, by her Secret Sister.

In honor of Nancy Shenk, by her Secret Sister.

In memory of my husband, Robert Stocks, by Marlene Stocks.

In memory of my parents Ernst and Doris Knott, by Marlene Stocks.

In memory of Elke Meissgeier, by Marlene Stocks.

In memory of Joan Del Conte, by Marlene Stocks.

In honor of the Rev. Ellen Meissgeier, by Marlene Stocks.

In memory of our parents, by Dot and Bob Sutton.

In memory of loved ones, by Dot and Bob Sutton.

In memory of our husband and father, Christoph Wagner, by Misty and Benjamin Wagner.

The Palm trees are dedicated in loving memory of Eleanor and Frank Maxwell and Doris and George Connard, by Leslie Maxwell and Harry VanPelt.



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## ON THE ROAD TO EASTER WORD SEARCH



Ash	Holy Week	Palm Branch
Wednesday	Holy Thursday	Forty Days
Sacrifice	Good Friday	Jesus
Almsgiving	Holy Saturday	Passover
Prayer	Easter	Foot Washing
Fasting	Palm Sunday	Resurrection
Lent	Purple	Love





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