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Pastor's Corner

Peace and joy be yours this Easter Season as we celebrate the new life that Christ brings. **May is always a very full month at Our Savior's and this year is no exception.** Between programs ending, snow birds returning, new members joining and graduates celebrating there is a lot going on. Take a look below:

May 4 Camp Sunday. Reception for new members.

There are several families among those who are joining the congregation, so we'll welcome them on our Camp Sunday. Like last year, executive director Keith Newman and family will be there to join us and to give us an update on life at Luther Park Bible Camp in Chetek, WI. Come sing camp songs and welcome our new members!

May 11 Graduate Sunday. Kids Sing. Mother's Day.

We honor five graduates this year with beautiful quilts that the quilters have sewed full of love and prayers: Janice Anderson, Julia Collins, Shawn Gregerson, Chelsea Hipsher and Melissa Walsh. Come wish them well and send them off with blessings and prayers. Our kids will sing in their honor. This is the last time our kids will sing this year. We'll have a special blessing for all moms.

May 18 Annual Meeting following Worship.

Annual reports will be available in mailboxes on May 11. Among the agenda items are electing new council members and re-addressing the 2014 budget. Right now we are operating under our 2013 budget. We did not have a sufficient quorum for our budget meeting. **We need at least 50 members in good standing (active members) to form a quorum on the 18th.** By definition in our constitution, members in good standing are baptized, confirmed members who have made a financial contribution and communed at least once in this (2014) or the prior (2013) calendar year.

May 26 A regular, normal Sunday – hooray!

June 2 Creation Sunday – Blessing of Seeds and Soil

Bring labeled garden seeds and utensils (so they don't get mixed up...) to be blessed. We join the ancient practice of rogation days by giving thanks for the earth and asking God to bless all planting and harvesting. We will gather in the memorial garden at the end of the service for this portion of the blessing.

A joy-filled Easter Season to you all,

Pastor Kristina

Our Savior's Council Minutes April 2014

Present: Peg Hipsher, Tammy Sipsas, Howard Lehman, Rozie Maki, Sandy Rau, Doug Thyberg.

A motion to approve the minutes from the March meeting made by Tammy, seconded by Rozi. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the March financials subject to audit made by Rozie, seconded by Tammy. Motion carried.

President's report:

- Reviewed Pastor's report and the time off during March.
- Tabled scheduling Pastor's review until May meeting.
- Sandy will set up a time with Pastor to conduct our secretary's review.
- Sandy had no information on the upcoming Synod Assembly to share.
- Council decided a list of spring cleaning to share with the congregation along with a list of products needed for our church could be put on the bulletin board and bulletins.
- *Motion to use 50 people as a quorum for the congregational meeting based on the Baptized, Confirmed membership list revised as of April 2014, made by Doug, seconded by Rozie. Motion carried.*
- *Motion to approve the Baptized, Confirmed membership list as eligible voting members as of April 2014 by Doug, seconded by Peg. Motion carried.*
- *Motion to regretfully accept Karen Maron's resignation from the council made by Howard, seconded by Doug. Motion carried.*
- *Motion to accept Pastor's monthly report by Doug, seconded by Peg. Motion carried.*

Committee Reports:

- Finance committee: Doug reported that the audit was complete and a report will be ready for the Annual Meeting. \$3100.00 has been spent on the bathroom renovation so far. We currently have two financial secretaries in training – Linda Pepping and Mary Berube.
- Outreach committee: Doug reported that the committee continues to work on the new member event, to be held on April 27.
- Property Committee: Howard reported that the bathrooms were nearly complete. Shelving was put up for storage. The mailboxes need to be re-lettered with current families.

Motion to accept committee reports as given was made by Doug and seconded by Rozie. Motion carried.

Old Business – (in the president's report)

New Business: The annual meeting is scheduled for May 18 following church service. There will need to be announcements in the bulletin and verbally during announcements on April 27, May 4 and May 11. Also, we will need Evelyn to mail out post cards notifying everyone about the meeting. We will need nominations for two, 3-year Council positions and one to finish the 2 years remaining from Karen Maron's position.

April 30 is the deadline for committee reports to be into Evelyn.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. Next meeting to be May 13th @ 6:30 pm @ Our Savior's



Volunteer Schedule May 2014

Prayer for Families

We will continue this year to include three families or individuals in our Sunday morning prayers. I know there are many of you that pray for individuals and the needs that we know of, but there are many times we don't know when someone is in need of a prayer. This is one more way for us to care for each other placing them in God's hands.

