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Newsletter

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Pastor's Letter

Rev. Kyle Krueger

*“Jerusalem the golden, With milk and honey blest—The promise of salvation, The place of peace and rest—
We know not, oh, we know not What joys await us there: The radiancy of glory, The bliss beyond compare!”*
(LSB 672, Stanza 1) This was one of the hymns that we sang at Gen Dykhoff’s funeral last month. It got me to thinking... What is heaven like?

What do you think about heaven? How do you imagine it? If you’re an avid golfer who never seems to have enough time to play as much golf as you’d like you might imagine that heaven is going to be the perfect golf course, the perfect swing and all eternity to play that perfect round that never ends. Or perhaps you think of heaven as a perpetual gorgeous sunset cruise on one of our pristine Minnesota lakes!

But suppose that your experience in this world is not so rosy or innocent as ‘never enough time to play more’ or ‘a perpetual sunset cruise’. Suppose that among all of the things that make up the experience of your life, the cumulative total is far more dark and painful than pleasant and sunny. Despite whatever pleasant and good things there might have been, life is primarily scarred by disappointment, or abuse, or betrayal, or injustice. Now what do you think about heaven? What do you hope it will be like?

Actually, when you read what the Scriptures say about heaven, there is almost nothing addressed to the person whose life was carefree and prosperous. (In fact, lots of stern warnings for the carefree and prosperous.) It is almost unanimously directed to the relief of those whose life has been marked by unresolved suffering, pain, injustice, oppression and grief. *“He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”* (Revelation 21:4)

It’s that little phrase, *“the former things have passed away”* that I’d like to hone in on. How do all of the tears, death, mourning, crying, and pain, ‘pass away’? How does it happen that this sinful and corrupt old world, filled with injustice and oppression that gives off its toxic waste of suffering and grief, “pass away” so that ‘new heaven and the new earth,’ ‘the home of righteousness’ appears?

“Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.” (Revelation 21:1) The answer is, through the cross of Jesus Christ—and **not** apart from it. God is outraged at the injustice and oppression and suffering that those who are unable to defend themselves are forced to endure. (THAT’S US!) The God of peace is also the God of justice who warns the *“brood of vipers to flee from the wrath to come.”* (Matthew 3:7)

(THAT’S ALSO US!) It is God Himself who has intervened in this unjust and corrupt world in the most surprising and unimaginable way. He became one of the helpless ones against whom the cumulative measure of this world’s injustice and oppression and suffering was directed. He entered into complete solidarity with all who are helpless against all who oppress.

“So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, “He saved others; He cannot save himself.” (Mark 15:31) Just as the holy God condemns the sin of the world, so in His indescribable grace, He has placed Himself under His own condemnation – both for the oppressed AND for the oppressor! (FOR US IN BOTH CASES!) Only through the cross of Christ do both victim and victimizer have the realistic hope of heaven.

Even unbelievers sometimes believe that when they die they go to “heaven”, even though they have no idea as to how or why- except that the cross of Jesus Christ has nothing to do with it. It’s just the way it works for everyone who is basically a good person. But when the believer hopes for heaven, however we imagine it, our hope is based entirely on the truth that God has reconciled all things to Himself through the cross of His beloved Son. Golf and family vacations and perfect lakes are all overshadowed by the deepest, most profound longing of the heart that in heaven, we will be able to perfectly thank and praise our gracious Lord for His undeserved, unmerited grace and mercy.

“Around the throne of David, The saints, from care released, Raise loud their songs of triumph To celebrate the feast. They sing to Christ their leader, Who conquered in the fight, Who won for them forever Their gleaming robes of white.” (LSB 672, Stanza 3)

Pastor Krueger



Worship this Month

The Second Sunday of Easter
April 8, 2018 – John 20:19-31
“Peace”

“Peace to you” Jesus says to the disciples. Twice.

But what does Jesus mean by peace?

Is it peace-and-quiet peace? Or is it the guns-are-silenced peace? Or is it hippie peace?

