

# Sign Post

**March - April  
2016**

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## **Believe the Truth**

When we told you about the power and the return of our Lord Jesus Christ, we were not telling clever stories that someone had made up. But with our own eyes we saw his true greatness. 2 Peter 1:16 (CEV)

When the Roman governor was questioning Jesus, he asked, “What is truth?” That is a question many people ask today. Politicians say anything that will get them votes. Millions of people try to live in a computer world of virtual reality. People disagree over many important questions. When does life begin? Who made us?

People in this world don’t know what truth is. So they also don’t know if the Bible says the truth about Jesus. Did Jesus really get crucified and die? Did He really rise alive from the dead? Many people think that isn’t true. They say the Bible is only a bunch of stories to make us feel good.

Don’t let them confuse you! Peter wrote these words to encourage us that God’s word is true. Peter and the other apostles saw Jesus themselves. They were eyewitnesses. Peter, James and John saw Jesus in His glory on the mountain when Jesus was shining bright like the sun. The disciples saw Jesus crucified, dead and buried. They also saw Jesus raised alive!

The disciples were amazed and surprised at what they saw. They also doubted because it was too amazing. But they saw the truth – Jesus crucified and raised alive – and they believed it and wrote it so that we can also believe.

Here are just a few things that help show that the Bible tells the truth about Jesus.

- The Bible shows the disciples doubted and didn’t understand at first. If people make up stories, they will make themselves look good. The Bible didn’t make the disciples look good, because the Bible told the truth.
- The Bible has many historical names, places, events, etc. Research has shown that the Bible didn’t make these up. They are true.
- The disciples changed after Jesus rose alive. If they made up Jesus’ rising alive, they would still be afraid. They were brave because Jesus was alive.

The world will continue to doubt and say that Jesus’ death and resurrection isn’t true. We have God’s word to show us the truth, that Jesus is our living Lord and Savior. Let’s share that truth with everyone!

Pastor Eckert

# Dive Into God's Word

Our dive into God's word for March and April is a mix of several books. We will finish Galatians and then do Ephesians. For Holy Week, we read Mark 14-16 to remember everything Jesus did to save us.

Mar. 6-12, Galatians 6

1. If another Christian is stuck in a sin, what should we do? (6:1)
2. God says we help them gently, and He warns us not to get tempted. What does that mean? (6:1)
3. Sometimes we get tired of doing good. What encouragement does God give us? (6:9)

Paul preached in many different cities. He spent the longest time in Ephesus, about 2 years (Acts 19:10). His letter to that church is a big picture of God's plan to save His people, both Jews and non-Jews, and how God's people will live.

Mar. 13-19, Ephesians 1

1. What do "chose," "predestined," and "adoption" say about our relationship with God? (1:3-10)
2. What two things does God say about the Holy Spirit when we believe? (1:13-14)
3. Sometimes we don't know what to pray for ourselves or other people. The way Paul prayed can be an example for us. What did Paul pray for the church? (1:15-19)

Mar. 20-26, Mark 14:1 – 16:8

Since this is Holy Week, we take a break from Ephesians to remember how Jesus died and rose alive for us.

1. Mark 14 happened on Thursday night, the same night Judas betrayed Jesus. Jesus ate with His disciples and gave them the Lord's Supper. This meal was from the Old Testament. What was it called? (14:1-25, especially 14:14-16)
2. What did Jesus pray? (14:32-42)
3. Who judged Jesus first? (14:53-55)
4. How many times did Peter say he didn't know Jesus? (14:66-72)
5. Who judged Jesus next? (15:1-5)
6. What did the crowd of people say should happen to Jesus? (15:12-15)
7. What did the sign on the cross say about Jesus? (15:26)
8. What did the centurion (army captain) say about Jesus? (15:37-39)
9. Why did the women go to the tomb on Sunday morning? (16:1)
10. What did the angel tell them? (16:5-7)

