

**March 2018 Newsletter**  
**Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church**  
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### **Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church**

A member congregation of the Northern Great Lakes Synod  
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America  
Sunday Worship Service: 9:00 AM  
June thru August, Saturday Service: 5:30 PM  
Fellowship/Coffee: 10:15 AM  
Weekday Church School (preschool-grade 5): Wednesdays 4 PM  
(Weekday Church School runs from Labor Day to Memorial Day)

*EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT AND ROOTED IN THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE A  
LOVING COMMUNITY THAT FOLLOWS JESUS, AND SEEKS TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD  
AND DO IT IN OUR DAILY LIVES.*



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[www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org](http://www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org)  
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## **WORDS FROM BILL**

It is a beautiful day, as I write this letter. The kind of winter day we have come to appreciate. Although a bit cold, the sun is out, there is a light breeze, and not a cloud in the sky. And most important, the days are getting longer, a sign the season is changing.

This is also a sign of another season that approaches, the season of Lent. That time when we journey once again with Jesus through the last days of his ministry. Days that grow shorter and darker for Jesus, not longer and brighter. And although Jesus knew how this journey would end, we can learn a lot from his determination to do his Father's will, doing what he did out of pure love for you, me, and all of creation.

As spring approaches and new life begins again, I invite you once more to walk again with Jesus. To hear again his teachings, to eat with him, pray with him, to suffer with him, to die with him, and to triumphantly rise with him. And in doing so, we strengthen our faith and resolve to go forth each day and do the will of our Father in heaven.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the end of the greatest story ever told, of the greatest act of love the world has and ever will know, of a ministry that is still shaping the world today. Come join us, and together we will journey, and walk once more, with Jesus.

Bill †

Lenten services this year will again be each Wednesday through the Lenten season, as follows:

- Ash Wednesday Service – February 14, 7 PM
- Soup Supper 5:30, Lenten Service 6:30 on the following 5 Wednesdays - February 21 & 28, March 7, 14, & 21.
- Palm Sunday service 9 AM – March 25
- Holy Week Services:
  - a) Maundy Thursday – 7 PM – March 29
  - b) Good Friday – 7 PM – March 30
  - c) Easter Vigil – 5:30 PM – March 31
  - d) Easter Sunday – April 1 - Pancake Breakfast – 7:30 AM, Service 9 AM

## **FROM YOUR COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

In my report this month I'd like to make a few comments regarding our annual church meeting which took place this past January 28<sup>th</sup>. I think we all can agree that it was a successful meeting at which we discussed and approved business which is very important to our congregation. The church Endowment Fund, which has been discussed for several years, was approved along with the first five members of the Endowment fund committee. The changes to some wording have been made and the papers putting the fund into effect have been signed. I feel that this fund will be a great blessing to Shepherd in the future.

The decorating committee presented their ideas on the painting of our sanctuary. We are hopeful that the painting project can be completed before Holy Week and Easter.

Joann Kehl and Margaret Lindquist were approved to continue as elected members of the church council. I look forward to serving with them in the coming year. As I mentioned at the meeting there will be at least two positions to fill on council at our next annual meeting. Please keep this in mind as you think about using your time and talents to serve. It is your opportunity to become involved in the life of your church and to help make the important decisions which need to be made.

Our Synod Assembly delegates this year will be Larry and Elaine Kuhlman. Larry and Elaine will again be in charge of the Fourth of July popcorn event.

Joann Kehl and Margaret Lindquist have agreed to chair the Pie and Ice Cream Picnic event. Please let these folks know if you are able to help out in any way.

Thank you to all who attended the annual meeting. Your participation was very much appreciated.

Doug Tarkowski

**Council Members:**

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Doug Tarkowski, President 715-479-1154  
Jon Erpenbach, Vice President 715-542-2448  
JoAnn Kehl 715-542-4174

Margaret Lindquist 715-542-2434  
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Sharon Geist 715-892-7486  
Joan Ebert 239-910-3986

**DIRECTORY UPDATES**

New address for Mel & Barb Harvey:

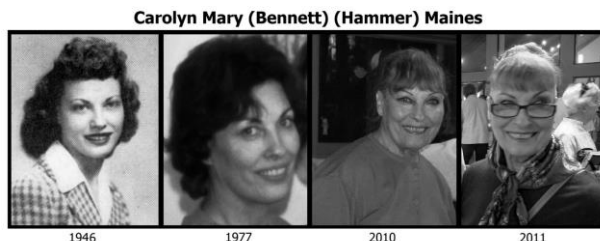
Grace Lodge  
1000 Day St.  
Rhineland, WI 54501

They will be keeping the same phone numbers as they had previously.

