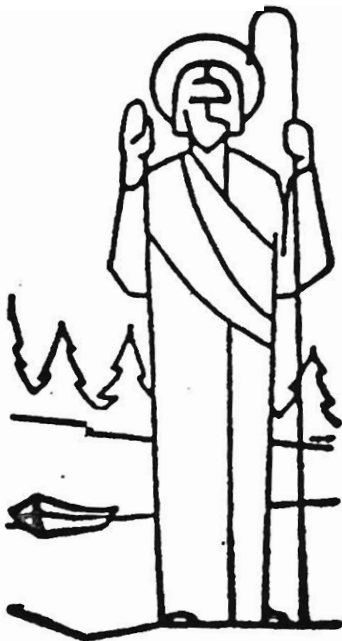


March 2019 Newsletter
Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church
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Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

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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Bill Wendorf LLM's office hours:

Wednesdays 12 noon to 4 PM
Thursdays 12 noon to 4 PM
Fridays 12 noon to 4 PM

Next scheduled printings of this newsletter!

Month	Date Articles are Due (Thursday)	Printing Date (Saturday)
March 2019	14 th	16 th
April 2019	11 th	13 th
May 2019	16 th	18 th
June 2019	13 th	15 th

Email articles to Barb Cashman at bacashman@gmail.com. Thank you.

RECORDED SERMONS: All sermons at Shepherd of the Lakes are now recorded and are available shortly after the service. Go to shepherdofthelakeschurch.org to listen to them at any time.

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

The January 18th community blood drive on January 18th collected eleven usable pints of blood! Special thanks go to Judy Neitzel, Melody Kysiak, and Pat Van Acker for serving as registrars; our cookie bakers were Jan Specht and Elsie Turner. The next blood drive will be held during the week of May 13th. More details will follow.

FORTUNE LAKE NEWS

Words from Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp, a place of grace: In total, 524 campers of all ages participated in the on-site programming at camp. Online registration is NOW OPEN for this summer of 2019. Come to camp, invite others, and experience how camp impacts lives! Our fastest-growing programs are intergenerational: Women and Kids Week, Grandparent/Grandkid Camp, and Family Camp. New this year is a Family Half Week to help meet this growing need. And, as always, our youth programs are a summer highlight for many. Contact Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp at (906) 214-2267 or www.fortunelake.org.

The summer schedule for Fortune Lake is on the bulletin board in the coat room. Contact Karen Carter with questions at (715) 542-4049.

FROM YOUR CHURCH SECRETARY

As of January 2019, I have started a new part-time job doing medical transcription at home as I used to do for the clinic here. During my work hours for them on Tuesday through Friday each week, I will not be able to take phone calls, so I wanted to let everyone know this and tell you that if you call and you receive my voice mail, please leave a message. If you need a call back, I will call you back when I am done working.

Also, on Saturdays, I run the local mail route so am unavailable by phone from 7:30 a.m. to approximately 2:30 p.m. I am usually working on church stuff at home in the mornings prior to doing my transcription job (Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays before 10 AM), and on Mondays and Fridays. I try to be at the church on Fridays from approximately 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to print whatever is needed for the weekend (bulletin, newsletter, special service guides, etc.).

In an emergency, if you really need to talk with me during any of these work hours, please TEXT me and I will call you back immediately.

NEW MINISTRY

PILL BOTTLES: There will soon be a large container placed in the coat room for empty pill bottles. The Hazelhurst Lions Club sends them to third world countries for use. Here is the article regarding this, reprinted from the Lakeland Times a while ago. I contacted Peter Fons and he said they are discontinuing their pill bottle program as of March 1st but he gave me the address and website for where they sent them. During their program, they sent over 20,000 pill bottles. Unfortunately, we will need to mail them ourselves so if anyone would like to contribute to postage, please feel free to give and simply write on your

check "Pill Bottle Ministry." I also reached out to Vital Links to see if they would be interested in receiving pill bottles for Viet Nam and they will be getting back to me on that.

