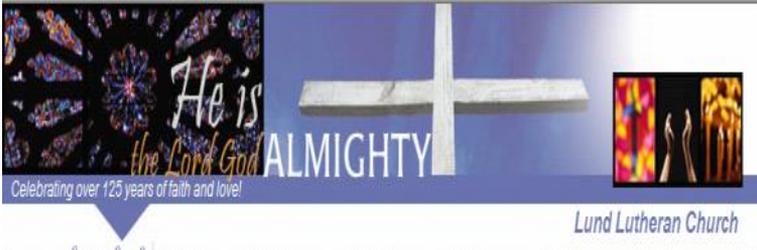


Lund Newsletter



2015

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**He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!”
Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”**

Revelation 21:5

Dear friends, grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We are in the dead of winter. When March arrives we have been in the grips of the cold, snow, icy roads, parkas, and boots for months. It can feel endless; certainly the green of summer a distant memory. There is no sign of budding nature, and we resign ourselves to the brown of tree bark and white landscape. The world looks and feels lifeless. I make the best of it, doing some snow skiing and encouraging the grandkids sledding. But I am ready for something new—
Summer!

Have you felt the cold weariness of the old world lately? News is full of sadness and ugliness, hatred and strife. The bible says the wages of sin is death, and we see and experience the deadness of our corrupted human nature. People try to make the best of their circumstances. We have moments of warmth in human kindness, loving relationships, and helpful achievements. But the coldness of a fallen world does not relent its grip. Death always wins out over our quest for life.

But God has plans for us. Just as we know that spring will come, so our Heavenly Father, the Creator, the Redeemer, has revealed plans for a new beginning for His broken world.

Just as sure as March must give way to springtime, so God is going to break the grip of sin and death and bring about a freshness and newness that is truly mind boggling. The book of Revelation declares the climactic breakthrough of His triumphant Son's return to earth. All things, and all who trust in

Him, are made eternally brand new. **“And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, ‘Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.’”** Rev. 21:3-4.

I am so glad God did not give up on us. He could have let us spin into an endless eternity stuck in our hopelessness and despair. But a loving God desires that none should perish but come to the knowledge of the truth. That truth is: He designed and implemented the greatest reconstruction project ever. For all who embrace his plan he promises regeneration—a new birth, raised from death to eternal life by the blood sacrifice of his beloved Son. Jesus offers all who repent and receive him to take their sin upon himself, and with his death on the cross, they in exchange receive his perfection. What was old (dying) becomes new in Christ. We start fresh at that moment in our relationship with God. We love God because he first loved us. How do we know this is true? Look to the empty tomb.

This is what is offered to all who receive Christ, but it is exclusive in that it is the *only* way we are saved. We become victorious only through Christ’s victory. **“[God] said to me: ‘It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life. Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children. But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—they will be consigned to the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death.’”** Rev. 21:6-8. In Christ we are God’s children; without Christ we remain condemned.

Our celebration of Easter is coming even as we are reminded through Lent of our corruptness by sin and our need of the Savior. I don’t know how long this world will languish before the Lord returns, but we don’t have to wait for that day. When we live in Christ, his grace is new every morning. His renewal of the saved is constant even as sin manifests itself. Are you looking forward to spring? Let us celebrate the coming of God’s eternal gift of new life that comes through our loving Redeemer. **“These words are trustworthy and true.”**



February 5, 2015 Lund Lutheran Church Council meeting minutes.

Present: Carol & Russell Okeson, Jennifer & Robin Turnwall, Sharon Westerholm, Karen Halver, Lynda Hultin, Cindy Sauer, Donna Heimark, Pastor Jim Osvold and Tom Alexander.

Absent: Myra Eastman and Les Heimark.

Meeting called to order by President, Sharon Westerholm.

Devotions were given by Pastor Jim.

Agenda was approved with several additions.

Motion/Second, Robin T/Tom A. to approve the Secretary reports as printed. Passed.

Motion/Second, Robin T/Donna H. to approve the Financial Secretary and Treasurer reports as of January 31, 2015. Passed

Letter received from Julia Okeson stating that the Church Financial Records had been audited as of December 31, 2014 and that all was in order.

Pastors report was given. Some of the items mentioned were I movie night "The Current" will be shown during evening lent service. Pastor asking for permission to attend the LCMC Gathering. He is now volunteering with the Becker County Sheriff Dept. as a Chaplain when needed.

