

May 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.*



Ministers: The People of the Parish
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Council President: Doug Tarkowski 715-479-1154, Cell 715-891-0094
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www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org
www.nglsynod.org

FROM OUR LLM

Just this past week, standing outside a friend's home on an area lake, I heard a sound that I have not heard in a long time, and it caught me completely by surprise. The call of a male Red Winged Black Bird. Almost hard to believe with all this snow on the ground and more to come, but he did it one more time for me, just to make sure I was not hearing things. Doesn't seem like much, but where I grew up, these birds and the migrating geese, were the first real sounds of spring. They arrived first to stake their claim on the best turf to nest, and raise their young. Regardless of the weather, be it like today, more like winter than spring, you always knew that spring was just around the corner. That out of the dormant dead of winter, new life will once more come forth.

Our Lenten journey was much like a walk through winter, but through it all there were sounds of new life to come. In the preaching, teaching, and stories of Jesus, words of instruction, hope, forgiveness, and love. And yet the journey grew darker and ended in the dormant dark of a tomb. But even then, in his final days, there were words of hope, love, sounds of new life. And we know that light and life was just around the corner, for on Easter Sunday Jesus rose from that dark and dormant tomb, to new life... eternal life, where there is darkness no more. And as we celebrate Easter each year our faith and trust in the risen Christ are renewed, as is our trust in the promise of life everlasting, eternal life in his name.

So, as the sights and sounds around us hold the promise of spring, I encourage you to live each day in the promise of our risen Lord, that through him there is light and life, and darkness is no more.

Alleluia Christ is Risen!
Bill

Office Hours

Starting April 11th, Bill Wendorf LLM's office hours will be as follows:

Wednesdays	12 noon to 4 PM
Thursdays	11 AM to 3 PM
Fridays	1 PM to 5 PM

FROM OUR COUNCIL PRESIDENT

As I start this month's comments I'd like to first thank everyone who made this year's Holy Week and Easter services a blessing to all who attended. The decorations were beautiful and the music was inspirational. The Easter breakfast this year was also well attended. If I remember right, we more than doubled the number of folks who attended compared to last year. Thanks to all who were involved in this annual event.

Another thank you must go out to the decorating committee members for the work they did in deciding on new paint colors for our sanctuary. We were blessed to be able to get it painted before Easter. Personally I think the new colors look great and I have heard many other positive comments.

Remember that we are still interested in hearing from you regarding the landscaping at the front of the building. We do have a group who will be working on this but all are welcome to discuss their thoughts and concerns.

In the near future your council will be working on planning for the polka service which is scheduled for the first weekend in October. We have heard from some that they might be interested in having some type of outdoor event for a couple of hours after the service. What do you think?

The Brett and Frisk concert is also in the planning stages for August. This was a great success last year so make your plans now and tell your friends and neighbors about it also.

I cannot write these comments without mentioning Thursday morning Text Study. We have a faithful group of between 12 and 15 folks who read and study the readings for the coming Sunday. But it isn't the type of study you might be thinking of. We read the text and then the floor is open to any and all thoughts and questions anyone might have about what we just read. For me it is the best way that I have found to understand the scriptures. I have said, many times, that I have heard these readings for 65 plus years, but until I started attending text study I never really "heard" them. If you can find a couple of hours free on a Thursday morning starting at 9 AM please give it a try.

Our next council meeting will be held on April 19th at 6:30 PM. The council and endowment fund committee will hear from our financial advisor. As always, if you have anything you would like brought up at a council meeting, contact me or any other council member so your concerns can be placed on the agenda. I always encourage those with concerns to put their thought to paper and then ask to be placed on the agenda so that you can share them with the council in person.

I wish you all a very Blessed Easter Season
Doug Tarkowski

Council Members:

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

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DIRECTORY UPDATES

Todd Scheel – email address is plumcreek21@gmail.com

EVENING FELLOWSHIP DINNERS

A few weeks ago, I went out to dinner with two great friends, Jan Specht and Sharon Geist. Being the time of year it is, we were able to linger at our table and just visit for about 2 hours. We decided we needed to do this more often! So we set a schedule. On the 2nd Saturday of each month, we will go out to dinner together, picking a different place each time, or we could repeat places we've loved. Then we got to talking more about that and decided we should open it up to others to join us. So then we thought maybe we should invite just other single adults, or maybe it should just be women, but in the end, we decided we did not want to exclude anyone at all, so we are inviting everyone and anyone who wants to join us for fellowship to join us for dinner out on the second Saturday of each month. It doesn't matter if we have 2-3 people or 20-30 people, we will simply enjoy the fellowship each time!

