



KIRKLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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March 2026

Happenings



Pastor's Corner

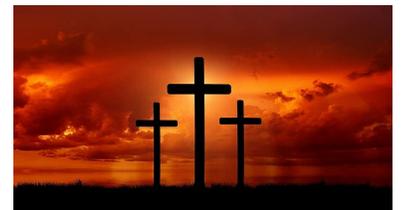
LENT & HOLY WEEK 2026 AT KIRKLAND UMC

We hope to see you for our Lenten & Holy Week events:



PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 29

Children's Palm Parade



GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3

Cantata
7:00 pm



EASTER SUNDAY
Continental Breakfast
9:00 am
Worship Service
10:00 am



March



Liturgists

- 1 Larry Worden
- 8 Jack Myers
- 15 Lori Finkle
- 22 Eric Mede
- 29 Lyndsay Myers

Children's Time

- 1 Pastor Dee Mede
- 8 Clare Hay
- 15 Peter Bramm
- 22 Eric Mede
- 29 Lyndsay Myers

Audio Visual

- 1 Bret Collins
- 8 Clare Hay
- 15 Lyndsay Myers
- 22 Clare Hay
- 29 Bret Collins

Greeters

- 1 Eric Mede & Weston Bramm
- 8 The Hernandez Family
- 15 Sally Bruch & Vicki Maveus
- 22 Brian & Lora Stevens
- 29 The Furlough Family

Ushers

Bret Collins & Lyn Exner

Trustee's Corner

More updates soon!



March Calendar

Mar 1	Worship—2nd Sunday of Lent	10:00 am	In Person, FB Live, & Zoom
Mar 2	AA	8:00 pm	Basement
Mar 3	Food Pantry	12 to 2 pm	First Lutheran Church
Mar 5	One Board Meeting (prev. Ad Council)	7:00 pm	Meeting Room
Mar 7	SPRING FORWARD!!		Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead!
Mar 8	Worship—3rd Sunday of Lent	10:00 am	In Person, FB Live & Zoom
Mar 9	AA	8:00 pm	Basement
Mar 10	Food Pantry	12 to 2 pm	First Lutheran Church
	Knitting Ministry	12 to 2 pm	Basement
Mar 15	Worship—4th Sunday of Lent	10:00 am	In Person, FB Live, & Zoom
Mar 16	AA	8:00 pm	Basement
Mar 17	Food Pantry	12 to 2 pm	First Lutheran Church
Mar 22	Worship—5th Sunday of Lent	10:00 am	In Person, FB Live, Zoom
Mar 23	AA	8:00 pm	Basement
Mar 24	Food Pantry	12 to 2 pm	1st Lutheran Church
	Knitting	12 to 2 pm	Basement
Mar 29	Palm Sunday	10:00 am	In Person, FB Live, Zoom

Birthdays

March

- 6 — Starr Hall
- 12—Lindsay Furlough
- 14 —Daniel Stark
- 15 — Curt Maveus
- 15 — Alex Stevens
- 18 — Madelynn Bramm
- 22 — Karaley Aves
- 30 — Mary Fioroni

Church Leadership

One Board Chair

Diane Parrish

Secretary

Clare Hay

Finance Representatives

Clare Hay

Jason Hernandez

Treasurer

Lori Finkle

Financial Secretary

Clare Hay

Men’s Ministry President

Bret Collins

Women’s Society Co-

Presidents

Vicki Maveus

Clare Hay

SPRC Representatives

Bret Collins

Diane Parrish

Trustee Representatives

Peter Bramm

Brian Stevens

Worship Chair

Larry Worden

Education Chair

Peter Bramm

Lay Leader

Diane Parrish

Lay Leadership

Representatives

Rev. Deanna Mede

Welcome & Witness

Lori Finkle

Eric Mede

Food Pantry and Clothing Closet
First Lutheran Church
510 South Street, Kirkland IL 60146
815-522-3886

Tuesday’s 12-2 pm

If special help is required, please call
815-978-2147.

Food Pantry Report for the 5 week month of
January
125 Households Served
441 Persons served, 140 were Children

Have something you’d like to add to April’s Newsletter? It can be news you have to give, or maybe there’s something you’d like to know more about... email the church office and we’ll work on getting it added.

Deadline for submissions is **Friday, March 20**



We are worshipping in person, and online via Facebook Live & Zoom, Sundays @ 10am. Please contact Pastor Dee for the zoom link, 224-805-9513

Worship In March

DATE	SERMON	SCRIPTURE
1st Communion Sunday	2nd Sunday of Lent “Unlikely Opposition: The Servant Girl”	Mark 14:66-72 John 18:15-17 NRSVUE
8th	3rd Sunday of Lent “Unlikely Freedom: Barabbas”	Matthew 27:15-18, 21-23 John 18:38b-40 NRSVUE
15th	4th Sunday of Lent “Unlikely Companionship: Simon of Cyrene”	Mark 15:21-22 Luke 23:26-27 NRSVUE
22nd	5th Sunday of Lent “Unlikely Courage: The Woman at the Cross”	Mark 15:40-41 John 19:25b-27 NRSVUE
29th	Palm Sunday “Unlikely Allies: Joseph of Arimathea & Nicodemus”	Luke 23:50-53 John 19:38-41 NRSVUE



Mission Sunday:
March 8

Local Mission: TBD

Broad Mission: TBD



The Food Pantry has started off 2026 continuing to help our neighbors provide the food they need for their households. We thank all of you who donated 55 tubes of toothpaste in January!

Everyone was excited to get one. It was fun to watch as they looked at all the choices and chose one! Your continued support for our items of the month is greatly appreciated.



If you or someone you know needs assistance providing food for their household, the pantry is open every Tuesday from 12:00 to 2:00 PM. We can help at other times if there is an emergency need for food, call or text 815-978-2147.



During the month of March, we will collect DEODORANT for our neighbors who come to the Food Pantry. Any kind you'd like to donate will be appreciated! There will be a box by the front door of the church where you can leave your donations. There will be an envelope for cash donations that will be used to purchase deodorant. Thank you!

Donating with the PayPal Giving Fund

When you donate to the church using the PayPal Giving Fund, PayPal does not withhold any fees from your donation.

It's a great option to ensure that we receive your entire donation.

*However, unless you **check the box next to "Share my name and email with this charity."***

*PayPal does not tell us who made the donation. Please **always check that box** so that we can acknowledge your gift and say thank you!*



- Ed Davis
- Alicia Ross
- Jessica Yeager Stark
- Ron Taylor
- Jim Roach
- Ron Johnson
- Louise Myelle



**The Kirkland United Methodist
Women's Society**

Look for updates at a later date



Methodist Men

Meet every
3rd Saturday
@ KFR.

**One Board (formerly AD Council)
Meets March 5**

Donating is as easy as
taking a picture:
Kirkland UMC's QR code
for donations
Or visit www.kirklandumc.org

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Important 2026 Tax Update:

We know you are still working on your 2025 taxes but it's not too early to plan for 2026. A new federal tax policy now allows single filers to deduct \$1,000 or \$2,000 for couples filing jointly for charitable donations in addition to the standard deduction. So, in 2026 your donations to the church can be deducted up to those limits even if you do not itemize.