

Lord ^{Of} The Lakes



January 2022

It's January 2022. Have you made and kept your resolutions? Every year we evaluate the last year. We name our top 10 everything like people of the year, funniest moments or best tv shows.

But I seldom if ever see any mention of God in the lists. Usually it's people praising people. We praise the people that become more powerful, or respected, or famous and wealthy. Those are the ones to copy. Right?

Jesus philosophy of life is a bit different. If you want to become more- well become less. If you want more power, well it comes by serving others. Not just in things you like to do- sometimes even things you would rather not do.

You don't hear about lists like- top 10 ways I can be more active in the lives of my neighbors next year. Or the 10 best ways to worship God through serving others. Or maybe 10 ways to make a difference in my own heart and soul with prayer, study and scripture reading. Yet as people of faith we know in our hearts the importance of spiritual growth. This year I hope you will consider making a separate spiritual goals list. Honestly that will make a much bigger difference in your life than losing a few pounds and working out more. Both of which are usually on my list of changes every year!

May 2022 be the year our spiritual strength becomes a focus. I'll do what I can to help around here! I hope you join in to the many opportunities we have coming in the year ahead. Happy new year,
Pastor Kevin

Prayer for the New Year

Lord, Whether we're leaving behind a year of joy and blessing or trials and difficulties, we pause to give thanks. We thank You that You are always with us every single day of every single year. Please remind us of Your presence in the year ahead, even when life is busy. We are so thankful that we serve a God who makes things new and gives us the grace of fresh starts and new beginnings. Be glorified in our lives this year. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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January Newsletter

Another year is right around the corner, I can't believe it is here already. Often times we start to reflect on what changes the new year will bring and with that what changes we will strive for in ourselves. New Year resolutions to stop eating so many sweets, or be more active, perhaps spend more time with family and friends. It seems a bit silly when you think about it. We are always waiting for the turn of a page or a new year to try and better ourselves into the new and improved. We will be better when January hits, that is the key right there, a new year that is sure to change things for the better. But what about right now? How about this very second? We can choose to be better, at whatever, right now at his very moment! Be a better parent, be a better friend, pray a little more, spend a little less, do it now! We plan and prep and organize for things to go our way and we forget that those plans are ours and may not be God's. This next year, instead of the diets, and the long shot goals, try something different, pray. Start each day with a willing heart, pray for guidance, lean on the Savior. When we choose to let Him guide our lives, its amazing how things just seem to fall in place. No day like today!!!

God is good!
Amy



These beautiful picture are from the children's program.. Amy and the teachers did such a great job in putting this together



Busy Hands will meet Tuesday, January 4 and 18 from 9:00 to 11:30 am. We assemble quilts and follow with devotion time and refreshments. Anyone interested, feel free to join us. No sewing experience is necessary.

Our next outing is set for Tuesday, March 22, 2022.

A celebration of the church basement kitchen and the women who work there, *Church Basement Ladies* is a musical comedy that follows four women as they prepare food and solve the problems of a rural Minnesota church in 1964. From the elderly matriarch of the kitchen to the young bride-to-be learning the proper order of things, we see them handle a record-breaking Christmas dinner, the funeral of a dear friend, an Easter fund raiser and a steaming hot July wedding. They stave off potential disasters, share and debate recipes, instruct the young and keep the pastor on course. With good, clean laughs and memorable characters, *Church Basement Ladies* is heavenly fun for all. **You'll laugh so hard, your side dish will hurt!**

Tickets are \$38.60 each. Sign up sheet is on the kiosk. Please sign up early.

2022 Envelopes

The 2022 envelope books are on the table by the window of the office, in the Gathering Area—if you haven't already picked yours up. These booklets are expensive to mail.

If you want an envelope book, but do not see one there with your name on, please contact the office so that we can get one to you. Office 920-582-2622

If you prefer an Electronic giving option and need assistance setting this up, please stop by the office and see *Ellen or Gail*.

Christmas Staff Gifts

The Staff would like to thank the generosity of the members of the Lord of the Lakes. Your gift is so thoughtful and very much appreciated.

We've accumulated 3 different Bible Study Series for you to check out and go through on your own or in a small group.

1. Stepping Up a journey through the Psalms by Beth Moore
2. Forgiving What You Can't Forget by LysaTerkeurst
3. Esther Its Tough Being a Women By Beth Moore



Congratulations to the Branden & Amanda Schleif Family
Hayden Earl Schleif was baptized on Dec 19 2021.

Sponsors: Wanda Drexler,
Mitchell Kunde, and Andy Venzke.

