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The monthly newsletter of Lord of Life Lutheran Church

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Nominations are being accepted for our Congregational Council, which will be elected during our Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, June 26th. There is currently one position open and one sitting member who plans to seek re-election. The congregation elects members to Council, and the new Council will then appoint officers at their first meeting. Interested individuals can speak to a member of the Nominating Committee: Michelle Eisenhauer, Bill Dorst, and Lisa McCarthy or contact the church office. Candidates can be self-nominated or may be nominated by others.

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. 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.

See the links in the weekly emails, contact the church office, or a Nominating Committee member for an application. The deadline to submit your completed application is May 30th, and can be submitted to the church office or electronically through the link in the weekly email.



SERVING YOU AT LORD OF LIFE

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

Church Council

- Tanya 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.



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

CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

The Three Days (Triduum) mark the central focus of the church year. Everything else leads up to the saving events of those three days – Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Great Vigil of Easter with the first shouts of resurrection triumph. Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! What follows in the seven weeks is the remembrance of the events of those three days. For seven weeks we remember by lighting the Paschal Candle to show us the light of Christ until the Ascension and the coming of the Spirit. Then following in the months after we remember the Lord's presence in the waters of baptism and the breaking of bread weekly.

I offer you the challenge in these weeks and months ahead until once more we rejoin the cycle of the church year at Advent to find the signs of the Lord's presence in our daily lives together. Find the days and the ways in which the Lord finds entrance into your lives and into your church and into your community to speak of his presence and intersection with you. Find the places where you catch the ear of the Lord listening to you; or the voice of the Lord speaking to you; or the hand of the Lord guiding you or sustaining you. I assure you; the Lord is doing all of those, it becomes our blessing to find them daily and acknowledge them.

My prayer for you in these days of waiting for your next pastor to manifest is that you will become all the more contain of the Lord's presence in your call process.

God Bless you all!

Pastor Kipp W. Zimmermann



WHAT'S HAPPENING



**Mowing
help
needed!**

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.



In the past month, the Call Committee has continued to review candidates that the Synod provides. At this time there are many churches in the Synod with pastoral openings, including other congregations in Kenosha. 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!

Send us your graduate's info so we can celebrate them!



Please send an email to the church office at office@lordoflifekenosha.org with the following info:

- ◇ The name of your high school or college graduate
- ◇ Their senior picture or other recent photo
- ◇ Name of school from which they are graduating
- ◇ Future plans: For college graduates include the degree earned. For high school students include the college they will be attending next year.

To Serve Humanity Near and Far

Included Activities:

- Tour of facility
- Student work gallery
- Special ceremony honoring the Grace Welcome Center
- Art craft fair
- Activities for kids

Event: Grace Welcome Center 5th Anniversary Extravaganza!

Date: Friday, May 13, 2022

Time: 3-6PM

Location: Grace Lutheran Church
2006 60th Street
Kenosha, WI 53140



2023 calendars will be for sale



Lunde Concert (admission ticket is your ticket)
Doors open at 6 pm and show starts at 7 pm in the Ralph J. Houghton Performance Center
913 57th Street
Kenosha, WI 53140



Dinner will be from 3:00-5:00 PM at the Grace Welcome Center



Only \$10 and a non-perishable food item per person

This event is sponsored by Harborside PTSO and DeRango's

April 5, 2022 Meeting Notes

- Pastor Kipp shared that he will be teaching the Small Catechism lessons to the Confirmation kids in May. An enormous thank you goes to Amanda Maedke for all of the work she has done leading Confirmation this year. Third year students will be confirmed on Sunday, June 5th, which is Pentecost Sunday.
- Angie continues to work with a couple of outside companies on updating some of our lighting to LED, which would lead to significant energy savings. The upfront costs are slightly daunting, so we may only be able to complete portions at a time. Funds from Scrip income may consider being used, and possibly a special fund drive.
- The financial report was discussed, specifically an expense that was paid to an accounting firm to complete the paperwork and application needed to secure an Employee Retention Credit as part of the Covid-19 CARES Act. We will be receiving a refund of a portion of the payroll taxes we paid in three quarters of 2021 from the IRS for retaining employees even though there was a decline in our gross receipts.
- The Covid Task force continues to monitor infection rates and information about Covid variants. There was an event held at a sister congregation that led to a local outbreak, so masks were recommended to be worn again.
- The Call Committee is awaiting the Synod to provide us with candidates who fit our Ministry Site Profile. We are confident that GOD will provide and we will find a quality pastor that will fit our needs.
- Our Sunday School program is in need of volunteers to fill the Coordinator(s) position. Barb Hess will be stepping down after this program year ends, and Jodi Iorio will be leaving her staff position in mid-May. Our prayers are that a couple of parents of younger kids will be willing to co-coordinate.