If you would like to join us, just let one of us know... and if you have the name of a place you'd like to go for dinner, whether to try out a new restaurant or return to a favorite, send the name of the place to me and I will put them all in a basket and each month I will pull out one name and that is where we will go that month! I will post the name of the place we will go each month in the newsletter. We will always plan to meet wherever it is at 5 p.m. to hopefully avoid the worst of the crowds in the busy months.

Next month:

Saturday, May 12, 2018 – Knocker's in St Germain @ 5 p.m.

PRAYER CONCERNS

- **Prayers requested since the last newsletter:** Evie Ahlborn, Jason (Grandson of Miles'), Alair Peck (Carolynn Brink's sister-in-law), Shirley Shambo, Dave Tarkowski, Barb Cashman, Bob Stephenson.
- **Ongoing health issues:** Joan Kirschner, Katie Fingerson, Diane Muri, Larry & Joan Stephenson, Bob Bernhardt, Ramona Schaeffel, Lisa Scheel, John Neuman, Betty Abraham, Linda Anderson, Tom Miles, Corey Soberg, Rich Kysiak, Tim Boman, Jessica, Charles Webb, , Shelle Blair, Jessica, Penny Tarkowski, Debbie Kroll, Beth Von Ende, Alair Peck.
- **Pray for the family of Bob Stephenson,** especially his brother, Larry Stephenson and wife Joanie, as Bob was taken to his eternal home with Jesus Christ this past week.
- **Prayers of joy and thanksgiving for:**
 - Jake and Brianna Long had a baby boy – Lucas Nathan born on April 6. Grandparent is Nate Long.
 - Graham and Brandi McKay had a baby girl – Harper Jane born on April 7. Grandparents are Doug and Joan McKay.
- **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, 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 715-337-0458 or email jlbjlundin@gmail.com if you need prayers for any reason.

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 715-337-0458. An updated list will be mailed to you with a further explanation of how this works.

SENIOR MEALS

Spring is here, or so they say! But we all know it's coming so that puts us back in the mood to wander out a little bit, which means that we'll now start seeing more of our Seniors coming for the Prime Time Dining at the St. Germain Community Center. That's why we need your help!!!

With more people attending we will need more people volunteering to set-up and serve those meals. Meals are available Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday year round so if you are able to offer 3 hours of your time to help out on one of those days, please call Lois at 715-542-2881 to be placed on the schedule. It's not only fun but it's also very rewarding knowing you've helped folks in the community get a nutritious meal and have a chance to get out and socialize with others.

Thank you, Lois Ruediger

(See the following page for the April Prime Time Dining Menu.)

Prime Time Dining



Serving Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
The St. Germain Community Center

April 2018

Join us for food, fellowship and fun. For reservations or cancellations, please call
Nancy Moser at 715-617-2795 (MUST Call 24 hours in advance)

<p>4</p> <p>Stuffed Green Pepper Casserole Carrots Multi-Grain Bread Strawberries Angel Food Cake</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Beef Stroganoff Mashed Potatoes Pea, Cheese & Onion Salad Whole Wheat Bread Chilled Pineapple</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Peach Glazed Pork Loin Parsley Buttered Potatoes Coleslaw Dinner Roll Blueberry Coffee Cake</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Roast Turkey Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Broccoli / Cranberries Whole Wheat Dinner Roll Rhubarb Cake</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Hearty Bean Soup Ham & Swiss on Marble Rye Romaine Leaf / Tomato Slice Mayo / Grape Juice Peach Crisp</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Chicken Pot Pie Stew on a Big Biscuit Cauliflower Apricots Cookie</p>
<p>18</p> <p> Sirloin Tips Mashed Potatoes Seasoned Squash Multi-Grain Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruit</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Chicken Breast with Bacon & Mushroom Sauce Mashed Potatoes / Veggie Blend Whole Wheat Bread Vanilla Yogurt with Berries</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Hamburger on a Bun Grilled Onions / Ketchup Potato Salad Baked Beans Banana Cream Pie Bar</p>
<p>25</p> <p>Caribbean Chicken Baked Sweet Potato Broccoli Salad Raisin Bread Pineapple Cake</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Roast Beef Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Brussels Sprouts Whole Wheat Bread Pumpkin Bar</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Creamy Chicken Casserole Vegetable Blend Oat Bran Bread Mixed Fruit Eclair Dessert</p>

Home delivered meals are available based on eligibility.

