# THE STEEPLE VIEW

The monthly newsletter of North Cape Lutheran Church, ELCA 2644 124th Street, Franksville WI 53126

# Remember...Dust Remember...Love

Juxtaposition is a cool word. I just like the sound of it – the "J", the "X", the "U" – all letters that we don't use very often – all shoved together. This month, we are going to have a juxtaposition of the Holy and the secular. Both of them, sitting there, side by side. We could call it... Ash Valentine's Day.

It is a day to Remember rather than just take for granted, to remember the one you love, and to remember the One who loves you. It's easy, in the midst of the hubbub of life, (hubbub is another great word) to forget how much we need one another, how much we need the people we love, how much we need our relationship with God, and how much God truly loves us.

Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day are both days for Remembering. Take time to remember all of those whom you love and those who love you. And take time to remember that you are loved by God. Yes, we are dust, and to dust we shall return – but this also means that we belong to God who created us, and to God we shall also return.

Remember that you are dust. Remember that you are loved. Remember that God says more than just "Be mine," God says, "I have called you by name; you are mine." (Isaiah 43:1)

In the love of Christ Jesus, *Pastor Robb* 



#### **Church Board News**

**CHURCH BOARD** 

**CHURCH BOARD MEMBERS** 

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Carol Smith

Pete Bailey

Dale Mosher

Les Gumieny

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Treasurer

Attendees: Tammy Baumann, Nathan Leinweber, Kathy Paul, Kim Leinweber, Les Gumieny, James Petersen, Linda Spencer, Jim Muszynski, Will Casterton

#### Consent Agenda Items

January Agenda Financials December Minutes

#### Meeting called to order by Tammy Baumann.

#### **Pastor Update**

- Constitution ready for review. Will hold discussion between services on 1-21-24. Approval vote will be part of the annual meeting.
   O Bylaws will be updated following constitution update
  - Membership review letters have been sent out and we have received several updates
    - Current status
      - 430 confirmed members
      - 128 unconfirmed members
      - 8 associate members
      - 259 members have been removed

#### Worship Update

- Switched worship setting to 2nd and 4th Sunday to use updated version of the Lord's Prayer. This will allow parishioners exposure and/or introduction to other version.
  - Lenten services will be held at 7pm on Wednesdays o Soup and Sandwich Suppers to be held on those dates from 5:30-6:30 pm o Meals are being coordinated by Stephanie Sorenson, Tami Wittenberg, Kathy
- Paul
  Easter services will be held at 7:00 and 9:30 am with breakfast being served between services

#### **Committee Updates**

Property

- Ann will research phone options
- Snow removal contract should be reviewed in Oct.
- Maintenance schedule needs to be created and added to the calendar by Ann

#### **Financial Update**

- December giving was up and our highest month of giving in the last 5 years.
- It was suggested that operations budget review should be part of the new member class.
- Update costs to computer and IT will be discussed with the Endowment team
- Church repair amounts in the budget were adjusted to \$15,000 based on Constitution
- Review of Mission Giving should be reviewed yearly
- Piano lesson income donation was reviewed and approved to decrease monthly amount based on lack of enrollment Motion passed by Kim L and 2nd by Jim M

#### Motion to adjourn meeting was given by Jim M and 2nd by Les

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

- $\Rightarrow$  Nathan to contact Piano teacher regarding approval of reduced monthly donation
- $\Rightarrow$  Les to discuss with Ann next steps of researching phone needs and options

#### NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, February 13th - 6pm

Jim Petersen	262-295-5197
Jeff Klaus	262-492-1195

#### Nominating Committee

Alan Jasperson	262-835-1618
Jessica Ward	262-492-4813
Barb Welch	262-498-0393

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# **Church Board News**

# **December 2023 Treasurer's Report**

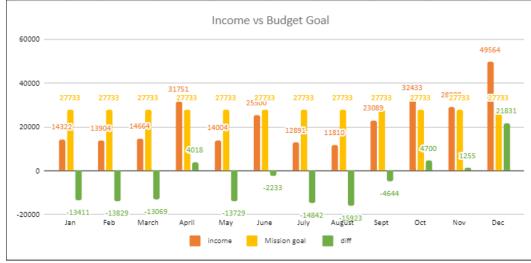
#### by Nathan Leinweber

The Christmas season is always good for the church, not because of the gifts that are given to the church, but because it is a time where people see the value in church and the community it provides. As I looked around during many services, I saw more filled seats which is always reassuring. Hopefully we will see a continued increase in attendance, and it is great to see some people returning after being gone for an extended period of time. As predicted, we did finish the year under our giving goal, however we had the highest giving in five years and exceeded our costs by over nineteen thousand dollars.

