



Eastside News

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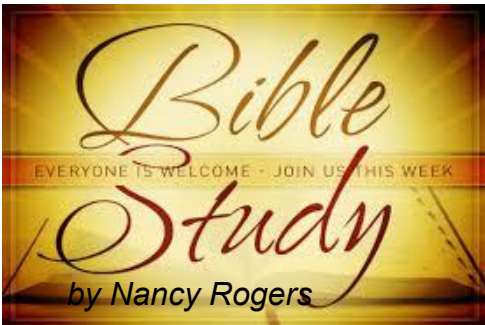
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Easter, which celebrates Jesus Christ's resurrection from the dead, is Christianity's most important holiday. It has been called a moveable feast because it doesn't fall on a set date every year, as most holidays do. Instead, Christian churches in the West celebrate Easter on the first Sunday following the full moon after the vernal equinox on March 21. Therefore, Easter is observed anywhere between March 22 and April 25 every year. Orthodox Christians use the Julian calendar to calculate when Easter will occur and typically celebrate the holiday a week or two after the Western churches, which follow the Gregorian calendar.



Bible study is nearly over for the season - join us for the next two months and give it a try!

April 5th - Easter Sunday - no Bible Study

April 12th - John 20: 19-31 This passage discusses doubting Thomas. The disciples are afraid and in the locked room when Jesus appears.

April 19th - Luke 24: 36b-48 The disciples again are gathered when Jesus appears to them. They are frightened but Jesus opens their understanding of the things He has taught them.

April 26th - John 10: 11-18 This is the parable of the Good Shepherd. We will discuss how Jesus willingly laid down His life for us.



Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Morning.
The Easter Bunny will stop by and hide his eggs! Kids bring your Easter baskets to collect your goodies. Please remember to share with all the children at church on Easter Morning. If you see a child who didn't get any eggs please share with them. Parents, remind your "cuties" to be kind and share. Thank You!



Celebrating the Holy Baptism of Brooklyn Kaye Schneider



Brooklyn is the daughter of Amanda & Matthew Schneider. He was born on January 15th, 2015 and Baptised on March 1, 2015. His sponsors are Melanie Currey, Adam Chauie, Ashley Seitmann and Steven Schneider

God bless you, Brooklyn.
Welcome to the Lord's family!

El Ciudad de Los Niño's Mission Project



Thanks to everyone who participated in our 2015 Mission Trip! Thanks also to everyone who supported this ministry with your prayers and finances. It was very successful as we were able to complete several projects including: wall tile repair; restoring wood doors to the chapel; replacing exterior door to the sacristy; painting and yard work.

On SUNDAY APRIL 12th, we will have a special information meeting to share more about this project as well as future plans. It will be held during the coffee time after our worship service.

Meet A Member



Sean O'Brien was born in St. Paul and grew up in Minneapolis. He lived in several different places, but his best residence was behind the wheel of a bus, where he spent many years crisscrossing the USA and Canada, driving the finest motorcoaches and moving thousands of the nicest people you could ever hope to meet. Eventually he moved back to live and work in St. Paul, using education and experience to work with children as an elementary teacher.

Sean's education and work experience includes; Minnehaha Academy, Minneapolis, Class of 1971, Lutheran Bible Institute of Seattle, 1983-1985 and the University of Minnesota; Twin Cities, 1985-1989, College of Education, Elementary Education. Also at Saint Mary's University, Winona, 1999-2001, Masters Program, Curriculum and Teaching. Then worked for Saint Paul Public Schools, 1986-2009 and several of the best bus companies in Minnesota.

Sean loves spending time with his mother, Margaret. He has a multitude of brothers & sisters, nieces & nephews, plus generations across the country, giving Uncle Sean plenty of places to find a bed. His extended family stretches across multitudes of people, groups, places and colleagues. "The most notable are the groups and individuals who embraced me as a member of their own families. They represent the love of God in ways I will never be able to express until that day the Lord brings us together as one to live with Him in Paradise."