As is often the case with Bible terms, this peace doesn't exactly fit with our normal definitions of peace. The peace that Jesus is giving to his disciples is *divine* peace. Divine peace means going back to the way it should be, back to the way God *intended* it, back to Eden. It should not escape our notice that in the same breath, Jesus gives the Apostles the authority to forgive (and retain) sins. Because we've made an awful mess out of things here in this age and things can only go back to the way they should be if God begins with forgiveness.

The Third Sunday of Easter
April 15, 2018 – Luke 24:36-49
“He Eats! He Speaks! He Touches!”

Today’s obsession with false ghostly claims and lies of paranormal activity is shattered with a flesh and blood God who eats! “*And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate before them.*” Jesus goes and proves Himself not to be a ghost or phantom, but a real live person who eats real food. The disciples’ doubt and disbelief came forth from joy. Or we might say, “*It seemed too good to be true!*” They were holding back their belief because it seemed too unbelievable, and ironically...to real... to be true! The fish did not drop to the floor going through His spirit body, but it is chewed in a real mouth, with human saliva and goes through a real digestive system! Even after His mighty resurrection Jesus is still incarnate, a real live person. And so, it is that Jesus even sits at the right hand of God as an incarnate man.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 22, 2018 – John 3:16-24
“Loving One Another”

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. (1 John 3:16)

There are a lot of things to which we apply the verb “love”: beautiful sunsets, Oreo cookies, high school sweethearts, and racket sports. But John cuts through our verbal smorgasboard with the singular love that Christ shows us on the cross. “By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us...” This also defines our love for each other, “... and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers.” Christian love *begins* at the cross, but it does not end there. It overflows into our love for our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. And this love is a *sacrificing* love, following after the pattern of Christ's love for us. This doesn't mean that I need to get crucified for your sins, but that I am willing to sacrifice my time and desires and resources for you, and you for me. That's how love works in Christ's body.

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 29, 2018 – John 15:1-8
“Abide in the Vine”

Jesus promises “*I am the vine, “and you are the branches.*” There cannot be branches without a vine. And any branch that does exist, exists only because of the vine and that which the vine provides. All the branch is and all the branch has it receives from the vine. Jesus very clearly says- a branch cannot bear fruit by itself. It must abide in the vine. Apart from the vine a branch can do nothing. The fruit the branch produces it produces because the vine provides. And a branch that abides in the vine really cannot do anything else than produce fruit. Jesus is the vine. God the Father is the vinedresser. You are the branches. And this is good news.



General News & Updates

Altar Flower Chart: The cost of the Altar flowers is \$40 per Sunday and you will be able to take your flowers home with you after the service in a box located *in the kitchen now on the shelf above the triple sink*. To have your payment for flowers applied correctly, please use one of the *Designated Offering* envelopes found in your box of envelopes or label the outside of one of your regular envelopes with the words 'Altar flowers'. *If you take the black liners home, please be sure to bring them back to church by the following Wednesday*. Janice Hartness is our flower coordinator. If you have any special requests, please contact her at 763-355-5427 by the Wednesday prior. **The Flower chart for 2018 is in the Narthex.**

Sunday Schedule: Divine Service 9:00 AM; followed by Bible Class at 10:30.

Saturday Evening Divine Services 5:00 PM – *Until April 14th*

Monday Evening Divine Services 7:00 PM *begin Monday April 23rd*

Wednesday morning Prayer Service and Bible Study – Morning Prayer service begins at 9:15 am, followed by Bible Study at 10:00 am.

Northwest Suburban Circuit Congregation Prayers – Each week we will be praying for a congregation in the circuit and for others who have or have had a connection with them. This month, we are asking for prayers for St. John Ev. Lutheran .corcoran, and school, and Pastor Matthew Moss and Pastor Matthew Johnson, St. Paul Lutheran, Osseo, and Pastor Daniel Burns, Shepherd of the Grove Lutheran and Childcare Center, Maple Grove, and Pastor Tim Lamkin Sr., Rev. Matthew Harrison, our Synod President and all our elected officers and board members in the LCMS and for Rev. Dean Nadasdy, our District President, and all our elected officers and board members in the MN South District.

