# **June 2022**





# Our Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 26th, immediately following the 9:00 a.m. worship service.

Nominations are currently being accepted for our Congregational Council, which will be elected during this meeting. There is currently one position open and one sitting member who plans to seek re-election.

We ask all of our members to prayerfully consider filling out an application to serve Lord of Life in this capacity for a three year term. It is a very crucial time as we prepare to call a pastor. This term was changed from two years to three years in our more recently approved Constitution, which provides a better opportunity for continuity and momentum that will lead to greater effectiveness, deeper faith, and stronger ministry.

Please feel free to talk to current Council members or Nominating Committee members to learn more about this opportunity to share your gifts with our congregation. If you are interested, please contact the church office or a member of the Nominating Team: Bill Dorst, Michelle Eisenhauer, or Lisa McCarthy. Copies of the application/nomination form are available on the welcome center in the narthex.



# 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 Cerminara**

- Custodian

## Church Council

#### **Tanva Brady**

- President

## **Russ Brewer**

- Vice President

## **Brian Lynch**

- Treasurer

## Lori Vogel

- Secretary

## **Lynn Kancian** Lisa McCarthy **Rhiannon Urso**

- Members-at-large

# Office Hours

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





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

# COME, HOLY SPIRIT, COME!

We have come to the Season of Pentecost. A time when we celebrate the coming of the Spirit. It was seen as happening in several ways. The first is the lesson that we will hear this Sunday, with the rush of a mighty wind and the tongues of fire that appeared on the Apostles' heads and the multitude of languages coming from their mouth. In John, in the upper room where they were hidden, Jesus breathed on them the Spirit and they became witnesses to him. Today, in our time, we remember the coming of the Spirit through the sacrament of Holy Baptism, yet however the Spirit came we confess that we believe in the Holy Spirit and we will pray on June 5th that the Spirit will be stirred up in the those who will confirm their faith in God.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, in the person of God who remains hidden from us. We only experience the Spirit when one day we feel a movement that gives us hope in the darkness; or we hear words in our panic that give us guidance; or a feeling of God's presence reaches into a time of pain or indecision giving us a calm that could only come from God – and yet we even wonder in those times "Where did I get that?", or "How did that happen?". The Spirit was the promise of Jesus that "he would never leave us orphaned."

Bishop Erickson referred many times to "listening" to the Spirit recently at the Greater Milwaukee Synod Assembly. One of the gifts of the Spirit mentioned in Corinthians is "discernment", a function of the Spirit that dares to try to figure out what God is saying or where God is leading his church. That's your job in the process of leading your congregation into the future – listening and discerning. It's done by quieting yourself, and listening for God's voice. Asking a question and then waiting for God to speak. The answer may come in a feeling or a hunch and them talk in the community of what you think and what you feel. God will work it out. God will guide you to your future and will remain with you to work it out. Trust the process and trust God to lead you.

Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

In Jesus' Name, Pastor Kipp W. Zimmermann





Lord of Life Lutheran Church

See Page 6 for more information.



Volunteers are needed to help out with the weekly grass mowing at church! There are a few options on how you can help: riding mower, push mower, or trimming/weed whacking. Contact the church office if you have any questions or are able to help. It's a great way for high schoolers to earn service hours!



Our Call Committee is still in the process of conducting interviews with pastoral candidatures provided by the Greater Milwaukee Synod. Please keep the Call Committee, our church, and this process in your prayers and trust that God is with us and leading us. **WE ARE THE CHURCH!** 

On Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> we celebrated the end of the Sunday School year with the kid singing and a blessing and thank you to our volunteer teachers. This program wouldn't be possible with the amazing parents who helped lead this year. Additional volunteers, and co-coordinators are needed for the 2022-2023 school year. Please consider how you can help. Additional info will be shared before we gear up this fall.







Welcome, Caleb James Mayerak, to the family of God at Lord of Life, who was baptized on Sunday, May 30th. Caleb is the son of Sara Jensen & Joshua Mayerak. Congratulations!



On Sunday, May 15th we also shared a Godspeed and Farewell blessing with Jodi Iorio, who "retired" as our Connections Ministry Coordinator after 10 years of faithful service. Jodi will remain active as a church member, but will now have more time to spend with her family. ♥









Christopher Andres
Indian Trail Military Academy
Minnesota National Guard
Fall 2023: University of Minnesota

Graham Andrews
Carnegie Mellon University
Graduated with Distinction with a
Masters of Science in Public Policy
and Management - Data Analytics

Emma Brewer
Westosha Central High School
Kansas State University

Vincenzo "Vinnie" Capelli Bradford High School Entering the workforce





Sarah Kersten Harborside Academy Carthage College









Veronica McCarthy
Carthage College
Bachelor of Arts in Education,
Urban Education minor

