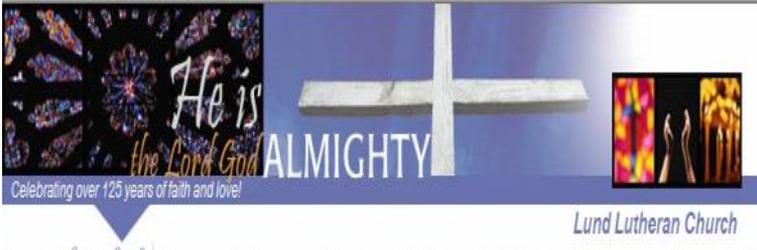


Lund Newsletter



2018

Lund Lutheran Church

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Pastor: Steve Bruer

Pastor's Perspective...

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Reformation reminds us of our identity as Lutheran Christians. We discover where we came from and how we are to be reformed into God's disciples following the example of that great reformer Martin Luther. Now, we enter November, a time to review and reflect on our Christian identity and stewardship, which should be our emphasis for this month. This is when we should plan ahead for the next year.

You know though, I'm always amazed at how quickly the months go wizzing by, and before you know it, it will be Thanksgiving and hiccup; Christmas! Take it from me, time accelerates as you age, or maybe it's me where I'm not as quick as I used to be.

November means Thanksgiving, elections, stewardship. At least those are my associations as we move toward winter. Sundays -- we begin November with All Saints and end November with Christ the King Sunday; then in December we begin a new Church year with the Advent Season where we prepare for God's gift to us in Jesus.

All Saints Sunday leads off our worship in November, a special day to remember those who have "*fought the good fight and have finished the race.*" Then on the final Sunday in November we celebrate Christ the King where we acknowledge that Christ is truly the king of our lives. Two great bookend celebrations with Thanksgiving in between.

Yes, **it's November already!** It's the unofficial beginning to the holiday season. Believe it or not, I think it's great that Thanksgiving and Christmas come as close together as they do. I like to think of them as the Holiday Blessing Twins. On Thanksgiving we reflect on the many physical and temporal gifts that we enjoy from God's hands, gifts that sustain and enrich us in this life. On Christmas we reflect on the birth of Christ, God's Son, that spiritual and eternal gift that we enjoy from God's love, a gift of eternal blessings. It's a double-blessing!

If thanksgiving and joy are the true gifts that await us this holiday season, we must not lament them coming as often and quickly as they do, but may indeed wish they came even more often. Whose heart does not benefit from such defense against the devil's evil seeds?

So as November comes and then goes as quickly as it came, may we keep focused on Jesus Christ and that our hearts will be filled with much thanks and joy. Then the devil's seeds will not be able to sprout within us!

For we do have a lot to be thankful for! So let's give God the thanks and glory He rightly deserves by our regular participation in worship and stewardship to His church here on earth. And don't forget to give thanks for each other in this great journey God has set us on in this life. A journey to eternity with Him!

Your Partner on this Journey

Pastor Steve

Anyone with family members or loved ones that you would like remembered on All Saints Day (November 4) call the office and let Pam know, 847-9662.



We welcome Mike &

Kathy Mauer as members to Lund.

The Mauer's transferred from First English in Menahga.

If you are or know of anyone interested in joining Lund, please let Pastor Bruer know at 218-252-1272 or Pam in the church office at 218-847-9662

**Lund Council Meeting
October 11, 2018**



Present: All members present.

Call to order by President Robin.

Pastor Steve opened with devotions.

Additions to the agenda were made.

Secretary Report: Given by Judy. Regular meeting minutes - Approved with corrections. Myra/Tom/carried.

Special meeting minutes from Sept. 26th – Myra/Carol/carried.

Financial Secretary Report : Given by Myra. .

Treasurer's Report: Given by Karen H.

Motion to approve both financial reports: Judy/Lynda/carried.