Pill bottles are an often overlooked luxury in countries with accessible medicine. However, in third world countries, obtaining and maintaining medicine is a daily struggle.

Hazelhurst Lions Club member Peter Fons is doing his part to address the prodigious problem by recruiting his fellow Lions Club members to assist in cleaning and donating used pills bottles.

"This was about exactly a year ago and I've only been with the club for a year," Fons explained of the program. "All of our activities are basically summer activities ... It crossed my mind that we might want to consider something like this for winter activities and the club adopted it and with my big mouth I became the chairman of the committee ... and I am the committee."

Fons said he originally got the idea after seeing an article in the Lions Club monthly newsletter about a club in Maryland cleaning, collecting and donating used pills bottles to a ministry in Ohio.

The Hazelhurst Lions Club wholeheartedly embraced the idea for the program and the process commenced. "I made some signs, got permission from ... the people where we put (donation buckets)," Fons explained. "We got very good cooperation from the merchants no matter where we've went ... So, they all accepted a container and we kind of slowly started spreading the word that we're doing this."

Every two weeks Fons visits the businesses that have donation buckets to collect the recycled pill bottles and bring them back to club members to clean.

"I do the collecting and I collect at least once every two weeks," Fons said. "I collect them before each of our monthly meetings and then I take them to the meetings, they get distributed and I pick up clean ones at the meetings that people bring in."

Once members receive pill bottles, they remove excess glue from the outside of the bottles, wash them in soapy water, dry them and put them in Ziploc bags labeled clean bottles.

The pill bottles are then sent to a ministry service in Ohio that works with the United Nations before being sent to countries in need.

Fons said this program is important because it provides doctors a safe way to distribute medicine to those who might need it the most.

"It's important to get the medication into the people that need it the most, in the most sanitary way possible," Fons expressed. "They don't have to carry it in wet leaves or sweaty hands and if they get 15 pills, you know, five of them would deteriorate before they ever got them if they were taking one a day. So, that's what's important."

To date, this initiative has resulted in over 4,500 pill bottles being processed and donated by the Hazelhurst Lions Club.

For more information about this project or the Hazelhurst Lions Club, contact Fons at 715-356-4816 or email him at thefonsp72@gmail.com.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers requested since the last newsletter: Lori, Mickie, Willow Boman & family, Lisa Scheel, Jesse Buck, Gregg Biedermann, Shirley Kazda Chernouski.

Pray for the families of those who lost loved ones during the past month:

- The family of Larry Kuhlmann, especially his wife, Elaine
- The family of Robert Johnson, especially his son, Dave Johnson.
- The family of Jackie Larsen, especially her children Brad, Lynn, and Mark and their families.
- Nancy Horve and family, who lost her mom.
- The family of John Newman, who passed to his eternal life recently, especially his wife, Anita, and their entire family.

Ongoing health issues: Joan Kirschner, Katie Fingerson, Diane Muri, Larry & Joan Stephenson, Bob Bernhardt, Lisa Scheel, John Neuman, Betty Abraham, Linda Anderson, Tom Miles, Corey Soberg, Rich Kysiak, Tim Boman, Jessica, Charles Webb, Shelle Blair, Jessica, Debbie Kroll, Alair Peck, Sean Gabriel, Dave Tarkowski, Rick Troyer.

Prayers of strength & comfort for the homebound or those in nursing homes: Ginny & Lovell Morris, Ramona Schaeffel.

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, Brian Kriek, Adam & Brittany Recob, Brooks Maines, Will Schmidt, Sgt. Keara Kangas, Alex Bauer, Jared Mann.

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 Barb Cashman at 715-892-2166 or email bacashman@gmail.com if you need prayers for any reason. *Prayers can also be requested thru Bill Wendorf LLM or Barb Maines.*

We also 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, please let Barb know by calling 715-892-2166. An updated list will be mailed to you with a further explanation of how this works.