Mar. 27 – Apr. 2, Ephesians 2

1. When we were full of sin and wrong-doing, what one word described us? (2:1)
2. What saves you? (2:8-9)
3. How do we have God's grace? (2:8-9)
4. What does God want His saved people to do? (2:10)
5. Jews didn't like non-Jews (Gentiles) and sometimes thought God didn't like them, either. Who made peace for them and brought them together (and makes peace for us!)? (2:11-18)

Apr. 3-9, Ephesians 3

1. What did God call Paul to do? (3:8)
2. What did Paul pray for the church in Ephesus? Paul lists 4 things. (3:16-19)

Apr. 10-16, Ephesians 4

1. God did amazing work to save us, and He wants our lives to show how wonderful His work is. Describe how God wants us to live. (4:1-3)
2. God gave the church apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers. Why? (4:11-13)
3. What does God say about anger? (4:26, 31)
4. What does God say about stealing and work? (4:28)

Apr. 17-23, Ephesians 5

1. God tells wives to submit to their husbands. What does that mean? (5:22-24)
2. God tells husbands to love their wives. How does the husband love his wife? (5:25-29)

Apr. 24-30, Ephesians 6

1. We say we have problems getting along with some people. What does the Bible say we struggle against? (6:10-12)
2. Paul names gifts God gives to protect us and help us live boldly. What are they? (6:14-17)
3. Paul says we should do what else? (6:18-20)

## **Prayers**

Please remember these people in your prayers:

- ✦ Mollie Schmitz, Bonnie Lou Huffman, Evelyn Powell's mother, Lorri Green, Shirley Green, Bill and Barbara Zimmerman, Mae Hanson, Joan Mass, Rosie Glime, Kathy Anderson's friend Donna, Dalton Anderson's grandmother, Neita Dommer, Harold Kinkade, Janet Weber, Jeanette Kern, Gerald and Joanne Mitchell, Henry and Rebecca Daggett, Ricky Moore, and Ricky's brother Chris, with their ongoing physical difficulties, and all those recovering from the flu and colds.
- ✦ Pray for Christians around the world who are suffering for their faith.
- ✦ All shut-ins to keep strong faith in Christ Jesus.
- ✦ Pray for the families of Curtis Ketelsen and Darlene Twachtmann, who passed away in February. We pray that God will give their families and friends comfort and peace. Jesus' death and resurrection promises forgiveness and life for Curtis, Darlene and us!
- ✦ Thank God for Jesus's death and resurrection for us. We can't imagine what it was like for Jesus, the perfect Son of God, to take all our sin and suffer death and hell for us. We also can't imagine how big God's love is for us, that He sent His Son to die for us! Heavenly Father, help us live every day to thank and praise You for giving us life in Jesus.



## **Worship Announcements!**

**Easter worship** in Davenport will be at 8:30 a.m. and in Cedar Rapids at 11:00 a.m.

**Worship in Waterloo** will be moving! Immanuel Lutheran Church has a new building on Greenhill Rd. and we will move with them, probably in April or May. Watch for the date!

## March

- 3 Zakary Anderson
- 8 Pam Anderson
- 10 Rev. Mark Anderson
- 14 Henry Daggett  
Shirley Green
- 21 Theresa Legg  
Mikalah Anderson
- 23 Susan Eckert  
Vicki Hoover
- 24 Conor Huffman
- 26 Jeanette Kern
- 31 Seth Anderson



## April

- 1 Harold Kinkade
- 2 Joanne Mitchell
- 4 Kim Brenneman
- 10 Joseph Anderson
- 12 David Kern
- 14 Patty Rowray
- 16 Norma Jean Mangrich
- 28 Rachel Eckert

What if Jesus had a will and left an inheritance? Wait – He did leave an inheritance for us! Read 1 Peter 1:3-4, Romans 8:14-17 and Titus 3:4-7 to learn more about your inheritance.

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(See John 19:17-37)

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"I, JESUS, HEREBY BEQUEATH MY CARPENTRY STUFF TO ZED, MY GOOD TUNIC TO ROB, AND I'LL BE BACK TO PICK UP THE REST. TO EVERYONE IN THE UNIVERSE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE ... I LEAVE LIFE."