May 4

Karen Maron
Olivia Mieritz
Jan Modeen

May 11

Reen Modeen
John & Tammy O'Brian
Chris & Shelly Olson

May 18

Eric & Tracy Olson
Jim & Nan Olson
Pirkko Olson

May 25

Beverly Patterson
Jerry & Julie Peck
Charles & Beverly
Patterson

Date	Coffee	Lector	Nursery
May 4	Rodney & MaryAnn Lahti	John Joseph	Volunteer Needed
May 11	Doug & Nancy Thyberg	Melinda Santikko	Volunteer Needed
May 18	John Schrock & Mary Berube	Rozie Maki	Volunteer Needed
May 25	Tammy Sipsas & Debbie Landgreen	Donna Callahan	Volunteer Needed
Monthly			
Ushers: Nan & Jim Olson			
Greeters: John & Jeanne Joseph			
Altar Guild: Rozie M. Dianna T. Janelle A.			
Acolytes: May 4 – Chloe Sipsas May 11 – Andrew Hanson May 18 – Adrienne Luoma May 25 – Shane Sipsas			



BIRTHDAYS this month

Eric Pohjonen -1st
Dorothy Kangas -5th
Lynette Kesler -5th
Mack Santikko -5th
Karen Boggess -7th
Paul Santikko -8th
Julie Anderson -9th
Richard Forsythe -14th
Sandy Rau -14th
Janice Anderson -14th
Bill Pepping -16th

Leo Drougas -16th
Pastor Kristina -18th
Judy Nelson -18th
Tom Boggess -18th
Howard Lehman -28th
Ray Kangas -29th
Reenie Modeen -29th
Jens Gregerson -30th
Ryan Johnson -30th
Ken Watters -30th



Kent Getty & Jane Bragiel -1st
Wayne & Lynette Smith -3rd
John & Doreen Swanson -17th
Phil & Cindy Knapp -27th

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

May 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Pastor's Hours of Availability: Monday-Thursday 9:30-1:00 Call 715-372-8701 or 715-813-0442 to reach the Pastor.</p>	<p>Secretary's Hours Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 7:30-12:30</p>			1 6:30 Choir	2 Scholarship Deadline	3 12:00 Yoga
4 9:00 a.m. Worship Reception of New Members Camp Sunday Food Shelf Item — Can of Fruit	5 10:00-3:00 Community Quilting 5:00 Worship 6:30 Education @ the P. Parlor 7:00 Al-Anon	6 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	7 9:30 Bible Study 3:45 Wed. Bible School 5:30 Confirmation	8 6:30 Choir	9	10 12:00 Yoga
11 9:00 a.m. Worship Mother's Day Graduate Sunday Food Shelf Item — Paper Towels	12 10:00-3:00 Community Quilting 7:00 Al-Anon	13 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:00 Scholarship Committee Meeting 5:30 Yoga 6:30 Council	14 9:30 Bible Study 3:45 Wed. Bible School 5:30 Confirmation	15 WELCA 7:00 Choir	16	17 Food Shelf 9:00-11:00 12:00 Yoga
18 9:00 a.m. Worship <i>followed by</i> Annual Meeting Food Shelf Item — Can of Peas	19 Newsletter Deadline 10:00-3:00 Community Quilting 7:00 Al-Anon	20 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	21 9:30 Bible Study 5:30 Confirmation	22 6:30 Choir	23 6:30 Smiling Faces Preschool Graduation	24 12:00 Yoga
25 9:00 a.m. Worship Food Shelf Item — Kleenex	26 Memorial Day Office Closed 7:00 Al-Anon	27 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	28 9:30 Bible Study	29 6:30 Choir	30	31 12:00 Yoga

OSL Graduating Seniors- Applications for the Merv Lindelof Scholarship are now available on the bulletin board near the kitchen. Applications deadline is May 2, 2014.

Pie & Ice Cream Social- Sunday, May 4th from 1:00pm-4:00pm at the Brule Town Hall. Sponsored by The Rural Care & Share Food Shelf and Thrivent Financial. Free will offering, all proceeds go to the Rural Care & Share Food Shelf. 4 pies are needed for this event, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin near the kitchen.

Mom's Night Out- Mission Covenant Church Women's Ministry Team invites you to a special screening of MOM'S NIGHT OUT. Saturday May 10th at the Duluth Cinema. Pre-Register @ missioncovenantchurch.org. See poster for more details.

Cleaning the Church-We need a team of volunteers to clean the church for the month of May. Please sign up on the bulletin board to help out. You can volunteer to clean the Sanctuary or Kitchen and bathrooms or the fellowship hall and entry.

Thank you
Sandy Rau, Council President

Spring Cleaning-Please volunteer for the jobs found on the list of Spring Cleaning that needs to be done at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. The main chores include raking, washing windows and cleaning the furniture, in the Sanctuary.

Sandy Rau, Council President

Annual Meeting- The Annual Meeting of Our Savior's Lutheran Church will be May 18, following the worship service. We will need a quorum of 50 voting members. The agenda will include election of three 3-year Council members and one 2-year Council member. Because our Congregational Budget meeting did not have a quorum we need to revisit the issues of the Playground and the Sister Congregation in Malawi as well as the 2014 budget.

Sandy Rau, Council President

5th Annual "Heart for Luther Park" Event- This exciting, fund-raising, family event will be held Saturday, August 9, 2014. This is the main fundraiser of the year for Luther Park Bible Camp. They raised over \$22,000.00 last year.

So quilters, do you have a quilt, large or small to donate? Artists, do you have sculpture, metal art, painting, or woodworking item to donate? Congregation groups or individuals, can you put together a theme basket to be auctioned off?