MARCH 2022 FINANCIALS

ASSETS

Funds on Hand

Cash on Hand - General Fund \$27,643.03

Restricted Accounts

Youth Account \$9,649.59

Memorial Account Total (ALL RESTRICTED) \$8,286.83

MEMORIAL FUND \$4,347.04

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)

COLLECTIONS FOR OTHERS \$ 990.43

Scrip Account \$10,122.13

Scrip Card Inventory \$18,698.89

LIABILITIES

Credit Card Balance \$ 106.90

Payroll Withholdings \$ -

Mortgage Balance 1,138,149.22

Total Liabilities \$ 1,138,256.12

March

YTD Income -	YTD Expenses -
YTD Income	\$70,417.89
YTD Expenses	\$74,063.95
YTD Revenue	-\$3,646.06
TOTAL INCOME YTD \$868.95 OVER BUDGET	TOTAL EXPENSES YTD \$8,733.23 UNDER BUDGET

ELCA Benevolence Paid \$1,749.99

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!



May 1	10:00 a.m. CLASS
May 8	10:00 a.m. CLASS
May 15 LAST DAY OF SUNDAY	9:00 a.m. Kids sing in worship 10:00 a.m. Family activity and end of year celebration

Fun from our Family Easter activity, held on Palm Sunday. We did a fun Easter craft and hunted for Easter eggs.



Easter Children's Sermon
Pastor Kipp reminding us of the meaning of baptism and letting us dip our fingers in the font.



LOVE KIDS & GOD?

Consider helping coordinate our Sunday School program beginning in the fall! The curriculum and craft ideas are provided, but a team of two co-coordinators are needed to help plan and communicate. If you'd like to learn more, see Jodi or Barb, or contact the church office.

Dear Friends,

Life is really stirring outside, and we can hear the chirps and buzzing from creatures coming out for spring and warmer weather. But what if you can't hear the sounds or the sounds are very muffled? The Health Observance for the month of May focuses on our hearing. Healthy hearing results in positive health outcomes, increase social engagement, improves communication, and lowers the risk for depression and dementia.

May Is
Better
Hearing
Month



When we hear, sound waves travel from the outer ear, through the middle ear, and into the inner ear where the vibrations stimulate thousands of tiny hair cells. The tiny hair cells in the inner ear send electrical signals to the auditory nerve which is connected to the auditory center of the brain. The brain translates the impulses into sounds that we know and understand. The brain also separates pertinent sounds from background noise and turns up the volume of our own speech. In fact, our brain filters out unwanted noise so that we can focus on what we are listening to.

Hearing loss plays a role in our ability to stay mentally sharp as we age. Untreated hearing loss can lead to isolation and loneliness, and research has linked hearing loss to an increased risk of cognitive decline, dementia, and Alzheimer's Disease. Hearing loss is also shown to accelerate brain atrophy or shrinkage.

As hearing becomes harder, your brain must work harder to register and grasp what you're listening to. This steals energy needed for memory and thinking. The portion of the brain used for hearing can become reorganized in even the earliest stages of age-related hearing loss. These compensatory changes increase the overall load on the brains of aging adults. The cognitive overload begins to fatigue the brain and puts it at an increased risk for dementia. Researchers say that managing or treating hearing loss is one of nine things you can do to prevent dementia.

Untreated hearing loss influences the brain's ability to remember everyday sounds. When the hearing nerves lose their function and no longer channel sound signals to the brain, the brain can temporarily lose the connection to those sounds until treatment.

Additionally, researchers at Johns Hopkins found people with impaired hearing lost more brain tissue annually than people with normal hearing, likely due to atrophy from lack of stimulation. This link between hearing loss and cognitive decline reinforces the need to get hearing checked annually and seek out treatment if hearing loss is present. Hearing aids are the most effective treatment of hearing loss at all stages.



An online hearing check is no substitute for a professional hearing test but here are a few online hearing testing sites that offer initial hearing tests.

<https://www.phonak.com/us/en/online-hearing-test.html>

<https://www.miracle-ear.com/online-hearing-test>

Hearing plays a major role in our quality of life, from our emotional, well-being and physical health to our careers and leisure activities. Take the time to check your hearing, so you don't miss a word.