**Blake Norgaard** Harborside Academy Carthage College

Luke Rasmussen
Bradford High School
Univ. of Minnesota - Twin Cities

**Bayleigh Tienhaara**J.I. Case High School
Carthage College







Jacob Wollschlager Harborside Academy Lakeland University





# May 3, 2022 Meeting Notes

- The meeting was opened with a devotion about the previous Sunday's gospel, the story of Doubting Thomas and faith hidden in mystery.
- Pastor Kipp reported on his activities, including Lenten midweek Bible studies, funeral for Pr. Jim Niederloh, Holy
  Week worship and teaching the Small Catechism lessons to the Confirmation students. Also reminded all that a
  weekly discussion on the Gospel is being held following worship on Sunday mornings.
- Angie made her final recommendation on upgrading some of the lighting around the building to LED to save energy costs. This would include replacing the lighting in the following areas: Main & Pastor's office, hallway and restrooms in original part of building, recessed can lights in the east vestibule and outside of the sanctuary, and the parking lot pole lights. These are areas with the most usage that would benefit the cost savings. The total cost for this project is \$5,280. Council approved \$1,000 of this expense from operating expenses, \$1,000 was approved by the Memorial Fund Team, and \$3,000 would be used from Scrip profits. The remaining \$280 will be fundraised.
- Financial reports were reviewed. An accounting firm Claudia works with completed our paperwork for an Employee Retention Credit under the CARES Act. We qualify because we experienced a decline in revenue of at least 20% for quarters in 2021, yet we kept employees on the payroll. We will be receiving a tax credit against our share of certain payroll taxes, approximately \$32,000.
- Nominating Team, consisting of Michelle Eisenhauer, Bill Dorst, and outgoing Council member, Lisa McCarthy are planning a meeting, and info on nominations will be advertised.
- Discussion was held on other ways to increase income, including building rental, although that could create a tax issue due to unrelated business. Things like baby/bridal showers, birthday/graduation parties, etc. are no problem. Angie will continue to advertise Amazon Smile, Scrip, and Thrivent Choice Dollars.
- Jodi's last day as staff is on May 15. A Godspeed/blessing will be done in worship and a time of fellowship with treats will be shared afterwards (first time since before Covid!).

# APRIL 2022 FINANCIALS

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Funds on Hand			
Cash on Hand - General Fund			\$25,534.00
Restricted Accounts			
Youth Account			\$9,649.59
Memorial Account Total (ALL RES	\$8,946.01		
MEMORIAL FUND		\$5,006.15	
PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY		\$1,168.51	
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)	
<b>COLLECTIONS FOR OTHERS</b>	\$	990.43	
Scrip Account			\$12,499.96
Scrip Card Inventory			\$16,473.89
LIAB	ILITI	ES	
Credit Card Balance			\$ 174.71
Payroll Withholdings			\$ 
Mortgage Balance		_	1,135.00
Total Liabilities			\$ 1,135,712.31

A	pril		
YTD Income -	YTD Expenses -		
YTD Income	\$91,358.38		
YTD Expenses	\$97,045.59		
YTD Revenue	-\$5,687.21		
MEMBERS GIVING YTD \$1,324.21 UNDER BUDGET	TOTAL EXPENSES YTD \$13,350.65 UNDER BUDGET		

#### ELCA Benevolence Paid \$2,916.65

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!



# 6 FROM THE PARISH NURSE

Dear Friends,

I'm happy to share that Grief Share, a very beneficial program, is returning to Lord of Life at the end of this month.

This program features biblical, Christ-centered teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. The DVD seminar features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories of people, followed by a small group discussion about what was viewed. Past participants from Grief Share small groups that I have facilitated have related how helpful the information and follow-up discussions were to them.



Many grieving people find they are only beginning the work of healing when friends or family have returned to their daily life routines. Too often people, including Christians, tend to stuff their grief instead of allowing it to do the God-given work for which it is intended. Don't allow fear of what others may think to keep you from what could help you. Confidentiality is very much a part of this program.

Your bereavement experience may be recent or not so recent. You will find encouragement, comfort, and help in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, other family member, or friend. No matter what the cause of your loved one's death, this is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling. You will learn how to recognize the symptoms of being stuck in grief and that you do not need to live in bondage to certain emotions.

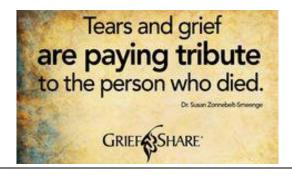
You will learn valuable information about facing your new normal in life and renewing your hope for the future. Grief Share features nationally recognized experts on grief recovery topics. Seminar sessions include "Is This Normal?" "The Challenges of Grief," "Grief and Your Relationships," "Why?" and "Guilt and Anger."



Grief Share will be offered every Tuesday evening, beginning June 28th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. through September 6th (10-week session). The small group will meet in the multi-purpose room at Lord of Life Lutheran. A program workbook is provided and there is no cost to attend, however donations are welcomed for future materials.

To register, call the Lord of Life Lutheran church office at 262-656-1995 and leave a message if prompted. There is a limit of 12 participants, so call today to save your seat! Any questions, please call Sue Quever, Parish Nurse 262-925-3822.