#### Income vs Expenses through December

Actual	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Income	14322	13904	14664	31751	14004	25500	12891	11810	23089	32433	28988	49564
Expense	30122	12508	22286	16523	23788	30382	22246	30012	25885	27536	22288	30511
diff	-15800	1396	-7622	15228	-9784	-4882	-9355	-18202	-2796	4897	6700	19053





# **Square Cash Online Giving**

Use the convenient QR code shown or this link to give to NCLC easily through your device! <u>https://</u> form.jotform.com/73234080366150 We appreciate your ongoing financial support of the church.





#### **CHURCH STAFF**

Interim Pastor, Pastor Robb Kosky Office Phone 262-835-2206 ext. 11 Cell: 608-345-2463 Email pastorrkosky@gmail.com

> Office Manager, Ann Henderson Office Phone 262-835-2206 Email northcapelutheran@gmail.com

*Website* northcapelutheran.org

Youth & Family Director, Angela Thomas Cell Phone 262-880-4354 Email nclcyouthfam@gmail.com

> **Organist** Dan Trudell

**Custodian** Shelia Homola

**Choir Director** Robbyn Wilks

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Newsletter Articles due February 11, 2024.

### **Worshiping & Praising Cluster**

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Coordinator: Robbyn Wilks 262-857-3407 drwilks1@gmail.com

# FEBRUARY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Worship 8:00 & 10:30 Sunday Livestream 10:30 Sunday School 9:15

Ash Wednesday and Midweek Lenten Worship Wednesdays beginning Feb. 14th at 7:00pm Midweek Livestream 7pm

#### February Worship Volunteers

#### **Regular Worship Schedule**

Worship will meet weekly on Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am. A livestream of our 10:30 service can be found on our YouTube channel. Sunday School meets at 9:15am between services.

#### **Lent Begins**

Ash Wednesday worship will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 14th at 7pm. Then beginning Wednesday, Feb. 21st, we will hold Midweek Lenten worship on Wednesdays at 7pm. We will be using Holden Evening Prayer for midweek services. We are hoping to offer weekly Lenten Meals prior to worship on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30. If you wish to help provide and serve a meal, please contact Tami Wittenberg, Kathy Paul or Stephanie Sorenson. There is also a sign up sheet at the Welcome Center. So far, March 6th and March 20th meals are covered.

Date	AV & Sound	Ushers	Readers	Communion Asst.	Acolytes	Treats	Livestream Operator
Feb. 4	8:00 Roy Gawlitta 10:30 Dale Mosher	8:00 Mike & Amy Stillson 10:30 Chad & Caleb Westrum	8:00 Robin Gavi- gan 10:30 Rhonda Smerchek	8:00 Robin Gavi- gan 10:30 Rhonda Smerchek	8:00 John Hen- derson 10:30 Volunteer Needed	8:00 Kay Lecus 10:30 Volunteer Needed	10:30 Bob Benson
Feb. 11	8:00 Wayne Ras- mussen 10:30 Doug & Mary Liesch	8:00 Jessica & Joce- lynn Ward 10:30 Tim & Kenda Stegman	8:00 Chris Luedtke 10:30 Angela Thomas	8:00 Chris Luedtke 10:30 Angela Thomas	8:00 J. Ward 10:30 Anderson Bauer	8:00 Volunteer Needed 10:30 Volunteer Needed	10:30 Jake Hoffmann
Feb. 14 Ash Wednes- day	7:00 Dale Mosher	7:00 Mark & Tami Wittenberg	<b>7:00</b> Chris Luedtke	<b>7:00</b> Chris Luedtke	7:00 Audrina Schmid		7:00 Robbyn Wilks
Feb. 18	8:00 Roy Gawlitta 10:30 Robbyn Wilks	8:00 Patrick & Amanda Wittbrot 10:30 Chad & Caleb Westrum	8:00 Stephanie Sorenson 10:30 Alan Jasper- son	8:00 Stephanie Sorenson 10:30 Alan Jas- person	8:00 Volunteer Needed 10:30 Volunteer Needed	8:00 Kitty Friend 10:30 Kathy Paul	10:30 Mary Liesch
Feb. 21 Midweek Lenten Wor- ship	7:00 Doug & Mary Liesch	7:00 Jim Petersen	7:00 Volunteer Needed		7:00 Volunteer Needed		7:00 Ann Henderson
Feb. 25	8:00 Paul Kapreli- an 10:30 Grant Hen- derson	8:00 Paul & Kim Stei- ner 10:30 Maggie Techert, Mark Ehleiter	8:00 Amanda Wittbrot 10:30 Nancy Rasmussen	8:00 Amy Still- son or Chris Luedtke 10:30 Nancy Rasmussen	8:00 Volunteer Needed 10:30 Harrison Bauer	8:00 Volunteer Needed 10:30 Maggie Techert	10:30 Robbyn Wilks
Feb. 28 Midweek Lenten Wor- ship	<b>7:00</b> Paul Kapreli- an	7:00 Mark Ehleiter	7:00 Volunteer Needed		7:00 Volunteer Needed		7:00 Mary Liesch