All meals served with whole grain bread or roll, butter or margarine, coffee and low fat milk.

Rides are provided as needed. Please arrange with Nancy when making reservations.

THANK YOU'S

From Vital Links: We just received your donation for our mission efforts, total \$130. We thank you and are happy to have you on our team as we spread God's love in this world. When we return home, love to share with you our new association with Awakening Lives to Global Missions. It means Vitals Links will grow and continue. Tom & Carol Miles.

Thank you's received from:

Caritas - \$41.67 x 3
Community Food Pantry
Fortune Lake = \$41.67 x 2
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VITAL LINKS

Dear Council and Friends in Christ,

We would really appreciate a collection of **toothbrushes**.....mostly regular size but will need some smaller ones for the little guys. Need at least 50 more if possible as will pass out on medical outreaches too.

Following is a letter explaining the exciting news of joining forces with Awakening Lives to World Missions. As of May 1, 2018 we will become the medical wing of this nonprofit Christian organization. All donations will go through them designated for VLH. VLH will continue as a board to plan the medical portion of mission journeys to Vietnam and beyond. Pastor Bill Moberly will become our director and our president will be represented on their board. We have been praying for a solution to continue VLH into the future beyond us. This is an answer to prayer. We thank you for your ongoing support of our mission efforts and hope that also will continue into the future. The harvest is here and the workers are few!!

The new address for the donation process is explained in the letter. Proceeds will still go to Dr. Hang's medical outreach, Gospel House kids and we will still employ Mr. Van as our project manager in Vietnam.

God's Peace and Our Love,
Tommy and Carol Miles
Vital Links for Humanity, Inc.



March 25, 2018

AWAKENING LIVES TO WORLD MISSIONS

Dear Friends and Supporters of Vital Links,

I am Bill Moberly, the Director of ALWM. Perhaps many of you have heard the latest news from Tom & Carol Miles of VLH! If not, here is the announcement:

We are excited to announce that joyful things are happening with VLH! We are joining with Awakening Lives to World Missions, (ALWM) a non-profit focused primarily on evangelism and mobilizing congregations for Global missions. ALWM Director Pastor Bill Moberly and his wife will join our mission team May 30-June 14. We will guide them through all phases of our work in Vietnam. ALWM staff will take over all administrative duties, finance, website, newsletters, STM recruitment, applications, etc. We are so excited to know VLH will continue to grow in many new directions and be sustainable. The VLH board will, under the direction of Pastor Bill, continue to plan and develop the medical portion of short term mission trips and projects in Vietnam and beyond. They are already established in many countries including Cambodia, South Africa and others. We will continue to support our missionary, Dr Hang, with her medical outreach and Mr. Van, our Project Manager will continue to represent our interests and projects in Vietnam. We will continue to enjoy

and appreciate our wonderful team of Vietnamese volunteers who are always there to lend a helping hand.

So happy you share our desire to make a difference!

Thank You,

Carol Miles RN, BSN

Vital Links for Humanity, Inc



I am thrilled about this new door that the Lord has opened to bring our organizations together. The 20+ years of faithful ministry through the Miles', the ongoing work of Dr. Hang and her teams, impacting lives at the Gospel Kids home, outreaches to the villages, and training nursing professionals has changed lives both here and for eternity as we minister in Jesus' name. My board and I are committed to continuing the fruitful ministry of Vital Links, as well as expanding the reach and impact as the Lord opens doors and provides the resources. I understand that there have been others in Vietnam reaching out to VLH for help, too, so we pray that the Lord will transform more lives in the years ahead.