Speaking of Decorating: Construction may be almost completely done, but the final touches of decorating are still ongoing. The interior subcommittee is still actively working to complete the new space. Thank you for your patience!

Mom's Group for April: Mark on your calendars for Mom's Group; Friday, April 20th at 7pm at Kelly Dorweiler's house: 12110 - 50th Ave N Plymouth. More information will follow as it gets closer to the date.

A Congress on the Lutheran Confessions: Presented by the Association of Confessional Lutherans National Free Conference No. 20 and the Luther Academy Lecture Series No. 25. This year, the ACL Conference is being held on April 18-20. The topic is "What the World Needs Now: DO THE LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS SPEAK TO THE WORLD TODAY?" Please see the pamphlets on the Narthex table for more information and how to sign up.

Paintball for Everyone! - We have reserved time at Special Forces Paintball on April 29th. This is the perfect time to shoot your brothers and sisters in Christ, in a loving manner. Cost: \$35 (includes all equipment and three hours of play) also 500 paintballs. Arrival time: 1:30; Start time 2:00. Address: [5494 fairhill drive SE, Buffalo mn, 55313](#). All are welcome! The more we get involved the more fun we can have. The more we get to RSVP, the more of the facility they will close down for us. Everyone will need to complete waivers before participating. The waivers can be found at: <http://sfpgames.com/>

Save the Date! Pastor and Susan Johnson's Christmas in July Party is set for Sunday July 22nd (weather permitting). Please mark your calendars!!!

Prayer List: As a reminder, if you have a friend or loved one that you ask to be on the prayer list, their name will remain for one month and then removed, unless otherwise notified. Thank You!

Remember in our Prayers: Sean Breininger, Arta Walter, Lee Hart, Velva Kosel, CLEF, Lutheran Synod of Mexico, Mike Rogers (Cousin of Jen Schaumburg), Robert Presler (Friend of Jerry and Zelda Malo), Zachary Hoffman (friend of Russ and Eunice McBroom), Bertha Oelthke, Allen Yount, Aaron Klein (Nephew of Cheryl McCreary), Rachael Masters (Friend of Andrea Neumann), Liba Jelinek (Friend of Jana & Roger Hargreaves), and Bill Hoffarth (Patton Hoffarth's Father).



Youth

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April Youth Group Event: Youth Group Lock In!! Friday April 20th to Saturday April 21st

Devotion/Workshops, Indoor and Outdoor Games, Food and MUCH MORE! Sign-up now to reserve your spot! Questions? Call Julie Anderson 612-791-0163 or julesanders@live.com.



VBS

VBS – Save the Date! The dates for VBS have been set for June 11th through the 15th. More details to follow, but please mark this week down on your calendars!



Compassion Circle

Louise Werts
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Compassion Circle: Our next meeting will be on Monday April 9 at 1:00p.m. We will be meeting at the Medina Entertainment Center for lunch.

No need to go up north...
Up North is coming to you.



What:

An evening of fun and fellowship to support our missions, featuring a silent auction followed by a live auction.

When:

Saturday May 12th 3pm

Where:

Glory of Christ

Why:

The money raised at MissionsFest goes to support our mission efforts in America and across the world. Check out www.gloryofchrist.org/missions/supported-ministries/ for a complete list!

Ticket Prices:

\$30

Includes dinner & drinks!

Attire:

Your best Up North garb!