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"

Thrift Partner Program

A huge thank you to those that volunteer on our Thrift Saturday's. We always have a great time. This is a great way to get to know each other while having the privilege of serving others. Reminder: Next Thrift **Saturday February 5th** sign up is at the kiosk or contact: Becky Jahnke at beckyjahnke920@gmail.com



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Sympathy's to the Dale Witzke family on the Passing of Dale on Nov 16 2021



Buildings & Grounds Minutes 12/14/2021

Report on routine Maintenance per Brad: supplies of furnace filters as well as bags of salt for the water softener need to be replaced. We have enough salt through January. Brad states he does competitive pricing on supplies before ordering.

Basement partitions completed by Brad and Rick: total of 8 with sections now available to Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Youth and miscellaneous supplies. Cost \$115 per unit. Group toured the basement and while there is still organizing work to do, it looks great and they should be very satisfactory to take us into the future.

Sanctuary West exit door replaced and completed by Tri City Glass and Brad

Canopy soffit was incidentally damaged by Van Zealand during landscaping project which they offered to repair and cover cost. Ben researched repair and cost per roofing company -- \$5,800. Brad offered to repair for much less than that and he now has the edging needed -- done this week. Van Zealand then offered to reduce landscaping bill by \$500 which we felt was fair.

Sanctuary HVAC AC repair: parts are here and Gartman will get scheduled before year-end; now scheduled for 12/28 and Brad will meet them at 7:30 am. This will get it into the 2021 budget as requested.

Garbage Service change: GFL has been notified of discontinuance of their service via certified letter and Harter's (new to our area) has been contracted with a 1 yr contract. Savings of approximately \$600/year and service change-over will take place in March. Questions asked re: biweekly vs monthly pick-up. Jan unsure but will check with Lou Zwicky who had made the arrangements and is on vacation this week.

Replace Highway Sign: has been being worked on for some time by Tom from B&G and Wayne from Council and narrowed down to 2 companies. Wayne did a side-by-side comparison of Appleton Sign's rendition and Creative Signs rendition with comparisons re: Basic Sign of sizes and features; Electronic Message Board, sizes and features; Warranties. Daryl voiced that the base appears to be more durable with the Creative rendition, better graphics and sizing, and the company seemingly easier to work with. After further discussion, a vote by 6 B&G members resulted in a unanimous vote for Creative Signs in spite of pricing difference -- felt Creative has the best value to take us into the future. Total cost quote: \$43,400 plus incidental costs for permitting, running electricity to it which needs to be arranged by us.

Council's discussion: will go with B&G's vote, pay \$20,000 out of operations fund and do a fund raiser to pay for rest (\$23,620). Jeff suggested anything over and above amount raised, we put to debt reduction and advertise as such to our members. Timeline discussed: start fundraising after Jan. 1 and target installation early Spring time. Various forms of fundraising were suggested.

Future B&G projects: looking at adding to playground equipment -- will bring Amy into the loop to see what needs are appropriate. There were questions re: the age bracket we are targeting. It was suggested we put a portable basketball hoop at the east end of parking lot and they can use that pavement as a court.

Secondly, installation of flood lights to the back yard so our back area is usable in Spring and Fall when it gets dark so early. Brad and Daryl will work with Amy to see their needs to start with.

Keys and Emergency Call: Jan will work with office staff to see that Rick gets a master key and they will make the change to the Call List for US Fire Alliance.

Next Meeting: January 11th at 6:30 pm

Christmas Adopt-a-family

Our church always does such a remarkable job at helping out our community projects and Christine Ann Center was this year's Adopt a Family. It seems the items needed were not just toys but very practical household items as well.

Here are some examples of what we've collected: Laundry Soap, disinfecting wipes, Tupperware containers, kids coat, gift cards, shampoo and conditioner, sleep sound machine, face masks, zip bags, containers of soft soap, paint by numbers, floor mat, 4 mops with buckets, Audio monitor, bag of coloring items, fishing poles, scarfs, potty step stool, bag of stuffed toys, set of pots and pans, books, games, toy hair kit, saucer for sledding.



2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Happy New Year Thrift Closed
2 8 & 10am Worship 9am Sunday School	3 5:00 Narcotics Anonymous	4 9 am Busy Hands	5 5:30 Guitar Band 6pm Youth Group 6:30pm Aca Bells	6 8:30am Bible Study	7	8
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Do you have a special birthday, anniversary or family celebration coming up this year?

Consider honoring the event with flowers on the altar. The **2022 Flower Chart** is in the Gathering Area near the office windows.

