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The monthly newsletter of Lord of Life Lutheran Church

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Meet Our Pastoral Candidate!



Chip Lutz is a native of Pekin, IL. After graduating High School in 1986, he joined the Navy and served for 22 years until his retirement in 2008. From 2008, until starting seminary in 2020, he worked as a professional speaker. Chip holds a Master's degree in Adult Education from Northern Illinois University, a Master's degree in Pastoral Counseling from Liberty University, and a Master's of Divinity from Luther Seminary.

Chip lives in Sturtevant, Wisconsin with his wife, Gwen. Between them they have six grown children, two grandchildren, three cats, one dog, two fish, and a horse.

Chip enjoys looking for where God is working in the world and how we might participate, riding motorcycles with his wife, spoiling his granddaughters and eating donuts (he's never met a donut he didn't like).



Sunday, August 7th: Special Congregational Meeting

The meeting will start immediately following the 9:00 a.m. worship service. Council will present Chip to the congregation for a vote on whether or not to extend the call. We will follow the guidelines in our constitution and the ELCA Call Process Manual related to the rules of order for this meeting and vote. A quorum of the voting membership must be present in order for the vote to take place.

Saturday, September 3rd, 1:00 p.m.: Service of Ordination & Installation

During this special worship service, presided by Bishop Paul Erickson, Chip will be ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament as well as installed as the pastor of Lord of Life. All are welcome to attend this service.

Sunday, September 4th, 9:00 a.m.: Worship & Farewell to Pastor Kipp

Join us for worship at 9:00 a.m., when we will thank Pastor Kipp Zimmermann for his time as our Bridge Pastor. A time of fellowship will occur directly following the service.

Sunday, September 11th: Rally Day

Pastor Chip's first worship service as our pastor at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday School at 10:15 a.m. More info to come.

SERVING YOU AT LORD OF LIFE

- Rev. Kipp Zimmermann**
- Bridge Pastor
- Angie Wollschlager**
- Church Administrator
- Connie Wittmus**
- Admin. Assistant
- Sue Quever**
- Parish Nurse
- Claudia Murillo**
- Bookkeeper
- Kerry Bieneman**
- Music Director
- Lynn Kancian**
- Nursery Coordinator
- Nancy Cerninara**
- Custodian

Church Council

- Tanya Brady**
- President
- Russ Brewer**
- Vice President
- Brian Lynch**
- Treasurer
- Lori Vogel**
- Secretary
- Julie Chase**
Lynn Kancian
Rhiannon Urso
- Members-at-large

Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday
10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.



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We are led by love and inspired by grace to serve.

***They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up on wings as eagles;
they shall run and be weary; they shall walk and not faint.***

- Isaiah 40: 31

Sitting at a Brewers game, in the bottom of the 2nd inning, these words formed in my head. Now, what could have inspired the words? Actually, it wasn't the game. I was thinking about life in general. I suppose that it isn't the first time a baseball game inspired thoughts about life. I recall back a number of years, in the middle of the season, it wasn't unusual to think, "well, there's always next year." I recall after graduation from Seminex, Christ Seminary in Exile, the school I attended after the Missouri Synod split, it felt like forever, worried about whether I would get a call. There was deeply mixed feeling about the graduate "rebels" who dared to walk out of the centuries old school and tradition based on freedom to understand and study the Bible in ways that were different. I also recall waiting during the 36 hours of labor for our first child, next to my wife in the fear and panic of that time.

Waiting can be filled with fear. It must have felt like interminable during the time since you lost your last pastor until now. Transitions are not easy and you have had several in the interim. I can only imagine that it sounded like a relief to have been told by the council that there was good news. Perhaps your time of waiting has come to end.

The true value of waiting is what God can do during the interim. It is a time of drawing near to God and asking for revelation. The revelation of what is going on in the midst of your congregation, and within yourself can be the time of coming to know the truth of how close God has drawn to you. Look back at the time and see how God has brought you closer to each and to the Lord. Look back and see how God has provided all that you needed in times of real confusion and difficulty. Look back and see how God has given the Spirit to guide you along the way toward your goal.

Look back and find God's presence because you will be coming into the transition of new leadership. It will be a time of discovery and growth, and you will be able to see what God has taught you in your time of waiting. In truth, we are all waiting for the coming of the final chapter of God's kingdom since that day that Jesus walked out of the tomb. We know that we have promise ahead and the fullness of God's love. For this we wait.

