

40 days OF LENT

Ash wednesday

Drive Thru Ashes 7am-815am
600 E Holly Blvd.

Wednesday, March 5

- Worship BLC at 6pm
- Worship SRLC 7:30pm

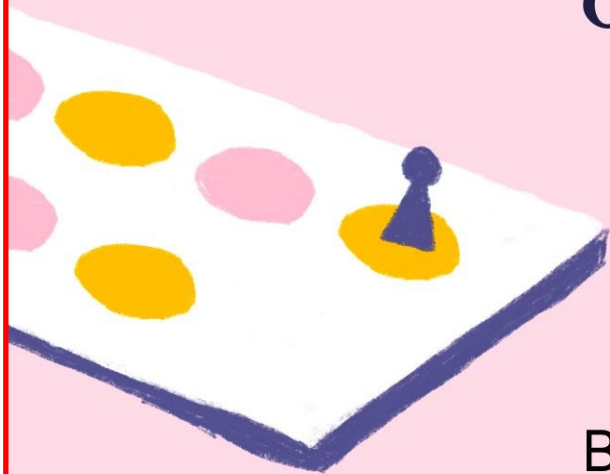
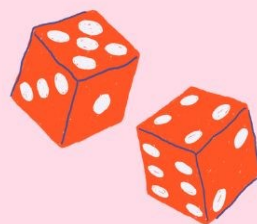


Split Rock Lutheran Sunday School Brings you,,,



Family Game Day

& Potluck!



Join us March 16
following the service.
Bring your favorite games
and a dish to share.



What is Lent?

Lent is a season of the year that is 40 days leading up to Easter. It begins with Ash Wednesday, the reminder of our mortality and then focuses on the journey to Jesus' death and Resurrection. You'll notice that worship is simplified and that we put away the word "alleluia" for the season. During Lent, we will highlight the stories from the Gospel of Luke that lift up God's persistent mercy in the face of obstacles in Sunday morning worship. We will have a completely different worship and message on Wednesday nights, as we focus on the Small Catechism.

Some Christians take the time of Lent as a time of re-centering in faith. Some people do that by "giving something up". Personally, my practice has been to take on a Spiritual practice- a devotion or a prayer.

This year, we will provide resources for "CandleTime" that might be a good option for Lenten practice. I also like the app D365 for personal devotions. Author, Kate Bowler, also provides a free Lenten devotional on her website: katebowler.com/lent.

I encourage you to consider how you might grow in faith this Lent!

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Elizabeth



During the season of Lent, we invite you to deepen into our Lutheran roots on Wednesday Nights!!

We will be focusing on the Small Catechism: the basic instruction book that Martin Luther wrote for understanding of Christian faith. It includes the Lord's Prayer, the Apostles' Creed, the sacraments, the Ten Commandments, and morning and evening prayers.

*Each Wednesday night worship (6pm), we will focus on one of these elements of faith from the Catechism.

*We will provide resources for "CandleTime" at home- an opportunity to grow faith around candlelight.

Church Van Update:

Due to ongoing expense and liability of keeping an aging vehicle as church property, the decision was made at council in January to transfer ownership to Angel and sell the vehicle to him.

We appreciate Angel's commitment to our congregation and the youth, and we also appreciate the support the congregation has provided for vehicle ownership when it was needed for our youth ministry!



WELCA March 2025

Our WELCA project was to get two new stoves for our main kitchen, and thanks to so many supporters from our congregation, we did it! The stoves were purchased from Heartland Appliances and delivered last Tuesday. If you haven't seen them, please stop by the kitchen! Because of the wonderful response, we were able to purchase another slightly used stove for our downstairs kitchen to replace the two old wall ovens. Some work needs to be done to get the old ones cut out, and the newer one put in. That will make it all counter height and 4 new burners to also use. Our raffle ends this Sunday, February 23rd. We will draw for winners at coffee time between services. This project warms our hearts, for sure!

Our upcoming Women's Gathering will be **Mar. 8 at 9:30**, with our **Martha Circle as hostesses**. Mike Turner will be explaining his two main missions in life, The Legacy Foundation which gives healthcare access for families in need, and Owen's Outfitters, a lending library for medical equipment. Mike and his wife turned a tragedy into a blessing to families and people in need of medical assistance or supplies.