Motion/Second, Robin T/Lynda H. for the movie "The Current" to be used on March 25, 2015 during lent service. Passed.

Motion/Second, Robin T/Carol O. for Ladies Group to form a Committee to move forward with planning of new kitchen cabinets with diagram and estimates. Passed.

Trustees to meet and put together a plan and estimates for a new storage building to be erected.

Installation of Church Council Members to be held on February 22, 2015.

Motion/Second, Karen H/Lynda H. for Shepard of the Lakes to use the Church copy machine for color copies at .10 cents per copy.
Passed.

Next Council meeting will be held on March 5, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.

Meeting adjourned.

Donna Heimark,
Substitute Church Council Secretary.

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Hello, Mousey here,



Ash Wednesday is today and Lent is here. This time of the year brings us to the crucifixion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and Easter. It's a sad, but a wonderful time, knowing that Christ died to take our sins upon himself. I love getting together before the service every Wednesday, for soup, sandwich and fellowship, with all the people at Lund. I just run around like crazy to see who all is here.

We have started the New Testament at Sunday Bible Study. We will be reading about Jesus Ministry. I never thought about there being an Upper and Lower Story and how people need to be thinking in the Upper Story. Jesus began teaching the people with the Sermon on the Mount, and with parables and teaching people the Lord's Prayer. I hope everyone that has the book, The Story, is keeping up with what we are learning in Bible Study. The little people are learning about it too and get to tell what they learned in Sunday School. It is so fun watching them and seeing what they learned.

Roger Engstrom, a brother in Christ passed away this last weekend. He will be truly be missed by a lot of people. Our hearts go out to Debbie and their family in their loss.

Till next month. Love you All, Mousey

Kids EVENTS



Sunday School 8:30 am—9:30 am

We are studying through the Bible with a book called "The Story"

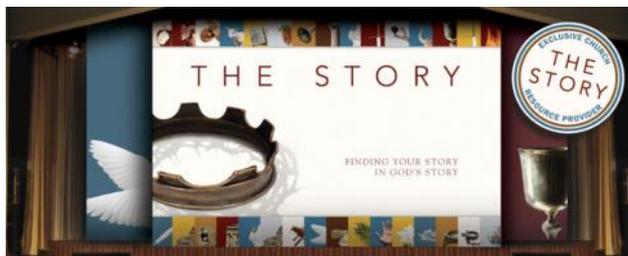
Ages 3 years and up are welcome to join us.



YOUTH NEWS

(7-12th grades)

We do not meet during Lent, but you are encouraged to attend Lenten Services and help with the suppers.



“This is my story, this is your story, but most of all this is God’s Story.”



Turn your clocks ahead!!!!

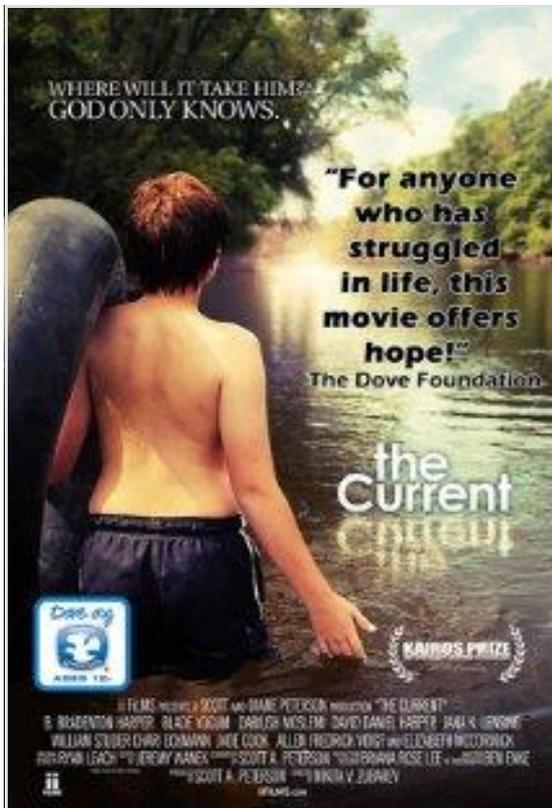
Sunday, March 8th Daylight Savings Time Begins



Lund Church Leaders that were commissioned on Sunday, February 22nd



Lund Women's Bible Study
Tuesday, March 10th
2:00 PM at Lund
Karen Lundberg serving
All women are welcome to attend!

