Lund Newsletter





2018

Lund Lutheran Church

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A member of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ

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Pastor's Perspective...



In the middle of February we begin the Lenten Season with Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday gets its name of course from the practice of putting ashes on the forehead. This shows our fragility and mortality, our need to be redeemed by the mercy of God. "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." This year's Ash Wednesday service will be held on Valentine's Day, February 14th starting at 7:00 pm with Holy Communion and the imposition of ashes.

The Season of Lent is approximately six weeks that leads up to Good Friday when we celebrate our redemption by Jesus death on the Cross and then Easter morning when we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ. As we prepare for these celebrations, Lent is considered a time of prayer and repentance. Many people make a commitment to "give up" something during Lent. In our Lutheran tradition we have midweek worship services during which we focus on some aspect of preparation for the coming celebrations. This year we will look at **Signs of Lent.** See more information about this theme elsewhere in this newsletter.

The Sunday of the Transfiguration is the Sunday just before Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. The Gospel reading that Sunday, February 11th, is the story of the Transfiguration of Jesus. Read the story in Mark 9:2-9. As part of the story, a voice from the cloud says, "This is my Son, my Chosen, listen to him!"

After speaking words to the people in John 6 we read that "many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him." (John 6:66) Jesus then asked his disciples if they also wished to "go away". Peter responds with these words. "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know that you are the Holy One of God." (John 6:68-69)

My suggestion for all of us this Lent is that we don't just offer to God in Lent a token of change in our life, like giving up chocolate for Lent (although that can be a good thing as a

partial spiritual discipline for the season) but also seriously ask our Lord in prayer and worship to help us grow more into whom He would have us be, to grow into his agenda for our lives, to see how we can better please Him and worry less about pleasing ourselves.

As we listen to Jesus, whether during Lent or any time, His words sometimes challenge us as well as comfort us. Our commitment is to hear Him and obey Him. Jesus is the one who has the "words of eternal life". There is no one else we can go to hear those words. Whether it is during Lent or any other time of the year, let's "listen/heed/obey" the words of Jesus.

Blessings to you all this Lenten Season!

Pastor Steve

Twenty eight days in February, Twenty eight chapters in Acts. Pastor Steve challenges everyone to read a chapter a day!



Lenten Worship & Suppers



During Lent, suppers will be served from 6:00—6:45 pm

Wednesdays, starting February 14th Ash Wednesday thru March 21st.

If you are interested in serving a supper let Lynda Hultin know at 847-6892 or 849-1638

Worship Service will be at 7:00pm.

Maundy Thursday worship 7:00pm (No Supper)
Good Friday Service 7:00pm
Easter Sunday 9:45am
No Bible Study or Sunday School

Lund Lutheran Church Council Meeting January 10, 2018

Member Present: Robin, Jennifer, Cindy, Carol, Russ, Karen, Pastor

Steve, Lynda.

Absent: Myra, Judy and Tom.

Pastor Steve opened with a word of prayer.

Robin presided.

Additions were made to the agenda.

Secretary's Report: MMSC Russ/Karen

Financial & Treasurer's Report: corrections made MMSC Lynda/Carol.

Pastor Report: Has been visiting people in their homes and it is going well. Meeting with other pastors for coffee and prayer on Thursday's. We were blessed with numbers at the Christmas Eve Service. Lord willing Pastor Steve would like to start up a youth group.

Committee Reports

President: None

Education: Sunday School will be teaching on Old Testament

stories.

Deacan: Need ushers for February. March, April and May

greeters are needed.

Mission: 2 percent is given.

Endowment: Were given a new request. Trustees: Closet in the entryway on hold.

Old Business

1. Pictorial directory: a committee of 3 people needed to take on the project. Robin will be talking to volunteers. Jim Bergson has set up a tentative date in late June.

New Business

1. Lenten Suppers will be from 6 - 6:45 pm with the service at 7:00 pm starting Wednesday, February 14th. Lynda will be getting volunteers to serve the suppers.

