

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Newsletter

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HEAR IT, FEEL IT, LIVE IT, SHARE IT – GOD'S LOVE

Dear siblings in Christ,

The world is a very, very loud place. Take a moment to put down this newsletter and listen—identify all the sounds you hear. Cars driving by. A radio or television. People talking. The hum of electronics. The churn of a dishwasher or washing machine. Dogs barking or birds singing. Do you ever notice just how much that constant noise is distracting you? If you have ever had the chance to try out a pair of noise-cancelling headphones, the level of quiet is both shocking and incredibly relaxing. The mind gets to relax, to stop trying to pay attention to every little noise that comes its way, and you can use it for other things.

You may have noticed at our midweek services how there have been long stretches of silence. And silence can be hard for a lot of people. We might feel this urge to fill silence with noise, to turn on the noise machine, or the television, or the radio. Gaps and silence in conversation feel awkward and we so quickly rush to fill it with words—whether the words mean anything or not. But in this season of Lent as we take time to intentionally be silent in worship, I hope it gets you familiar with what silence can do for our faith.

In the silence you can listen for God. You can pay attention to your breathing, recognizing the amazing gift of life God gives us in breath. You can pay attention to the thoughts that drift through your head. You can call yourself back to focusing on Christ with a short, simple prayer like “Jesus, remember me.” In this silence, what may seem awkward at first can become a gift to free your mind from the constant distractions, to open the way for God to speak in a way that you can hear. In silence you have the opportunity to make space for the Spirit's words.

Even if you haven't been able to make it to midweek worship this Lent, I hope you will still take the time to be silent with God. Set aside a few minutes in the day, find a quiet place where you can turn off all the distractions, and listen for God. When you feel your mind has wandered too far, call it back with a short prayer or a verse. Let your prayer be less about saying something to God, and more about letting God say something to you. It may be in the wordless silence that you hear something you needed to hear. It may be in the silence that you hear God's peace.

In Christ,
Pastor Lucas

God calls us to the waters of baptism, and as we enter the months ahead, keep in mind the following dates that are open for baptisms.

May 12th, June 16th,

Call the Office if any of these dates would work out for your family. 715-273-4570

In Need of Prayer



Jeff Bjork, Erin Kirchner, Doris Knutson, Anna Walentowski, Michele Klennert, Lee Langer, Vickie Wilkens, Betty Davidson, Donald Sherman, Ben Leonard, Alan Nelson, Ron Mireau, Zachery Caterer, Colleen Johnson, Trudy Owen, and Kristen Anderson.

If you know of anyone that should be on our prayer list please contact the office.

Council Meeting Minutes

March 5th 7pm

Present were: Debbi, Tom, Bruce, Mike, Ann, and Stacy. The meeting was called to order by President Tom Holdorf.

Guest: Audit committee presented their findings. Becky Johnson presented. See report. We need to update signers for the safe deposit box . Council recommends three people. Those three people are to be determined. Once positions change, the signer needs to be updated. Need an accurate account of contents of the box. Secretary needs to be present for an official log.

New Business: Tom reviewed the EPIC event the Synod presented.

Council is planning a committee retreat which will be an in-house to discuss what does your committee do and place faces to committee and council liaison. Date to be determined.

Money counters partially assigned for 2019.

Committee liaisons: Ann will be with the endowment committee, Bruce will stay with property. Mike will be Stewardship. Others to be determined.

Stacy to step down as council secretary after the May meeting.

AT&T has a wired internet option. Bruce to ask Lanette to investigate.

Old Business: Tractor pull more information was provided. Church has an opportunity to raise several thousand dollars by providing man power to this event. More to come.

Secretary's report: Motion made by Mike, second by Bruce.

Treasurer's report: \$19,187.25 in the designated account. \$-41.30 in the general account. Borrowed \$2,883.80 from designated for taxes which were due in January.

Debbi received an invoice from Arrow lift for a maintenance program. Tom to call. Report approved by Mike, second by Ann.

Pastor's report: see attached

Youth report: see attached

Committee reports: none

Conflict Detection: Council needs to look into obtaining an accurate count of members, active vs non active.

Motion to adjourn made by Mike, second by Deb.

Adjourned at 8:10pm

The next meeting will be April 2, 2019

Respectfully submitted by Stacy Hansen

Men In Mission Meeting
February 16th, 2019

Breakfast served by Donna and Bruce

President (Lemoine) called the meeting to order at 8:35 am.

Secretary Report: Was read by Lemoine and approved. (Clair absent)

Treasurer Report: No report as Chuck was absent.

Old Business: Discussed cutting trees at the ball park, Pete Falde would like to cut the trees around the time the sap is being drawn up, so the stumps can be treated and killed. A time to do this will be determined at a later date.

New Business: FFA asked about using the fair stand for the Tractor Pull on June 8th. Motion made by Brian, second by Pete and approved.

Pancake breakfast is schedule for April 28th, 2019. Claire will create an application to apply for Thrivent Private Action Team.

Pete brought that we should be reimbursing the church for property use. I was discussed that recent funds raised have been designated to the church for paying down the debt.