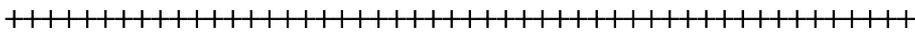


**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25TH DURING LENTEN SERVICE
7:00-8:30 PM**

**GREAT FAMILY FILM, THE KIDS WILL LOVE IT. HIGHLY
RECOMMENDED BY LUND YOUTH.**

March Lectionary

March 1	Genesis 17:1-7,15- 16	Psalm: 22:23 -31	Romans 4:13-25	The Story Chapter 25
March 8	Exodus 20:1-17	Psalm 19	1 Cor. 1:18 -25	The Story Chapter 26
March 15	Numbers 21:4-9	Psalm 107:1- 3, 17-22	Eph. 2:1-10	The Story Chapter 27
March 22	Jer. 31:31- 34	Psalm 51:1- 12	Heb. 5:5-10	The Story Chapter 28
March 29	Isa. 50:4-9a	Psalm 31:9- 16	Phil. 2:5-11	Luke 20:9-19



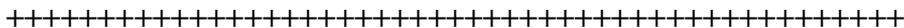
March Worship Volunteers

Reader: Myra Eastman

Ushers:

Greeters: Russell Okeson

Communion Server: Sharon Westerholm



Sunday Coffee servers:

March 1. Tom & Karen Alexander

March 8. Lloyd & Betty Varholdt

March 15. Les & Donna Heimark

March 22. Jeramie & Kathy Jacobson

March 29. Joe & Sharon Westerholm



Lund and Area Happenings:

Sunday, March 1st Sunday School 8:30, Worship /w communion 9:45am.

Wednesday, March 4th Lenten Service supper 5:30 - 6:30 pm worship at 7:00 pm.

Thursday, March 5th Council Meeting 6:00pm.

Friday, March 6th World Day of Prayer 12 Noon First Lutheran Church, DL.

Sunday, March 8th Sunday School 8:30, Worship 9:45am.

Sunday, March 8th Daylight Savings Time begins.

Tuesday, March 10th Women's Bible study, 2:00 pm.

Wednesday, March 11th Lenten Service, Supper 5:30—6:30, Worship 7PM.

Sunday, March 15th Sunday School 8:30 am Worship/w Communion 9:45am.

Wednesday, March 18th Lenten Service, Supper 5:30—6:30 worship 7:00 pm.

Thursday, March 19th Newsletter articles due into office.

Sunday, March 22nd Sunday School 8:30, worship 9:45am.

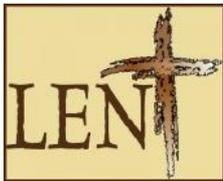
Wednesday, March 25th Lenten Service supper 5:30—6:30 pm worship at 7:00 pm. Movie "The Current" will be viewed.

Sunday, March 29th Sunday School 8:30, Worship 9:45am.

Thursday, April 2nd Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm No Meal.

Friday, April 3rd Good Friday Worship 7:00 pm No Meal.

Sunday, April 5th Easter Sunday Rolls and Coffee 9:00am Worship Service 9:45 am.



Lenten Services

Suppers will be served from 5:30—6:30pm

Worship at 7:00 pm

March 4th, March 11th, March 18th, March 25th,
April 2nd Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm, No meal

April 3rd Good Friday Service 7:00pm No meal

April 5th, Easter Sunday 9:45am

Easter Sunday Rolls & Coffee will be served at 9:00am.

Birthdays:



- March** 5. Karen Halver
 10. Jade Hedlund
 11. Kris Nelson
 17. Don Okeson
 18. Travelle Amos-Sikara
 19. Drake Halver
 21. Mike Warweg
 22. Lynda Hultin
 25. Judy Gildersleeve
 26. Nancy Bromley
 Jay Richards
 27. Karen Lundberg

Anniversary's

- March** 10. Mark & Barb Beug



God Bless you on your special day!

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Please notice on the calendar in your Newsletter there are names from the congregation on each day of the week, please take time to pray for those people on that day.

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Help Needed!

Cooks for March 18th Lenten supper, let Pam know in the office 847-9662, if you would be willing to help.

- March 4th Lorna, Cindy, Maria and Lynda**
March 11th Robin & Jennifer Turnwall
March 25th Sharon Westerholm & Judy Gildersleeve