



# THORNAPPLE

COVENANT CHURCH

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 11, 2018 | 9:00 and 10:30am

### *In the Hours*

In the hours of pain and sorrow  
When the world brings no relief  
When the eye is dim and heavy  
And the heart oppressed with grief  
While blessings flee  
Savior Lord, we trust in thee  
Savior Lord, we trust in thee!

When the snares of death surround us  
Pride, ambition, love of ease  
Money with its false allurements  
Words that flatter, smiles that please  
Then ere we yield  
Savior Lord, be thou our shield  
Savior Lord, be thou our shield

Thou the hated and forsaken  
Thou the bearer of the cross  
Crowned of thorns and  
mocked and smitten  
Counting earthly gain but loss  
When scorned are we  
We joy to be like thee  
We joy to be more like thee!

Thou the Father's best beloved  
Thou the throned and sceptered King  
Who but thee should we adoring  
All our prayers and praises bring?  
So blessed are we  
Savior Lord in loving thee  
Savior Lord in loving thee  
Savior Lord in loving thee

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### **Prelude**

*In the Hours*

### **Call to Worship**

Michael Weller

### **\*Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him**

### **\*10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)**

### **Prayer of Confession**

### **Practice of Letting Go**

### **Offering**

### **\*Be Still, My Soul: the Lord Is on Your Side!**

Hymn #455

### **Reverse Offering**

### **\*Come, Light Our Hearts**

Chorus Only

### **Scripture Reading**

Luke 10:38-42

April Hunt

### **Message**

#JESUS: Conversation

Pastor Andrew Vanover

### **\*Be Thou My Vision**

Hymn #412

### **Grace of Christ Testimony**

Adam & Katie Diffenderfer

### **\*Jesus, Only Jesus**

### **Benediction**

### **Postlude**

*\*Congregational song*

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*The Prayer Team will be under the cross following both services if you would like to pray.*

*If you are our guest this morning, stop by the Welcome Center and pick up a gift we have for you.*

**Sanctuary Art** | Throughout Lent we invite you to take in the desert scene and consider how Jesus is asking you to let go and depend on him as we journey toward Easter. We also invite you to read the Lent Art Reflection from Worship Ministries at [thornapple.org/lent](http://thornapple.org/lent).

# CALENDAR

## Sunday 3/11 | Daylight Saving Time Starts

### Safe Haven Reverse Offering

9:00am • Children's Worship/Crew 52  
10:30am • Children's Worship/Crew 52/Huddle/  
Sermon Discussion

## Monday 3/12

6:30am • Monday Mornings for Men  
9:30am • College & Career Moms in Prayer  
7:00pm • ENGAGE Workshop (offsite)

## Tuesday 3/13

7:00pm • Financial Peace University

## Wednesday 3/14

9:30am • Women's Bible Study  
6:30pm • Women's Precepts  
6:30pm • Prayer Gathering  
6:30pm • Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday 3/15

9:30am • MOPS  
6:00pm • Council of Elders  
7:30pm • Worship Team Rehearsal

## Friday 3/16

9:30am • WholyFit  
10:00am • Prime Timers' Soup and Study

## Saturday 3/17

## Sunday 3/18

### Safe Haven Reverse Offering (return items)

9:00am • Children's Worship/Crew 52  
10:30am • Children's Worship/Crew 52/Huddle/  
Sermon Discussion

**Are you connected?** Would you like to receive our weekly email newsletter and future communications from our pastoral staff and ministries. Sign up at: [thornapple.org/contact-us](http://thornapple.org/contact-us).

## Worship Resources

To help you worship throughout the week, we've prepared Worship Resources (music playlists, weekly scripture readings and all-church verse of the month cards) available online ([thornapple.org/worshipresources](http://thornapple.org/worshipresources)) and at the Welcome Center (March's resources are available starting today).