In Christ Jesus,

Rev. Dr. Kipp W. Zimmermann
Bridge Pastor

OUR HARMONY CLUB

Volunteers, are you looking for a unique program where you can make a difference? There are people with age-related challenges that meet here at Lord of Life twice a month. Our Harmony Club provides respite care for both clients and caregivers. They rely on the dedication and support of volunteers like you to make this social day program a success! Volunteers spend their day with clients in conversation, enjoying entertainment, craft activities and playing bingo. Volunteers to cook lunch and coordinate crafts are the most needed at this time.



Our Harmony Club meets at Lord of Life from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Please call Dawn at 262-880-5301 or Danielle at 254-319-2535 for more information.

SHALOM CENTER SOUP KITCHEN

This month, the Shalom Center will be resuming the tradition of having groups serve the meal at the Soup Kitchen. Lord of Life will return to our long time schedule of serving on the second Tuesday of even months. August 9th will be our first opportunity to serve since the Covid pandemic began.

We are grateful that Kathy Miller is willing to resume leading this important ministry. If you are interested in serving and don't have Kathy's contact information, contact the church office to be put in touch with her.



ELCA NIGHT OF WORSHIP "SAVE THE DATE!"

ELCA Night of Worship, benefitting the ELCA Outreach Center is BACK! On Sunday, September 25th, from 1-6 p.m., all are invited to gather at the Pennoyer Bandshell to support, celebrate, and thank God for the ELCA Outreach Center.

Flat Creek Highway, a bluegrass band led by Cameron Swallow, will take the stage from 1 to 3, followed by the rockabilly sounds of the Space Echoes from 3:15-4:30. The Spirit Alive band will then lead a music-filled worship from 5 to 6:30, featuring guest preacher Danielle Nixon, Assistant Director of the ELCA Outreach Center.

Local food trucks Big Matt's BBQ and Pawlie's Ice Cream will be on hand from 2 to 6, serving BBQ, hot dogs and vegetarian chili, and an assortment of packaged ice cream and dessert treats.



There will also be an offering to support the ministry of the Outreach Center, with a goal to surpass last year's total of \$5600. Join us as we praise God for their indispensable work!



Congratulations to Melissa & Nathan Retzlaff and big sisters Emerson & Brynlee on the new addition to their family! Leo Nathaniel Retzlaff was born July on 13, 2022 at 7 lbs 6 oz; 20.5 inches.



Lutherdale Fest

 QUILT AUCTION

36th ANNUAL
SATURDAY, AUGUST 13
9 AM—3 PM

LIVE AUCTION STARTS AT 10 AM
OVER 250 QUILTS TO BID ON

Silent Auction • Food Concessions • Baked Goods • Pontoon Rides
 Gift Gallery • Crafts • Fabric Sale

VIEW 2022 QUILTS ONLINE JUNE 15
WWW.LUTHERDALE.ORG

Pre-Fest & Fish Fry

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12 | 4 PM—7 PM

- Preview Quilts
- Silent Bid on Quilts
- Bid on Silent Auction Baskets
- Wisconsin Fish Fry
- Baked Goods
- Gift Gallery
- Crafts
- Fabric Sale



For more information visit
<https://www.lutherdale.org/quilt-auction>

The Lord Will Provide

Faith can be a funny thing. It can be weak, fickle, steadfast or strong. "Some people are like seeds on rocky soil. They welcome the word with joy whenever they hear it, but they don't develop any roots. They believe for a while, but when their faith is tested, they abandon it. The seeds that were planted among thorn bushes are people who hear the word, but as life goes on the worries, riches, and pleasures of life choke them. So they don't produce anything good. The seeds that were planted on good ground are people who also hear the word. But they keep it in their good and honest hearts and produce what is good despite what life may bring." *Luke 8:13-15*

Clearly Jesus teaches us that we should be faithful. Things in everyday life take faith to work, just as the functions of a church run on faith. Faith that our aspirations will become a reality. Faith that our needs will be fulfilled.

Each and every one of us at Lord of Life that voted "Yes" for the 2022 budget did so on faith. Let's face it, who in their right mind would vote "Yes" for a \$50,000 deficit budget? None of us had any idea where the money to cover the on-going expenses would come from. Clearly there is faith in our God being one of abundance and that abundance will be shared. I suppose we all hope that our faith will be rewarded in turn. With some diligent accounting and maybe a little miracle, a good portion of our deficit will be erased this year by a \$39,573 Employee Retention Credit from the Federal Government.