Not surprisingly, Sean's first arrival at ECLC was in a bus. Church Choir tours are at the top of the list of his favorite trips, thanks in no small part to an energetic Youth Director named Don Horner who in 1980 led about 80 teenagers on a sweltering trip through the Southern States. The two weeks of music and ministry was his Road to Damascus (Luke chapter 9) and "my life was never the same." In the years following, Pastor Don and Sean spent thousands of miles visiting hundreds of churches and sharing the Gospel everywhere they went. "My passion is music, so I love to be singing - whether it is with the Choir, the Worship Team, or singing with the Sunday School kids. ECLC is blessed with many opportunities, and I pray and encourage each of us to use our talents and abilities to serve and participate. ECLC has made me feel like family from the moment I arrived. I am happy to call ECLC my worship home. We model the kingdom of God on a personal level through our credo, All Are Welcome Here."



SEAN O' BRIEN



SERVICE OF DARKNESS

We begin our worship with Holy Communion commemorating the Last Supper.

We conclude with the Tenebrae...a service of darkness to remember the events of Good Friday.

7:00 PM



Mother's Day Boutique

Eastside Lutheran will host a Mother's Day Boutique on April 25th from 1:00-4:00 pm. There will be some of your favorite consultants and crafters ready to help you get the right gift for your mom, wife, girlfriend and grandmother!

- Mom's can bring their children to shop with a volunteer.
- Dads can bring the kids or come alone.
- Husbands who are just wanting to find a great gift.
- Anyone looking for a gift for mom.
- Don't forget about your girlfriend and grandmother.
- Or just come and shop!!

You and/or the kids can wrap their gift and make a card. Mothers who bring children can enjoy a cup of coffee in the Luther room. There will be a wide range of prices so everyone should be able to find the perfect gift.



**Faith is not belief
without proof,
but trust
without reservation.**

- D. Elton Trueblood

Kitchen Tips

by Barbara Prokosch



A Pinch Here, A Dash There

How much is a dash?

Traditionally, a dash is a very small amount of seasoning added with a quick downward stroke of the hand. A pinch is thought to be the amount of a dry ingredient that can be held between your thumb and forefinger. If recipes call for a dash of an ingredient, use somewhere between 1/16 and a scant 1/8 teaspoon. Sometimes you might have to experiment with amounts to get delicious results that suit your taste.

-TASTE OF HOME TEST KITCHEN

*Did you know? Laughing can be as good for your
heart as exercise!*

Fun & Humor

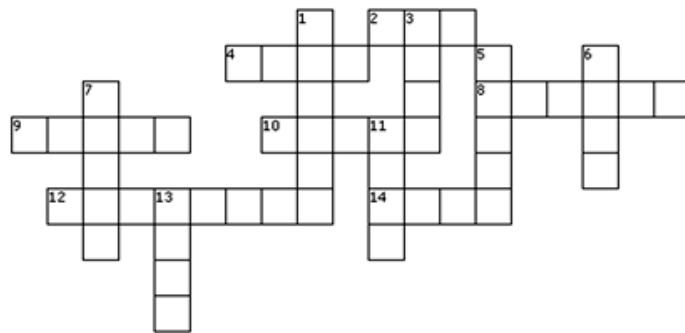
The Back Pew – Jeff Larson



Jesus told his disciples to "WATCH AND PRAY".. and the time honored tradition of sleeping in church was born. **Mt. 26:36-46**

He is not here. He has risen!

Words taken from John 20:1-18 (NIV)



ACROSS

2. To shed tears
4. The opposite of alive
8. A heavenly being
9. The thing that covered the entrance to Jesus'tomb
10. The color that is the opposite of black
12. A person who takes care of plants and flowers
14. The name of the woman who discovered Jesus' empty tomb

DOWN

1. The male parent
3. Return to an upright position after lying down; to return from the dead
5. The opposite of late
6. A period of seven days
7. An adult female person
11. A place where someone is buried; another name for grave
13. The opposite of light



4/1 April Fools Day
4/3 Good Friday Service
4/12 City of Children Info Meeting
4/14 Church Council
4/25 Mother's Day Boutique



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