Panera soup sales went great, raising \$700. A motion was made by Bruce to designate this money to pay for the Luther Point Association fee. Second by Donna and approved. A change to the motion was discussed MIM members on Sunday Feb. 17th at the coffee hour. It was decided to use the proceeds once again to help pay down the church debt as the funds for Luther Point fee had been already approved at the annual meeting.

Ball Park discussion:

- Donna is busy getting teams lined up for the 2019 softball season.
- Frandsen's have offered to do the mowing again.
- Discussed using the boards sawed from the pine trees cut at the ball park to build a garbage/recycle bin. Using smaller cans and total enclosed for a more esthetically pleasing look. Donna was going to check with Chris Kirchner or Jim Foley about building it.
- Fundraiser – Donna brought up the idea of having another event such as soup meal, hog roast, BBQ chicken to raise money. Reaching out to the churches in the softball league and the community.
- Discussion on setting up a hand washing station by the porta-potty. Donna will look into having one made or renting one.

We are serving coffee after service Feb. 17th .

Lemoine and Clair will be serving at the next MIM meeting.

Bruce made a motion to adjourn, second by Donna and approved.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT & SERVE



Silent Messengers

Celebrating A Savior, Sunday April 14th, 2019

Doors Open at 5pm for Soup Supper at Faith
Community Church in New Richmond

5pm Supper and 6pm Show Free Will Offering for Dinner and Show

RSVP's appreciated but not required Call 715-497-4438 or www.saserenityhome.org
or www.sagraceplace.org. (Proceeds will go to Grace Place and Serentiy Home Shelters)

WELCA MORNING OF RENEWAL

Saturday April 13, 2019

Redeemer Lutheran Church, Burkhardt

REGISTRATION/COFFEE/LUNCH

Registration and coffee: 8:15-8:45

Session begins at 8:45 a.m

Cost: \$10.00 at the door includes lunch

OFFERING: 1/2 will go to the Synodical Women's
Organization, 1/4 to Starts with Socks, and 1/4 to ELCA
Project Comfort... the Freight for Quilts (LWR).

Please bring socks or mittens/gloves to donate to

Starts with Socks.

Childs/Womens/Mens.

Speaker Moira Kneer

Peanuts Gang

“With age comes wisdom...of a sort!”

Pancake
Breakfast



Mark Your Calendars! Sunday April 28th - the 1st Sunday after Easter

Come back to hear the Good News and enjoy the

MIM Annual Pancake Breakfast: Join us after an abbreviated service

Menu: Pancakes, Maple Syrup, Butter, Scrambled Eggs, Sausages, Fruit and/or juice, Milk, and Coffee
Proceeds go to pay half the registration costs for summer camp at Luther Point Bible Camp for
members and their friends.

Any member (or friend) registering for camp before the breakfast will be asked to sign up at the breakfast for
a \$15 gift to their canteen account.

So, everyone, come and enjoy the breakfast, get energized, and make a difference as you tackle your GWOH project.

Immediately following worship MIM will be hosting their annual fundraiser: **GIVE GENEROUSLY**

After breakfast our crews will take on a variety of projects, details to come: **LIVE GENEROUSLY**

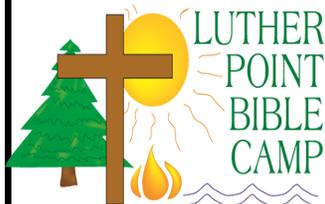
God's Work Our Hands - Spring Spruce Up

Our event this year is scheduled for Sunday, **April 28th** in conjunction with the Men in Mission's
Pancake Breakfast.

Please plan to join us that day, bring your families, friends, and neighbors ~ all are welcome.



Register now for SUMMER CAMP AT LUTHER POINT! The entire summer camp schedule is On - line now at
lutherpoint.org. Pay only the down payment (which is nonrefundable). The MIM will be billed for
half of the registration fee. After Luther Point deducts your discounts from the remaining part, you
will be billed via e-mail for the rest of the registration cost. This needs to be paid **TWO WEEKS**
PRIOR TO CAMP. Campers and their non-member friends **MUST** both indicate that they are from
Our Savior's/ Beldenville to get half of the registration cost deducted from their bill. Talk to Clair
S. if you have problems with the process. **Early Bird discount ends May 1st.**



UPCOMING EVENTS

All Are Invited! to join Wayne & Bonnie Peterson in celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary Saturday April 6th from 1-5pm at Our Savior's.

Our Savior's 2019 Worship Service: Atrium Post Acute Care & Preferred Living

April
4/17 2:30pm Atrium

May
5/29 2:30pm Atrium

June
6/5 1:30pm Preferred
2:30pm Atrium

August
8/21 2:30pm Atrium

September
9/11 2:30pm Atrium

November
11/20 2:30pm Atrium



EASTER LILIES: WELCA will again be selling a pot of lilies for \$10. You can give them in memory or honor of someone. A box with order forms is in the Narthex.

Please make checks out to WELCA and have the forms returned by Wednesday April 3rd.