On **Sunday, Mar. 30th**, we will be hosting another Paint Party at our church, in the basement. Creative Acreages will bring the supplies to us. You can go to their website or use the QR code to get to their website. On the website, there are round 22-inch porch hangers to paint and finish that cost around \$55. They also have smaller ones available that cost around \$22. Choose the one you want to create, pay for it on her website, and she will bring it on Mar. 30th. It takes about an hour to finish your project. Go to their website at **www.acreagecreations.com**. At the top it says "Parties" and choose BLC. If you need help, ask any of us on the WELCA board, and we can assist you! WELCA will be providing some munchies for everyone. Bring your friends and family, and your own coffee or drink. This is a social time to be sharing with others!

Mar. 1st – 10:00 Faithful Greetings

Mar. 2nd – Bold Women's Sunday

Mar. 3rd – 10:30 WELCA Executive Board Meeting

Mar. 8th – 9:30 Women's Gathering; Martha Circle as Hosts

Mar. 10th – 1:00 Freezer Ministries

Mar. 17th – 9:30 Kitchen Clean Up

Mar. 19th & 20th – Circles Meet

Mar. 30th – WELCA Paint Party at BLC; 4:00 (open at 3:30)

Come out to the Gruff for our Monthly Lunch on **March 20th** at 11:30am.

Join us for an Easter themed

PAINT PARTY

w/ Acreage Creations

Paint Your Own 22" Doorhanger!

Brandon Lutheran Church

Sunday, 3.30 | 4pm



RSVP @ www.acreagecreations.com

♪BLC Music Ministries Update♪

"Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love."

We hear these words every week during Lent in our Gospel Acclamation. These words come to us from the book of Joel in the Old Testament. What a true statement about our God. He is most certainly gracious, merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in love. All are qualities we should aspire to have, too!

March brings the beginning of Lent with Ash Wednesday on March 5. Let us enter a time of "returning" to the Lord. Typically, people give something up for Lent as a minor sacrifice to help realize how incredibly big Jesus' sacrifice on the cross was. What if this year, instead of only giving something up, we add something. What if we add something to our days of Lent to deepen our faith life? Adding something will look different for everyone! This can be something as simple as taking even a minute or two to pray every day. Or maybe it could be something as simple as returning to Worship each week of Lent. Whatever it is, no one has ever regretted taking another step in their faith life!

Ash Wednesday Worship is March 5 at 6:00 PM. The Bell Choir and Choir will provide the music! The rest of the Wednesdays in Lent will have a different theme than our Sunday services. This year, the Pastors will be focusing on Luther's Catechism, and it will be a neat way to learn more about what Lutherans believe! So, if you typically come only on Sundays, you are encouraged to come Wednesdays, as well!

We have lots of opportunities for you to get more involved with our Bell Choir, Brass Ensemble, Choir, and Praise Band! Joining one of these ensembles is a great way to build new relationships, have fun, and grow in your faith and worship of our Lord! Do you sing or play an instrument? Do you know someone who does? If you'd like to have more information or if you know of someone who might be interested, let me know by sending me an email at music@brandonlutheran.org, or by calling the church at 605-582-3401. We'd love to get to know you better!

We will be doing a Good Friday Service of Music again this year. Stay tuned for more details as it gets closer!

May you all find a deeper connection with God and His great mercy, grace, and love this Lenten Season.

Blessings,

Ben Jacobsma



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BAPTISMS



Congratulations and God's blessings
to Jack Lyle Ode who was baptized
at Brandon Lutheran Church on
Sunday, February 9, 2025. Jack's
parents are Kent & Lindsey Ode.

Serving Together With One Goal In Mind

Brandon & Split Rock Lutheran will be working together to serve the community over the next few months. It will be a great time to fellowship and have a positive impact to our community. Hope to see you there!!

St. Francis House

Lunch(11:15am-12:30pm) March 23, April 5 & May 3

Dinner(5:45pm-7:00pm) March 8, April 12, & May 10



Habitat for Humanity (Must be 16 or older)

March 15th(12pm-3pm) New Construction 16 or older with parental consent to be on job site



The Banquet(Must be 12 or older)