## **Worshiping & Praising Cluster**

Coordinator: Robbyn Wilks 262-857-3407 drwilks1@gmail.com

### Acolyte Sign Up

All students in Grade 5 or older are asked to sign up to acolyte at least four times throughout the year. Please use the QR code to see which dates work with your schedule. There are many open slots! Contact Betsy Bauer with questions at betsbauer@gmail.com or 262-818-5971.



### February Bible Lessons

# **Choir Practice**

Choir practices on Sundays at 9:15am. Contact Robbyn Wilks if you have any questions or are interested in joining the choir. All are welcome!

### **Favorite Hymn Recommendations**

We would love to have you submit your favorite hymn recommendations using slips found at the Welcome Center. Fill out the hymn title and, if known, the hymn number from the hymnal. Place your suggestions in the marked container. Each week we will select at least one to sing during worship.

# Ash Wednesday Worship—Feb. 14th

Join us for worship on Wednesday, February 14th at 7pm for Ash Wednesday worship. We will offer imposition of ashes and communion as part of the service. There will not be a meal prior to worship that night.

# "New" Lord's Prayer & Liturgy

You may have noticed that we have begun using the updated version of the Lord's Prayer on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Though this version is new to us, it has been around for over 30 years. Beginning in January, we also switched to using Setting 4 sung liturgy. We are exposing the congregation to different liturgies, prayers, and worship options.

If you wish to have your child baptized or wish to get married at NCLC, please go to the church website northcapelutheran.org to find forms. Complete and return them to the church office to set up dates. If you are interested in reserving the Pavilion to use for an event, please check the church website for details, and contact Alyssa Neusen (pavilion manager) or the church office.

Worship Volunteer Coordinators

Readers/Communion Assts: Chris Luedtke (262-488-4951) Miriam Dziekan (262-878-4730) Altar Guild: Bob Benson (262-497-1648 or rbensong@gmail.com)

Ushers: Mel Hebron (262-835-1775 or mfortytwenty@aol.com

Treats: Sign up sheet

Acolytes: Betsy Bauer (262-818-5971 or betsbauer@gmail.com)

**AV/ Livestream:** Contact the church office

**Communion Set Up:** Brenda Nelson (262-994-8992) **February 4** Isaiah 40:21-31 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39

#### February 11

2 Kings 2:1-12 Psalm 50:1-6 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 Mark 9:2-9

#### February 18

Genesis 9:8-17 Psalm 25:1-10 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:9-15

#### February 25

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22:23-31 Romans 4:13-25 Mark 8:31-38

Ash Wednesday Feb. 14 Midweek Worship Wednesdays at 7pm



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### **Learning & Growing Cluster**

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Director of Youth and Family Ministry: Angela Thomas 262-880-4354 nclcyouthfam@gmail.com



## **Toys for Tots Thanks**

Thank you to everyone who donated new or gently used toys to our Toys for Tots drive in December. Jamie Thomas delivered the toys and they filled her vehicle (see above). Your donations were greatly appreciated and helped many families!

# **Sunday School Service Projects**

The third through sixth grade Sunday School students have been learning the rules for being a good Christian through the Books of the Bible we have been studying this year. Since helping others is one of the main requirements, the kids wanted to do a service project, but they came up with so many good ideas that we are going to make this year a year of service. Please see how you can help in the coming months! All members are welcome to contribute!