**CAROLYN MAINES - OBITUARY**

**Carolyn M. Maines**  
**01 JAN 1929 to 11 JAN 2018**

Carolyn Mary (Bennett) (Hammer) Maines, 89, a longtime resident of Sayner, WI and former resident of Speedway, IN was born in New Castle, IN on 01 JAN 1929 to Loral and Bonnie (Dunlap) Bennett. she peacefully walked on to her next home on 11 JAN 2018.



Carolyn, her mother, and her sister Patty moved to Speedway, IN while she was in her early teen years. There, she attended school and graduated with the Speedway Class of 1946. A year later she married her

high school sweetheart, Don C Hammer from the SHS Class of 1945. Don and Carolyn settled in Speedway and soon began raising an adopted family that included a daughter Linda and son Bradley Hammer. During those early years as a family they enjoyed traveling to the Northwoods of Wisconsin where they would vacation with Don's parents and brother's family on Found Lake near St. Germain, WI. It was on one of those vacations in 1960 that Don and Carolyn made the decision to leave their life in Speedway and buy the historic Warner Resort on the north shore of Plum Lake near Sayner, WI. That venture soon became Hammer's Northwoods Resort which they operated until the late 1970's. They enjoyed the relaxed life there and hosting many old friends from Speedway along with many new friends and guests from around the Midwest who would come to enjoy the fishing and area attractions. Carolyn transferred her membership from Speedway Christian Church and began attending Shepard of the Lakes Lutheran Church in Sayner. She soon joined the choir and enjoyed singing with them from the mid-60's until recently.

Don and Carolyn eventually sold their resort and bought a house in Sayner where they lived until Don passed away from cancer in 1984. Carolyn continued to live in Sayner and in 1986 married another Sayner resident, Eugene Maines. Gene and Carolyn enjoyed traveling and fishing in their retired years until Gene passed away in 2013.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents, husband Don Hammer, husband Gene Maines, son Bradley (Gerald) Hammer, grandson Kevin Hammer (son of Brad) and niece Rebecca Realey-Coffey.

She is survived by her sister Patricia (Jack) Realey of Indianapolis, IN, her daughter Linda (Chris) Anderson of St. Germain, WI who has been caring for her the past few years; grandsons Keith (Heather) Hammer of Pleasant Prairie, WI and Stephen Hammer of Gurnee, IL; nephews Dennis (Barbara) Hammer of Speedway, IN and Sayner, WI; Rick (Ann) Hammer Sr. of Speedway, IN; Mark Hammer of Indianapolis, IN; Bryon (Dana) Realey of Indianapolis, IN, and cousin to Ken (Bobbi) Jones of Speedway, IN along with numerous other second and third generation nieces, nephews and cousins.

In keeping with Carolyn's wishes, her remains will be cremated. There is no service or calling scheduled at this time. Memorial donations in her memory may be made to Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church, 2903 Highway 155, Sayner, WI 54560.

Provided by Dennis Hammer

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

*Do you or someone you know need prayers? The very first thing you need to do is obtain permission to put the name on our prayer list. Then call Jan Lundin 715-891-2280, 715-337-0458 or [jlblundin@gmail.com](mailto:jlblundin@gmail.com). (NOTE: January-late April, please use only the 715-891-2280 number or the email address, not the 337 number. Prayers can also be requested thru Bill Wendorf, Barb Cashman or Barb Maines.) We don't need a lot of details but if you provide details to Jan, be assured that they remain confidential. She will pass on the request for prayers without details and all on the prayer chain will pray for that person. The request will also appear in the Sunday bulletin.*

- **Prayers requested since the last newsletter:** Dee Burlingame, Tom Miles, Jessica, Jake and Vicki Merrill, Trudy & Bob (Lisa Scheel's parents), Tom, Evie Ahlborn, Mary Brentlinger, Joanie Stephenson, Jason, Mark Helge.