What to Bring:

Money/Checkbook

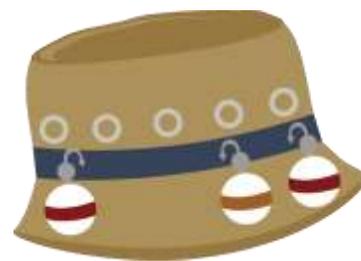
Registration:

Forms at church or online:

www.gloryofchrist.org/events/missionsfest

Mission Fest Decorations Needed! The Mission Fest committee needs "Up North" decorations. Things like Christmas trees, stuffed forest animals, canoes, etc. No real fishing poles/lures-too dangerous! If there are any questions on what would be appropriate you can e-mail (Suzy.Skau@gmail.com) or text her at (952) 220-4238. **The items are needed by April 15th** so they will have an idea of what decorations they may need. Thank You!

Missions Fest Donations: Have you started thinking of what you're going to donate to Missions Fest? Great! Whether it's a live event or a physical item, we will start accepting donations after Easter (with a firm cutoff date of [May 6th](#)). Thanks in advance for your contributions!





Liturgy Workshop 2018

The Lord's Divine Service: *A Matter of Life and Death*

Saturday May 19th, 2018. Office of Matins 8:30am. Workshop begins at 9am. Closing devotion at 3pm.

The Lord's Divine Service to us prepares and equips us to die - to self, in service to the neighbor, and when our last hour comes. This workshop will consider how the gifts of Christ to us in the Divine Service strengthen us in faith toward God and love toward the neighbor both in our living and our dying. In God's giving and our receiving, we learn what it means to be truly human and, having seen the Lord's salvation, to depart in peace according to His Word.

Rev. Peter Brock is pastor of St. John Lutheran Church in Decatur, IN and an adjunct instructor for Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. He teaches Theological Ethics at the seminary in Fort Wayne, and has taught courses on the Pentateuch, Prophets, and John at the seminaries in Tanzania and Ghana. Rev. Brock also serves as the Indiana District Secretary.

Registration fee: \$25.00 per person.

Registration forms are in the Narthex.

You can also register online at www.gloryofchrist.org

Listen to
Pastor Jeremiah Johnson
and Host
Pastor Jonathan Fisk

on



Tue., April 10, at 8:00 a.m. CT
for
Sharper Iron
(Lectionary Study)

“Reclaiming Family Virtue: Teaching Healthy Sexuality in Congregation, Home, and School”

**Saturday, May 12th
2:00 pm to 5:00 pm**

Rev. Dr. Lucas Woodford

- ❖ *husband and father of six children*
- ❖ *pastor at Zion Lutheran Church and School since 2005*
- ❖ *serves on Synod's task force on sexuality*
- ❖ *Collegium Fellow for DOXOLOGY: The Lutheran Institute of Spiritual Care and Counsel*



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Treasurer's Report

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Glory of Christ Lutheran Church February 2018 YTD Income Statement February 28, 2018

	Feb-18			YTD 2018		
	Actual	Budget	Fav (Unfav) to Budget	Actual	Budget	Fav (Unfav) to Budget
Income						
Total Designated Funds Applied	2,760.56	-	2,760.56	2,760.56	-	2,760.56
General Offerings	37,751.72	48,020.00	(10,268.28)	86,143.82	99,340.00	(13,196.18)
Total Interest Income	69.12	83.33	(14.21)	134.91	166.66	(31.75)
Total Other Income	92.75	916.66	(823.91)	222.75	1,833.32	(1,610.57)
Silent Auction Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sunday School Offerings	40.00	111.11	(71.11)	40.00	222.22	(182.22)
Total Income	\$ 40,714.15	\$ 48,131.10	\$ (8,416.95)	\$ 89,302.04	\$ 101,562.20	\$ (12,260.16)
Expenses						
Total Designated Expenses	2,760.56	-	(2,760.56)	2,760.56	-	(2,760.56)
Total Education	4,727.97	4,793.65	65.68	8,901.75	9,015.87	114.12
Total General and Administration	(1,471.05)	4,281.48	5,752.53	7,153.71	13,912.96	6,759.25
Missions	5,500.00	5,500.00	-	8,000.00	8,000.00	-
Total Music	3,977.38	4,039.18	61.80	7,278.26	8,078.36	800.10
Total Occupancy	11,449.65	9,584.67	(1,864.98)	19,969.01	19,169.34	(799.67)
Total Pastoral Support	21,701.45	23,375.06	1,673.61	42,945.34	46,750.12	3,804.78
Total Expenses	\$ 48,645.96	\$ 51,574.04	\$ 2,928.08	\$ 97,008.63	\$ 104,926.65	\$ 7,918.02
Net Income - Accrual Basis	\$ (7,931.81)	\$ (2,442.94)	\$ (5,488.87)	\$ (7,706.59)	\$ (3,364.45)	\$ (4,342.14)
Depreciation expense (add back)	3,484.67	-	3,484.67	6,969.34	-	6,969.34
Net Income - Cash Basis	\$ (4,447.14)	\$ (2,442.94)	\$ (2,004.20)	\$ (737.25)	\$ (3,364.45)	\$ 2,627.20