VLH will continue to be supported by gifts from individuals and congregations. We ask you to consider a special gift to help VLH in this exciting time of ministry expansion and change! There will be a few extra expenses associated with the transition. We also will begin to regularly send a print newsletter 4-5 times a year, sharing the stories of God at work in and through VLH throughout the year.

Beginning May 1, checks are to be made out to ALWM. Please use one of the enclosed coupons, or simply put VLH in the memo portion & mail to:

ALWM

PO Box 67432

Albuquerque, NM 87193-7432

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Bill Moberly, Director of VLH
Founder & Director of ALWM

WELCA

Northern Great Lakes Synod Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (WELCA)

We are raising money to help purchase a vehicle and water well for the Mkuza Girl School in our sister synod in Tanzania. We have an anonymous donor who will match our donations up to \$4,000 dollars.

Our WELCA group from Shepherd has made Prayer Beads for Praying the Small Catechism. They are available for a suggested donation of \$10.00 for the large beads and \$5.00 for the small beads to help meet the challenge.

We welcome all suggestions as to what and how we can help make this happen. Shepherd is part of all the women in the NGLS and we are hoping to do our part.

Please make donations out to Shepherd of the Lakes notating WELCA Mkuza Girls project.

If you have any questions please contact Elaine Kuhlmann at 715-356-6441 or email ecampercat@aol.com.

WORLD HUNGER PROJECT

Betsy (the Cow) has been replaced


This year's World Hunger Project for our Northern Great Lakes Synod is the **Mosaic-Stained-Glass-Quilt Window Project**donations of any amount will add one fabric piece to the quilt piece Shepherd of the Lakes will be preparing (for the quilt to be assembled and presented at this year's Synodical Assembly). Time is of the essence, so each Sunday (for the next 3 Sundays) following worship, one of our quilters will be at the table in the narthex to answer questions and receive donations. As you donate, you may sign your name to the quilt piece. (A special pen will be provided.) Please help defeat World Hunger in this unique way. For questions, please contact Elaine Kuhlmann (715) 356-4328.

Next scheduled printings of this newsletter below!

Month	Date Articles are Due (Thursday)	Printing Date (Saturday)
May 2018	10 th	12 th
June 2018	14 th	16 th
July 2018	12 th	14 th
August 2018	16 th	18 th
September 2018	13 th	15 th
October 2018	11 th	13 th
November 2018	15 th	17 th
December 2018	13 th	15 th

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

SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – April 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 EASTER SUNDAY 7:30 AM Pancake Breakfast 8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service			7 9 AM Quilting Group 3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class	5 9 AM Text Study	6 10 AM Worship Service @ Avanti	
	9 8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service Fellowship Breakfast	10 	11 3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class	12 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE 9 AM Text Study 6 PM WELCA Bible Study		14 9 AM Men's Breakfast
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22 8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service		24 	25 3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class	26 9 AM Text Study	27 	28
29 8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	30 	 Pantry Needs <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:	2 nd – Dee Burlingame	9 th – Adam Sima	16 th – Jenna Sima
	7 th – Jim Carter	11 th – Megan Biedermann	20 th – Arlene Dreyfus
	7 th – Ken Horve	14 th – Evie Ahlborn	20 th – Tom Pierce
	9 th – Barb Steinhilber	15 th – Lisa Scheel	

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27 8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	28 MEMORIAL DAY	29	30 3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class	31 9 AM Text Study		


May Birthdays:

Jim Kriek	4	Jan Specht	5
Judy Neitzel	17	Rebecca Raabe	19
Larry Kuhlmann	22	Laura Olson	22



Food pantry items needed for the month of May: Sugar, flour, baking powder, baking soda, brown sugar, powdered sugar. Place items in the appropriate containers in the Coat Room.

SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <i>Food pantry</i> items needed for the month of June: Pasta, canned tomatoes, spaghetti sauce, parmesan cheese, boxed pancake mixes.. Place items in the appropriate containers in the Coat Room.					1 10 AM Worship Service @ Avanti	2 5:30 PM Worship Service
3 8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	4	5	6 9 AM Quilting Group	7 9 AM Text Study	8	9 9 AM Men's Breakfast 5:30 PM Worship Service
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June Birthdays:
