

## THE COMPANION



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### Martin Luther used 3 words to describe a Christ's life of Faith: prayer (oratio), meditation (meditatio), and temptation (tentatio).

Dr. John Kleinig writes "These three terms describe the life of faith as a cycle that begins with prayer for the gift of the Holy Spirit, concentrates on the reception of the Holy Spirit through meditation on God's word, and results in spiritual attack. This in turn leads a person back to further prayer and intensified meditation. Luther, therefore, did not envisage the spiritual life in active terms as a process of self-development but in passive terms as a process of reception from the Triune God. In it self-sufficient individuals became beggars before God."

Notice the role of the Holy Spirit and God's Word. But also spiritual attack. Struggle and temptation are a part of the life of a Christian. Whenever God gives us a promise, the devil shows up. But Satan's attack is counter-productive. The word defeats the devil. The attack draws us back to God's Word.

### Luther says: "As God's word shoots up and spreads through you, the devil persecutes you. He makes you a real teacher (of theology); by his attacks (temptations) he teaches you to seek and love God's word."

We do not find some key to success in what we do. It is always God shaping and forming us, especially through the good news that for Christ's sake we are forgiven and free, that we are God's own children. In the midst of worries, doubts, temptations, spiritual attack, cling to God's word! Cling to God's promise that He will never leave you or forsake you; His promise that nothing can separate you from the love of God; the promise that there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus!

Temptation and attack will come, but we pray, **"Lord, keep us steadfast in Your** word."



## \*\* MARCH SERVANT LIST

MARCH	MARCH 5TH			MARCH 26TH
LECTORS	JEFF VAN DER HOOF	HALEY JENNINGS	MIKE COLCHERTS	MARJI KEATING
FLOWERS	THE RUEDIGERS			THE RUEDIGERS
COFFEE HOUR	THE RUEDIGERS	NO ONE SIGNED UP	THIRD SUNDAY BIRTHDAYS	NO ONE SIGNED UP
ALTAR GUILD	RUTH NUTT	BECCA HARBAUGH	BECKY PEARSON	JULI REYNOLDS

## ₩ APRIL SERVANT LIST 🕉

APRIL	APRIL 2ND	APRIL 9TH	APRIL 16TH	APRIL 23RD	APRIL 30TH
LECTORS	DON WALLICH	HALEY JENNINGS	TIM RUEDIGER	JEFF VAN DER HOOF	MARJI KEATING
FLOWERS	EASTER LILIES	EASTER LILIES	EASTER LILIES	THE RUEDIGERS	NO ONE SIGNED UP
COFFEE HOUR	NO ONE SIGNED UP	EASTER!	THIRD SUNDAY BIRTHDAY	NO ONE SIGNED UP	NO ONE SIGNED UP
ALTAR GUILD	RUTH NUTT	BECKY PEARSON	BECCA HARBAUGH	JULI REYNOLDS	RUTH & BECKY

## ₩₩Š. MAY SERVANT LIST 🕉

MAY	MAYMAY7TH14TH		MAY 21TH	MAY 28TH			
LECTORS	TIM RUEDIGER	MIKE GOLCHERTS	MARJI KEATING	DON WALLICH			
FLOWERS	NO ONE SIGNED UP!						
COFFEE HOUR	NO ONE SIGNED UP	Wistight Day	THIRD SUNDAY BIRTHDAYS	NO ONE SIGNED UP			
ALTAR GUILD	RUTH NUTT	BECCA HARBAUGH	JULI REYNOLDS	BECKY PEARSON			



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### **MARCH BIRTHDAYS!**

MALISSA MARAVILLA - 03/02 ~\*~ TIM RUEDIGER - 03/02

### <u>APRIL BIRTHDAYS</u>! 5 - 04/01 ~\*~ SAM HARBAI

SARA WILLIAMS - 04/01 ~\*~ SAM HARBAUGH - 04/08 JUNE HARBAUGH - 04/18 ~\*~ ERIK RUEDIGER - 04/21

If you want your birthday in the Newsletter, please contact Martha in the office at: {831} 394-1312 -or- at office@faithseaside.org

The Deadline for the <u>SUMMER</u> <u>2023</u> <u>NEWSLETTER</u> is: MONDAY, MAY 21ST, 2023 AT 10 AM

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# March 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
MID-WEEK LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS AND THE LENTEN MID-WEEK SERVICES ON WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 15TH, 22ND, and 29TH. SOUP SUPPERS 5:30 PM SERVICE 6 PM FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE TALK WITH PASTOR!			1 belle Marchi * Constant * Const	2 Read Across America Day!	3	4
5	6 MATIONAL OTEO COOKIE DAM	7	8 Let Wednesday Sour Surrers 5:30 PIMI	9	10	11 Set YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR BEFORE YOU GO TO BED TONIGHT!
12 DID YOU REMEMBER TO SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR?	13	14 <b>14</b> <b>HAPPY</b> <b>PI DAY</b>	15 Sour Surves 5:30 PM	16	17	18
19 Third Sunday Birthday Celebration!	20 SPRING C	21	22 Sour Surves 5:30 PM	23	24	25
26	27	28 Remembrance MARCH VIETN Jhark you for you	5:30 PM	30	31	Goodbye, March!