Shalom,
Sue Quever R.N., FCN
AdvocateAurora Faith & Health Community Program



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# LOL FAMILY NEWS

#### June 1

Iver & DeEtta Iverson

#### June 3

Richard & Kim Kugler

#### June 6

Jim & Marcia Shaffer

#### June 7

Gary & Wilma Jenewein Neil & Anna Kersten John & Susan Meyer Jon & Caitlen Van Pay

#### June 8

Gale & Nancy Haldeman

#### June 9

Tim & Kristen Schiappacasse



#### June 12

Paul & Deb Gonsalves Erik & Nikki Guttormsen

#### June 18

Jeff & Deb Wamboldt Brian & Christi Wilke

#### June 19

Warren & Jennifer Arnold

#### June 20

Dan & Jenn Sinnen

#### June 21

Ryan & Lora McNeely

#### June 22

Tom & Lori Vogel Brad & Kristin Baranowski

#### June 25

Jim & Libby Nelsen Jake & Charlene Clark

#### June 27

Sara Jensen & Joshua Mayerak

#### June 28

Sandy & Diane Speirs

# 1 Noah Cresco

- 2 Elliot Dishno
- 3 Kim Kugler, Michael Wamboldt
- 4 Steve Kolner, Shawn Guetschow
- 5 Bonnie Miller, Robert Aker, Julia Sexton
- 6 Adeline Pomerening
- 7 Ryan Daugherty, Sarah Young, Alice Lutz, Jordan Jeserig
- 8 Tim Rasmussen, Daniel Kleutsch Meredith Kaufmann
- 10 Bonnie Knoedler
- 11 Andrew Sinnen.
- 12 Bill Chase, Matthew Swihart
- 13 Alison Daugherty, Katie Weis
- 14 Kathy Estep, Donna Ramer, Carter Cozzie, Landon Sinnen
- 15 Don Estes, Judi Johnson, Paige Cresco, Angie Wollschlager, Collin Klimisch
- 17 Kris Cresco, Lynn Cimfel
- 18 Connor Speirs, Sara Jensen
- 19 Ben Moran
- **20** Megan Fowler, Jay Vogel, Naomi Dishno
- 21 Dan Lein, Stephanie Paff
- 23 Molly Swihart, Jaxon Haigh, Sydney Haigh
- 24 Addison Funk, Bob Zatko
- **25** Debbie Wamboldt, Rhiannon Urso, Skyla Hurlbut
- **26** Guy Sorgio, Casey Corrao, Ryan Parks, Alice Messenger, Scott Johnson,
- 27 Russell Schultz
- **28** Diane Speirs, Kristin Baranowski, Pam Leonard,
- **29** Carol Johnston, Hayden Schultz

# Easy ways to support Lord of Life as you shop:



Did you know that there is a simple way for you to support Lord of Life every time you shop Amazon? When you shop AmazonSmile (www.smile.amazon.com) and designate Lord of Life as your charity, 0.5% of your eligible purchases will be donated to Lord of Life.

We receive the donations quarterly, and last month we received a donation of \$82.78. Since 2015, we have received a total of \$1,567.40 in donations through Amazon Smile, by 126 shoppers. Shop & support us directly at smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1513556





Gift card fundraising is the best way to raise money. Buy gift cards from your favorite brands to earn on your daily purchases. It's never been easier to create opportunities for what matters most to you. No extra money spent. No extra time wasted.

# Easily raise \$1,000 or more every year





No extra money comes

out of your pocket.



Our organization earns

Impacting what matters most to you.

Gift cards through our Scrip program are available to purchase on Sunday mornings after worship and from the Church office Monday through Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. until Noon.



# LOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS JUNE



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SCHOOL  CLOSED FOR THE SUMMER			6:30 p.m. Final Confirmation class & pizza party	2 7:00 p.m. AA	3	4
9:00 a.m. Worship –Service of Confirmation 10:00 a.m. Bible Study—Pastor's office	6	7 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia 7:00 p.m. Council meeting (Zoom)	8	9 7:00 p.m. AA	10	11
9:00 a.m. Worship— Graduate blessing 10:00 a.m. Bible Study— Pastor's office	13	14 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	15 ODEADLINE	<b>16</b> 7:00 p.m. AA	17	18
9:00 a.m. Worship  Happy  Others  Day	20	21 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	22	23 7:00 p.m. AA	24	25
9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Annual Congregational Meeting	27	12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	29	30 7:00 p.m. AA		DON'T TAKE A VACATION FROM CHURCH

#### MINISTRY THE SEASON O F



During the months of June and July we will collect school supplies for organizations in our community that distribute them to children in need.

The suggested items to donate are:



**Backpacks** Glue sticks Box of 24 crayons No. 2 pencils

8 ct. or larger washable markers

12 ct. or larger colored pencils

Wide ruled theme paper

Wide rule spiral notebooks—70 pages

Gallon and quart sized Ziploc bags Earbuds with microphone

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