Shalom,

Sue Quever R.N., F.C.N.

AdvocateAurora Faith and Health Program



Worship volunteers are needed weekly in the following ministries:

Lesson Reader—the Bible reading is emailed to you several days in advance and a printed copy is provided on Sunday morning.

Usher—these individuals hand out any worship related materials, dismiss worshippers by row for communion, take a count of the number of people in worship, and secure the offering after worship.

Greeter—friendly faces that say “Good morning” or “Welcome”. Many times this is also done by the Usher(s).

Communion Assistant—two volunteers are needed most weeks to move the communion trays from the altar to the serving tables, then recite “the blood of Christ shed for you” to worshippers as they take a communion cup.

Communion Bread Baker—self explanatory. It’s not a complicated recipe.

Altar Care—Clean up communion supplies after worship and prepare them for the following week.

If you have any questions about any of these opportunities, or would like to sign up, contact the church office, or see Jodi, Connie, or Angie on Sunday morning.



May 2

Michael & Cynthia
LaBelle

May 5

Casey & Tammy Corrao

May 6

Rick & Brenda
Walentowski

May 9

Bob & Clarann Zatko



May 15

Adam & Maggie
Pomerening

May 24

Bill & Neva Hileman

May 26

Mike & Katie Fisher

May 26

Dan & Lynn Cox
Jamine & Moriah
White

May 29

Bob & Barbara Gray



- 1 Becky Brewer, Kevin Mikolas
- 2 Aaden Maedke
- 3 Natalie Gardina, Jaclyn Taft
- 4 Michelle Maddox, Evellyn Ashton
- 5 Anna Kersten, Paul Gonsalves, Brooke MacKenzie, Leslie Woods, Asher Smith
- 6 Erica Weis, Avery Cozzie
- 9 Jack Kersten, Marissa Garretto,
- 10 Leslie Sepanski, Alyssa Fowler, Megan McNeely,
- 11 Kristen Schiappacasse
- 12 Andrew Dorst, Sue Lyford
- 13 Doris Kitchens, Adalina Barnhart
- 14 Aiden Rademacher
- 15 Reese Dutton, Lorrel Fisher, Benjamin Chase
- 16 Julie Chase
- 17 Brianna Daugherty, Cody LaBelle,
- 18 Dana Iverson, Jacob Kleutsch, Mati Degefa, Emma Swihart, Morgan Leicht
- 19 Richard Kugler, Michael LaBelle, Tim Jones, Jodi Erickson, Joe Weber
- 20 Connie Wittmus
- 22 Ann Anderson
- 23 Lori Booth, Cheryl Weber
- 24 Sonja Wolfe, Fisher Hurlbut, Fred Bacher
- 26 Jamine White
- 27 Adrianna Terrell, Cathryn Bothe
- 28 Andrea Garretto, Samantha Molitor
- 29 Erik Guttormsen, Matteo Bilotta, Allyson Rademacher
- 30 Kelsey Konz

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




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



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School	2	3 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	4 7:00 Confirmation	5 7:00 p.m. AA	6	7
8 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 	9	10 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia 7:00 p.m. Council meeting	11 7:00 Confirmation	12 7:00 p.m. AA	13	14
15 9:00 a.m. Worship—SS kids singing 10:00 a.m. Sunday School—end of year celebration	16 	17 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	18 7:00 Confirmation	19 7:00 p.m. AA	20	21
22 9:00 a.m. Worship	23	24 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia	25	26 7:00 p.m. AA	27	28
29 9:00 a.m. Worship	30  Memorial DAY Church Office Closed	31 12:00 p.m. Ladies of Lydia				

MINISTRY OF THE SEASON



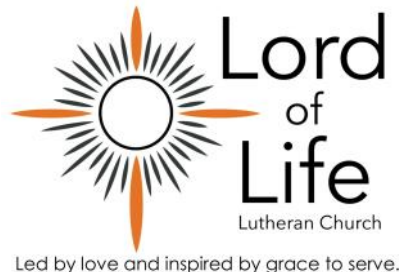
This month we will continue collecting healthy snacks for the ELCA Outreach Center's Summer Camp. Camp will run from mid-June through the end of July, and will serve approximately 100 grade school children.

Some snack ideas are:

granola bars
juice boxes/pouches
squeezable applesauce
fruit leather
raisins

Individual serving size bags of
Veggie straws
Goldfish crackers
Pretzels
Popcorn

Monetary donations or donations of gift cards purchased through our Scrip program will also be accepted and we will shop for you!



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