St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

405 Emma

Chenoa, Il 61726

 February 27, 2025

**Ash Wednesday** is a solemn day in Christianity that marks the beginning of the **penitential Lenten season**. It is a day of **repentance, abstinence, and fasting**, when many Christians receive a cross of ashes on their forehead as a sign of their mortality and their need for God’s grace. The ashes are typically placed in the shape of a cross by a pastor. Ash Wednesday always falls 40 days before Easter. Ash Wednesday is March 5th. There will be a meal at 5:30 PM and our service will be at 6:30 PM.

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ST. PAUL DISCIPLESHIP

Date Attnd Offering Mission

02-02 71 2772.00 20.00

02-09 72 2067.00

02-16 62 2513.00 20.00

02-23 63 3263.00

 Men’s Restroom 100.00

 Parsonage Windows 2125.98

 Kitchen equipment 200.00

**Shrove Tuesday**

**March 4th  5:30pm**

Enjoy a pancake dinner and games in celebration of Mardi Gras and in preparation for Lent here at St. Paul, Chenoa.

Prior to dinner a Rite for Burning of the Palms will be held.

**NEEDING OUR CONTINUING PRAYER**

Rob Ambrose

Norman Beitz

Joe Bertsche

Richard Blair Jr

Jack Brandt

Bill Duncan

Earl Ellinger

Barbara Graves

Lorene Grimes

Duane and Margaret Haney

Ethan Jeffreys

Charlene Kimpler *[friend of Nancy Nylander, will receive heart value March 4th]*

Carla Nobis

Gary Nelson

Logan Peifer

Penny Rhoades *[friend of Kurt and Kim Rhoda]*

Dick Rhoda

Charles ‘Chuck’ Schieler

Richard Schulz

Roger and Janet Seeman

Ellen Jo Shiflett

Jessica Vick *[friend of Kayla*, *has Lyme disease]*

Pat Wahls

**Please notify** Joy if anyone could be removed from the Prayer List.

**The Chenoa Food Pantry** was grateful to receive the 183 cans of soup we at St. Paul collected for Soup-er Bowl Sunday, along with the feminine products that were donated.

Now that the shelves are stocked with those products, they need the following: laundry detergent, toilet paper & paper towels (ok to buy the larger packages-they can be broken down into smaller  packs at the food pantry).

Thank you to everyone who donated to support the patrons of the Chenoa Food Pantry!!

*The church office has received a bulletin folding machine compliments of Jeff Beckman. Our sincere thanks to Jeff.*

**Our next Ladies Bible** study book will be Bless These Lips: 40 days of Spiritual Renewal by Sharla Fritz.

We will not be having Bible study during Lent.  We will resume April 30th.

**Upcoming Services ---**

**Lenten Midweek services will begin March 5th** with our Ash Wednesday services here at St. Paul, Chenoa. Meal will be provided at 5:30, Service at 6:30 on March 5, 12, 19, 26, and April 2, 9 at Chenoa (Communion on Ash Wednesday only)

**Maundy Thursday**: 7 pm on April 17 at Lexington, with Communion

**Good Friday**: 3 PM on April 18 at Chenoa, with Communion; Good Friday Tenebrae service at 7 pm at Lexington, no Communion

**The Lenten Offerings** are designated 1/3 Youth Ministry, 1/3 food pantry, 1/3 St. Louis Seminary

**Easter Vigil**: 8 pm on April 19 at Chenoa, with Communion (volunteers needed)

**Easter Sunrise service:** 6:30 am on April 20 at Chenoa, Easter Day service 9 am at Lexington, both with Communion

The Easter Offering is designated for the Youth Gathering.

**Our church for the month of March is responsible for delivering Peace Meals.**  There is a sign up sheet in the back of church. There are only four days a week to deliver as no meals are delivered on Wednesdays. If you could deliver a couple of days, that would be greatly appreciated as those who in the past are unable to deliver.  **Please call the church office if you could assist in this ministry.**