## EVENT INFORMATION

- **Financial Peace University** | Simon and Emily Veldkamp will be leading a new class Tuesday evenings in the Lounge from 7:00-8:30pm starting Mar. 13 (class runs through May 15, with no meeting on Apr. 3 due to spring break). You can attend the first session as a preview and then pay the membership to attend the rest of the classes. Learn more and sign up: [thornapple.org/fpu](http://thornapple.org/fpu).
- **Choir** | Singers of all ages are invited to join us in singing during both services on Sunday, Mar. 25. Rehearsals are Wednesdays, Mar. 14 and 21, 6:30-8:00pm. To RSVP for rehearsal, contact Michael Weller ([mweller@thornapple.org](mailto:mweller@thornapple.org)).
- **Prime Timers' Soup & Study** | Anyone 60+ is invited to join us Friday, Mar. 16 at 10:00am for Chalk Talk with Jim and Sharon Oudman and a homemade lunch. Learn more at [thornapple.org/soupandstudy](http://thornapple.org/soupandstudy).
- **Baptism at Thornapple** | For those of you who have questions about whether immersion baptism is the next step in your (or your child's) spiritual walk, we have two opportunities for you to learn more:
  - *Immersion Baptism Class for Children* | For kids 2nd-5th grade (MS/HS students can attend the seminar listed below) Tuesday, Mar. 20 from 7:00-8:00pm in Room 120. Email Lynne McLaughlin ([lmcloughlin@thornapple.org](mailto:lmcloughlin@thornapple.org)) to sign your child up.
  - *Baptism Seminar for Student/Adults* | Pastor Rob will be hosting a baptism seminar for those students/adults who are interested in learning more about baptism on Tuesday, Mar. 20 from 7:00-8:30pm in Room 106/107. Please sign up at [thornapple.org/baptismseminar](http://thornapple.org/baptismseminar).

**Please note**, the class and/or seminar are prerequisites for baptism at Thornapple. The next Baptism Sunday is Apr. 15 during both services. Please contact Kimberly Korpak ([kkorpak@thornapple.org](mailto:kkorpak@thornapple.org)) with questions.
- **MOPS Spring Consignment Sale** | Thursday, Mar. 22 (6:00-8:00pm for \$5 entry), Friday, Mar. 10 (9:00am-Noon and 5:00-8:00pm) and Saturday, Mar. 11 (9:00am-Noon). Shop quality, gently used children's clothes, gear and toys, as well as maternity items. If you are interested in selling or volunteering, please email [tccmopsconsign@gmail.com](mailto:tccmopsconsign@gmail.com).
- **Horizons' Laugh Out Loud Night** | Friday, March 23 at 6:30pm all Horizons adults (invite your friends) are invited to a fun night with easy, non-card game activities at the Harrell's. Learn more and register: [thornapple.org/laughoutloud](http://thornapple.org/laughoutloud).
- **Ecumenical Lenten Breakfast** | All are invited on Tuesday, Mar 27 at 9:00am at Cascade Christian Church (2829 Thornapple River Drive SE) with speaker Rev. Paul Wesselink, retired pastor of Thornapple Community Church (RCA).
- **Urban Plunge** | Saturday, Apr. 14, 8:30am-12:30pm for individuals AND families (childcare for infant-K) and includes lunch. It will be a great chance to serve in urban ministries in Grand Rapids AND get to know others from Thornapple while you serve. Learn more and register at [thornapple.org/urbanplunge](http://thornapple.org/urbanplunge). Be sure to sign up before you leave on spring break!
- **Is your child ready for communion, or would like to learn more?** We are offering a class on Tuesday, Apr. 17 from 7:00 to 8:00pm in Room 120 to help parents and children decide readiness for communion and to ask questions if they are already partaking in communion. The class is taught by Pastor Rob and Lynne McLaughlin. Questions, please email Lynne ([lmcloughlin@thornapple.org](mailto:lmcloughlin@thornapple.org)).

# NEWS

- ◆ **Please pray** for the Teale family as they mourn the death of Roger.
- ◆ **Please pray** for Kevin and Genny Hykin and their family as they mourn the death of Kevin's father.
- ◆ **Easter Flowers for Sanctuary** | Easter flowers can be ordered in honor or in memory of someone for \$5; order envelopes are available at the Welcome Center. Flowers can be picked up after the second service on Easter Sunday.
- ◆ The following people will be serving as delegates for upcoming denominational gatherings:
  - *Great Lakes Annual Celebration* (April 20-21, Camp Mission Meadows, NY): Brian and Sarah DeBaets, Michael and Alex Weller, Rob Peterson
  - *Gather '18* (ECC Annual Meeting, June 21-23; Minneapolis, MN): Scott and Jill Bolinder, Doug and Kim Josephson, Karen Ingebretson
- ◆ **Missionaries in need of housing** | Chris and Becca Hirt (Wycliffe Bible Translators serving in Thailand) will be home on furlough the second half of 2018. Do you have, or know of, a place (fully furnished would be ideal/preferred) for their family of five to live from mid-June through mid-Dec? Contact Pastor Karen ([kingebretson@thornapple.org](mailto:kingebretson@thornapple.org)) if you can help.
- ◆ **Glenn VanNoord Short-Term Urban Missions Program** | College students AND high school juniors, seniors are invited to apply for the GVN Program to work in urban GR this summer. We will be accepting applications starting Mar. 1 through May 1 (or until the program is full). Learn more at [thornapple.org/glennvan Noord](http://thornapple.org/glennvan Noord).
- ◆ **Twelve12:Hope Child Trauma Training Donations** | Tim Friesen is preparing for his next trip to Mongolia on Apr. 28. Buying supplies for the training sessions is one way you can help support this ministry. Visit [thornapple.org/twelvehope](http://thornapple.org/twelvehope) to learn more and sign up to donate supplies.
- ◆ **New to the Covenant denomination and/or to Thornapple?** We offer a three-part series (May 2, 9, 16; 6:30-8:00pm) called "What is a Covenant Church?" This is a great way to learn about the denomination and church membership (it is also a membership prerequisite). Following the series, we will have a membership class on Sunday, May 20 from 4:00-6:00pm. For more details and to sign up, visit: [thornapple.org/membership](http://thornapple.org/membership).

