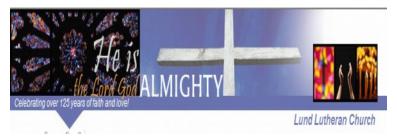
Lund Newsletter





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Pastor's Message

"It's Time to Live!"

Hurray for Easter! Next to Christmas, Easter is the highlighted festival of Christendom. Easter is a holiday treated with a friendly view by most Americans, whether Christian or not, simply because it celebrates the new life of the spring season. Besides, who doesn't like to wear spring cloths, eat Easter eggs and chocolate Easter bunnies? (Easter Bunnies? Who makes up this stuff?)

But the true message of Easter is the climactic fulfillment of hope dating from the beginning of human history to today. The message is, "It is time to live!" You might ask, "Isn't that what humankind is doing?" We've been living on this planet as a race for some time. Maybe the word "race" sums up our condition: We are born, we race through our existence for a brief moment in earth's history, and then we die and are no more. From dust we came and to dust we return. In between we can suffer a whole lot of trouble. From a worldly perspective, the events of that first Easter morning seems not to have changed that fundamental truth.

The author, Margaret Manning, writes: If we're honest, many of us wonder what difference the resurrection has made in the practical realities of our lives. We still argue with our spouses and loved ones; we still have children who go their own way. We have difficulties at work or at school. We still see a world broken by warfare, selfish greed, oppression and sin.

Like the two men on the road to Emmaus recounting the events surrounding Jesus, perhaps we wonder aloud: "But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel" (Luke 24:21a). Things seem pretty much as they were before Easter Sunday, and the reality of our same old lives still clamor for redemption.

Do you wonder if Easter has changed anything for you? If you are trusting in the Easter Jesus, then everything has changed. Death has been defeated. Life has come. The Apostle Paul declares, "For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!" (Romans 5:17) Jesus himself declared to us, "I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." John 10:9-11

In view of what Jesus has done for us, it is time to celebrate living! We are dead to sin and alive in Christ. We live as redeemed sinners to bring praise and honor and glory to God. We live to serve the risen Savior as he served us. "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven." We live to tell others the message of Easter so they also accept what Christ has done and live. It's time to live, because Jesus offers us the gift of an expectant eternity, living to the full with Him.

Join us on Sunday, April 15 for Jens Hinderlie, who will give a presentation about Mt. Carmel Ministries and Retreat Center, Alexandria, MN. We will have him speak to our Sunday School classes and have 5 minutes during the worship service.

God offers us a "DEEPER JOY"

Join us for Adult Sunday Class at 8:30 a.m. for a great time of fellowship and discussion as we study Paul's letter to the Philippians. Bring your Bible and your questions. You will be glad you came.

Lund Lutheran Church Council meeting Thursday March 1st, 2012

The Lund council met at the church at 7pm.

Present were Tom Alexander, Robin and Jennifer Turnwall, LeRoy Squires, Pastor Jim, Cindy Sauer, Sharon Westerholm, and Marcy Erickson. Devotions by Cindy Sauer.

Secretary's Report approved as written. Robin/Sharon

Treasurer's Report approved as written. Robin/Tom

Pastor's Report:

The Sunday Morning bible study has 5 more classes to complete our study of Philippians. Although the class has been well attended, there is still room for more participants.

The LCMC gathering in Hawley on Saturday, Feb. 25th was well attended with almost 200 participants from 22 area churches. Pastor Mark Vander Tieg who is the LCMC church coordinator in our area and the Hawley Lutheran Church hosted the event.

Old Business:

1. Motion was made and passed that we should have a "written request" form that needs to be filled out by any person requesting the use of the church for any event. Sharon/Robin

New Business:

- 1. Park update....The Danbom Park, which is located directly across the road from Lund church, is owned by the county and the State. LeRoy has met with the County Park Authorities and has obtained a map of the area. So far, no other steps have been taken to develop/improve the park area.
- 2. Missions committee update.....Howard and Verda Stewart have agreed to co-chair the missions committee. They have made the following recommendation for the disbursement of the funds: 10% will go to the LCMC.....60% will go for global outreach....and 30% will be used for local outreach. So far...they have proposed that the following funds be disbursed at this time: \$200 to the World Mission Prayer League....\$200 to LAMP ministries....\$200 to World Encounter....and \$200 to Child Outreach International. Motion was made and passed to accept this proposal. Robin/Sharon. Sharon will disburse the funds accordingly,

- 3. Church banner....Motion was made and passed to purchase a 3 by 6 foot Easter banner to hang on the outside of the church (it will temporarily replace the one that is now there). The cost is \$75. Robin/Sharon
- 4. VBS...the dates are June 11th thru June 15th....with the program to be held on Father's Day.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. Next meeting on Tuesday, April 10th at 7pm. (meeting date was changed because of Holy Week)

Respectfully submitted, Marcy Erickson, Secretary



HELLO THERE, Mousey here!

Life is so good, especially for a church mouse. I am getting more excited every day, as we are getting closer to the day when our crucified Lord and Savior arises from the dead to save us all from our sins. What an awesome time of year as we move into Holy week. Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and then Easter Sunday services give us hope, love and a clear understanding of what God has in store for us.

I understand the Lads from Lund are even going to make breakfast on Easter morning. I want to thank everyone for all the good food I have in my hidey hole from the Lenten services. I will stay nice and tubby for a while, (can't get too tubby or I won't get into my hidey hole). I knew when I came here that I wouldn't have a problem with enough to eat. Lutheran country churches always have lots of food.