- **Pray for JoAnn and Jerry Kehl** as her mother Helen Maas slipped into her eternal home.
- **Pray for the family of Chris Tremmel**, friend of Jean Kroll, who has gone to her heavenly home where she is now painfree and resting in peace.
- **Pray for the family of Jamie Buck**, husband of the Kuhlmann's niece Kristena Buck. Jamie died unexpectedly.
- **Pray for the family of Lorning**, a young woman known to the Miles family, who mysteriously lost her life on Super Bowl Sunday. She lived with Carol Miles' daughter and son-in-law while attending College.
- **Pray for the family of Carolyn Maines**, who went to her eternal, especially her daughter, Linda Anderson, and her family.
- **Pray for Lisa Scheel's family** as they mourn the loss of her uncle, Jim, who went to his eternal home.
- **Ongoing health issues**: Joan Kirschner, Katie Fingerson, Diane Muri, Larry & Joan Stephenson, Bob Bernhardt, Ramona Schaeffel, Lisa Scheel, John Neuman, Betty Abraham, Linda Anderson, Darlene Mursett, Tom Miles, Corey Soberg, Rich Kysiak, Tim Boman, Jessica, Charles Webb, Lillian Crall, Shelle Blair, Jessica, Penny Tarkowski, Debbie Kroll, Beth Von Ende.
- **Prayers of strength & comfort for the homebound or those in nursing homes**: Ginny & Lovell Morris, Marilyn Sheldon, Jackie Larsen.
- **Prayers of comfort and hope for those in prisons and those struggling with addictions**: Larry (friend of LuAnn Brentlinger), Jamie Goodrum.
- **Prayers for those who serve in our armed forces**: Jeff Hammer, Jeremy Vail, Brian Krieck, Adam & Brittany Recob, Brooks Maines, Will Schmidt, Sgt. Keara Kangas (National Guard), Alex Bauer, Jared Mann, Mark Wolf.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Your church family would like the opportunity to pray for you, make arrangements for you to receive Holy Communion, or support you by other means. Please contact us:

- ...if you or someone in your family are ill at home or hospitalized.
- ...if you are anticipating surgery or another medical procedure.
- ...if you have a birth or death in your family.
- ...if you want to request prayers for someone else, ask their permission first.
- ...if you have any other significant event in your family.
- ...if you would like to schedule a visit with Bill Wendorf LLM or another church member.

Never forget that each of you are valued, loved, and cared for by your church family. Please notify Jan Lundin at 715-891-2280, 715-337-0458 or email [jlblundin@gmail.com](mailto:jlblundin@gmail.com) if you need prayers for any reason. *(NOTE: January-late April, please use only the 715-891-2280 number or the email address, not the 337 number. Prayers can also be requested thru Bill Wendorf LLM, Barb Cashman or Barb Maines.)*

We have a telephone calling tree with the prayer chain so those without a computer can participate in this ministry. If you would like to be included, your name will be added. Please let Jan know by calling 715-891-2280. An updated list will be mailed to you with a further explanation of how this works.

# **THANK YOU'S**

**From Tom & Carol Miles:** You are awesome! We just received \$523 from SOTL – for Gospel kids & general fund for VLH. You help so much to keep our mission in Vietnam alive. Jan 31 – 4 faculty arrived from U. of Medicine in History of Chi Minh City Vietnam. They will meet with teachers at Mayo Clinic & Arizona State University for a program aimed at advancing nursing & nursing education in Vietnam. Our young lady – BeDung, did not get her Visa but with John McCain's help, we are hopeful that reapplication will work. She is a student nurse and is to meet her 92-year sponsor here in AZ. Some Gospel kids have been moved to start new orphanage. We will visit it in June. Team leaves May 30 thru June 15. We are recruiting. God's peace.

Dear Friends,

Thank you again for your generous support of Lutheran Disaster Response in 2017. As we reflect and begin a new year, I'd like to share some thoughts with you.

Because of your generosity, our church is able to walk alongside disaster survivors, meeting urgent needs and helping with the long road to recovery.

- **In Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands**, we provided relief supplies to survivors and supported pastors so that they can focus on caring for their congregations and communities. We are currently assisting Lutheran Social Services of the Virgin Islands and the Caribbean Synod to build their capacities to respond to the disaster.
- **In Haiti and Cuba**, we've replaced lost tools for farmers affected by the hurricane so they can get back to work, helped woman-headed households with cash assistance, and helped families get daily life back to normal with dishes, cookware and blankets.
- **In Texas**, we're part of a group doing case management for survivors of disasters, and plans are underway for a respite retreat for rostered ministers.
- **In Florida**, we've supported our affiliate in providing crisis counseling for thousands of people in 20 counties.