Pastors Report: Thanked us for sending him to the LCMC Annual Gathering in Des Moines . There were 792 participants. Shared info from the sessions he attended. One in particular led by Kent Hunter and his book Who Broke My Church. Share some interesting points discussed: 1) People become disciples by being asked 2) Famous last words of the church "we've never done it that way before". 3) Don't make emotional decisions but instead table it and pray about it. Compared the church to a rubber band: have to keep expanding it but not enough to break it.

We belong to the Augustana District. Upcoming District events: 1) Feb 4 & 5 - Pastors meeting in Bloomington. 2) March 8-10 – confirmation retreat. 3) May 11th – Annual meeting in Alexandria.

Committee Reports:

President: Shared a thank you letter from Roger Lee for helping with the Habitat for Humanity meals in the Park. 2035 meals were served over the summer.

Deacons: By Lynda. Need ushers for December and ushers and greeters for January.

Education: By Cindy . Nothing to report.

Mission: Written report from Sharon. Recommended by the women that we send \$100 to the Wounded Warrior Project. Russ /Myra/carried.

Endowment: By Judy. Council had previously requested that \$5000 from Endowment Fund checking be invested in a CD. Endowment Committee discussed it and are suggesting that we not open a CD at Midwest because we would also have to open another checking account. Committee recommended the \$5000 be reinvested with the highest earning Thrivent account. Discussion followed and the matter was tabled until next meeting to see how the market changes. Copy of the earnings report was distributed.

Trustees : By Russ. Have not been given an installation date for the acoustic panels. The outside mailbox has been replaced.

Old Business:

Swedish Meatball Dinner: By Judy. Discussed last minute details. Signup sheets nearly full. Pastor Steve submitted a request for matching funds from Thrivent. Cash card for \$250 was received.

Cemetery Committee: Robin read the recommendations for the sign and info pamphlet and asked for additional ideas .

New Business:

**Funeral Committee:* Jan A has resigned. Need a replacement to work with Sharon W.

**Trunk or Treat:* Oct 31 from 4:30 to 6:30. Halver's will provide the bon fire and hotdogs.

**Candles:* Have a new Advent candle donated by the Shepard of the Lakes. New liquid wax Paschal candle will be purchased at a cost of \$250. Will be 26" with a medallion on the front. Funds will come from the memorial account. Myra/Judy/carried.

**Trailer:* Shepard of the Lakes has given us the small trailer they used in the parade. Pastor and Robin will pick it up.

**Holiday Schedule:* Thanksgiving service: Tuesday Nov. 20th at 7 p.m. Christmas: Regular service on Sunday the 23rd. Christmas Eve service on the 24th time will be determined by the visiting organist.

**Confirmation:* Jan and Ron are serving coffee. Lynda will check on the cake. Jane getting the coursages and Myra the cards. Gifts in stock.

**Communion for the children:* Discussion followed. Only blessings will be given to the children.

Next meeting : Thursday, November 8th at 6:30. Cindy will give devotions. Closed with the Lords Prayer. Pastor Steve led us in the closing prayer.

Motion to adjourn: Myra/Judy/carried.

Respectfully Submitted: Judy Gildersleeve.

Lund Lutheran Church Special Meeting
September 26. 2018

Council members present: Russ, Carol, Jennifer, Robin, Karen H., Myra, Lynda, Tom, Judy, Pastor Steve. Absent: Cindy.

Business:

Basement Acoustics: Council members have heard numerous complaints regarding the noise level in the basement during coffee fellowship. Russ met with Dow Acoustics. They have worked with this problem in many churches. We looked at samples, swatches, and pictures from other churches. It was recommended that we do just the main room first. Dow Acoustics recommended ceiling and wall placement of the tiles to meet the recommended acoustic levels for that sized room. Four foot and two foot wide off white square cornered panels would be used for the ceilings and four two foot beveled edged wheat colored tile would be fashioned in patterns on two walls. Cost would be \$3,700. Much discussion followed. Motion to go forward with the purchase as recommended with funds coming first from member donations, then the Memorial and Endowment accounts. Myra/Carol/carried.

