



Lord of the Lakes Serving God's people with hope.

February, 2019

This Christmas, the staff here at the church shared a financial gift given to us by the congregation. We are genuinely thankful for your generosity! You all take such wonderful care of us, and we feel your love and support every day.

To truly feel loved is an incredible gift, isn't it? Love without strings attached, love without expectations. Many of us experience this kind of love from our pets. They're waiting for us at the door and are happy to see us no matter what kind of day we've had. I didn't grow up with any pets, other than one goldfish who lived a whopping 17 years. I think my mom was glad to see him go.

But years ago, Carol and I had a stray cat show up at our door when we lived in California. We unofficially adopted her – we thought it was a “him” for quite some time – and for a short while before we moved, we got to experience the unabashed love of an animal. This cat really acted more like a dog. She would

meow repeatedly when she wanted to be let in, and enjoyed a lot of attention. I am not what you'd call a “cat guy,” but this cat won me over. Carol too.

Part of what made the experience so great was that we were going through some stressful circumstances, and the cat brought a lot of joy and laughter when we needed it most.

LOVE

We all have those times, don't we? When we could use some good news, some fun, some extra love in our lives. Next month, I'll be focusing on love during my Sunday sermons. My hope is that you will be reminded of what healthy love looks like, and how to develop it in your own life.

Having relationships that bring us closer to God are so important, and we're going to be taking a closer look at what that means. I hope you'll join us!

Pastor Kevin



Why Join a Church?
Establishing roots in a faith community.
Connect, Grow, Serve.
Church is not something you go to, it's a family you belong to.

Lord of the Lakes

New Member Class schedule:

March 3, after the 10am Service or
Tuesday, March 5 at 6:30pm

If you are interested in being a member at Lord of the Lakes, please attend one of the above classes, or contact Pastor.

New Member Sunday: **March 10th**

First Communion Class: Sunday, February 17 @ 11:00

Participants will receive their First Communion on Sunday, *March 3* at both services. Children are usually ready to receive communion **around 4th grade**; we leave it up to the parents to decide if your child is ready. Please sign up at the kiosk, contact the office, or speak to Pastor Kevin.



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Office: Mon—Thursday, 8am-3pm
www.lordofthelakes.net

Youth

What's going on in February...

PIZZA SALE!

Buy pizza and help the youth travel to Nashville in July for a mission trip!

Dates of sale: now—February 10

Place your orders on Sundays in the Gathering

Area between services OR fill out the order form found in this newsletter and bring/ mail to the church office. A huge **Thanks** in advance!



Sunday School
meets at 9:00am
"Fruit of the Spirit"

Gentleness & Self
Control

Learn with us
through mini
scenarios, stain
glass cross project,
skits & lots of fun!

Youth: Devos & Donuts: Sunday
9:00am Join us! (grades 6-12)



SIMPLE HOPE

providing HOPE to those in Tanzania

News from Simple Hope:

† Upgrades continue to happen at the Foundation for Hope Center in Lake Eyasi. Solar power has been added to the chicken coop to provide security. Please pray that this project will prosper and provide a stable way for the Hadzabe to add protein to their diets. (see photos on kiosk at church)

† Simple Hope continues to expand its ministry reach into the bush by using the "Jesus Film Project" to spread the Gospel. We are grateful for the electronic devices for this ministry! Approximately 100 Hadzabe have come to know Jesus since we began using tablets in late 2017.

Busy Hands

Thank you to all the generous people who recently donated cotton fabric and gently used sheets. It's so wonderful to have this material to work with. Anyone interested in helping, please come. If you just want to see what we're doing, STOP BY!

2019 Confirmation

Confirmation Class begins on Wednesday, March 6th after the 6:30pm Lent Service. 9th grade Students/ Parent(s), older students and adults who have not been confirmed are more than welcome to attend.

Our program is not simply scholastic. It is as much learning by doing as by studying. By teaching what it means to serve others and work together in community we are demonstrating how to live lives in faith—perhaps for your entire life! I look forward to seeing you for what promises to be an exciting and wonderful Confirmation.

Please sign up on the kiosk or contact the church office.