**Bible Word Search:**  
**CROSS, TOMB, & RESURRECTION**

Z C W B D M L O K S S Y Y H X  
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I H E A V E N S V V S D D H L  
Q T F R S D R P V A O U W E O  
V C O O O E G E L D Y E S N E  
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AROSE ASCENSION CROSS  
CRUCIFIXION DISCIPLES EASTER  
FORGIVENESS HEAVEN JESUS  
MAGDALENE NICODEMUS REDEMPTION  
RESURRECTION ROMANS SALVATION  
SINS THORNS TOMB

# March 2016

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<b>6</b> * See below for worship and Bible study times.	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 10:00 CR-Senior Citizens	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Set your clocks ahead one hour!
<b>13</b> * See below for worship and Bible study times. CR Potluck and Daylight Savings	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 7:00 WL – Study	<b>17</b> St.Patrick’s Day	<b>18</b> 1:00 MU -Worship	<b>19</b> 10:00 DU – Bible Study
<b>20</b> * See below for worship and Bible study times.	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 3:00 QC – Maundy Thursday Worship 7:00 CR – Maundy Thursday Worship	<b>25</b> 3:00 QC – Good Friday Worship	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> * See below for worship and Bible study times. <b>HAPPY EASTER</b> <b>Jesus is risen!</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		

BR – Burlington. Concordia Lutheran Church, 2901 Cliff Rd., Burlington. 3rd Sunday worship at 4:00 p.m.  
 CR – Cedar Rapids. Word of God Lutheran Church Deaf, 1515 29<sup>th</sup> St. NE, Cedar Rapids. Every Sunday, Bible Study at 9:00 a.m., Worship at 10:00 a.m. Easter worship at 11:00 a.m.  
 QC – Quad Cities. Trinity Lutheran Church, 1122 W. Central Park Ave., Davenport. Every Sunday, Worship at 1:00 p.m. Easter worship at 8:30 a.m.  
 WL – Waterloo. Christ Lutheran Church, 234 S Hackett Rd., Waterloo.  
 DU – Dubuque. Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 2145 John F. Kennedy Rd., Dubuque.  
 MC – Mason City. Meeting in Charles City. Talk to Pastor Northwick for details  
 MU – Muscatine. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 2611 Lucas St., Muscatine.

# April 2016

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# 2016 Midwest ILDA Conference

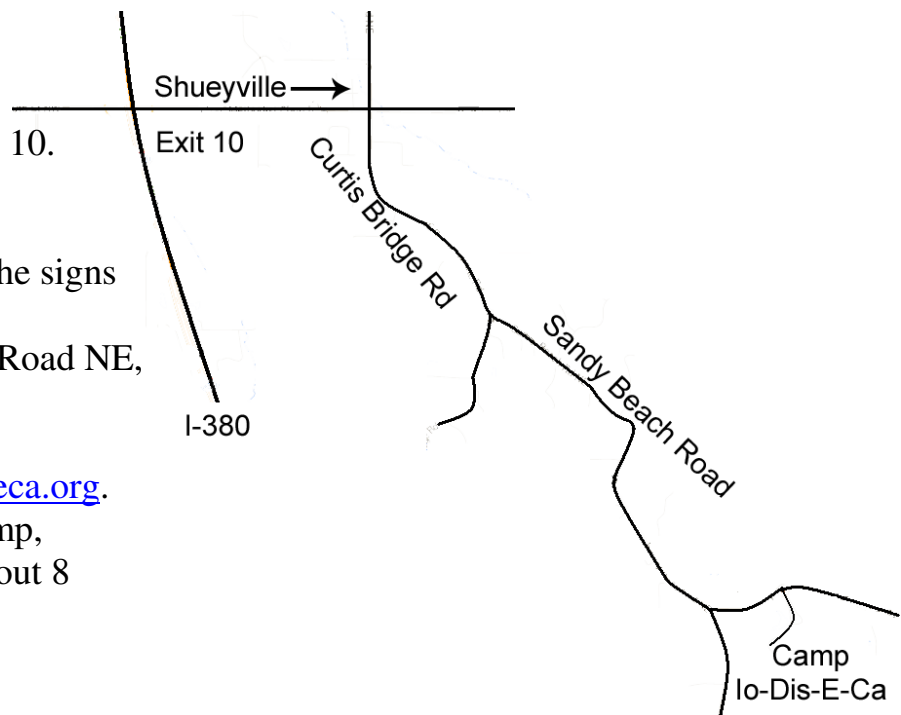
*Encourage Each Other, 1 Thessalonians 5:11*

