

# MILLARD COMMUNITY COVENANT CHURCH

10 a.m. Sunday Worship

February 28, 2021

## God's New Thing

This week at an online pastors' conference, I heard Pastor Darrell Griffin, of Oakdale Covenant Church, speak on Isaiah 43:19, "*See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.*" Early in the pandemic, he panicked and asked himself, will this be the demise of Oakdale Covenant Church? Eventually he moved from paralyzing fear to finding possibilities and opportunities amid the crisis. He reminded us that though almost no one likes to change, in times like these we are forced to adapt. "We don't change when we see the light; we change when we feel the heat." It reminded me of what Evangelical Covenant Church President John Wenrich has said, "You can't have growth without change, and you can't have change without pain." Just because we dislike and resist change, does not mean it is all bad; often, change is necessary for health and growth. So, what new thing is God doing in you and in our church? How is God making a way in the wilderness? What good is God bringing out of this season? Can you see it? Are you looking for it?

Pastor Sharon

## Upcoming Events

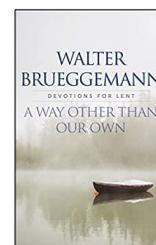
**Worship services can be viewed live online** on our [Facebook page](#) Sundays at 10:00 a.m. A Facebook account is not required to visit our page or view the service. Sermon audio is also available on our [website](#) or on CD by request. **You can also join us in-person.** Please call or e-mail the church office to reserve your spot, as space is limited at this time. More information about in-person worship is available [here](#).

**Hymns & Songs of Praise**—Though we won't be singing together in-person for the time being, you can still join us online for Hymns and Songs of Praise each week. Look for the video on our [Facebook page](#) at 9:30 on Sunday mornings, or on our [YouTube channel](#) anytime.



**Bell Choir** practice is on Sundays after church.

**Lenten Prayer Services**—Pastor Sharon will lead us in an online time of prayer each Wednesday throughout Lent. You can find the video on our [Facebook page](#) or on [YouTube](#) Wednesday evenings at 5:00. Our prayer times will take inspiration from Walter Brueggemann's book of daily readings, [A Way Other Than Our Own](#).

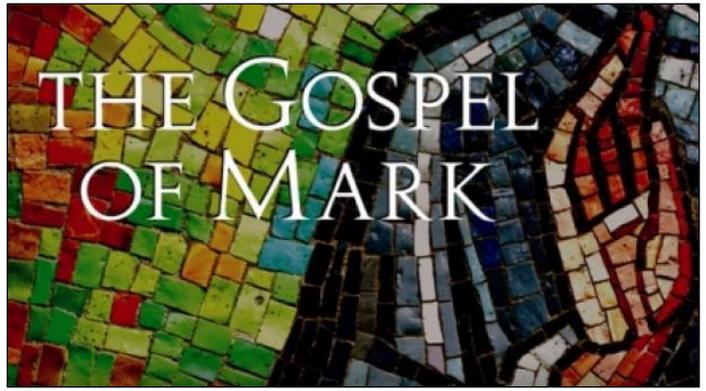




**Grow Groups** are a great opportunity for spiritual growth in community, where we look at scripture

together, talk about what God is doing in our lives, and pray for one another. **Pastor Linda's Grow Group meets via Zoom on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays** from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Masks Still Required**— Regardless of the status of the state mask mandate, our safety committee continues to ask that everyone wear a face covering when in our building. Your cooperation ensures that we can continue to gather safely and responsibly. Thank you!



**Happy Birthday!**

- Feb. 25.....Cody Boyd
- Feb. 26.....Amanda Fell
- Feb. 28.....Kay Meyer
- Mar. 1.....Loretta Fell, Scott Roth
- Mar. 3.....Mary Anderson, Jeff Fuller, Jean LeMay
- Mar. 4.....Clint Wilber, John Wuttke
- Mar. 6.....Calvin Crayton, Lillian Booth
- Mar. 7.....Rodney Lee
- Mar. 8.....Richard Hill
- Mar. 11.....Betty Baerwald, Curt Rowley

**Happy Anniversary!**

- Feb. 27.....Craig & Eileen Guthrie

*Please let us know if we need to add or correct a birthday or anniversary.*

**Next Sunday—2/28**

Scripture: Mark 9:2-10

Message: "In the Midst of the Cloud,"  
Pastor Chris

Greeter(s): Needed

Sound/Video: Heather Anderson / Brit Radloff

**Next Sunday—3/7**

Communion: have bread and juice ready if you worship from home

Scripture: Mark 9: 14-29

Message: "Everything is Possible," Pastor Sharon  
Greeter(s): Needed

Sound/Video: Heather Anderson/Brit Radloff

*Offerings can be placed in offering boxes on Sunday mornings or mailed to the church:*

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Elkhorn, Wisconsin, 53121*

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**Looking Ahead: Holy Week 2021**

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| <b>Sunday, March 28</b>                                                                                                            | <b>Palm Sunday</b>     |
| 10:00 a.m. In person and online                                                                                                    |                        |
| <b>Thursday, April 1</b>                                                                                                           | <b>Maundy Thursday</b> |
| 6:30 p.m. In person and online, Communion                                                                                          |                        |
| <b>Friday, April 2</b>                                                                                                             | <b>Good Friday</b>     |
| Noon: Online only                                                                                                                  |                        |
| <b>Sunday, April 4</b>                                                                                                             | <b>Easter Sunday</b>   |
| 10:00 a.m. In person and online, Communion                                                                                         |                        |
| If you would like to bring Easter flowers, let us know if you have a dedication. We are planning Holy Week kits for those at home. |                        |

**Our pastors would love to connect with you:**

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