Confirmation Sunday: April 9, 2017

Confirmation

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Wednesday, March 6

5:30pm Soup

6:30pm Lent Worship

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WEDNESDAY

Special contributions received to the
Lord of the Lakes Endowment Fund

In Memory of

George Kontos

Given by:

Howard & Jane Beck
Chris & Kate Pfaendtner
Anonymous
Tyers family

SCRIP

Don't forget a treat for your favorite people this Valentine's Day! How about a Shopko, Starbuck's, or Subway gift card? Or, maybe give the gift of a dinner out.... Fin 'N Feather, Whitehouse Inn, or Jackie's? Get a great surprise for your valentine and support Lord of the Lakes at the same time! Shop at www.ShopWithScrip.com to see hundreds of participating retailers.

Questions about Scrip can be directed to Tammy Wright 920.836.3007 or wisupermom@gmail.com.

Turn in your order & your money "Lord of the Lakes SCRIP" by February 7th for card delivery on February 14th.

P.s. The SCRIP team is looking for a Marketing type person to help out. If interested, please contact Tammy.



Fruit of
the **Spirit**

evidence that God is at work in your life

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, April 13 8am-1pm
Hosted by **St. Mark's Lutheran,**
Neenah

Women of all ages welcome, Childcare provided, Speakers, Lunch, details to follow & will be posted on ecsw.org

On Sunday morning don't worship & run Stay a bit & join in the fun! Have some food & drink to start your day Before you head out & are on your way!

Join us for Coffee!

Thank you to our many Coffee teams on Sunday Mornings!

(p.s. if you are able to help out once in a while with this team, please contact Kate, 428-1570)



Blood Pressure/Blood Sugar Clinics—Free

The 2nd Sunday of every month.

Why come? For your health! This is free, it's done by qualified volunteers.



COMMUNITY DINNER

You Are Invited February's Community Supper!

Thursday, February 7th
Community Supper 5:30pm
Speaker: Cathie Ercegovac

speaking about the First Responders here in Winneconne. This month is sponsored by St. Mary's. Please join us!



Church part-time maintenance

We are looking for a person to help with the upkeep of our facility. The position is for up to 10 hours per week and will work with the Building and Grounds team to complete our "odd" jobs around the church.

Please pick up an application (office or kiosk) if you know someone who may be interested.

Thrift Thanks You!

Thank you for your helping hands & loving hearts in 2018.

Thrift: It's great for a family with kids who are looking for a service project or service hours.

Need Help? Don't let stigma stand in your way.

Call 2-1-1 www.21now.org

Find resources for: suicidal thoughts, Alcohol/drug abuse, stress, depression, eating disorders, family counseling, anxiety, bipolar disorder and much more. **No Health without Mental Health**

24/7 Mental Health Crisis Intervention Help Line: Oshkosh: 233-7707, Neenah: 722-7707

Prayer is a crucial part of our faith lives and support of each other. Please contact the church office or Pastor Kevin to add your request to the prayer chain. All concerns on the prayer chain are kept confidential. *Pastor Kevin*

"A place of refuge in a troubled world"

Like and follow us on Facebook for first and updated weather closing/delay information all season!



Bible Study
At the Fin

Thursdays at 8:30am

Breakfast optional, coffee available. Come and join us.



Thrift News

Thanks so much to the volunteers that helped with the December and January Thrift Saturdays. We've had very, very busy Saturdays and everyone pitched in and made a go of it. Many hands make light work.

We are still working the first Saturday of the month in 2019. We could always use volunteers - especially men - but are especially short for February and March. The sign up sheets are on the kiosk. Please consider volunteering a couple of Saturdays during the year. We always have a good time!

Need more information? Call Cindy Hendren at 920-594-2580

\$113/hour

Wow, that's a sizable wage.

Our church—
with your help
on Thrift
Saturdays—
earned a total
of \$5424.65 in
2018 (in
roughly 48
hours)

Volunteer at
Thrift!
10am-2pm
first Saturday of
the month

Sunday, February 3: Food Pantry donations & Noisy Offering



Souper Bowl of Caring helps people across America develop a stronger connection to their communities by caring for their neighbors in need. Transform Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. **Please bring: peanut butter, pasta & sauce, laundry detergent, boxed cereal, canned fruit, toilet paper, Hamburger Helper, Personal Care items & your coins!** Thank you very much.

From Bishop Mansholt ...

In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God...and the Word became flesh and lived among us and we have seen his glory (John 1:1,14).



East Central Synod of Wisconsin
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

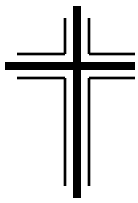
About a month ago I sent a message to the synod announcing that Ben Stepanek had begun working on the synod staff as our Communications Manager. Ben's job description has a long list of responsibilities that includes work with social media as well as printed material and a host of other duties. But the heart of the communications work is really "...to tell the story of the East Central Synod of Wisconsin."