Robin closed with prayer.

Meeting adjourned.

Judy Gildersleeve, Secretary

Endowment Meeting
Oct 11, 2018

Members present: Chad, Lynda, Linda, Judy and Orin.

Chairman Chad brought meeting to order with the Lord's Prayer.

No secretaries report.

Treasurers report by Linda K: Checking account balance \$15,000. So far this fiscal year we have approved six requests for a total of \$1,567.50. Council had recommended we put \$5000 from checking into a CD at Midwest Credit Union for better interest rates. But in order to do so, we must also open a checking account there. Linda also looked into the rates at Bell State where we already have an account. Discussion followed. Recommended that the \$5K be reinvested in Thrivent Funds. Motion to reinvest: Chad/Lynda/carried.

Three request for funds were presented: Two were approved one was denied.

The Council requested funds to be used for the acoustics projects. Funding for that project will come from member donations, Memorial Fund and Endowment. Motion to provide up to \$1500. Judy/Orin/carried.

Motion made to give Pastor Steve \$500 towards expenses from LCMC Annual Gathering. Judy/Linda/carried.

Next meeting: December 13th at 6 p.m.

Meeting adjourned. Judy Gildersleeve, Secretary

Confirmation Classes

Wednesdays at 7:30

pm

No confirmation clas-



ses on November
21st.
your Bibles each
week!

Remember to bring

Sunday, November 25th

Jens Richards will be confirmed.

**Jens was unable to be here in October
for confirmation.**



**Congratulations Jens and God's Blessing be with
you!**



Kids EVENTS

Sunday School 9:45

Children will be released after the Children's Sermon or about 10:00am.

Ages 3 years and up are welcome to attend.

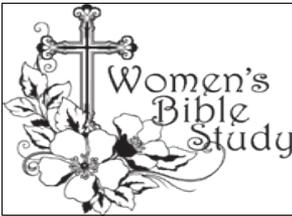
Come and learn about Jesus' love!

2018 Habitat for Humanity / Picnics in the Park

A big THANK YOU to all the volunteer workers/groups and especially our loyal diners who helped make the 2018 'Picnics' successful. It is a big cooperative effort! Bob Jernberg and Roger Lee

Some 2018 statistics include: 13 Tuesdays and 2 Thursdays, 2035 meals, \$10,633.20 collected, which is an average of \$5.23 per meal. Other receipts include: aluminum cans - \$13.25, Thrivent Financial \$1,500.00 – 6 action teams and the sale of extra food - \$262.64. Thus, the total receipts are \$12,408.91. The total expenses were \$2,715.29 for a profit of \$9,693.62. Of that, \$500 was given to the DLCCC for scheduling the music and doing all of the advertising. That leaves \$9,193.62 for Habitat for Humanity. Of note: since the end of the picnics, 4 more appreciation/thank you checks have been received.

Since starting in 1994, 11 houses have been built by the Detroit Lakes Area of Habitat for Humanity. Three houses/owners have completed their payments and eight are still working on their contracts. At the present time, the Habitat for Humanity board is assessing their financial situation to determine when they can begin house #12.



Women's Bible Study
 Tuesday, November 13, 2018
 2:00 pm
 Hostess: Jennifer Turnwall
 All women are invited to attend.



**A Huge Thank you to
 Jan Anderson for all the years of
 chairing the funeral committee.**

CHRISTMAS FLOWER ORDER FORM - 2018

If you would like to purchase flowers for the church,
 please return the completed form and your flower payment
 to the church office by Thursday, Nov. 1st. Thank you.
 Please make checks payable to: Lund Lutheran Church

Poinsettias 6.5 inch pot \$ 7.00
8 inch pot \$14.00
 (Please specify below)

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| Purchased by: | _____ | | | |
| Red | White | Pink | Total \$ | |
| Quantity (6.5") | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Quantity (8") | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

In **HONOR** of:

