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MAY

SUNDAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	01	02	03	04	05	06
			5:30pm confirmation	9:30am Women's Bible Study		
07	08	09	10	11	12	13
Fifth Sunday of Easter 8:30am Worship and Communion	6:30pm Council Meeting		5:30pm Confirmation			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Sixth Sunday of Easter 8:30am Worship and Communion			5:30pm Confirmation			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Seventh Sunday of Easter 8:30am Worship and Communion/ Senior Recognition Sunday			5:30pm Confirmation			
28	29	30	31	01	02	03
Pentecost 8:30am Worship and Communion						
04	05	06	07	08	09	10
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<p>Deacons/Readers</p> <p>May 7 Sue Hoey</p> <p>May 14 Sheila Collins Deacon / Ella Krivanek Reader</p> <p>May 21 Maureen Even</p> <p>May 28 Christy Phillips</p>	<p>Ushers Captains</p> <p>John and Heather Bergman</p> <p>Keith and Cyndi Nuehring</p>
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Congratulations to Lauryn Witt, Landon Bergman, and Logan Krivanek who received Bibles on April 23rd.

LAMP NEWSLETTER



LSI ARTICLE AND STORY

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May 2023, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story

Happy Mother's Day!

Mother's Day is a time to celebrate and empower all the strong, loving women in your life. At LSI, we provide mothers, and soon-to-be mothers, with the education and resources they need to build the brightest future for their children.

LSI's Foster Care and Adoption Services work to bring families together and to help them throughout the process of becoming licensed for foster care and approved for adoption. Our Family Centered Services uses a strengths-based approach to keep Iowa families together by equipping parents with skills they need to be successful, independent and healthy.

As you celebrate Mother's Day this year, remember that your support helps empower Iowa moms. If you are looking for a way to help these moms, or to honor a mother in your life this year, please consider making a gift in her name to LSI. For more information, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI's Senior Director of Philanthropy and Church Relations, at Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org or 563-676-2065.

Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at LSIowa.org and facebook.com/LSI.iowa.

Staying Connected to your Roots

LSI Foster Care and Adoption is proud to be part of the Native Families for Native Children (NF4NC) project, which is a collaborative effort between the four native tribes of Nebraska, human services agencies and private agency partners in Nebraska and Iowa. As part of the project's efforts, we recruit, train, license and support Native American families in accord with the traditions, needs and resources of their communities.

Rebecca and Kirby expanded their family when they adopted their son in January. The couple had the opportunity to work with the Omaha Tribe and were able to participate in the second Customary Adoption in the State of Iowa.

Through their Customary Adoption, the family completed a culture plan with the tribe and will be able to keep their newly adopted son connected to his cultural roots with the Omaha Tribe. The new family also was able to keep their son connected to his biological siblings, so he can continue to be involved with them.

LSI is proud to help connect families, like Rebecca and Kirby, with the resources they need to continue to grow their families and build the brightest future for Iowa children.

**American Lutheran Church
March Council Meeting
March 13, 2023**

President Christy Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm both in person and electronically on Zoom. Present were Christy Phillips, Beth Stanek, Shirley Bergman, Barb Hayek, Cindy Gosse, and Sheila Collins. Joining on Zoom was Mitchell Hayek. Sue Hoey was absent.

Sheila Collins led devotions.

Treasurer's Report – The monthly MidAmerican Energy cost for the parsonage will be going down from \$118.00 to \$105.00. The monthly cost for the Church will be going up from \$425.00 to \$531.00. The checking account balance at the end of February was \$11,122.21. Sheila Collins made a motion to transfer \$1,122.21 to the General Savings and Emergency Fund. Second by Shirley Bergman. Motion carried. Beth Stanek made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second by Barb Hayek. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report - Beth Stanek made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2023 council meeting. Second by Barb Hayek. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Hospitality – Sheila Collins volunteered to be council representative for the committee.

Memorial – Barb Hayek volunteered to be council representative for the committee. Beth Stanek made a motion to approve the amount needed to purchase a cordless microphone from undesignated Memorial funds. Second by Cindy Gosse. Motion carried. Christy Phillips will check to see if youth in third grade and above have received Bibles from designated funds.

Parish Ed – The Youth will sing in worship on April 23. The last Wednesday evening Sunday School this spring will be April 26. We need to fill a vacancy on the committee for the fall session.

Presidents – No report.

Property – Parsonage: Shirley Bergman will continue as council representative. Pat Winblade will be contact person/monitor for the parsonage. Eric Clark will install the front door seal.

Church: Wayne Schneider will be contact person for the church. Maureen Even will submit monthly reports to council and do the annual property report. Maureen recently painted the South men's bathroom. Electrician Dave Becker has completed repairs to the outdoor lighting problem.

Scholarship – No report.

Technology – No report.

Worship and Music – ZLC will have Easter worship at 7:00 am followed by breakfast. ALC will have Easter breakfast at 8:00 am followed by worship at 9:00 am. Quilts and Personal Care Kits will be blessed in worship on March 26. Maundy Thursday services will include stripping of the alter by Barb Hayek and Christy Phillips. For safety reasons, we will try to keep the stair railings going up to the alter free of obstructions. ELCA documents state that the Paschal Candle is lit only during the Easter season, at baptisms, and at funerals. We will begin to follow these guidelines.

Youth – An outing has been planned to attend a Waterloo Black Hawks hockey game on March 24. A spring service project is being sought.

Call Committee – The Ministry Site Profile needs to be reviewed at the April council meeting before setting a date for congregational endorsement. Christy Phillips will ask committee president Amanda Phillips to post Call Committee progress updates to the LAMP.

New Business

Cindy Gosse made a motion to approve \$450.00 from our EWALU fund be sent to EWALU for camperships for the Stanek children who have applied for summer programs. Second by Shirley Bergman. Beth Stanek abstained. Motion carried.

Barb Hayek made a motion to allow use of the church for a community wide “Be the Match” swab drive. Second by Sheila Collins. Motion carried. Details to come.

Christy Phillips will email a *Robert’s Rules of Order* reminder to all council members.

Old Business

Jessica Saunders will fill the vacancy on the Nominating Committee.

The possibility of worship time change will be discussed with ZLC at the spring joint council meeting.

Parsonage occupancy during the call process will be considered if:

- a. A temporary need arises by an ALC member
- b. The family of the person who donated and designated it’s use specifically as a parsonage is consulted and approves
- c. The congregation agrees

Barb Hayek made a motion to designate the Easter offering to the Jesup Ministerial Alliance. Second by Beth Stanek. Motion carried.

Pulpit supply is filled through August 20.

Correspondence

Mike Waring shared an email from Church Budget Co. apologizing for the delay in getting us the donation envelopes. Possible delivery date is the end of March.

A thank-you was received from the Independence Area Food Panty for \$100.00.

A thank-you was received from LSI for \$210.00.

Deacon Assignments for April:

- 2 –
- 9 – Christy Phillips
- 16 – Sheila Collins
- 23 – Christy Phillips
- 30 – Barb Hayek

Cindy Gosse made a motion to adjourn. Second by Sheila Collins. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheila Collins,
Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please keep in your prayers: Stephanie Winkelpleck, and Emelia Dahl Jacobson.

On behalf of the Call Committee

The Ministry Site Profile has been submitted to the Synod office. If you would like to read a copy of the Profile you may pick one up in church or request Jessica to email a copy to you. You may pick one up on the stand next to the usher's table. Thank you to Amanda Phillips, Chris Waring, Merritt Jones and Bill Schneider for all the hard work they are doing on the Call Committee.

Senior Recognition Sunday: May 21 will be senior recognition Sunday. If you have a senior graduating high school, college, or another program please let Jessica know the graduation school, plans upon graduation, and send a senior photo.

Save the date! The Youth Group will once again be hosting one of the town's Lunch in the Park events on Thursday, June 29! We'll be looking for helpers to shop, chop, serve and clean up. Proceeds will help support the Youth attending the National Youth Gathering in 2024.

Final Wednesday Worship for the spring: Last day for Wednesday Worship was April 26. Thank you to Katey Nichel and Krystal Lysne for doing a great job with Wednesday Worship. We had a great bunch of kids this year.

Lunch & Learn, hosted by First Presbyterian Church. Come for fellowship and scripture study Wednesdays at noon.

EWALU: EWALU camp registration packets are available from Jessica (secretary@americanlutheranjesup.org) and hard copies are available in the lower narthex. Contact Jessica or a council member to inquire about ALC funding for this exciting opportunity.

Emelia Dahl Jacobson is now a resident of the Hiawatha Care Center. Cards may be sent to her at Hiawatha Care Center, Room 53, 405 North 15th Avenue, Hiawatha, IA 52233.

Prayer Chain: Contact Kaye (tomjones@indytel.com) or Jessica (secretary@americanlutheranjesup.org) with any prayer concerns.

Thank you for your continued donations of **peanut butter** for Jesup School to supplement 50 backpacks monthly. 26 families benefit weekly from this program. **Please leave donations in the shopping cart in the narthex.**

You are invited to a “Somewhat Silent Saturday”: for the season of Easter! This event will be April 29, 2023, 9 am - 4 pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Waterloo, IA. The day will include 1) Sessions for Centering Prayer; 2) Morning and Evening Prayer Services; 3) A brief Centering Prayer seminar; 4) Creative time with options (such as to walk a Labyrinth; journaling, letter writing, etc.; a seminar on a contemplative topic; visit with a leader about your journey). The only cost for this event is a donation for expenses such as the meal and facility usage. The event itself will be led by local people. If you are planning to attend, please Email CONElowa@gmail.com with your name and phone number no later than Monday, April 24. No further registration is needed. More details will be shared with those persons who register.