What is the story that we have to tell? Some might say it is a story about things that are happening in the 123 congregations of the synod, perhaps a building addition or a mission trip or cooperative work in a local food pantry touching the lives of the homeless. But I think there is a bigger story yet. The story we have to tell is not merely a story about us, though there are some wonderful stories to be told about the people in our congregations and things they are doing. The story we have to tell is about God and how God is at work in our communities and neighborhoods, in the lives of our neighbors in need, and in the people of our congregations across East Central Wisconsin.

In Christmas services last month we heard the angel proclaim to the shepherds: *Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord.* The angel was telling the story of what God was doing in the world. The angel told how God came interrupting the lives of Mary and Joseph and the shepherds and invited them to behold the life-giving presence of God in the Word made flesh. The angel announced God was on a mission to bring salvation to a broken and sinful world.

We are slowly learning the Church does not have a mission. It is more correct for us to say God has a mission. The Church has a calling, we called to participate in God's mission of reconciling the world to God and to one another. So the story we have to tell is how we in this part of God's Church are being prodded and challenged, invited and encouraged to be part of God's mission of reconciling love in Jesus Christ. This means we are to listen to the stories of people in our neighborhoods and communities and congregations to discern where God is showing up and where God is calling us to witness and serve in the world today.

We have a wonderful story to tell. It is not a story, however, just about institutional survival or the continuation of church life as we have always known or experienced it. The story we have to tell is about the life-giving presence of the Word made flesh, the very God, crucified and risen, who still lives among us, in our neighborhoods and communities, and beckons us to behold his glory.



February

2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		SCRIP orders due Feb 7 for Valentine's Day	* Youth Group is all Middle School and High School students		1 Winneconne THRIFT AND GIFT	2 10am-2pm Thrift: Volunteer!
3 8 & 10am Worship Noisy offering & pantry 9:00am Coffee, Sunday School, Devos & Donuts	4 5:00pm Narcotics anonymous 5:30pm Bells	5 9am Busy Hands	6 6pm Youth Group* 6pm Choir 7pm Guitar Band	7 8:30am Bible Study Fin 5:30pm Community Supper @ First Pres Church	8	9 Order pizza 
10 8 & 10am Worship 9:00 coffee, Youth Devos & Donuts, BP/BS Testing, Sunday School	11 5:00pm Narcotics anonymous 5:30pm Bells	12 6:30pm Bldg & Grds	13 6pm Youth Group* 6pm Choir 7pm Guitar Band	14 8:30am Bible Study Fin	15	16
17 8 & 10am Worship 9:00am Youth Devo & Donuts, Sunday School, Coffee 11:00 1st communion class	18 5:00pm Narcotics anonymous 5:30 pm Bells	19 9am Busy Hands 6:30pm Council	20 6pm Youth Group* 6pm Choir 7pm Guitar Band	21 8:30am Bible Study Fin	22	23 THANK YOU <i>Lord</i>
24 8 & 10am Worship 9:00am Coffee, Sunday School, Youth Devos,	25 5:00pm Narcotics Anonymous 5:30pm Bells	26	27 6pm Youth Group* 6pm Choir 7pm Guitar Band	28 8:30am Bible Study Fin	Saturday, March 2 Youth: Pizza Making Day	Sunday, March 3 1st Communion Sunday, New member class

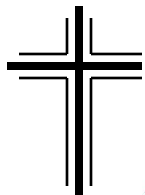
Busy Hands
9am - 11am
February 5th & 19th
Please come when you are able! No sewing experience is necessary.



Pastor's January
advising-5
meetings-4
home/hospital visits-5
Bible studies-5
Special events/training-3

February Birthdays (over 70)
Chuck Riese February 7
Dave Klemp February 8
Keith Kohlmann February 15
Kay Lettau February 17
Judy Brooks February 25
Gloria Cartwright February 28
Contact the office for any changes.