Celebrate January Birthdays (over 70)
Contact the office for any changes

Jim Ruskaup = 1-1
Jan Olson = 1-8
Judy Ramlow = 1-12
Russ Kohl = 1-25





January Worship Assistants

January Ushers 8:00am Ben & Owen Brantley Everett & Layne Fox	January Ushers 10:00am Janine Brantley , Betty Lee, Dennis & Gloria Cartwright
January 2nd 8:00am Youth Service Greeters: Sheila Gurkowski & Tom Zillges Reader: Audrey Bishop Coffee Fellowship: John Macho*, Jamie Bliske, Mary Alice Klemp	January 2nd 10:00am Youth Service Greeters: Jenni Groholski Dave Klemp Reader: Andrea Schell
January 9th 8:00am Greeters: Janet Baumgart & Joanne Dallmann Reader: Tricia Koch Coffee Fellowship: Barb Wachtendonk*, Tammy Wright, Joanne Dallmann	January 9th 10:00am Greeters: Ken & Mary Mueller Reader: Cheryl Prosek
January 16th 8:00am Greeters Debbie Ruedinger & Valerie Gulke Reader: Ben Brantley Coffee Fellowship: Karen Zwicky* , Dana Hartel, Tom/Kay Lettau	January 16th 10:00am Greeters Steve & Trudy Resnick Reader Kimberly Radke
January 23rd 8:00am Greeters: Ben & Owen Brantley Reader: Rhonda Bricco Coffee Fellowship: Pam Ulness*, Bette Lee, Val Gulke	January 23rd 10:00am Greeters: Janine Brantley & Bette Lee Reader: Kristen Bjornstad
January 30 8:00am Greeter: Mark & Teri Henry Reader: Darlene Larsen Coffee Fellowship: Judy/Bob Felberg*, Ellen Smolinski, Janine Brantley	January 30 10:00am Greeter: Brooke Zillges & Tom Zillges Reader: Wayne Ludkey
February 6 8:00 am Greeters: Rick Pierre & Samantha Adams Reader: Dana Hartel Coffee Fellowship: Betts/Tom Zillges*, Ann/Maria Zillges, Amy Penza February Ushers: Marsha Phillips, Debbie Ruedinger, Jim & Chris Rescheske,	February 6th 10:00am Greeters: Tim & Ann Zillges Reader: Wayne Ludkey February Ushers: Brisa & Gwen Barkovich Jan & Verne Olson

COUNCIL CORNER:

The Lord of the Lakes Council met a week earlier than usual due to the Holidays. It was the final meeting for 2021 and in part, reorganization for 2022. We thanked two members whose terms are up: Jeff Jahnke, our outgoing President and Sarah Miller who had started and continued our ongoing presence on Social Media. We welcomed our two newly elected members, Pam Ulness and Deb Ruedinger.

In addition to some business and reports from Teams, we held elections for start-up in January. The following are your officers of the Council and the Congregation:

President: Wayne Ludkey
Vice-President: John Macho
Secretary: Kristin Bjornstad
Treasurer: Apryl Brantley

Jeff announced we have had two resignations: John Penza and David Wein -- both are unable to attend many meetings and feel they are unable to contribute much d/t their work loads and schedules. Thank you John and David for your two years of service to Council and Lord of the Lakes. There is one year left on both of their terms. That means the Council will need to appoint two people to serve for 1 year. After that year they may elect to run for their own 3 year term. So this is an opportunity for a couple folks to offer to serve and get a good feel for what Council is all about. Please contact Wayne Ludkey (920-312-5479 or wludkey@yahoo.com) if you have an interest.

Blessings, Your Council

A Look Ahead at Church

January Thrift continues the 1st Saturday of every month	*12 month Budget is finalize for (January 1—Dec 31, 2022) January 4, Pastor's 11th Anniversary at Lord of the Lakes January; Youth led worship Annual Reports due to the office, January 30, 2022
February	Souper Bowl of Caring campaign (canned good & noisy offering) for WAAC 2-13-2022 Distribute Annual Report, February 13 First Communion Class, February 20 First Communion Sunday, February 27, 8am & 10am Annual Meeting, February 27 Council Installation Confirmation Classes start February tbd, 7:15pm (5 sessions)
March	Ash Wednesday March 2 Worship on Wednesdays Confirmation classes start March March 2nd Lord of the Lakes 20th Anniversary, March 4 New Member Classes Sunday, March 6 and Wednesday, March 9 New Member Sunday, March 13
April	Palm Sunday April 10 Confirmation Sunday April 10 10:00 am Easter is April 17, Breakfast, Egg Hunt
	Review Time and Talents
May	HS Graduate Recognition, May 27 2022 Synod Assembly, date pending Spring Cleaning, Bldg & Grds led Honor our vets, May 29

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Happy NEW YEAR

You crown the year with Your goodness.
And Your paths drip with abundance.

Psalm 65:11