# MINISTRY INFORMATION

If you have questions or to learn more about these and other ministries, visit the links listed next to each ministry name or visit our website at [thornapple.org](http://thornapple.org).

## CHILDREN | [thornapple.org/children](http://thornapple.org/children)

- **Nursery** | Birth-3yrs, both services, lower level
- **4s-1<sup>st</sup> grade** | Children's Worship, both services
- **2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade** | Crew 52, both services [*Not 1<sup>st</sup> Sun.*]
- **Trailblazers (3rd-5th)** | 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. at 6:30pm

## STUDENTS | [thornapple.org/students](http://thornapple.org/students)

- **MS/HS Huddles** | At 10:30am [*Not 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays*]
- **MS JAM/HS ReFuel** | 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. at 6:30pm
- **HS Small Group Sunday** | Second Sundays
- **MS Believe Conference** | Apr. 20-21
- **TSM 5K** | Sat., May 5 at 9am at Cascade Park

## YOUNG ADULTS | [thornapple.org/youngadults](http://thornapple.org/youngadults)

- **Small Group** | 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday evenings, 7:30-9pm at 6578 Brookhills Ct. SE, Grand Rapids. Contact Shalini Bennett [shalinibennett@gmail.com](mailto:shalinibennett@gmail.com).
- **Lunch** | Young adults are invited to lunch the first Sunday of every month (after second service) at the Bennett's home (address above).

## PRIME TIMERS (60+) | [thornapple.org/primetimers](http://thornapple.org/primetimers)

- **Soup and Study** | Program and lunch; 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays from 10:00am-12:30pm.

## WOMEN | [thornapple.org/women](http://thornapple.org/women)

- **Women's Bible Studies** | Wed. at 9:30am/6:30pm
- **WholyFit** | Exercise and worship; for women of all ages; meets Fridays from 9:30-10:30am.
- **Spring Evening Event** | Fri., Apr. 27 (*note date change*)

## MEN | [thornapple.org/men](http://thornapple.org/men)

- **Monday Mornings** | Fellowship and prayer 6:30-7:30am. Contact Kirk Mortenson ([kirkdmortenson@gmail.com](mailto:kirkdmortenson@gmail.com)) for location or with questions
- **Men's Small Groups** | [thornapple.org/man2man](http://thornapple.org/man2man)
- **Men's Breakfast** | Sat., May 12 at 8:00am

## NEPALI-SPEAKING | [thornapple.org/nepali](http://thornapple.org/nepali)

- **Worship** | Sundays in Community Room at 10am; Sunday school 9:00-9:30am; Rehearsal at 9:30am

## STAFF | [thornapple.org/staff](http://thornapple.org/staff)

### DEPARTMENT LEADS

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**Kimberly Korpak, Pastoral Assistant**

**Jessica Mix, Worship Ministry Assistant**

**Kim Mulder, Children's Ministry Assistant**

**Diana Parcher, Custodian**

**Suzanne Roth, Office Assistant**

**Matt Walker, Maintenance Custodian**

Info updates/requests can be submitted at:  
[thornapple.org/requestform](http://thornapple.org/requestform)



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## SERMON NOTES

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**Connection Card**

Place this card in the offering plate,  
or hand in at the Welcome Center in the Lobby.

Check all that apply:

- First time  Second time
- Visiting with friend/family
- College student
- Regular attendee
- Member
- Update my info

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
If you are a 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> time guest, how you heard about Thornapple Covenant Church?  
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We're asking **EVERYONE** to fill out a **Connection Card** during worship. These cards will give us your contact info and help identify your "next step" or share a prayer request.

Cards can be placed in the offering plate or left at the **Welcome Center**. During the week, staff will follow up with people as needed.

**Bulletins left at the back of the  
Sanctuary will be recycled.**