Worship Assistants Schedule



February Ushers 8:00am Audrey Bishop, Chris & Jim Rescheske, Pam Ulness*	February Ushers 10:00am Janine Brantley, Bette Lee, John* & Nick Wallschlaeger
February 3 8:00am Reader Dana Hartel Greeters Rick Pierre & Ariel Haemmerle Communion Dianna Donner & Kari Nigl Coffee Tamie Wallschlaeger*, Tricia & Scott Koch & Barb Ruggles	February 3 10:00am Reader Jan Faust Greeters Tim & Anne Zillges Communion Steve & Trudy Resnick
February 10 8:00am Reader Darlene Larson Greeters Russ & Marge Kohl Communion Brian Reese & Mary Alice Klemp Coffee Kay & Tom Lettau*, Nicole King & Beverly Raajes	February 10 10:00am Reader Jody Franz Greeters Gloria & Dennis Cartwright Communion Jenni & Joe Groholski
February 17 8:00am Reader Marge Kohl Greeters Victoria Waters & Betts Nikolai Communion Janet Veith & Lisa Curtis Coffee Marsha Phillips*, Michelle Petersen, Kristen Woods	February 17 10:00am Reader Jenni Groholski Greeters Janine Brantley & Amy Davies Communion Dennis Cartwright & Cheryl Prosek
February 24 8:00am Reader Drew Jaeger Greeters Valerie Gulke & Ramakka Hartel Communion Joanne Dallmann & Betts Nikolai Coffee Anne & Maria Zillges* Marge Kohl, Bette Lee	February 24 10:00am Reader Cindy Hendren Greeters Tom & Kay Lettau Communion Debbie & Jim Williams
March 3 8:00am Reader Darlene Larsen Greeter Dave & Ellen Smolinski Communion Marsha Phillips & Audrey Bishop Coffee Jim & Rhonda Bricco*, John Macho & Tammy Wright	March 3 10:00am Reader Kay Lettau Greeter Kathy Slesar & Tom Zillges Communion Ken Mueller & Kari Nigl
Wednesday, March 6 6:30pm worship Communion: Kristen Bjornstad, Gail Gardner	Ash Wednesday 
March Ushers 8:00 am Ben & Owen Brantley, Dave Klemp*, Rick Pierre	March Ushers 10:00am Joe Groholski*, John Slesar, Debbie & Jim Williams

mail from:

Dear friends at Lord of the Lakes,
 Thank you so much for setting up a giving tree for our organization. The items you provided us help individuals utilizing our services. Every little bit helps make a huge impact. We cannot thank you enough for your generosity and kind hearts. Your continued support means the world to us. Thank you for all you do. Happy New Year! - Staff of Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Services



Ps: we are beyond excited for spring so we can get a new patio set with the funds you donated :)

Bless our Council	Phone	Email address
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Have you seen these slips in the offering plate?

Those that give electronically use them as a physical reminder of their ongoing and consistent commitment to give to the Lord the things that are his.

You too can give your offering electronically.

Go to <http://www.lordofthelakes.net>, click on "Donate". Or, download the Give Plus app from your mobile phone store.



Coffee Fellowship - Did You Know?

Coffee fellowship began early on, when Lord of the Lakes services were at the Winneconne Middle School auditorium, led by Mary Alice Klemp and her mother. There was one service at the time but gathering for coffee, treats and socializing has been part of our church since the

beginning.

Since moving to our current location, 18 years ago, Marge Kohl has worked to lead and organize the countless volunteers that have worked to bring us coffee fellowship as we know it.

As of January 1, 2019, Marge is retiring from her role as the Coffee Fellowship Coordinator. I have agreed to fill the role. I am very fortunate that Marge has done the work of organizing and documenting what needs to happen to bring coffee & treats to our members and visitors. She has scheduled and followed up with countless volunteers over the years and passes a very well organized "baton" to me. Thank you so much, Marge!

When you see Marge please take time to say thank you for her many years of service as the Coffee Fellowship Coordinator! Well done, good and faithful servant.

Kate Pfaendtner

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supporting the mission of Lord of the Lakes

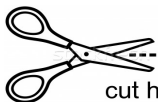


Still writing weekly checks? Join the many members of Lord of the Lakes who find it easier to give their offerings electronically.

It is simple for you and it stabilizes the income of the church throughout the year.

Securely use a credit or debit card or have your offering debited directly from your bank account.

Go to: lordofthelakes.net for more information or download the **Give+ Church** mobile app from your phone's app store.



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HUGE PIZZA SALE

Youth Fundraiser for the summer, 2019 MISSION TRIP to Nashville!

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Type of Pizza:	Cheese \$5.00	Pepperoni \$6.00	Sausage \$6.00	Total \$ enclosed*
Quantity:				

* Please send your money with this order form. Cash or checks to "Lord of the Lakes", memo "Pizza".
Orders are due by February 10—Pizzas are ready for pick up on March 3! Yummy....thanks for eating pizza!

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by the amazing grace of God

“Lord,
teach us to
pray...”

