

# Lord of the Lakes

We are a family of faith, celebrating Jesus Christ at work in our lives and actively inviting others to do the same.

6090 Harbour South, Winneconne, WI 54986



## SUNDAY SERVICE

Worship Services  
8:00am & 10:00am

Coffee Fellowship  
9:00am

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday School  
Between Services - 9:00am

## SWAG - YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Leader Ryan Otto  
Wednesdays 6pm-8pm

Team Reach Code  
60900

## SET ASIDE DISTRACTIONS

While some of you might wish for many more months of cold and snow, others of you are probably rejoicing that warmer weather is on its way. I'm writing this while looking out the window at bare trees being moved around wildly by a frigid wind, and I can say without hesitancy, "Come on, spring!"

Something I do enjoy about this time of year is that, in celebrating the season of Lent, I set aside some time to examine how my life is going. Even though it's easy to huddle indoors, turn on college basketball and plod ahead on autopilot, I

encourage you to take some time – just an hour here and there – to reflect on God and what He's doing in your life.

One easy way to shut off the distractions and focus your attention on family, friends and God, is to join our church community every Wednesday evening for a 5:30 soup supper and 6:30 service throughout this time of Lent. Not only is this an uplifting time, but it's also a terrific way to be a part of the journey to the cross. We are headed to the ultimate hope we find on Easter Sunday.

I hope to see you on Wednesday!

*Pastor Kevin*



## Pastor Kevin Heffernan

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## Easter Lily Garden

If you would like to honor a loved one with an Easter lily placed on the altar, lily orders are due March 22nd

\_\_\_\_\_ Easter Plant(s) \$25.00 each\*

In memory/honor of : \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Make checks payable to Lord of the Lakes, memo "Easter Flowers"



## PASTOR'S CORNER

by the numbers

FEBRUARY

Numbers will be reported next month

News from

## LIFE & GROWTH TEAM

The Life & Growth team meets quarterly to plan activities for our church that both enrich and grow our congregation. If you would like to be a part of this exciting team, please join us! New ideas and participation are always welcome! Our next meeting is **March 5<sup>th</sup>** at 5:30pm in the narthex.



### EASTER BREAKFAST

April 5<sup>th</sup> between services

Members of the Life & Growth Team are planning our traditional Easter Breakfast. It will be Easter Sunday, April 5, starting at 9:00AM between services. Lord of the Lakes will provide ham, sausage and beverages. We are asking members of the congregation to bring side dishes like egg bakes, cheesy potatoes, fruits, French Toast bakes, coffee cakes, etc. to share. We will set up tables, slice ham and any other preliminary preparations on Saturday, April 4. We will need volunteers to clean and take down the tables, help clean the kitchen, take out trash, etc. following the breakfast on Sunday. Watch for announcements in the bulletin and a sign-up sheet on the kiosk soon. Pam Ulness and Deb Ruedinger are the leads for this event.



### LUNCH LIKE AN ITALIAN

March 27th Senior Fun Friday!

Mark your calendars! Friday, March 27 starting at Noon and going till 3PM will be another Senior Fun Friday! Our theme this month is "Lunch Like an Italian" Please bring your favorite pasta dish, salad, appetizer or dessert to share. Everyone from 50 to 105 is invited!

This is for men, women, singles, widows, widowers and married folks! You are always welcome and encouraged to bring a friend or neighbor! Potluck lunch will be served at 12:30PM. Bringing food is not a requirement! We always have more than enough. Following lunch, some play cards like Sheepshead, Rook and Pay Me. Others play dominoes and cribbage. Some just talk and enjoy each other's company. It is your day, your way! Hope to see you there.

### LADIES LUNCHEON & TEA

Please save the date! Saturday, May 9, 2026, from 11:00AM until 1:00PM will be a very special Ladies Luncheon & Tea. This is geared toward women of all ages from the very young to the young at heart. Our guest speaker will be Carol Heffernan, and special music will be provided by Eavie Heffernan and Pastor Kevin. Due to the nature of the way we do this event, **reservations will be necessary**. Please watch the announcements each week prior to church services, your bulletin and the April newsletter for details on how to register to attend.



# YOUTH NEWS

RYAN OTTO, YOUTH MINISTRY LEADER

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## Anchored in Christ

Over Valentine's weekend, our youth traveled to Wisconsin Dells for the Quake youth conference. The theme for the conference was "Anchored, and throughout the weekend, there were reminders that we are Anchored in Christ—that He is our portion, our steady foundation, and the One who holds us firm through every storm.

The message that resonated deeply was simple yet powerful: God loves us. Not because of what we achieve

or accomplish, but because we belong to Him. Our students returned encouraged, energized, and grounded in the truth that Christ is their anchor.

## Mission Trip Fundraising Going Strong

Our pizza sales fundraiser for the June mission trip has been going incredibly well—thank you to everyone who has supported our youth! Pizza orders will be picked up March 28<sup>th</sup>. Your generosity is helping make it possible for our students to serve and grow as they prepare to head back to Lake Charles this June.

As we look ahead, we want families to know that we will not be offering a mission trip in 2027.

## Soup Suppers & Lenten Services

We've also loved gathering as a church family during our Soup Suppers and midweek services. It has been a blessing to see our

youth participating, serving, and worshiping together during this meaningful season.

## 9th Grade Confirmation

A special highlight has been walking alongside our 9th graders during their confirmation journey with Pastor Kevin. Watching them grow in understanding, ask thoughtful questions, and claim their faith as their own has been incredibly encouraging.