In **MEMORY** of:

November Lectionary

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|-------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|---------------------|-------------------|
| November 4 | Revelation 7:9-17 | Psalm 149 | 1 John 3:1-3 | Matthew 5:1-12 |
| November 11 | 1 Kings 17:8-16 | Psalm 146 | Hebrews 9:24-28 | Mark 12:38-44 |
| November 18 | Daniel 12:1-3 | Psalm 16 | Hebrews 10:11-25 | Mark 13:1-13 |
| November 20 Thanksgiving | Deut. 8:1-10 | Psalm 67 | Phil. 4:6-20 | Luke 17:11-19 |
| November 25 | Isaiah 51:4-6 | Psalm 93 | Rev. 1:4b-8 | Mark 13:24-37 |



November Worship Volunteers

Reader: Myra Eastman

Communion Server: Sharon Westerholm

Ushers: Les & Donna Heimark

Greeter: Les & Donna Heimark

November Sunday Coffee Servers:

- November 4: Willie & Lynda Hultin
- November 11: Roger & Cleo Johnson
- November 18: John & Judy Gildersleeve
- November 25: Bill Gunderman & Jeanne Johnson



Lund and Area Happenings:

- Thursday, November 1st** Poinsettias order are due by noon.
Saturday, November 3rd Turn your clocks back before you go to bed, day light savings time ends.
Sunday, November 4th Bible Study 8:30 am, Worship Service, & Sunday school 9:45 am with Communion.
Tuesday, November 6th Election Day, don't forget to vote!
Wednesday, November 7th Confirmation 7:30 pm.
Thursday, November 8th Council Meeting 6:30 pm.
Sunday, November 11th Worship Service & Sunday School 9:45 am. Veterans Day, Thank a Veteran!
Tuesday, November 13th Women's Bible study 2:00 pm.
Wednesday, November 14th Confirmation 7:30 pm.
Sunday, November 18th Worship Service with Communion and Sunday School 9:45 am.
Tuesday, November 20th Thanksgiving Service 7:00 pm.
Wednesday, November 21st No Confirmation.
Thursday, November 22nd Happy Thanksgiving!
Sunday, November 25th Worship Service & Sunday School 9:45 am. Confirmation for Jens Richards.
Wednesday, November 28th Confirmation 7:30 pm.
Wednesday November 28th News article due.

November 4th Daylight Savings Time Ends!



Thanksgiving Service
Tuesday, November 20th
7:00 pm



Birthdays:

- November 4. Barb Beng
- 5. Joy Schuler
- 7. Jan Mills
- Russ Okeson
- 11. Marcy Erickson
- Nora Towers
- 19. Pam Grieger
- 20. Jake Okeson
- 21. Jan Anderson
- Joel Okeson
- Anniversaries



- November 4. Willie & Lynda Hultin
- 18. Russ & Carol Olson
- 27. Eric & Belynda Nickolauson





Hello there, Mousey here.

Fall is here, and winter is closing in. Fall also reminds me of the Taste of Lund, which was a record amount of people. The Meat-ball Dinner was Sunday October 28th. Both events we should be thanking God, for these opportunities for our church.

In my little house, I have signs where I can see them all the time to remind me that God is at work all the time. One says "Thank God, ya'll. That's how I talk after I come back from visiting family in Texas. Ya'll this and Ya'll that. I have a bread board that says "Life is filled with Reasons to Believe". Powerful right? Just look around you. Even if it is yucky outside, you have a nice cozy place to be in your home. My favorite sign is from Phillipians 4:13." I can do all things through Him who strengthens me".

I talk to myself a lot, kind of lonely being a mouse, but most of what I have to say is how thankful I am, for my awesome life, and that I found a place to live in Lund Lutheran Church. This church is made up of people that are caring, thoughtful, and welcome others with open arms. It is so good being a part of this. Thank you, God.

Have a very blessed November and a thankful Thanksgiving, Love ya'll. Mousey