Just as in verse above from Luke, the seeds were planted on good ground and produce what is good despite what life may bring. This is our faith being rewarded in turn for the good and honest hearts that hear the word.

The retention credit will certainly be a boost in the arm to for Lord of Life's operational budget. And we still have an unmet matching challenge gift of \$10,000 out there. LoL has received \$6,235 in new intents so far in 2022. Please know there is still time to submit your Intention Card to help LoL achieve the match the \$10,000. Your support comes at a time of transition when we need it more than never – a true testament to faithfulness!


Financial stewardship is a necessity to continuing God's work at Lord of Life. Also important is sharing your time and talents; these powerful expressions of faith help lead worship services, Sunday school, and care for our building and grounds with careful maintenance. Don't forget to sign up and be an active part of Lord of Life.

It is an exciting time for Lord of Life – our prayers have been answered and a new Pastor is being called to serve our faith community. What a blessing! What an opportunity for our faith family to engage (or re-engage) to share the responsibility of shining light, sharing our faith, for each other and our greater Kenosha and global communities.

Our prayers are being answered and our faith is being rewarded. Indeed the Lord continues to provide!

Peace,
Stewardship Team

JUNE 2022 FINANCIALS

ASSETS		June					
<u>Funds on Hand</u>		<u>YTD Income -</u>	<u>YTD Expenses -</u>				
Cash on Hand - General Fund	\$25,220.99	YTD Income	\$134,345.72				
<u>Restricted Accounts</u>		YTD Expenses	\$140,610.72				
Youth Account	\$9,649.59	YTD Revenue	-\$6,265.00				
Memorial Account Total (ALL RESTRICTED)	\$8,966.16	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>YTD INCOME</th> <th>TOTAL EXPENSES YTD</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>\$4,829.63 UNDER BUDGET</td> <td>\$24,983.64 UNDER BUDGET</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		YTD INCOME	TOTAL EXPENSES YTD	\$4,829.63 UNDER BUDGET	\$24,983.64 UNDER BUDGET
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MEMORIAL FUND	\$5,026.15	ELCA Benevolence Paid \$3,499.98					
PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY	\$1,168.51	<table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="2">For a more detailed financial report including line by line income and expenses please contact the Church Treasurer, Claudia Murillo at treasurer@lordoflifekenosha.org. Thank you!</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		For a more detailed financial report including line by line income and expenses please contact the Church Treasurer, Claudia Murillo at treasurer@lordoflifekenosha.org . Thank you!			
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HIGH FIVERS	\$ 147.00						
WOMEN'S TEA	\$ 1,055.91						
55 AND OVER	\$ 120.00						
MEN'S FELLOWSHIP	\$ -						
WOMEN'S RETREAT	\$ 644.13						
KINGFISH GAME	\$ (240.00)						
COLLECTIONS FOR OTHERS	\$ 990.43						
Scrip Account	\$11,772.51						
Scrip Card Inventory	\$16,393.89						
LIABILITIES							
Credit Card Balance	\$ 90.67						
Payroll Withholdings	\$ -						
Mortgage Balance	1,130,662.85						
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,130,753.52</u>						



Children's Health Fair

Join us for a morning of fun for all ages.

This event includes a wide variety of education, resources and activities for families of all ages, pre-baby to teens.

Special highlights include,

- FREE stuffed animals to care for at our Teddy Bear Clinic
- Meet some of our newest pediatricians and other specialists
- CSI and forensic science activities provided by the Pleasant Prairie PD
- Learn about preventing concussions
- FREE blood pressure screenings for parents, caregivers and guardians
- Discover a variety of community resources
- Snacks and beverages provided by Crumbl Cookie and Kwik Trip
- FREE raffle drawing including a car seat, tickets to Boundless Adventures, tickets to Action Territory, school supplies and more

First 100 registered receive a FREE diaper bag or backpack provided by MOLINA Healthcare.

Learn more by visiting the event website listed below.

**Saturday, August 20th
9 AM – Noon**

Aurora Health Center Pleasant Prairie
12500 Aurora Dr, Pleasant Prairie, WI

Register by visiting <https://bit.ly/AuroraChildrensFair>
scanning the QR code or call (888) 863-5502.



Face masks must be worn within our healthcare facilities. We appreciate your understanding.



