

MAIN STREET NEWS

SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA

March 2020

March....A Time of Renewal

When the snow is piled up 6 feet high on both sides of the driveway, it doesn't seem like spring weather is just around the corner. In South Dakota we know winter doesn't end until after the State "B" Basketball Tournament, and that is light years away. The days are getting longer, tempers getting shorter, and everyone is wishing for a 70 degree day. Patience is a virtue!

By the end of this month, chances are there will no longer be piles of snow, we will start to see the grass turning green, and the professional baseball teams will be in spring training. Golf courses will be opening, we will be getting ready for "March Madness" that lasts through April, and tents will be everywhere selling flowers, plants, and lawn fertilizer. Things are looking up! This would be shocking, but the same thing happens every year, in the same way, on the same approximate time frame. By the

time we reach the middle of the month, we can feel winter is losing its grip. A week later the earth tells us Spring has arrived. In normal years, the snow is melting, the temperatures are getting milder, and people's attitudes are picking up. The Spring rebirth has begun.

Spring is the season where we can observe God's creation more dynamically than any other time of the year. Trees that appear to be dead, start budding with new life. Farmers will till the soil and plant the years crops and watch as they start growing. The robins that flew south to avoid the winter, now return.

Spring is also a time when we can experience a renewal of our faith. We no longer need to grumble as you shovel the sidewalk. The sun will be up when you get out of bed, and you won't need to bundle up every time you go outside.

Praise the Lord!

Now is the time....

Many of you who are receiving this are Thrivent members. Also many of you have "Thrivent Dollars" that can be given to the non-profit organization of your choice. Main Street Living is one of those organizations. This money costs the Thrivent member nothing. It is a benefit offered by Thrivent to help with the funding of many worthwhile causes. Over the years, Thrivent has been a faithful supporter of this ministry, and now they are poised to help us again.

The Thrivent "choice dollars" are sent directly to the organization, but members who have this benefit need to inform them to which mission they want the money to be given. It's easy. Just call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt, and they will assist you.

You can also go to www.mainstreetliving.com, log into the contributions page, and click to be redirected to the Thrivent Financial tab. We thank you and we appreciate Thrivent.

Question from Nebraska viewer

Thank you for this television program. I am able to attend church, but sometimes I need to stay at home when it is too cold to go out. On the program this last Sunday, it was said that the program was paid for by viewers. Don't the churches in the area pay to keep this going?

Adeline, Norfolk

MSL Response:

Thank you for the question. Main Street Living is a ministry of lay persons that began in South Dakota in 2002. We receive the vast majority of our funding from the viewers and others who want this ministry to continue. We receive no funds from Synod or the districts. There are some churches that have included us in their budget and we appreciate their generous contributions, but we rely on the support from the lay person to pay the bills. Some do this by designating MSL as a memorial wish. Others contribute through our web site:

www.mainstreetliving.com.

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Sioux Falls - KDLT/Rapid City-KEVN

- March 1-Rev. Thomas Brown-Zion Lutheran-Mitchell, SD
- March 8-Rev. Ryan Loeslie-Immanuel LC-Dimock, SD
- March 15-Rev. Paul Sajban-Our Savior-Windom, MN
- March 22-Rev. Nabil Nour-Trinity LC-Hartford, SD
- March 29-Rev. Ryan Drevlow-Our Redeemer-Sioux Falls, SD

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Fargo — KVRR

- March 1-Rev. Adam Harvala-St. Andrew-West Fargo, ND
- March 8-Rev. Jacob Wagner-St. John LC-Vergus, MN
- March 15-Rev. Robin Fish, Sr-Immanuel-Verndale, MN
- March 22-Rev. Steve Schulz-Immanuel LC, Fargo, ND
- March 29-Rev. Kevin Mann-St. Paul LC-Henning, MN

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Duluth-KBJR

- March 1-Rev. John Bonk-Shepherd of the Lake— Two Harbors, MN
- Rev. Jeff Walthers

 St. Matthews-LC-Esco, MN
- Rev. Arleigh VonSeggern-Trinity Lutheran-Marenge, WI
- Rev. Kevin Richter-Peace in Christ-Hermantown, MN
- Rev. Jeff Lee-MN North District-Brainerd, MN

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Sioux City-KCAU

- March 1-Rev. Barry Williams-St. John-Madison, NE
- March 8-Rev. Ryan Eden-St. Matthew-Meadow Grove, NE
- March 15-Rev. David Goehmann-Christ LC- Norfolk, NE
- March 22-Rev. Ray Wilke-Grace Lutheran-Norfolk, NE
- March 29-Rev. K Lee Weander-Our Savior LC, Norfolk, NE
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Lincoln-KLKN

- March 1-Rev. Dirk Reek-Concordia University-Seward, NE
- March 8-Rev. Stuart Freese-NE District-Plymouth, NE
- March 15-Rev. Chris Hazzard-St. Paul Lutheran-Minden, NE
- March 22-Rev. John Cotton-Christ LC-Nebraska City, NE
- March 29-Rev. Chris Hazzard-St Paul Lutheran-Minden, NE

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Twin Cities-WFTC

- March 1-Rev. Brent Klein-Trinity Lutheran- Northfield, MN
- March 8-Rev. Jesse Davis-Faith Lutheran-Minneapolis, MN
- March 15-Rev. Jon Niebuhr-Good Shepherd-Glencoe, MN
- March 22-Rev. Harold Minton-MNS District-Blaine, MN
- March 29-Rev. Robert Gehrke-South Shore Trinity Lutheran-White Bear Lake, MN

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March 1, 2020-This is the Life-"Man Adrift" is a Fisher Family episode that discusses the relationship of Faith and Works.

March 8, 2020-This is the Life-What is proper when Christians face adversity is discussed in this episode "Time Out for Bill."

March 15, 2020 -This is the Life-"A gift for Grandpa" depicts how Freddie goes to great lengths to get a gift for Grandpa Fisher and learns valuable lessons along the way.

March 22, 2020-This is the Life-"Boy on the Fence"-Young Tom is faced with the dilemma as he chooses new friends when his family moves to the city.

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