Summary of Results:

- General offerings are \$10k unfavorable to budget for the month and \$13k unfavorable YTD 2018.
- G&A expenses are trending favorable to budget due to reimbursement to pay capital campaign/construction related expenses out of Capital Campaign fund
- Occupancy expense is trending unfavorable for the month due to additional snowplowing and organ repairs.
- Pastoral expenses are trending favorable due to favorable health reimbursements and timing of incurred health claims.
- Non-cash depreciation expense is included in the "Occupancy" expense line item above. Total YTD Depreciation expense was \$7k. See cash basis net income presented above.

Glory of Christ Lutheran Church
Balance Sheet
2/28/2018

	Total		
	2/28/2018	1/28/2018	Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Bank Accounts			
Checking - Hamel	27,370.52	87,776.56	(60,406.04)
Construction Account	29,866.03	138,064.33	(108,198.30)
LCEF Endowment Fund	25,320.53	25,320.53	-
LCEF Stewardship Account	120,207.69	120,138.57	69.12
Savings - Hamel	6,128.09	6,128.09	-
Total Bank Accounts	\$ 208,892.86	\$ 377,428.08	\$ (168,535.22)
Other Current Assets:			
Due from CLEF	7,592.51	(84.45)	7,676.96
Prepaid Expenses			-
Prepaid Expenses - Day School Expenses	12,521.32	16,695.10	(4,173.78)
Prepaid Expenses - Insurance	4,713.35	5,386.68	(673.33)
Prepaid Expenses - VBS	5,687.90	5,687.90	-
Total Prepaid Expenses	22,922.57	27,769.68	(4,847.11)
Total Other Current Assets	30,515.08	27,685.23	2,829.85
Total Current Assets	\$ 239,407.94	\$ 405,113.31	\$ (165,705.37)
Fixed Assets			
Church Building	1,867,811.83	1,867,811.83	-
Accumulated Depreciation - Building	(473,612.53)	(470,368.61)	(3,243.92)
Total Church Building	\$ 1,394,199.30	\$ 1,397,443.22	\$ (3,243.92)
Equipment	116,813.49	116,813.49	-
Accumulated Depreciation - Equipment	(42,788.45)	(42,547.70)	(240.75)
Total Equipment	74,025.04	74,265.79	(240.75)
Land	70,000.00	70,000.00	-
Furniture & Fixtures	64,898.28	40,544.30	24,353.98
Construction In Progress	2,170,319.46	1,701,965.76	468,353.70
Total Fixed Assets	\$ 3,773,442.08	\$ 3,284,219.07	\$ 489,223.01
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,012,850.02	\$ 3,689,332.38	\$ 323,517.64