And much, much more is in the works as we continue to work closely with our affiliates, synods, companions and other partners.

**Our goal?** To have more resilient communities that are less vulnerable to the next disaster. Thanks to you, we're on the way there. I've already been impressed by the resiliency of our neighbors who survived disasters. Here are a few quotes that stuck with me recently:

- *"Virgin Islanders are strong and caring people. We have been hit hard, and so many are suffering. Despite this, people are joining together and supporting each other and forging a recovery out of the devastation."*  
– Christopher Finch, St. Croix
- *"Every day when I get up the first thing I do is give thanks to the Lord because I can see the light of a new day, not the electric light, a new opportunity to be alive and do the thing the Lord has called me to do."*  
– the Rev. Idalia Negron, Puerto Rico

- *"People are overwhelmed with the process, but they are also overwhelmed with love of the church, the neighbor and the stranger."*  
– Beverly Davis, Houston

Thank you again for partnering with us as we answer the invitation to be part of God's renewing work in the world.

With gratitude and fellowship,



The Rev. Daniel Rift  
Director, ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

**Thank you's also received from:**

Community Food Pantry  
Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp - \$41.67  
NATH - \$180  
Vilas Food Pantry - 194 pounds of food

## **WHAT IS DISCIPLESHIP?**

Thoughts by Elaine Kuhlman on what discipleship is...

Sharing our love of the Lord with others by the way we conduct our lives.

Bible studies are away to help us understand the word, express our feelings on what we learn. The Gather magazine, Cafe, Christ in our Home, Daily devotions, the Lutheran are all ways to read how other learn and live to help each other grow in the knowledge of our Lord. What we do with that knowledge is what is important in the eyes of the Lord.

## Next scheduled printings of this newsletter below!

| <b>Month</b>   | <b>Date<br/>Articles<br/>are Due<br/>(Thursday)</b> | <b>Printing<br/>Date<br/>(Saturday)</b> |
|----------------|---|---|
| March 2018     | 15 <sup>th</sup>                                    | 17 <sup>th</sup>                        |
| April 2018     | 12 <sup>th</sup>                                    | 14 <sup>th</sup>                        |
| May 2018       | 10 <sup>th</sup>                                    | 12 <sup>th</sup>                        |
| June 2018      | 14 <sup>th</sup>                                    | 16 <sup>th</sup>                        |
| July 2018      | 12 <sup>th</sup>                                    | 14 <sup>th</sup>                        |
| August 2018    | 16 <sup>th</sup>                                    | 18 <sup>th</sup>                        |
| September 2018 | 13 <sup>th</sup>                                    | 15 <sup>th</sup>                        |
| October 2018   | 11 <sup>th</sup>                                    | 13 <sup>th</sup>                        |
| November 2018  | 15 <sup>th</sup>                                    | 17 <sup>th</sup>                        |
| December 2018  | 13 <sup>th</sup>                                    | 15 <sup>th</sup>                        |

**Email** articles to Barb Cashman at [bacashman@gmail.com](mailto:bacashman@gmail.com). Thank you.



# SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – February 2018

| Sunday  | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday                                  | Saturday                       |
|---|--------|---------|---|--|---|--------------------------------|
| Quote by Martin Luther:<br><i>Be thou comforted, little dog, for thou too in Resurrection shall have a golden tail.</i> |        |         |   | 1<br><br>9 AM Text Study   | 2<br><br>10 AM Worship Service @ Avanti | 3                              |
| 4<br><br>8 AM Choir Rehearsal<br>9 AM Worship Service   | 5      | 6       | 7<br><br>9 AM Quilting Group<br>3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class                            | 8<br><br><b>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE</b><br><br>9 AM Text Study<br>6 PM WELCA Bible Study                   | 9                                       | 10<br><br>9 AM Men's Breakfast |
| 11<br><br>8 AM Choir Rehearsal<br>9 AM Worship Service<br>Fellowship Brunch   | 12     | 13      | 14<br><br>3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class<br>7 PM Ash Wednesday Serv                       | 15<br><br>9 AM Text Study  | 16<br><br>10 AM Bingo @ Avanti          | 17                             |
| 18<br><br>8 AM Choir Rehearsal<br>9 AM Worship Service  | 19     | 20      | 21<br><br>3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class<br>5:30 PM Soup Supper<br>6:30 PM Lenten Service | 22<br><br>9 AM Text Study  | 23                                      | 24                             |
| 25<br><br>8 AM Choir Rehearsal<br>9 AM Worship Service  | 26     | 27      | 28<br><br>3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class<br>5:30 PM Soup Supper<br>6:30 PM Lenten Service | <i>Faith tells me that no matter what lies ahead of me,<br/>                     God is already there.</i> |   |                                |




