



KIRKLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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April 2026

Happenings




Pastor's Corner

HOLY WEEK 2026 AT KIRKLAND UMC

We hope to see you for our Holy Week services:

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300 W SOUTH STREET | KIRKLAND




ONCE UPON A TREE

WORDS AND MUSIC BY PEPPER CHOPLIN

FRIDAY, APRIL 3 @ 7:00 PM

FEATURED SOLOISTS:
LARRY WORDEN as JESUS ∞ JACK MYERS as PILATE
LORI FINKLE as MARY, MOTHER OF JESUS




EASTER SUNDAY

Continental Breakfast

9:00 am

Worship Service

10:00 am



April



Liturgists

- 5 Clare Hay
- 12 Jason Hernandez
- 19 Terry Medine
- 26 Sally Bruch

Children's Time

- 5 Pastor Dee Mede
- 12 Pastor Dee Mede
- 19 Eric Mede
- 26 Clare Hay

Audio Visual

- 5 Lyndsay Myers
- 12 Bret Collins
- 19 Clare Hay
- 26 Lyndsay Myers

Greeters

- 5 The Hernandez Family
- 12 Sally Bruch & Vicki Maveus
- 19 The Furlough Family
- 26 Eric Mede & Weston Bramm*

Ushers

Eric Mede & Lou Ferrante

Trustee's Corner

More updates soon!



April Calendar

April 2	Maundy Thursday	All Day	No event planned
April 3	Good Friday Cantata	7:00 pm	KUMC
April 5	Easter Sunday Breakfast	9:00 am	Basement
	Easter Sunday Worship	10:00 am	In Person, FB Live, & Zoom
April 6	AA	8:00 pm	Basement
April 7	Food Pantry	12 to 2 pm	First Lutheran Church
April 9	One Board Meeting (prev. Ad Council)	7:00 pm	Meeting Room
April 12	Worship	10:00 am	In Person, FB Live & Zoom
April 13	AA	8:00 pm	Basement
April 14	Food Pantry	12 to 2 pm	First Lutheran Church
	Knitting Ministry	12 to 2 pm	Basement
April 19	Worship	10:00 am	In Person, FB Live, & Zoom
April 20	AA	8:00 pm	Basement
April 21	Food Pantry	12 to 2 pm	First Lutheran Church
April 26	Worship	10:00 am	In Person, FB Live, Zoom
April 27	AA	8:00 pm	Basement
April 28	Food Pantry	12 to 2 pm	1st Lutheran Church
	Knitting	12 to 2 pm	Basement

Birthdays

April

- 9 — Sandra Roberston
- 12 — Sissy Butz
- 13 — Connie Worden
- 16 — James Montgomery
- 19 — John Bruch
- 18 — Madelynn Bramm
- 24 — Lora Stevens
- 27 — Ron Roach

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**

**123 Households Served
428 Persons served, 123 were Children**

Have something you’d like to add to May’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
Tuesday, April 21



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 April

DATE	SERMON	SCRIPTURE
5th Communion Sunday	EASTER SUNDAY “Christ is Risen”	Matthew 28: 1-10 NRSVUE
12th	2nd Sunday of Easter “Stopping by to see Friends”	John 20: 19-22 & 30-31 NLT
19th	3rd Sunday of Easter “Tech and the Image of God”	Genesis TBD
26th	4th Sunday of Easter “Tech and Christ’s Ethics”	TBD



**Mission Sunday:
April 12**

Local Mission: TBD

Broad Mission: TBD



The month of March brought a wide variety of weather for us to deal with! There were cold days, warm days, rainy days and even a blizzard! Through it all our volunteers showed up and did what had to be done to keep the pantry running smoothly! They unloaded a delivery from the Food Bank on that snowy Monday, and they shoveled and chopped ice the next day so our neighbors could safely visit the pantry. THANK YOU to them all!

Thank you to everyone who donated shampoo for the February item of the month. There were 39 bottles shared. THANK YOU!

If you or anyone you know needs help providing food for their household, the pantry is open every Tuesday from 12:00 to 2:00 PM. If there is an emergency need for food please call or text Clare at 815-978-2147.

During the month of April, we will collect TOOTHBRUSHES for our neighbors who come to the Food Pantry. Individually wrapped toothbrushes would be best but 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 toothbrushes. 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
- Holly Way
- The Myers family
on the passing of Leroy
- 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 April 9**

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.