### **February Collections**

Jan. 7-Feb. 11: We will be collecting clothes and coats to donate to Love Inc. in Burlington. They will take new or gently used items. Look for the collection boxes in the upper grades Sunday School classrooms to drop off donations. Clean out your closets, and continue bringing clothes to donate to Love, Inc until February 11. Thank you to Nicole Leitzke for volunteering to help deliver the collected items.

**Feb. 18-Mar. 24:** We will collect pet supplies to donate to Rescue Outreach located in Union Grove. Supplies that they are always in need of are: leashes or harnesses, collars, medical exam gloves, bleach, hand soap, hand sanitizer, paper towels, small tarps, cat/dog treats, and kitty litter.

# Day of Service—Feb. 11th

All Sunday school students will be working together to make dog toys for Rescue Outreach. Adults are welcome to join us as we hear about what the workers at the organization do. We may even have some special 4-legged guests.

# Lutherdale Bible Camp

Registration is open for 2024 Summer Youth Bible Camps at Lutherdale. Check out their website to see the camps offered this year, and to learn about pricing and registration. <u>https://</u>

www.lutherdale.org/full-week-overnight-programs Any NCLC youth attending camp can request a campership provided by the Smerchek Camper Fund. Let us know if you will attend a full camp or partial, and we can work with you and Lutherdale to cover up to \$100 of costs. There are also adult and family camps, retreats and more offered for all ages throughout the year.

# **Sunday School Singing**

4K-6th graders will be singing the song "House of the Lord" at 10:30 church on February 18. Please be at Sunday school to learn the song so we can share it with the congregation!

# Tubing at the Rock—Gr. 7-10

7th-10th graders are invited to go tubing at The Rock in Franklin on February 18 from 1-4. The cost is \$27 a person. Please watch your emails for sign up information.

### **Mission Trip News**

Join Angela on February 25 at 11:45 in the church to start our Letter Writing Fundraiser. We will have a quick meeting about the Fundraiser, plan Easter breakfast, and talk about the next steps for being prepared for the Mission Trip.

# Lunch with the Lord Bible Study

The Lunch with the Lord Bible Study continues their study of the video series "The Chosen" on Tuesdays at 12:15. Bring a lunch and join us each Tuesday for an hour beginning at 12:15pm. All are welcome!

#### **Serving & Reaching Cluster**

Coordinators: Wendy Hebron 414-916-5637 wensept@gmail.com and Paula Jasperson 414-690-5232 paula.jasperson@gmail.com



#### **Amazing Grays**

The February Amazing Grays Luncheon will be held at North Cape Lutheran Church on Wednesday, February 21st from 11-2pm.

### **Community Meal—Feb. 18**

North Cape Lutheran will provide meals for the Community Meal program at Living Faith Lutheran in Racine on Sunday, Feb. 18th. Please sign up using the QR code provided or at the Welcome Center if you can assist with the meal. We will pack grab n go meals at NCLC beginning at 2pm that day. You

can sign up to volunteer using the same link. We are planning to serve 120 meals this time, so your help and donations are vital to being able to fulfill our commitment to the meal program. Thank you for always coming through for these people in need in the Racine area!



# **Legacy Quilters**

The Legacy Quilters meet monthly on the first and third Thursdays beginning at 6:00pm. Bring your quilting and craft projects and work with friends!

### **Union Grove Food Bank**

North Cape Lutheran Church supports the Union Grove Food Bank through physical and financial donations. You are able to direct part of your offerings to the food bank, if you'd like. Just mark that on your offering envelope or indicate UG Food Bank as the fund while online giving. You can also donate food items in the blue basket located in the south entry. Items commonly needed include: canned meat, soups, instant rice, pancake mix, laundry detergent, Kleenex, 2 gallon freezer bags or brown bags, syrup, crackers, instant oatmeal, stuffing mix, dish soap, flour, sugar, toothpaste and toothbrushes, juice, applesauce, jelly, condiments (like ketchup), coffee, mashed potatoes. Donations of fresh meat should be coordinated with the food bank di-

rectly, so items can remain frozen. Donations are always at a high around holidays, but needs continue throughout the year.