THURSDAY, MARCH 2ND: READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY! MONDAY, MARCH 6TH: NATIONAL OREO COOKIE DAY. SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME-SPRING FORWARD 1 HOUR SUNDAY, MARCH 12TH: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTED-DID YOU REMEMBER? TUESDAY, MARCH 14TH: NATIONAL PI DAY. FRIDAY, MARCH 17: HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY. SUNDAY, MARCH 19TH: THIRD SUNDAY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION! MONDAY, MARCH 20TH: SPRING EQUINOX-SPRING BEGINS! WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29TH: VIETNAM WAR/SOLDIERS REMEMBERANCE DAY!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
REMEMBER TO CALL OR E-MAIL THE OFFICE WITH ANY INFORMATION THAT YOU WANT IN THE NEWSLETTER! E-MAIL: OFFICE@FAITHSEASIDE.ORG -OR- TELEPHONE NUMBER: 831-394-1312							
2 PALM Sunday	3	4	5	6 MAUNDY Thursday NOON	7 Good Friday 7 PM	8	
9 Easter Sunday He is RISEN! 10 AM	10	11	12	13	14	15	
16 Third Sunday Birthday Celebration!	17 Tax Filing Deadline TODAY!	18	19	20	21	22	
23 VOTERS MEETING AFTER CHURCH	24	25	26	27	28 Plant a treel Arbor Day	29	
30 GOODBYE APRIL!	ANNOUNCEMENTS AN						

# May 2023

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Welcome, May	1 MAY DAY!	2	3	A NATIONAL DAY <i>of</i>	5	6
7	8 1939 1945 Remberance and Accounting www.	9	10	11	12	13
	15	16	17	18	19	20 ARMED FORCES
21 Third Sunday Birthday Celebration!	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Pentecost Sunday	29 With Henor & Gratitude We Remember MEMORIAL DAY	30	31	SO LONG, N		lo, Summer!
Monday, May 1st: MAY DAY! THURSDAY, May 4th: National Day OF Prayer. Friday, May 5th: Cinco De Mayo. Monday, May 8th: Rememberance OF Those Who Passed In WW2. Sunday, May 14th: MOTHER'S DAY!! Saturday, May 20th: Armed Forces Day. Sunday, May 21st: Third Sunday Birthday Celebration. Sunday, May 28th: PENTECOST SUNDAY! Monday, May 29th: MEMORIAL DAY-OFFICE CLOSED.						

### **COWBOY TATER TOT CASSEROLE FOR TWO**

SERVES: 2 PREP TIME: 20 MIN COOK TIME: 25 MIN

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

1/2 POUND GROUND BEEF (80/20)1 CLOVE GARLIC, MINCED2/3 C. CREAM OF MUSHROOM SOUP, UNDILUTED1/3 C. MILK1/4 TSP. BLACK PEPPER

1/2 SMALL ONION, CHOPPED 1 (8 OZ CAN) WHOLE CORN, DRAINED 1/2 C. SHREDDED CHEDDAR, DIVIDED 2 TBSP. SOUR CREAM 2 C. FROZEN TATER TOTS

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

**01)** HEAT OVEN TO 375 DEGREES F. LIGHTLY GREASE AN 8 X 8-INCH BAKING DISH.

- **02)** IN A SKILLET, COOK ONION UNTIL TENDER.
- **03)** ADD GARLIC AND COOK 1 MINUTE.
- 04) ADD THE GROUND BEEF AND COOK UNTIL NO PINK REMAINS.
- 05) STIR IN THE CORN, SOUP, ¼ CUP CHEESE, MILK, SOUR CREAM, AND PEPPER.
- **06)** PLACE 1 CUP TATER TOTS INTO THE BAKING DISH.
- 07) ADD THE BEEF MIXTURE OVER THE TATER TOTS.
- **08)** ADD THE OTHER 1 CUP TATER TOTS OVER THE BEEF AND THEN SPRINKLE THE REMAINING CHEESE OVER THE TATER TOTS.

BAKE 20 TO 25 MINUTES UNTIL GOLDEN AND CHEESE HAS MELTED. \*PLEASE NOTE: YOU CAN ADD WHATEVER VEGETABLES YOU LIKE TO THIS CASSEROLE, IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE JUST CORN...



### OFFICE HOURS: PASTOR HARBAUGH'S HOURS ARE BY APPOINTMENT.

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MARTHA'S OFFICE HOURS: MONDAYS and THURSDAYS from 9 AM to 1 PM



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### **DECEMBER 2022:**





Setting up for Christmas - Ghank you all!