The kids have been busy in Sunday School. They always seem to have so much fun, learning about Jesus. Even the big people have fun in Bible Study on Sunday mornings. I have to run back and forth, as I want to hear more about Philippians that the adults are studying and keeping up with the kids. Cindy is such a good teacher and Lund is blessed to have her. Pastor Jim makes studying the Bible so interesting with the video and discussion. Another good thing will happen shortly. Everyone that has been gone for the winter will be back. I miss seeing them in church every Sunday. I am waiting for the Outdoor Services too. I get to go outside and can get back in again easy. As I said, life is good. Till next month.

Mousey

YOUTH EVENTS

No Sunday School on Easter Sunday. Happy Easter !!

Classes resume the following Sunday at 8:30am.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday mornings 8:30am
Children ages 3 and up are
welcome to attend.
Please let us know if your
child needs transportation

STUDENTS WILL BE SINGING
DURING WORSHIP
EVERY 4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH



coming in June VBS 2012

Monday, June 11th thru Friday, June 15th
Supper 5:00-5:45pm VBS 6:00-8:00pm
Final Program will be held on Sunday, June 17th

Anyone interested in helping please contact Cindy Sauer @ 844-5416 or Karen Halver 846-0140. We will gladly find a project for you to work on.

We are also looking for volunteers to help provide the 5 suppers needed for the week. Each meal will serve approximately 25 students and adults.

Thank you in advance!

New families with children—Please call the church office to get your name on our mailing list to be notified of all upcoming youth activities. (218) 847-9662

GIVING TIME AND TALENTS









TO OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY

Wednesday night
Confirmation classes will resume starting April 11th, 6:30pm at church.



Lund Women's Bible Study Tuesday April 10, 2:00PM Marcy Erickson is hostess. All Women are welcome, bring a friend.

LCW will meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month,

LUND LADIES "SECRET PAL" PROGRAM

In keeping with the admonition in scripture to "Let us consider and give attentive, continuous care to watching over one another, studying how we may stir up to love and helpful deeds and noble activities," (Hebrews 10:24), we will continue our "Secret Pal" program amongst the ladies at Lund Lutheran.

Everyone is invited to participate. Following are a few suggestions as to "What do I do as a secret pal?"

Remember your secret pal in prayer and let her know this by dropping a note in the mail every once in a while. Your word of encouragement may come at just the time when she needed your encouragement.

Send cards on special occasions such as a birthday, anniversary, holiday greetings, or when you may hear of a special need or pressure in her life.

Gift-giving is not required, but you may do so if you wish. At the end of the year we will have a small gift exchange at the time secret pals are revealed.

If you would like to participate, please complete the questionnaire below and bring it to the party, to Karen Lundberg or the church office, as soon as possible. We will randomly draw partners from all the returned questionnaires, and will mail you the information on your new "secret pal."

SECRET PAL PROFILE

Name		Birthdate
Mailing Address		
Marital Status	Anniversary	
Do you have children? Special interests or hobbies		Grandchildren
Prayer request at present (i	e. health issues, family s	ituation, work situation, etc.)



Birthdays:

April 1: Hannah Jacobson

3: Andrew Hukreide

5: Charlotte Bakken

15: Jeff Melin

18: Sean Oakes

19: Brock Okeson

25: Betty Varholdt

Anniversary's

5: Jim & Karen Halver

15: Michael & Denise Warweg

19: Jeramie & Kathy Jacobson

22: Allan & Marilyn Dahlstrom

May God Bless you on your special day!

If your birthday or anniversary was missed, please call Pam at the church office. Thank You.



Marie Lundberg is our new Sunshine Lady, she will be sending out cards on behalf of our congregation for birthdays, anniversary's, illness, sympathy etc. If you have someone you would like a card sent to, give Marie a call at 847-8203. If your name is not on the birthday/anniversary list call Pam at the church office.

Maundy Thursday 7:00 pm worship Good Friday 7:00 pm worship

Easter Sunday, April 8 Breakfast 8:00AM Worship 9:45 AM





DAY OF CARING

Wednesday—May 2, 2012



Senior and disabled people are eligible to receive assistance with outside chores such as raking, garden clean up, window washing, etc.

Please call United Way office 846-7400

By April 18 to sign up.

Thank you to all of our Lenten supper cooks for the delicious meals. Also to every one who donated flowers and palms for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.





Bible Prophecy Conference Speaker Pastor David Barnhart Faith Lutheran Church April 12—15 Thursday 7:00 pm Friday 7:00 pm Saturday 9:30 am—4:30 pm

Homeward Bound Apollo Male Chorus
First Lutheran Jubilate Choir and Alleluia Ringers
Songs of the sea and other selections
First Lutheran Thursday, April 19, 2012 7:00 pm
Free will donations accepted at the door



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER May 3, 2012 at 12 NOON

Courthouse Steps 913 Lake Ave. Detroit Lakes, MN

Please join us as we come together to join Christian churches and hearts in prayer, interceding for America and its leadership in the seven centers of power; **Government, Military, Media, Business, Education, Church and Family.**

April Volunteers

Reader: Sharon Westerholm

Greeters & Ushers: Les & Donna Heimark Communion Server: Sharon Westerholm

Sunday Coffee servers:

April 1: Jan Mills

April 8: Easter Breakfast

April 15: Dennis & Nancy Bromley April 22: Lloyd & Betty Varholdt April 29: Allan & Marilyn Dahlstrom

Correction in Program Booklet & Directory: New phone # for Matt & Rhonda Hukreide 847-9156



"Uniquely U"

Women's Conference Sponsored by: Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran

Featuring Speaker: Debbie Griffith of "Everyday Matters"

Saturday, May 19 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Registration beginning at 9 am
Lunch will be served at noon

At the Historic Holmes Theatre in Detroit Lakes

Advance sale tickets only Mail your \$20.00 fee to

Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church Debbie Griffith Event PO Box 433 Detroit Lakes, MN 56502