# Thank You!

Thank you to Angela Thomas and the confirmation classes for making the beautiful table decorations for the December Amazing Grays Luncheon. They made the room very festive! - *Amazing Grays Team* 

Thank you to Jerry Nelson for donating the outside greens for Christmas this year. Thank you to Keith Jacobson and family for putting up and taking down the greens.

Dear WELCA members, We are so appreciative of your support! Thank you for helping us keep our mission going. The money will be used to help replenish stock as needed after the busy holiday season. Thanks again! - *Union Grove Area Food Bank Board* 



### Lasting Legacy -Thank You for 2023!

We thank the following folks who gave to the Lasting Legacy fund for 2023. We received \$6,675 in donations. The cemetery was well maintained throughout the year. There were repairs of fallen stones, trimming of overgrown bushes, weed control, and flowers planted around the monument.

#### 2023 Donations:

Fred Richter, in memory of Charlie and Pat Reich Mary Lindabauer Ruth Mosher, in loving memory of her parents, Harry & Mildred Hansen and brother, David Hansen Dudley and Phyllis Metke Susan Madsen The Lyle Jasperson Family, given in loving memory of Lyle.

We are thankful to all who have shared in the maintenance of the cemetery. We enjoy its peaceful beauty. We continue to ask for your support into 2024.

The North Cape Lutheran Church Cemetery Board and The Lasting Legacy Steering Committee

#### **Remember Others in Celebration and Prayer**

#### **Birthdays**

KORTENDIČK, Tammi	02/01
MCGEE, Maven	02/01
BLUM, Janet	02/03
KURHAJEC, Allen	02/03
MICHELS, Connie	02/04
GORDON, Sue	02/06
JACOBSON, Ellowyn	02/06
SMERCHEK, Rhonda	02/09
DINAUER, Drew	02/10
RASMUSSEN, Zander	02/12
MANN, Dorothy	02/15
JONES, Tate	02/16
WILLMS, Jeff	02/16
DINAUER, Jacob	02/17
BAUER, Harrison	02/19
WILSON, Bill	02/19
KOPAC, Joel	02/22
NELSON, Edward	02/22
THILLEMANN, Caleb	02/23
LOFQUIST, Alannah	02/25
HUMMEL, Sheila	02/26

Anniversaries

MICHELS, Connie & Pat
KASPROWICZ, Dennis & Lori
GAVIGAN, Robin & Dan
FRIEND, Wayne & Kitty
VOGT, Kris & Christine
ZORTMAN, Jerry & Chris

**Please Remember** our Shut Ins 02/05 Linda Petersen 02/06 3950 N. Main St. #11 02/12 Racine, WI 53402 11/24Birthdate 02/13 02/27 **Ell Verne Pluck** 1305 Willow Road 02/29 Mt. Pleasant, WI 53177 Birthdate 12/16John Stalbaum Waterford Senior Living 301 South Sixth Street Apt. 208 Waterford, WI 53185 Birthdate 05/03 Marilyn Wishau Oak Park Place, Apt. 1199 1700 S. Teut Rd. Burlington, WI 53105



**Prayer Chain** Please contact the church office at 262-835-2206 or north-capelutheran@gmail.com if you would like to have prayers lifted up on your behalf for any reason. If you would like to be removed from the prayer chain, please contact the church office. If you are in need of pastoral care, please email the church office or call Pastor Robb at 608-345-2463 or email him at pastorr-kosky@gmail.com.

#### **Remember in Your Prayers**

Lynette Ahrndt, Tammy Baumann, Jackie Becker, Patti Brouwers, Judy Buse, Jessica Christiansen, Sharon Collins, Susan Conley, Cindy Cox, Renee D., Don & Marian Esch, Micky Farrar, Steve Fladwood, Jill Goder, Deborah Hintz, Tom K., Dennis Kasprowicz, Warren Klandrud, Bob Luedtke, Sue Madsen, Mike Morgen, the Morgen family, Rochelle Neu, Peter and Debbie Orth, Ruth Peterson, Frances Pivek, Deanna Sadler, Jill Schartner, Donna Strand, Del Thomas, David Thompson, Arnie Waldron, Linda Waldron, Eunice Walz, Norman Wilson III, Mark Wittenberg

We also pray for those serving in our armed forces: Russell Hebron, Agustin Juarez, Zachary Klabunde, Benjamin Klandrud, Luke Morgen

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