**Food pantry** items needed for the month of February: Cereal (hot or cold), powdered milk, canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly. Place items in the appropriate containers in the Coat Room.

### February Birthdays:

|                  |                  |                  |                  |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Richard Gebhardt | 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Sharon Brooker   | 8 <sup>th</sup>  |
| Bob Brooker      | 18 <sup>th</sup> | Charlie Seehafer | 26 <sup>th</sup> |
| Hannah Scheel    | 26 <sup>th</sup> | Gregg Biedermann | 28 <sup>th</sup> |
| McKenna Will     | 28 <sup>th</sup> |                  |                  |


# SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – March 2018

| Sunday  | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday                                  | Saturday                               |
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|  <p><b>Food pantry</b> items needed for the month of March:<br/>Boxed potatoes, canned vegetables, boxed rice, or boxed noodle dishes. Place items in the appropriate containers in the Coat Room.</p> |        |         |   | 1<br><br>9 AM Text Study                                    | 2<br><br>10 AM Worship Service @ Avanti | 3                                      |
| 4<br><br>8 AM Choir Rehearsal<br>9 AM Worship Service   | 5      | 6       | 7<br>9 AM Quilting Group<br>3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class<br>5:30 PM Soup Supper<br>6:30 PM Lenten Service | 8<br><br>9 AM Text Study<br>6 PM WELCA Bible Study          | 9                                       | 10<br><br>9 AM Men's Breakfast         |
| 11<br><br>8 AM Choir Rehearsal<br>9 AM Worship Service<br>Fellowship Brunch   | 12     | 13      | 14<br><br>3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class<br>5:30 PM Soup Supper<br>6:30 PM Lenten Service                   | 15<br><b>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE</b><br><br>9 AM Text Study | 16<br><br>10 AM Bingo @ Avanti          | 17                                     |
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| 25<br><br><b>PALM SUNDAY</b><br><br>8 AM Choir Rehearsal<br>9 AM Worship Service  | 26     | 27      | 28<br><br>3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class  | 29<br><br>9 AM Text Study<br>7 PM Maundy Thurs Serv         | 30<br><br>7 PM Good Friday Service      | 31<br><br>5:30 PM Easter Vigil Service |

March Birthdays:

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Nancy Horve      | 16 <sup>th</sup> – Marilyn Walters  |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> – Elaine Kuhlmann | 17 <sup>th</sup> – Dianne Erpenbach |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> – Dick Neitzel    | 28 <sup>th</sup> – Marsha Kriek     |

# SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – April 2018

| Sunday   | Monday | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday                                  | Saturday                       |
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| 1<br><br><b>EASTER SUNDAY</b><br><br>7:30 AM Pancake Breakfast<br>8 AM Choir Rehearsal<br>9 AM Worship Service |        |  | 7<br><br>9 AM Quilting Group<br>3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class | 5<br><br>9 AM Text Study  | 6<br><br>10 AM Worship Service @ Avanti | 7                              |
| 8<br><br>8 AM Choir Rehearsal<br>9 AM Worship Service<br>Fellowship Breakfast                                  |        |  | 11<br><br>3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class                       | 12<br><br><b>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE</b><br><br>9 AM Text Study<br>6 PM WELCA Bible Study | 13                                      | 14<br><br>9 AM Men's Breakfast |
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| 29<br><br>8 AM Choir Rehearsal<br>9 AM Worship Service   | 30     |  <b>Pantry Needs</b> <i>Food pantry</i> items needed for the month of April: Canned or boxed soups, crackers, canned spaghetti, mac 'n cheese, hash, etc. Please place items in the appropriate bins in the coat room. |  |   |   |                                |

Don't forget - April has 5 Sundays, so it is a World Hunger month! Turn in World Hunger boxes or donate to World Hunger in any way you would like!

April Birthdays:

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