Glory of Christ Lutheran Church Balance Sheet

2/28/2018

	Total		
	2/28/2018	1/28/2018	Change
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
SelectCare Liabilities			
FSA - Johnson	(27.63)	(19.81)	(7.82)
FSA - Krueger	(1,000.00)	(86.00)	(914.00)
Total SelectCare Liabilities	(1,027.63)	(105.81)	(921.82)
Long-Term Liabilities			
Construction Loan - Hamel	986,658.50	638,303.10	348,355.40
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 986,658.50	\$ 638,303.10	\$ 348,355.40
Total Liabilities	\$ 985,630.87	\$ 638,197.29	\$ 347,433.58
Equity			
Designated Fund Balances - Equity			
Total Capital Campaign Fund	-	73,870.69	(73,870.69)
Capital Improvement Fund	19,401.78	76,494.00	(57,092.22)
Endowment Fund	25,226.38	25,226.38	-
Missions	631.19	631.19	-
Youth	942.70	3,703.26	(2,760.56)
Total Designated Fund Balances - Equity	46,202.05	179,925.52	(133,723.47)
Opening Bal Equity	148,131.40	148,131.40	-
Paid-In Capital or Surplus	1,598,593.90	1,598,593.90	-
Retained Earnings	1,241,998.39	1,124,259.05	117,739.34
Net Income	(7,706.59)	225.22	(7,931.81)
Total Equity	3,027,219.15	3,051,135.09	(23,915.94)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	4,012,850.02	3,689,332.38	323,517.64

Glory of Christ Lutheran Church
Statement of Cash Flows
Feb-18

	Feb-18	YTD 2017
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net Income	\$ (7,931.81)	\$ (7,706.59)
Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to Net Cash provided by operations:		
Due from CLEF	(7,676.96)	(13,105.87)
Prepaid Expenses:Prepaid Expenses - Day School Expenses	4,173.78	8,347.56
Prepaid Expenses:Prepaid Expenses - Insurance	673.33	1,346.86
Prepaid Expenses:Prepaid Expenses - VBS	-	(5,687.90)
Church Building:Accumulated Depreciation - Building	3,243.92	6,487.84
Equipment:Accumulated Depreciation - Equipment	240.75	481.50
SelectCare Liabilities:FSA - Johnson	(7.82)	(27.63)
SelectCare Liabilities:FSA - Krueger	(914.00)	(1,000.00)
Total Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to Net Cash provided by operations:	\$ (267.00)	\$ (3,157.84)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ (8,198.81)	\$ (10,864.43)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Construction In Progress	(468,353.70)	(468,854.06)
Furniture & Fixtures	(24,353.98)	(31,268.18)
Net cash provided by investing activities	\$ (492,707.68)	\$ (500,142.24)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Construction Loan - Hamel	348,355.40	348,355.40
Designated Fund Balances - Equity:Capital Campaign Fund:Member Contributions	(73,670.69)	(64,640.69)
Designated Fund Balances - Equity:Capital Improvement Fund	(57,092.22)	(57,092.22)
Designated Fund Balances - Equity:Missions	-	450.00
Designated Fund Balances - Equity:Youth	(2,760.56)	(3,050.88)
Retained Earnings	117,739.34	117,739.33
Net cash provided by financing activities	\$ 332,371.27	\$ 341,760.94
Net cash increase for period	\$ (168,535.22)	\$ (169,245.73)
Cash at beginning of period	377,428.08	378,138.59
Cash at end of period	\$ 208,892.86	\$ 208,892.86



President's Letter

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Dear Glory of Christ Member,

Our Council meeting was held Tuesday, March 13th. At my request, Charlotte Smith came to share the Interior Subcommittee's progress. She told us most of their items are finished but they need representatives from our church programs (Sunday school, Mission Fest, Music, etc.) to evaluate items we stored in our pods during construction that were moved back into the church to determine if they should be saved or disposed of.

She and I later talked about assigning storage areas to each program. The committee will do it's best to assign the locations and space needed. The committee expects there will be adjustments in the future. The committee had one request, " Please refrain from donating items to the church until they finish their work."

Zelda Malo was in charge of our organ repair. She told me the organ has been cleaned, adjusted and had the correct surge suppressor installed. An item was discovered during the repair. We never had the correct power supply. This change enables several small speakers to augment the sound of the organ. The organists are pleased with the new sound.

