

Greetings,

Thursday, April 9, 2026

What a glorious day Easter was, and what incredible spirited worship we all joined together in. The energy level in the sanctuary was just phenomenal, and the joy was palpable. And HOPE was truly in the air. What a day, what a day, what a day!

In preparation for the day, my thanks go to our incredible choirs – Bel Campana under the leadership of Elisabeth Gaeth; and The Chancel Choir, under the leadership of Mike Jones. I thank our Lectors: Linda Raciti and Pat Griebenow. I thank our organist, Tom Reifenberg, not only for the incredible service music, but also for accompanying both choirs I thank our guest trumpeter, Mike Lueck; and our last minute guest handbell ringer, Donna Mildebrandt. I would like to thank Isabella, Aubrey, and Alex Meyer for hiding all 434 Easter Eggs before the service for the Easter Egg Hunt after the service. A Thank You to Bonnie and Dean Gluesing for coming in mid-week to fill all of the eggs with candy, and to the people who donated 12 dozen eggs.

Mostly, though, I thank all of you, the entire congregation, for joining together in worship to celebrate the promise and fulfillment of new life and the inbreaking of God's hope into our world.

Here's what's coming up in the life of the church...

"Lunch for Later" – Street Angels Mission Opportunity Please donate items to help Sunday School and SEARCH fill 100 lunch bags that will be delivered to people who are homeless. Donated items must be brought to church NEXT Sunday, April 19 and placed in the bin in the Narthex. Please sign up on the Mission Board. Items needed: granola bars, fruit cups, chips and sweet treats for dessert, Donations are divided into groups so you do not have to bring 100 items. Thank you for your support.

Community Listening Session – sponsored by The Clergy of the Green Corners We have heard a desire from our churches to address issues in the community – to continue to go beyond our walls to improve lives, walk with others, and make a difference. To consider how we might enter this work, we will be holding a community listening session. With Common Ground's guidance, we will hear from congregants about our neighborhoods: What do you love? What might you change? What pressures are you or your loved ones experiencing? The Listening Session will be held at OUR LADY OF LOURDES Catholic Church located at 3722 S. 58th Street, Milwaukee, WI, 53220 on MAY 17 FROM 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. (Churches Participating: Greendale Community Church, St Luke's ELCA Greendale, St. Stephen the Martyr ELCA Greendale, St. Alphonsus Greendale, Emanuel UCC Hales Corners, Adoration ELCA Greenfield, St. Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Greendale, Our Lady of Lourdes Milwaukee)

Please see newsletter below for all other volunteer opportunities, activities, events, and classes.

Peace, Pastor Dave

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Madalyn Sterna Confirmation Project



Brewers Tailgate to Benefit the Sarcoma Foundation of America

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 FOLLOWING WORSHIP

COME JOIN US FOR BRATS, FUN, AND GAMES

YOU ARE INVITED TO WEAR YOUR FAVORITE "MILWAUKEE BREWERS"
APPAREL TO WORSHIP THAT DAY (OR THE APPAREL OF ANY OTHER
WISCONSIN SPORTS TEAMS), AND JOIN IN THE FESTIVITIES.

THE APRIL TRIFECTA



**Three Events.
One Powerful Month.**

You can bet your money that this April we're bringing the energy, knowledge, and community together for three amazing events! Come ready to learn, engage, and ignite change.

Flavors of Faith Unity Festival

Sunday • April 26 • 4:00pm-7:00pm: Join us for a vibrant festival where delicious food and rich traditions come together to promote understanding and unity among different faiths.

Navigating Difficult Conversations

Monday • April 27 • 6:30pm-8:00pm: Facilitated by Tia Renier, Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin. Come learn ways to have conversations instead of debates on hot button topics, to find common ground, and help plant seeds of change.

Reclaiming Our Humanity Town Hall

Wednesday • April 29 • 6:30pm-8:00pm: Moderated by Nat Godley. In a time when politics often feels divisive and overwhelming, we invite you to gather for an honest and thoughtful conversation about who we are becoming as a people.

**All events held at Greendale Community Church • 6015 Clover Lane
Register at: www.greendalecommunitychurch.org/events**

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**INTERFAITH
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OF GREATER MILWAUKEE



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CELEBRATE DIVERSITY THROUGH THE JOY OF FOOD AND CULTURE

JOIN US FOR A VIBRANT FESTIVAL WHERE DELICIOUS FOOD AND RICH TRADITIONS
COME TOGETHER TO PROMOTE UNDERSTANDING AND UNITY AMONG DIFFERENT
FAITHS. ENJOY MOUTHWATERING DISHES FROM VARIOUS CULTURAL BACKGROUNDS,
SINGING BOWLS, CHANTING AND MORE!

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NAVIGATING DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS

How to Change Hearts & Minds on Hot Button Issues



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Values & Visions**

RECLAIMING OUR *Humanity* TOWN HALL

with moderator Nat Godley

In a time when politics often feels divisive and overwhelming, we invite you to gather for an honest and thoughtful conversation about who we are becoming as a people.

What values do you believe we have lost along the way? What does integrity, compassion, and courage look like in leadership today? What do you hope to see in future candidates — not just politically, but morally and ethically?

This is not a debate. It is a space for listening, reflection, and respectful dialogue. Together, we will explore how we can reclaim the parts of our humanity that feel strained — kindness, truthfulness, empathy, accountability, and care for one another. Let's come together to imagine a future rooted in shared values and common good.

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