Food Pantry thank you: Thank you for the 6.9 lbs of non food items. Thank you for sharing.

EVENTS

Sunday worship services will be at **8:30am from April-July**

Confirmation: 5:30pm on Wednesdays

Women’s Bible Study: May 4th 9:30am

Council Meeting: Monday May 8th at 6:30pm

Worship Wednesdays: Finished until fall.

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Military members: Christa Leach has been deployed and will return in June. Jordan and Justin continue their monthly drills with the 185th Air Refueling Wing in Sioux City. Jeryn Loyd is a student at Iowa State and in the Army Reserves. Please contact the church office to add other names who serve. We remember them in our prayers.

If you know of anyone else serving in the armed forces, please contact the church office (secretary@americanlutheranjesup.org) or (827-6626). We'd like to remember them in our prayers.

PASTORS COMING TO ALC:

May 7	Pastor Phil Borleske
May 14	Pastor Michael Sherer
May 21	Pastor Dan Mixdorf
May 28	Pastor Luther Thoresen



May Birthdays

Isabella Bistline	5/2	Morgan Westpfahl	5/7	Keaton Lysne	5/20
Jesse Elenz	5/2	Kaylie Bergman	5/8	Matt Erpelding	5/21
Wade Putnam	5/2	Nora Frush	5/11	Tammy Andrews	5/22
Kelly Seehase	5/2	Abigail Yonkovic	5/11	Joseph Amling	5/23
Ryan Willams	5/2	Haylee Frush	5/12	Craig Bowers	5/24
David Ruehs	5/3	Sharon McAtee	5/12	Dave Wyant	5/24
Casey Schmit	5/4	Josie Loyd	5/13	Chris Collett	5/26
Megan Venem	5/4	Marie Bushkofsky	5/14	Riley Hill	5/27
Kyle Wilson	5/4	Alex Nicoll	5/14	Christa Leach	5/27
Keith Wright	5/4	Therese Olson	5/14	Katey Niichel	5/28
Derek Bate	5/5	Grace Witt	5/14	Christina Crow	5/29
Linda Garrison	5/5	Emma Anhalt	5/16	Payton Ruckdaschel	5/29
Linda Sondag	5/5	Ronda Fratzke	5/18	Matt Waring	5/29
Traci Clark	5/6	Rylee Renner	5/18	Grace Peterson	5/30
Kalista Schutte	5/6	Maxwell Kopplin	5/20	Jenifer Wyant	5/30

May Baptisms

Jeremy Anhalt	5/1	Jesse Elenz	5/12	Natalie Schares	5/20
Jen Bistline	5/1	Brenda Schmit	5/12	Grace Stalheim	5/22
Mayci Morrissey	5/1	Maisie Niichel	5/13	Charlie Stanek	5/22
Nathan Schares	5/1	Iva Ruehs	5/14	Madalyn Anderson	5/23
Blaire Zummak	5/1	Colin Schares	5/14	Casey Schmit	5/24
Rachel Bjorheim	5/3	Kelsey Schares	5/14	Haley Borland	5/25
Katelyn Anderson	5/4	Amy Wilson	5/14	Matthew Mattson	5/26
Mark Collett	5/4	Emily Gamedinger	5/15	David Ruehs	5/26
Zach Erpelding	5/6	Justin Gamedinger	5/15	Skylar Blad	5/27
Kalista Schutte	5/8	Allie Renner	5/15	Collin Gosse	5/27
Donald Williams	5/8	Anthony Bahe	5/16	Justin Gosse	5/27
Doug Shaffer	5/9	Amanda May	5/16	Bryan Tonne	5/27
Travis Hernandez	5/10	Megan Venem	5/17	Amber Wiskus	5/27
Steffen Hoey	5/10	Beckett Gamedinger	5/19	Tyler Hoey	5/28
Ryan Even	5/11	Hadley Gamedinger	5/19		

May Wedding Anniversaries

Merritt & Connie Jones	5/2/1981	42
Eric & Traci Clark	5/18/1996	27
Thomas & Kaye Jones	5/18/1963	60
Larry & Christy Phillips	5/23/1987	36
Leonard & Amy Ohl	5/25/2000	23
Corey & Julie Tolle	5/25/1996	27
Dennis & Susan Crow	5/27/1977	46
Allen & Elizabeth Haack	5/27/1989	34
Ryan & Ashley Smith	5/27/2006	17
Gene & Carol Anhalt	5/29/1971	52