- 2. Communion traffic pattern. Lynda will talk with Milt Erickson and Les Heimark.
- 3. Jennifer asked for use of the church for recitals on January 28th and April 29th at 2:00 pm. MMSC Russ/Karen.
- 4. Discussion about getting a safe for keeping of the history books of the church. Russ and Robin are checking on prices.

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 8th at 5:30pm. Devotions in February will be given by Cindy.

Adjourned in prayer by President Robin

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Hultin



Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, February 13, 2018
Hostess: Jan Anderson
All women are welcome to attend!



Start

cleaning out those

closests and garages
For the Spring Rummage and Bake Sale
Friday and Saturday
April 6th & 7th, 2018

If you have items for the sale you can put them in the garage, please mark that they are for the sale.

If you have questions call Karen Lundberg at 847-4561 or Les & Donna Heimark at 844-9282

LENT BEGINS FEBRUARY 14th

Lent is on our doorstep once again and knocking on the door. We begin this journey on Ash Wednesday, February 14th. The Ash Wednesday service will start at 7:00 pm with Holy Communion and the imposition of ashes. Please come and join us as we begin that journey with Jesus. Each service will last approximately 50 minutes. This special time of the year can offer each of us a chance to stand at the foot of the cross and stand in confidence and hope because of what Christ has done for us there.

The theme of this year's Lenten Season is **Signs of Lent.** This is a series of 10 worship services for Lent, Holy Week and Easter based on the concept of road signs and how their messages apply to our life in Christ during the season of Lent: U-Turn, Stop, Merge, Yield, One Way, Dead End, Road Narrows, Food, Cross Road, Road Work Ahead.

Date, Sermon Title, Scripture Passages,

Ash Wednesday February 14th

U - Turn • Luke 9:51-56

Like signs we see along the roads that tell us what to do, we see signs along the way on our Lenten journey that show us the way to Christ. In our Ash Wednesday worship, we are reminded to make a U-Turn, turning away from our sins and turning back to God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Wednesday February 21st

Stop • Mathew 16:21-28

In our Lenten worship this week, we remember how Peter tried to put a Stop sign in front of Jesus on his way to the cross. But Jesus helped him (and us) to see that he could only stop when he reached the cross to save us all.

Wednesday February 28th

Merge • John 19:31-35

In our Lenten worship this week, we are reminded to merge our lives with long history of the story of salvation that began in the Garden of Eden, continued with the Children of Israel at Passover and is revealed in the sacrifice of the promised Messiah.

Wednesday March 7th

Yield • Luke 22:39-46

In our Lenten worship this week, we are reminded to yield to the Father's will for us in our lives, just as Jesus yielded to his will when he prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane, "Not my will, but yours be done."

Wednesday March 14th

One Way • John 14:1-6

In our Lenten worship this week, we are reminded that there is only One Way to God and only one name by which we can be saved. That Way and name is Jesus.

Wednesday March 21st

Dead End • John 11:20-27

In our Lenten worship this week, we are reminded that, unlike other paths in life, Jesus is not a dead end, but a start to life everlasting.

Palm Sunday March 25th

Road Narrows • Mark 11:1-10

In our Palm Sunday worship, we are reminded that wide road of palms and praises fo the Son of David will narrow this week, leading directly to the pain and power of the cross of Christ.

Maundy Thursday March 29th

Food • Matthew 26:26-30 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

In our Maundy Thursday worship, we remember that we are fed and nourished in our faith journey each time we stop to partake of the very body and blood of our Lord and Savior, found in the holy food of Holy Communion's bread and wine.

Good Friday March 30th

Cross Road • John 19:23-30

In our Good Friday worship, we see heaven and earth intersect at the Cross Road of the cross of Christ, where the sinless Son of God takes away the sins of the whole world.

Easter Sunday April 1st

Road Work Ahead • Matthew 28:1-10 1 Corinthians 15:51-58 In our Easter Sunday worship, we celebrate that the work of our salvation is done through the resurrection of Christ from the dead. But as Jesus told the women at the empty tomb, there is road work ahead. Our job is to go and tell the Good News.