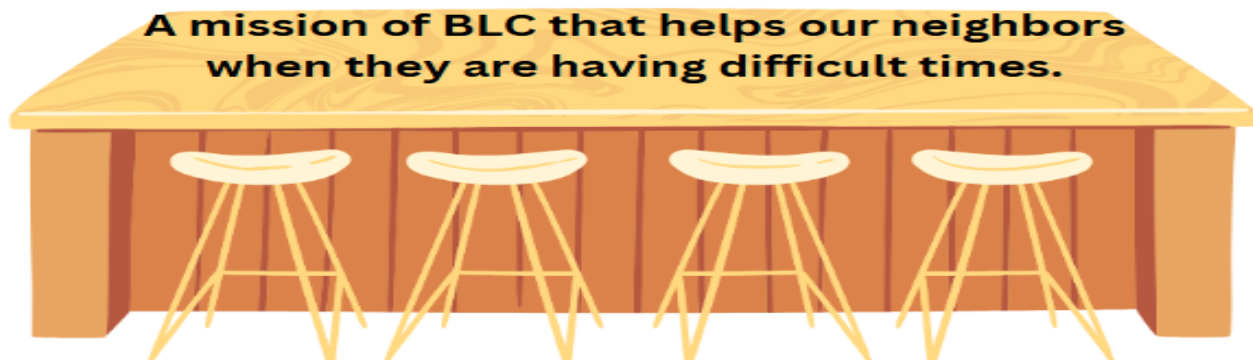
March 20th(2pm-5pm) 6 slots for Supper Prep

(5:30pm-8pm) 30 slots to Serve



Freezer Ministry Meets Every Second Monday Of The Month at 1:00pm

A mission of BLC that helps our neighbors
when they are having difficult times.



ALL ARE WELCOME!

Faithful Greetings

COME JOIN BRANDON LUTHERAN'S CARD MAKING GROUP

March 22nd at 10am
Downstairs Fellowship Hall



Women ^{of the} **ELCA** 

Join us for an Easter themed

PAINT PARTY

w/ Acreage Creations

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MARCH
SERVING GROUP

Name

Jon & Anne Anderson
Brita Barnes
Chuck & Joanne Bennis
Jason & Marin Bortnem
Josh & Kristin Buhman
Bob & Marlys Byre
Erik & Jenessa Christensen
Ben & Shari Davis
Tom & Jeannie Dubbelde
Todd & Sandi Froke
Broc & Krista Halseth
Terry Mahar & Susie Hanson
Ty & Michelle Hentschel
Mike & Cheryl Immecker
Eric & Tara James
Cindy Jorgenson
Tim & Sharon Knoll
Mark & Wendy Koster
Gary & Kathy Lembcke
Wendy Lohan
Jon & Kristin McInerney
Rocky & Jackie Miller
Bill & Tracie Ode
Wayne & Elaine Oolman
Adam & Sara Pearson
Jeff & Kari Plumbtree
Heidi Reimer
Kathryn & Randy Reiners
Maxine Risty
Shelby Rosenau
Josh & Kassie Shellum
Guy & Nancy Sitzmann
Brett & Kaisha Stofferahn
Mike & Jen Toates
Harlan & Rebecca VandeKieft
Judy VonDeLinde
Daniel & Diane Wullstein
Tom & Jen Wullstein