August 1

Herb & Jeanine Jantz
Grant & Sue Quever

August 2

Joe & Cheryl Weber
Chris & Jill Jeserig

August 4

Dan & Helena Faraca

August 6

Brian & Kim Voss



August 6

Brooke & Zack MacKenzie

August 11

Eric & Trish Steffen

August 14

Dan & Kris Cresco
Joe & Maggie Harmsen
Bill & Rachel Taft

August 18

Jerry & Lisa Romano

August 22

Bill & Becky Dorst

August 23

Jeff & Alyssa Dishno



- 1 Suzanne Hulbert, Janice Hysell
- 3 Alyssa Dishno
- 4 Cheryl Sadowski, Stephanie Thompson
- 5 Lori Capelli
- 6 Angel'lia Moreno
- 8 Becky Dorst, Mikenna Theisen
- 9 Elliott Sens, Isaac Sens, Joey Theisen, Clara Mayerak, Annabelle Berry
- 13 Kathryn Barnhart
- 14 Charlene Clark, Hazel Guttormsen
- 15 Tanya Brady, Michael Witek, Tenley Barnhart
- 16 Jennifer Freitag, Leah Holloway, Bonnie Landwehr, Isabella Gardina, Kerry Bieneman, Kim Sly
- 17 Lou Molitor, Emme Smith, Josh Hiser
- 18 Debbie Laurence, Wyatt Jeserig
- 20 Christopher Andres, Jack Fisher
- 21 Paul Gifford
- 22 Adam Bieneman, Blake Norgaard, Linda Johnson, Lori Vogel
- 23 McKenzie Kugler, Kayla Rutkowski
- 24 Joel Kaufmann
- 25 Matthew Schneider, Walter Sarafin-Johnson
- 26 Sue Quever, Kristie Fowler, Jenn Sinnen
- 27 Emma Sexton, Jessica Claeys
- 28 Janet Gifford, Janet Swihart, Doug Terrell, Charlie Fisher
- 30 Trent Barnhart
- 31 Tracy Pavilonis

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

	August 7	August 14	August 21	August 28
Lesson Reader				
9:00 a.m.	Pam Leonard		John Meyer	Becky Brewer
Usher/Greeter				
9:00 a.m.	Usher - Greeter-Wilma Jenewein	Pam Leonard		Becky Brewer
Communion Assistant				
9:00 a.m.	Pam Leonard Kathy Miller		John Meyer	Pam Leonard Kim Sly
Scrip				
9:00 a.m.				Kim Sly
Altar Care				
9:00 a.m.				Kim Sly
Communion Bread				
9:00 a.m.	Jan Niederloh	Not Needed	Lynn Kancian	Not Needed

To sign up, visit
www.lordoflifekenosha.org/serve



LOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m. Harmony Club 7:00 p.m. Council meeting	3 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	4 7:00 p.m. AA	5	6
7 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Special Congregational Meeting to vote on Pastoral Call	8	9	10 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	11 7:00 p.m. AA	12	13
14 9:00 a.m. Worship	15 	16 9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m. Harmony Club	17 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	18 7:00 p.m. AA	19	20 9:00 a.m. Advocate Aurora Children's Fair
21 9:00 a.m. Worship	22	23	24 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	25 7:00 p.m. AA	26	27
28 9:00 a.m. Worship	29	30	31 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia			

MINISTRY OF THE SEASON

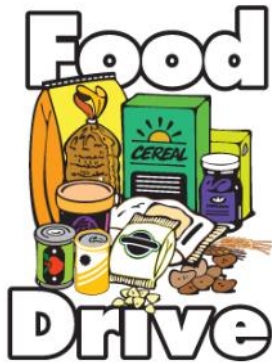
Due to rising costs, food insecurity is at an all-time high all over the country. Therefore, during the months of August and September we will collect non-perishable food items that will be divided between two community resources that provide food assistance: Grace Welcome Center and the Shalom Center.

Suggested items to donate are:

Tuna or chicken (cans/pouches)
Applesauce cups
Canned fruits in own juice
Canned vegetables
Canned soup, stew, or chili
Rice/Pasta Dishes

Mac & Cheese
Peanut butter
Jelly
Pasta sauce
Dried plain pasta & rice
Dry cereal/oatmeal

Donations can be placed in the ministry of the season chest located on the left side of the altar. Monetary donations, or grocery gift cards purchased through our Scrip program are also welcomed and we will shop for you.



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