Pick up a donations form from the office and donate by July 26th. This fund-raiser event will include supervised children's activities and a brick oven pizza lunch. Plan to attend to become a bidder and enjoy a fun filled day. For more details ask Sandy Rau.



Please keep the following men and women serving our country in your prayers: Continue to watch over Mike Hope, Tiegen Brickson, David Doherty, Kyle Thyberg, Ryan Glau, Peter Bracket, D.J. Bourassa, David Fierner, Darek and Charlotte Reijo, Craig Danula.

Be with their families and those who have returned. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Please pray for the following in need of God's care: Robby Maron, Jerry Tapani, Leroy Lahti, Scott Rickaby, Ken Watters, Vanessa Lawson, Bonnie Mahocker, Mason Weber, Jonathan Jensen, Shirley Welty, Arlene Crowley, Jennifer Anderson, Connie Sorenson, Ginger Weyandt, Marge Johnson, Pam Hawk family, Jeri Ogren, Myron Knapp, John Hoffman, Doris Perala, Jason Moreau, Al Buhler, Cheryl Clark, Jean Sucha, Herb Buran, Charlie Gritzner, Darren Forsythe, and Darrel Ciskie.

Email Evelyn if you would like to add or (joyfully) remove someone from our prayers.

The Bathroom Remodeling Project Is Done! What a huge project this was. It seemed like every part of this project came up with a glitch that needed to be dealt with. From changing the plumbing to accommodate the new urinal to arranging the schedules with the flooring people, volunteers personal schedules and the church schedule of events and an unexpected funeral. Jim Rau, Mark Santikko, Harry Danula, Merv Maki and Don Christianson did a great job of dismantling and installing the new fixtures. Floor Decor did a great job of pouring a concrete skim coat over the old tile floor and then installing the vinyl sheet flooring. Jeanette tackled the dreaded wall paper boarders. Kathy and Dick Rewalt did the tough job of selecting and delivering the new cabinets, paint, fixtures, mirror, towel dispensers, etc. Jane Jensen has donated the new toilets in memory of Bill Larson. WELCA is buying the two baby changing tables. We love the convenience of the automatic towel dispensers, single handle faucets and lever door knobs.

We still need to dispose of the old fixtures, which are sitting in one of the Sunday School rooms. We need to get them out of there. Harry Danula is in charge of this disposal so if you want any of this stuff, talk to him.

Thank you to everyone who helped on this project, it is a wonderful upgrade to our church facility.
Sandy Rau, Council President

PUZZLE

Mothers in the Bible

Children have always had a special place in their mother's heart.

Directions: First, cover up the second column and see if you can name some of the mothers' children from the Bible. Then write the circled letters on the correct lines below to complete Proverbs 23:25, NIV.

MOTHERS		CHILDREN	
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Sa ¹ rah	bore	Is ¹⁸ aac	
Re ⁷ bekah	bore	Ja ²⁷ cob and Es ¹⁵ au	
Ra ¹³ chel	bore	Be ²⁰ njamin and Jo ³¹ seph	
Le ¹² ah	bore	Re ⁴³ uben, Si ¹⁷ meon, Le ³⁰ vi, Ju ³⁵ dah, Is ³⁵ sachar, Ze ²⁸ bulun and Di ²⁴ nah	
Zi ⁴⁴ lpah	bore	Ca ²⁶ d and As ³⁶ her	
Bi ⁵⁴ lhah	bore	Da ²³ n and Na ³⁸ ph ³⁸ tali	
Jo ¹⁸ chebed	bore	Mo ²² ses	
Na ⁷ omi	bore	Ma ²² hlon and Ki ²² llon	
Ru ¹⁴ th	bore	Ob ⁵ ed	
Ha ²⁶ nna ^h	bore	Sam ²¹ uel	
Bas ²⁶ hsheba	bore	So ²¹ lomon	
Elizab ¹⁰ eth	bore	Jo ²⁷ hn the Bapti ²⁷ st	
Ma ⁶ ry	bore	Je ¹⁶ sus	
Eu ⁶ nice	bore	Tim ⁴ othy	



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 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33
 _____ P _____
 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44

PROVERBS 23:25, NIV

Answer: "May your mother rejoice; may she give you birth be joyful" Proverbs 23:25, NIV

Just for KIDS

God's Creation

In the spring we see God's creation coming alive again!
 Fill in the blanks below with the names of things that God created. Use the Scripture references to help if needed.

- G _____ where vegetables grow (Deuteronomy 11:10)
- O _____ a tree to rest under (1 Kings 13:14)
- D _____ when Mary went to the tomb (Matthew 28:1)
- S _____ lights in the night sky (Genesis 1:16)
- C _____ provided clothing for John the Baptist (Matthew 3:4)
- R _____ flowing water (Matthew 3:6)
- E _____ name of a garden (Genesis 2:8)
- A _____ the first man (Genesis 2:20b)
- T _____ sound made by lightning (Exodus 19:16)
- I _____ hopping, flying, crawling creatures (Leviticus 11:20)
- O _____ a "wise" bird (Psalm 102:6)
- N _____ begins at sunset (Genesis 28:11)

Answers: garden; oak; dawn; stars; camel; river; Eden; Adam; thunder; insects; owl; night.