

March 2025

Sharon Springs Methodist Church 520 W. 6th Ave., P.O. Box 339 Sharon Springs, KS 67758

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Communion Pastor Zac-first Sunday Basket Dinner Children Choir Sings	3 Girl Scouts Mtg Here 5:15-7:15	4	5 SSMW—1:15 Kid's Choir 3:30 Bell Choir 5:00	6 Adult Bible Study at Prairie Village 10:15 led by Lyle Sommerfeld	7 World Day of Prayer (Lutheran Church) 11;00 A.M.	8
9 Daylight Savings Time Begins Ministerial Alliance Mtg at 3:00 p.m.	10	11	12 Kid' <i>s C</i> hoir 3:30 Bell Choir 5:00	13 Adult Bible Study at Prairie Village 10:15 led by Lyle Sommerfeld	14	15
16 Administration Council Meeting following Church Service.	St. Patrick's	18 ——-School——	19 Spring	20 ———Break——	21	22
23	24	25	26 Kid's Choir 3:30 Bell Choir 5:00	27 Bible Study at Prairie Village 10:15 led by Lyle Sommerfeld	28	29
30	31 Girl Scouts Mtg Here 5:15—7:15					



Ash Wednesday — March 5

SSMW Meeting—March 5 at 1:15 p.m. World Day of Prayer at the Lutheran Church—11:00 A.M.

Sunday, March 9, 2025



Copied from Our Daily Bread Devotional Jesus Reached Out.....John 6;32-40

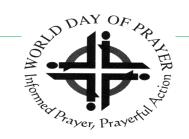
Sometimes life gets busy—classes are hard, work is exhausting, the bathrooms needs to be cleaned, and a coffee date is on the day's schedule. It gets to the point where I force myself to read the Bible for a few minutes a day. And tell myself I"II spend more time with god next week. But it doesn't take long before I'm distracted, drowning in the day's tasks, and forget to ask God for help of any kind.

When peter was walking on water toward Jesus, he quickly became distracted that I lose sight of Him. But that's not how God works. As soon as we turn to Him for help, Jesus reaches out without hesitation. When we're unsettled by the chaos of life, it's easy to forget that God is standing in the middle of the storm with us. Jesus asked Peter, "Why did you doubt?" No matter what we're going through, He is there. He is here. Next to us at that moment, in this moment, ready to reach out and rescue us.

Lord, help me to turn to You in the midst of my busyness and life's distractions. Thank you for always being here, ready to catch me. July Schwab

We are pleased to announce that our new Pastor Zac, wife Shawna and two children will begin their new journey in Sharon Springs on Sunday, March 2nd. Please mark your calendars and plan to welcome them at a Basket Dinner following the service on Sunday, March 2nd.

> WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025 Friday, March 7, 2025 at 11:00 A.M Luncheon will follow the program The host country for WDP 2025 is Cook Islands I made you wonderful Informed Prayer Prayerful Action



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(CHURCH DINNER)

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CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS

SHAMROCK

St. Patrick used the shamrock to teach people about the Godhead. Holding up a shamrock, he challenged them,



"Is this one leaf, or three?" Inevitable, people replied that it was both, prompting St. Patrick to draw the analogy that so, too, is God: one God in three Persons—the Holy Trinity.



STOP, LOOK AND LISTEN

Lent, the season for the church year that's associated with repentance, begins on Ash Wednesday (March 5 this year). While some people deny themselves by giving up something for lent, others prepare for Easter through special Bible studies or devotions.

Christians observe Lent for these reasons:

It causes us to **STOP.** Lent say, "Stop and rest awhile," as well as "Stop doing wrong."

It tells us to **LOOK**. Look inward for an honest self-examination. Look upward to see the cross of Christ offering healing and love. Look forward to the hope of the Resurrection.

It tells us to **LISTEN**. Listen to the words of Christ. Listen too the voice of God. Listen to the winds of the Spirit of God.

Stop, look and listen. These three words aren't only important for our safety in travel; they're also helpful for our journey through the 40 days of Lent.