Thank you for your support.

WELCA is serving Lenten Supper on Wednesday April 10th. Please sign-up to donate food and to help serve the meal. The sign-up sheet is in the kitchen.



Merci beaucoup! Thank You to all the Saints who ventured out to our second annual Shrove Tuesday Event. A BIG thank you to all our kitchen/furnace room help and all who brought those delicious "Ooey Gooey – Oh So Good Desserts. And a BIG BIG thank you to Dawn for her wonderful photography and Lori for her festive decorating skills. Congratulations to Queen Hallee Place, the Royal Cake winner. Because of the poor attendance this year we will be rethinking the event for next year. Any suggestions would certainly be appreciated. We were able to donate \$154.00 toward the Septic Project.

The Evangelism Committee: Heather Johnson, Pauline Laughnan, and Sharon Peterson.



BACKPACKS FOR THE WEEKEND: : During the month of April we will be collecting a variety of desserts; Jello, pudding, fruit cups, or canned fruit. Thank you for continuing your generous support for this much needed program.



Coats for Kids Drive: During the month of May, we will once again be collecting kids winter gear: coats, snow pants, boots, hats, mittens/gloves, scarves. You may bring in your gently used items, or it's also the perfect time to purchase new winter wear on clearance. We will have a collection box located in the narthex throughout the month of May. Articles must be clean, no rips or tears, with working zippers. These items, donated to "Basics for Local Kids", will be stored until fall when they will be given to needy families right here in Pierce County.

Printer/Copier for Sale: The copier that was in the office is for sale. It works great. We were offered a better rate going with a different company. Contact Tom is interested.

The Nominating Committee is still looking 2 people to prayerfully consider being lutefisk supper co-chairs for 2019, and stepping up to chair persons for 2020. Please contact Donna Constant, Mary Halls, or Kathy Young.

April

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Altar Guild Mary Halls Peggy Hoyer	Money Counters Stacy Hansen					
	1	2 7pm Council Meeting	3 LENT 5:30pm Supper (Potluck) 6pm Choir practice 6:30pm Worship No Confirmation/Aftershock	4	5	6 1-5pm Wayne & Bonnie's Wedding Anniversary Celebration
7 9am Worship 10am Fellowship Hour 10:15 SS Hour	8 4pm Women's Bible Study	9	10 LENT 4-5:30pm S.O. S. Kids Crew 5:30pm Supper (WELCA) 6pm Choir practice 6:30pm Worship No Confirmation/Aftershock	11	12	13 10am Easter Egg Hunt
14 Palm Sunday am Worship 10am Palm Sunday Brunch No SS Hour	15	16	17 No Confirmation/Aftershock 2:30pm Atrium Post Acute Care Service	18 6pm Maundy Thursday Service	19 Good Friday 12pm Ecumenical Service @ St. Paul's UCC 6pm Service @ St. Johns in Spring Valley	20 8am MIM Meeting 7pm Easter Vigil Service (2 Baptism's) Fireworks
21 Easter 10am Worship 11am Fellowship Hour No SS Hour	22	23	24 8:30am Quilting No Confirmation 6-7pm Aftershock Outing	25	26	27
28 Gods Work Our Hands 9am Worship 10am MIM Pancake Breakfast	29	30				May Money Counters Jill Rosenberry

April 2019

	Greeters	Ushers	Acolyte	Reader	Bell Ringer	Communion Server
April 7 9:00 am	Kay/Norris Berg	Connie/Todd Girdeen Patricia/Casey Peterson	Shane J. Rylan Girdeen	Belinda Foley	McKenna Girdeen	Tom Holdorf
April 14 Palm Sunday 9:00am	Sandy/Terry Odalén	Crystal/Mark Raleigh Ann/Terry Young	Ryan Matzek Leo Pameter	7 Readers	Taylor Peterson	Lanette Place Ed Rohl
April 20 Easter Vigil	Bridget/Adam Peterson	Dawn/Joe Minder Carron/Fred Parmeter	Andi Peterson McKenna Minder	3 Readers	Bridget Peterson	Rhoda Foley Dawn Madsen
April 21 10:00am Easter	Lindsay/Darrin Christopherson	Arianne/John Halverson Peg Hoyer, Pam Hines	Dayah Halverson Colton Halversib	Mary Halls	Shelby Lawler	Ann Young Becky Olson
April 28 9:00 am	Janelle/Brock Rasmussen	Lanette/Bruce Place Jackie/John Schroeder	Rhett Rasmussen Raelyn Rasmussen	Clair Severson	Tyler Schroeder	Rhoda Foley Peggy Hoyer

Assisting Minister: Apr. 7 - Tom, Apr. 14 - Lanette, Apr. 20 - Rhoda, Apr. 21 - Ann, Apr. 28 - Rhoda.

Thank you for your participation in our worship service. Each ministry participant is greatly appreciated. If you cannot serve on the date assigned, please trade with someone.

Instructions for ministry positions are posted in the narthex. If you have any questions, please call Rhoda Foley at 273-4865 or Pastor at 273-4570.