Name

Andrew & Stacey Adam
Kim Becker
Jeff & Tina Birath
Jamie & Heidi Buteyn

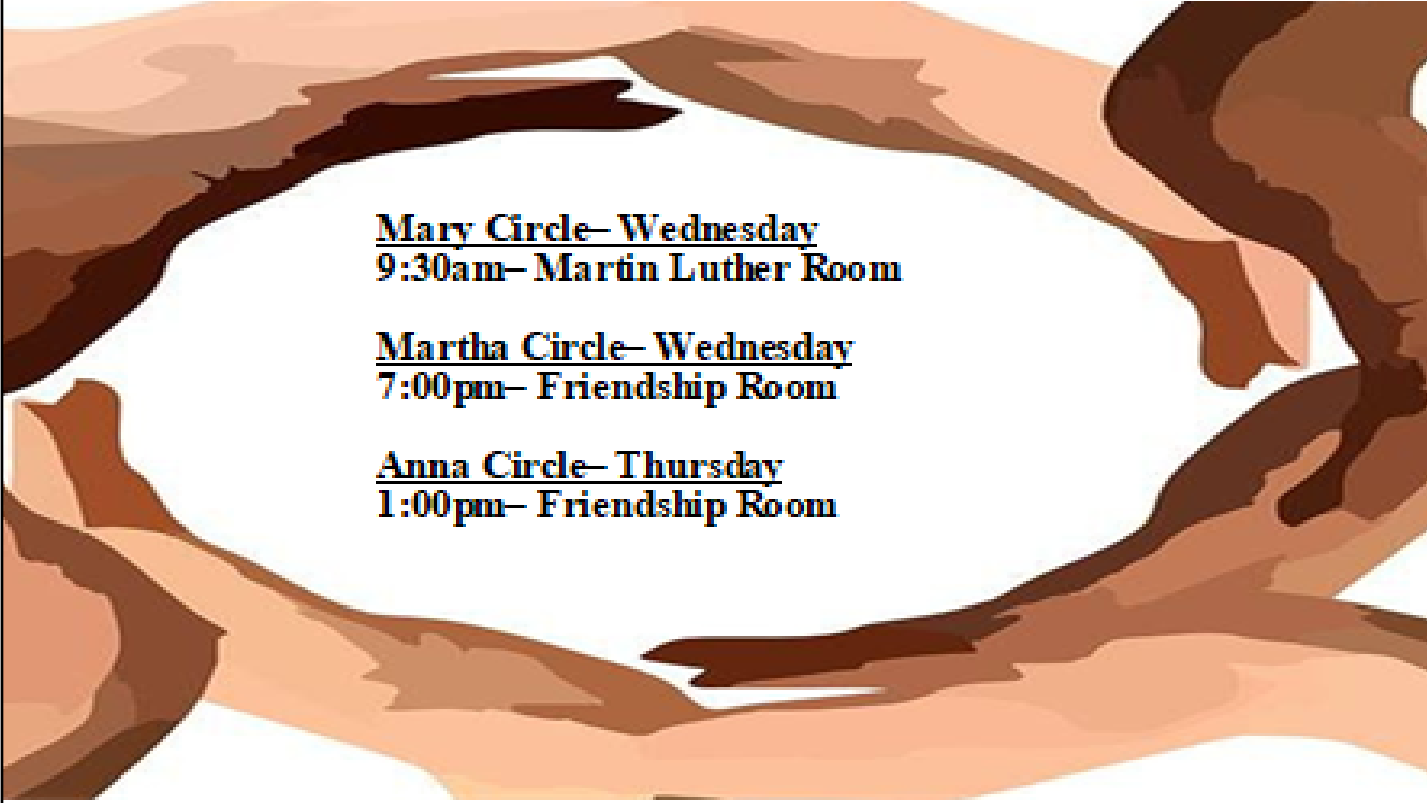
John & Kathryn Clem-
Michael Erickson
Roy & Shannon Fletcher
Anita Gaspar
Tom & Tiffany Grode
Mary Halseth
Jim & Becky Heinitz
Randy & Joni Hoffman
Dan & Wendy Ibberson
Sam & Bonnie Johnson
Doug Kane
Betty Kielman

Mark & Mary Jo Kober-
Chris & Sonya Lamont
Brent & Erin Lindner
Jason Malone
Linde McKay
Larry & Ann Narum
Gerod & Melissa Olivier
Camille Parker
Adam & Becky Peterson
Jay & Allison Rasmussen
Angie Richmond
Diane Rollag
Lee & Rhonda Schelling
Marlin & Diane Sejnoha
John Sittig
Devin Steffen
Blake & Noel Sunne
Ty & Nicole Tietjen
Aaron & Jenna Volzke
Sara & Donny Watters
Mary Jo Zeeb

Circles(Small fellowship Bible Study Groups)

Circles will meet the 3rd Wednesday or Thursday of the month

Reminder Pricilla Circle will not meet until April



Mary Circle– Wednesday
9:30am– Martin Luther Room

Martha Circle– Wednesday
7:00pm– Friendship Room


Anna Circle– Thursday
1:00pm– Friendship Room

Mark Your Calendars! ♥

March 8, 2025. 9:30 a.m.

Brandon Lutheran Church

Mike Turner will be our speaker telling us about his two main missions-The Legacy Foundation, which bridges the gap for healthcare access, and Owen's Outfitters, a medical lending library. Mike and his family have turned a tragedy into a blessing for families and people in need of assistance or medical supplies and equipment.



“God does not need your good works, but your neighbor does!” -Martin Luther

Split Rock Lutheran is collecting donations during Lent for our neighbors

These items will be distributed to our local food pantries. If you are not able to stop at the store, we will be glad to accept money donations.

Thank you for helping us bless our neighbors!