August 5-7, 2016, Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca, Solon, Iowa

<p>Friday, Aug. 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>3:00 – 5:00 Registration</li><li>5:00 Supper</li><li>7:00 Devotions</li><li>7:30 Church Reports</li><li>8:00 Bonfire</li></ul> <p>Saturday, Aug. 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>8:00 Breakfast</li><li>8:30 Devotions</li><li>9:00 Business Meeting</li><li>10:30 Break</li></ul>	<p>Saturday (continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>11:00 Business Meeting</li><li>12:00 Lunch</li><li>1:30 Workshop</li><li>3:00 Amana Colonies Tour</li><li>6:00 Banquet at Ox Yoke Inn, Amana</li></ul> <p>Sunday, Aug. 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>8:30 Bible Study</li><li>9:30 Worship</li><li>11:00 Brunch</li><li>12:00 Good-bye and God's blessings!</li></ul>
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## Directions to Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca

From I-80, take I-380 north to exit 10.  
Turn east toward Shueyville.  
Go 1 mile to the first stop sign.  
Turn south, go 3 miles following the signs  
to Io-Dis-E-Ca.  
The address is 3271 Sandy Beach Road NE,  
Solon, IA 52333.



Visit the camp at [www.campiodiseca.org](http://www.campiodiseca.org).

If you don't want to stay at the camp,  
several hotels are in Coralville, about 8  
miles south of the camp on I-80.

## What to Bring?

For \$7, the camp will provide sheets, a pillow, blankets and towels. If you do not pay \$7, you need to bring those things yourself. Remember to bring your own personal items (soap, shampoo, etc.), and your Bible!



# Registration for 2016 Midwest ILDA Conference

*Please use one registration form per person.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ V VP TTY  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Choose one: - Lodge, RV/Tent, Hotel, or Only Sunday.**

	Ages 5-12	Adults	
<b>LODGE</b>			
Registration (required) before July 29	Free	\$15	_____
Room and all meals (does not include banquet)	\$36	\$71	_____
Bed linens, pillow and towels	\$7	\$7	_____
Saturday Evening Banquet (ages 5-10 for children's price)	\$12	\$35	_____
<b>RV/TENT</b>			
Registration (required) before July 29	Free	\$15	_____
All meals (not banquet)	\$16	\$31	_____
RV electric site (only one person pays for site)		\$30	_____
Tent non-electric site (only one person pays for site)		\$16	_____
Saturday Evening Banquet (ages 5-10 for children's price)	\$12	\$35	_____
<b>HOTEL</b>			
Registration (required) before July 29	Free	\$15	_____
Meals only (not banquet, find your own hotel)	\$16	\$31	_____
Saturday Evening Banquet (ages 5-10 for children's price)	\$12	\$35	_____
<b>ONLY SUNDAY</b>			
Sunday Brunch (not registered, only come Sunday morning)	\$5	\$10	_____
Saturday Evening Banquet (ages 5-10 for children's price)	\$12	\$35	_____
		<b>Total:</b>	_____

Children ages 4 and under get free room, free meals at the camp, and free banquet.

Please make checks out to Midwest ILDA. Registration deadline July 29, 2016.  
 Mail registration to Barbara Zimmerman, 22591 - 150th Ave., Monticello, IA 52310  
 E-mail questions to Barbara at wz90957@gmail.com.