Please give the Schaumburgs, Rod (Father) and Ben (Son), a huge thank you for the new stage they are constructing in the fellowship room. Although it's not finished, it's looking great. (Also thank Travis Dorweiler. He has been working on this project too.)

At our January and February Council meetings, we discussed a new Membership / Phone Directory. It is four years since the last one was published and we have new families. We now number 500 adults and children! The council reviewed the projected costs and decided to delay the directory until this fall or next year after we know all the costs involved with our new addition. If not this year, we will consider placing the directory expense in the 2019 budget.

The April Council meeting date was changed from the second Tuesday of the month to the third Tuesday, April 17th. (Only for April).

Easter Blessings,

Bob Strom
Council President



Birthdays & Anniversaries

April 3 rd	Bruce & Jill Larson	Anniversary
April 4 th	Mari Houck	Birthday
April 5 th	Ruth Decker Nora Bell	Birthday Birthday
April 8 th	Garry McCreary	Birthday
April 10 th	Alexis Qualle	Birthday
April 11 th	Kiley Lavanger Nora Madson	Birthday Birthday
April 12 th	Arllys Edson	Birthday
April 14 th	Jonathan Schultz	Birthday
April 15 th	Kevin Skau	Birthday
April 17 th	Jennifer Schaumburg	Birthday
April 21 st	Janet Preus	Birthday
April 22 nd	Tom & Brenda Richards Bruce Larson	Anniversary Birthday
April 23 rd	Henry Rolf	Birthday
April 25 th	Lydia DeBlois	Birthday
April 27 th	Jean Small	Birthday
April 28 th	Andrew Diemand Andy & Elizabeth Madson Paul Koosman	Birthday Anniversary Birthday
April 29 th	Gayle McGriff	Birthday
April 30 th	Jerry & LouAnn Jespersen Debbie Cheek	Anniversary Birthday



Calendar

~ April 2018 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Easter 8a-9a Easter Divine Service 9a-10a Easter Breakfast (Glory of Christ Lutheran Church, 4040 MN-101, Minneapolis, MN 5) 10:30a-11:30a Easter Divine Service	2	3 7p-8p Elders	4 10a-11a Bible Study 5:30p-6:30p Confirmation 6:15p-6:45p Adult Hand Bell Rehearsal	5	6	7 3p-4p Adult Instruction 5p-6p Saturday Evening Divine Service
8 9a-10a Divine Service 10:30a-11:30a Bible Class	9 1p-2p Compassion Circle	10	11 10a-11a Bible Study 5:30p-6:30p Confirmation 6:30p-7:30p Summer Sunday School planning meeting 6:30p-7:30p Adult Hand Bell Rehearsal 7:45p-8:30p Adult Choir Rehearsal	12 7p-8p Music Meeting	13	14 3p-4p Adult Instruction 5p-6p Saturday Evening Divine Service
15 9a-10a Divine Service 10:30a-11:30a Bible Class	16	17 6:30p-7:30p Council	18 10a-11a Bible Study 5:30p-6:30p Confirmation 6:30p-7:30p Adult Hand Bell Rehearsal 7:30p-8:30p Adult Choir Rehearsal	19 11:30a-12p Cherrywood Worship Service (Rev.J) (Cherrywood Pointe of Plymouth, 18405 Old Rockford Rd, Plymouth,.)	20 Youth Lock-in 7p-8p April Moms' group	21 Youth Lock-in 3p-4p Adult Instruction
22 St. John's students sing 9a-10a Divine Service 10:30a-11:30a Bible Class	23 7p-8p Evening Divine Service	24	25 10a-11a Bible Study 5:30p-6:30p Confirmation 6:30p-7:30p Adult Hand Bell Rehearsal 7:30p-8:30p Adult Choir Rehearsal	26	27	28 3p-4p Adult Instruction
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