March 9: Canned Food (vegetables, soup, Spaghetti O's, ravioli, fruit)

March 16: Paper Products (toilet paper, napkins, paper towels, kleenex, etc...)

March 23: Box Meals (pasta, mac & cheese, hamburger helper, etc...)

March 30: Cleaning Products (garbage bags, dish soap, cleaning supplies, etc...)

April 6: Staples (flour, sugar, ketchup, mustard, mayo, pickles, etc...)

April 13: Personal hygiene items (shampoo/conditioner, soap, toothpaste, tampons, etc...)



FOOD & HYGIENE DRIVE





Lenten Bible Study opportunity!

Join us for Bible Study at Split Rock each Wednesday at 1:30pm.

We will put the coffee on and talk about the Scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday.

Bring your Bible! Led by Pastor Elizabeth or Pastor Aimee



Celebrate Bold Women!

Bold Women's Day—observed the first Sunday of March—celebrates all Lutheran women who have acted or are acting boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ. Some women are bold in their unceasing prayers. Other women are bold in their service to those in need. Still other women are bold in their advocacy or through their hospitality. Whether we live out our bold story of faith in the workplace, family home or community, our faith compels us to make a difference in the lives of others. It's all about living out our baptismal call, about being a disciple of Christ. Who are the bold women in your life?

**Be
Bold**

Wednesday Night Meals

March 5- Broasted Chicken & Mac & Cheese

March 12- Beef Tips & Mashed Potatoes

March 19- Spaghetti & Chicken Alfredo, Bread Stocks & Salad

March 26- Turkey, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

April 2- Broasted Chicken & Mac & Cheese

April 16- No Meal

April 23- No Meal

April 30- Beef Tips & Mashed Potatoes

May 7- Broasted Chicken & Mac & Cheese





Split Rock Lutheran

The Mission of Split Rock Lutheran is welcoming and serving with joyful hearts and glorifying God in all things. We are a growing family of Christ's disciples seeking to proclaim the Gospel to all those in need of God's grace, mercy and love.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday Service will be held on March 5th at 7:30 pm

March Council Meeting

The March Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, March 11th at 7:00 pm

Worship Committee Meeting

Worship Committee will meet on Tuesday, March 18th at 6:30 pm

March Serving Schedule

Sunday, March 2,

Greet & Usher	David Sorenson & Corbin Sorenson
Lector	Steve Farley
Communion Server	Courtney Rogen
Communion Bread	Shally Rogen
Acolyte	Wesley Karssen & Hayden Sorenson
Tech	Becky Heggen

March Serving Schedule

Wednesday, March 5:

Greet & Usher	Bruce & Juul Heggen
Lector	Dick Neu
Communion Servers	Pastor Elizabeth & Pastor Aimee
Communion Bread	Shally Rogen
Acolyte	Grady Karssen

Sunday, March 9:

Greet & Usher	Chad & Wendy Olson
Lector	Brielle Weir
Tech	Stephanie Tighe

Sunday, March 16:

Greet & Usher	Kyle & Brittany Lessman
Lector	Sid Williamson
Communion Servers	Chad Olson
Communion Bread	Judy Williamson
Acolyte	Whitney Sorenson
Tech	Lessman Family

Sunday, March 23:

Greet & Usher	Duane & Bonnie Bly
Lector	Alon Sorenson
Tech	Jolene Kujawa

Sunday, March 30

Greet & Usher	Steve & Robin Farley
Lector	Brett Tighe
Acolyte	Wesley Karssen
Tech	Stephanie Tighe

Worship Schedule for Brandon Lutheran & Split Rock

BLC: 8:30 am & 10:45 am on Sundays—School Year

9:45 am on Sundays—Summer

6:15 Wednesdays—All Year

Split Rock: 9:30 am on Sundays—School Year

8:30 am on Sundays—Summer

Office Hours:

Monday through Friday: 7:30 am—4:00 pm—School Year

Contact us at 605-582-3401 or bhc@brandonlutheran.org

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Aleshia Smith
Office Manager

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Finance Manager

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Juan Gabriel Angel
Director of
Youth Ministries

Ben Jacobsma
Minister of Music

Amy Bray
Wedding Coordinator

Nicole Jellema
Director of
Noah's Ark Preschool

Kristin McInerney
Erin Sislo
NAPS Teachers

Ann Beesley
Jenni Brendsel
Jodi Myers
Jo Conrad
NAPS Assistants