THANK YOU'S

From Dorothy Drajesk: A verbal message received: *I sold my house in St Germain so my address now is just 875 Moonlight Dr., North Fort Myers, FL 33917. Thanks to everyone in the congregation for being so kind. I will miss everyone.*

Thank you notes also received from:

ALWM (Vital Links): \$105, \$253, and \$20.00, in January 2019; \$125 on February 12, 2019

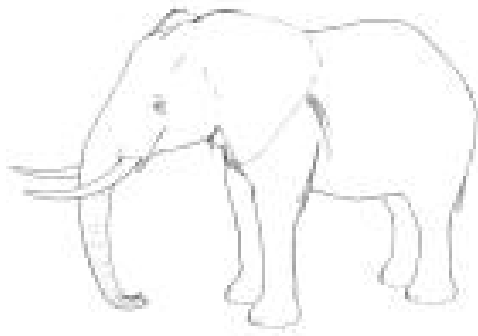
Community Food Pantry: \$59.21 & \$15

Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp: \$58 on January 18, 2019

NATH: \$25 on 12/30/2018

Dr Kate Hospice Services: \$345 on January 9, 2019

Vilas Food Pantry: \$46 on 11/10/2018, \$59.21 on 12/02/2018, \$15 on 12/31/2018



Spring Dinner and White Elephant Gift Exchange

Saturday, April 27, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.

Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church
Community Room


Take a break during “mud month” to enjoy a delicious,
fabulous meal with many friends!

Plus a White Elephant Exchange ...
don't forget to bring a wrapped “treasure” with you!



Call 715-542-3701 to let us know you're coming!
Leave a message if you receive Voice Mail.
We hope you'll join us!


SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – February 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 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.					1	2
3 8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	4	5	6 3:45 PM Children's Classes	7 9 AM Text Study	8 10 AM Worship Service @ Avanti	9 9 AM Men's Breakfast
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February Birthdays:

Emma Sima	3 rd	Richard Gebhardt	4 th
Sharon Brooker	8 th	Bob Brooker	18 th
Charlie Seehafer	26 th	Hannah Scheel	26 th
Gregg Biedermann	28 th	McKenna Will	28 th

SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – March 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Food pantry items needed for the month of March: Boxed potatoes, canned vegetables, boxed rice, or boxed noodle dishes. Place items in the appropriate containers in the Coat Room.					1 10 AM Worship Service @ Avanti	2
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The director of music at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Garden Grove, California, was telling the cherub choir about the story behind the song, "Moses, You aren't listening!" She told about Moses seeing the burning bush, walking toward it, and asked "Do you know what happened next?" Allison, 6, offered, "Stop, drop, and roll?"

March Birthdays:

Nancy Horve	3 rd	Marilyn Walters	16 th
Elaine Kuhlmann	16 th	Diane Erpenbach	17 th
Dick Neitzel	28 th	Marsha Krieck	28 th

The Easter Project

Your Name: _____

Name of person(s) you would like to honor or remember:

In honor of:

1) _____

2) _____

In remembrance of:

1) _____

2) _____

In thanksgiving for:

1) _____

2) _____

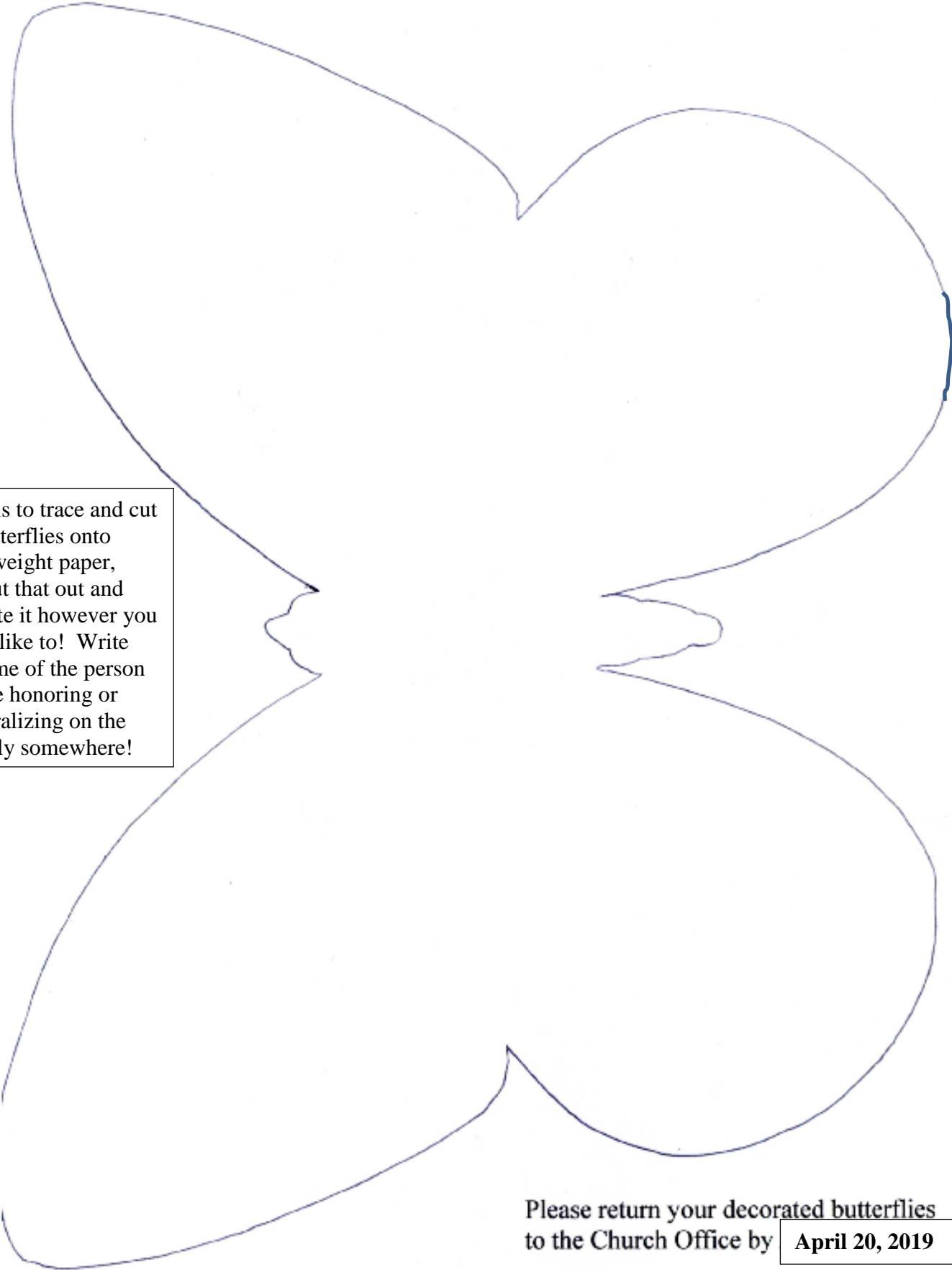
_____ My decorated butterfly (flies) are completed.

_____ Please decorate butterflies for me.

Enclosed is my donation of \$_____.

Return this completed form by Good Friday, April 19, 2019, to the church office or mail to: Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church, 2903 State Hwy. 155, Sayner, WI 54560.

During the Easter season, butterflies will hang in the sanctuary for all to enjoy. After the Easter season, all butterflies will be taken down and given to Tom & Carol Miles to take to the children of Vietnam when they go on their mission trip there. The children apparently LOVE the butterflies and look forward to them every year ... God bless them!



Use this to trace and cut out butterflies onto heavyweight paper, then cut that out and decorate it however you would like to! Write the name of the person you are honoring or memorializing on the butterfly somewhere!

Please return your decorated butterflies to the Church Office by **April 20, 2019**