Please make the midweek Lenten services a priority for you and your family each and every week. Let's fill the sanctuary this year at the Midweek services! Soup & sandwich supper will be served before each service starting at around 5:30 p.m. beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 14th. Please join us!!



KÍDS EVENTS

Sunday School 9:45 children will be Released after the Children's Sermon or about

Ages 3 years and up are welcome to attend.

Come and learn about Jesus' love.

Bible Study 8:30 am. Sunday Morning
We are studying Habakkuk, a book from the Bible that is not read during the church year but is a very helpful and important book for us Christians. Please come and join us at 8:30 before worship for this time of discussion and study.

All are welcome!



Remember to bring your Bibles each week!

Wednesdays 7:00 pm

February 7th

No Confirmation Classes during lent, you are encouraged to attend Lenten services.

February Lectionary

February 4	Isaiah	Psalm	1 Corin.	Mark
	40:21-31	147:1-11	9:16-27	1:29-39
February 11	Exodus 34:29-35	Psalm 50:1-6	2 Corin. 3:12-13, 4:1-6	Mark 9:2-9
February 18	Genesis	Psalm	James	Mark
	22:1-18	25:1-10	1:12-18	1:9-15
February 25	Genesis 17:1-7, 15- 16	Psalm 22:23-31	Romans 5:1-11	Mark 8:27-38



February Worship Volunteers

Reader: Myra Eastman

Communion Server: Sharon Westerholm

Ushers:

Greeter: Sharon Westerholm

February Sunday Coffee Servers:

February 4: Roger & Cleo Johnson February 11: Arnie & Linda Kiehl February 18: Mark & Barb Beug February 25: Milt & Marcy Erickson



Lund and Area Happenings:

Sunday, February 4th Bible Study 8:30 am Worship Service 9:45 am with Communion. and Sunday School.

Wednesday, February 7th Confirmation 7:00 pm

Thursday, February 8th Council Meeting 5:30 pm.

Sunday, February 11th Bible Study 8:30 am Worship Service 9:45 am and Sunday School.

Tuesday, February 13th Women's Bible Study 2:00 pm.

February 14th HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!!!

Wednesday, February 14th Ash Wednesday Supper 6-6:45 pm, Worship Service 7:00 pm.

Thursday, February 15th DL Noon Rotary Spaghetti Dinner at M-State Cafeteria. Serving 4:30—7:30 pm.

Sunday, February 18th Bible Study 8:30 am Worship Service with communion and Sunday School 9:45 am.

Wednesday, February 21st Supper 6-6:45 pm Lenten Service 7:00 pm.

Wednesday, February 21st Newsletter Articles due.

Sunday, February 25th Bible Study 8:30 am Worship Service and Sunday school 9:45 am.

Wednesday, February 28th Supper 6-6:45 pm Lenten Service 7:00 pm.

Mousey Here,

Wow, January is almost over, already 2018 is flying by.



February 14th is Valentine's Day, send a shut-in a valentine, or someone who may not get one.

February 14th is also Ash Wednesday and the starting of the Lenten season. Come and be a part of the midweek worship Supper at 6:00 –6:45pm, Worship at 7:00 pm.

Until next month, Mousey

Birthdays:

February 1. August Okeson

5. Ella Okeson

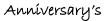
 Debra Engstrom Linda Kiehl Alice Okeson

10. Bill Gunderman

20. Ron Anderson

25. Bridget Okeson

27. Verda Stewart



February 10. Roger & Karen Lundberg 18. Chad & Holly Okeson





Thank You

Dear Friends at Lund,

Thank you for remembering me at Christmas with the gift card. Your generous giving is a reflection of the love God wants us to show at all times.

I am so honored to shepherd folks who are kind, compassionate and generous!! May you all be blessed in this New Year! Pastor Steve

Dear Brothers and Sisters at Lund,

Thank you for your generous and thoughtful gift! It is an honor to serve with God's gift of music!

Blessings to all of you in the new year!

Sincerely, Jennifer Turnwall

Thank you so much for the cash card, I will put it to good use. Thank you for all your help and support these past few months while without a pastor.

God Bless you All, Pam Ross