Thank you, Lord of the Lakes, for continuing to invest in the faith lives of our young people. Your prayers, support, and encouragement make a lasting impact. We are grateful for a church family that believes in the next generation!

If you have any questions about youth ministry, the mission trip, or how to get involved, we would love to connect with you.

Ryan - SWAG Youth Ministry



Busy Hands sewing group would again like to make graduation quilts. There are forms on the kiosk that can be filled out and turned into the office, or you can simply call or email the church and let us know your name and any special interest/theme you would like your quilt to be such as Green Bay Packers, Wisconsin Badgers, music, hunting, fishing, cooking, horses, cats, dogs, cows, golf, military, etc (we will try, but no guarantees). Please respond by April 14, 2026 or sooner



SWAG youth, make sure you have the team reach app downloaded on your phone. This is where we send all communication for our group through. Our access code is 60900



## GROUP NIGHTS

Just reminder that SWAG meets every Wednesday from 6pm - 8pm throughout the year. Please come as often as possible, and inviting friends is always welcomed.



# JOIN NOW

## Do you want to join Lord of the Lakes?

submitted by: Debbie Ruedinger

For those of you who have been considering making membership at Lord of the Lakes official, our first spring New Member Class will be offered on Sunday, March 1 following second service at 11:00am in the church office. In the event this day is not good for you, an alternative day is available on Tuesday March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm.

New Member Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday, March 8. New members will be introduced during the worship service of their choice. In addition, we will have a special cake during coffee fellowship hour, in your honor, for all to enjoy!

# thank you



### Barn Quilt

Busy Hands had a pleasant surprise last month. Joe Kuehnl brought in a new barn quilt which is on display in our entrance. Thank you to Joe for sharing his woodworking talents. All this creativity adds so much beauty to our church.

So make sure to stop, look up and check out this wonderful piece of art. Thank you Joe for this special gift and for sharing your talent with us.

We would like to extend our condolences to the Kohl Family on the passing of Marge Kohl. The family is planning the funeral for March 17<sup>th</sup>.



## SOUP SUPPERS & LENT

We are well into the Lenten season. Services will be held each Wednesday March 4, March 11, March 18, and March 25 starting at 6:30PM.

Prior to each service we will have our traditional Soup Suppers served at 5:30PM. Everyone is invited! It is a wonderful way to get to know your fellow congregants even better! You may bring your favorite pot of soup, salad, sandwiches or dessert to share. A sign-up sheet is posted on the kiosk for each week to assist you in planning what you might want to bring. There is always an abundance of food. Please don't let feeling like you do not have any food item to contribute keep you from good Christian fellowship and worship.

### Celebrating March Birthdays (kids 1-17 & adults 70+)

- 3/2 - Pam Ulness & Ayla Western
- 3/4 - Dick Schallertt
- 3/5 - Tom Bunck
- 3/7 - Clara Miller
- 3/9 - Gail Gardner
- 3/10 - Susan Boldt
- 3/12 - Mary Alice Klemp
- 3/15 - Finn Hawkinson & Dominic Stopar
- 3/16 - Caleb Mai
- 3/18 - Oliver Kell, Sylvia Kell, Whitney Kunde
- 3/19 - Chloe Walsh
- 3/21 - Verne Olson
- 3/22 - Cindy Loberg
- 3/23 - Bonita Guarino
- 3/25 - Beverly Raatjes
- 3/28 - Eleanor Dudenhoeffer
- 3/29 - Emily Sperling & Grady Van Allen
- 3/31 Lorraine Papke & Oaklee Millard



# Ways to help our church & community



## Day By Day Shelter - Favorite Casserole Night March 12th

The Day by Day Team appreciates the support you have given us the past several months. With your contributions of time, money and food items we have been able to provide a hot meal once a month for the Guests of Day by Day in Oshkosh.

Lord of the Lakes will be serving the evening meal March 12. ( We have an earlier in the month time slot again ). We are serving our favorite casseroles. Our cooks enjoy that theme and the guests love the variety. We need, shoppers, cooks, bakers and servers and also your prayers as we are giving hope and a meal to a vulnerable population in our county.

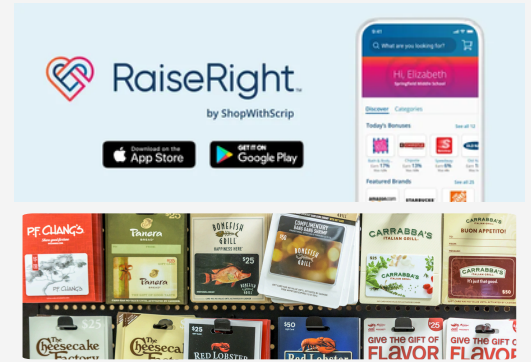
Not everyone is a cook or a shopper, but they like to give of their time for a good cause. If you would like to learn how to operate the dishwasher, we encourage you to join us on one of these nights to learn. It is not difficult at all! Contact Deb Ruedinger (863-634-9794) for information about dishwashing!



## Thrift & Gift - Volunteer Saturday

The next volunteer Saturday will be on **March 7<sup>th</sup>** 10am-2pm. By contract, we need a minimum of 6 volunteers, 2 of which must be at the donation door, to run the store. Jobs include cashier, donation intake, and a variety of other jobs. With several volunteers “snowbirding” we are looking for people that are interested in helping run the donation door and working a noon to 2pm shift. Please contact Becky Jahnke at [beckyjahnke920@gmail.com](mailto:beckyjahnke920@gmail.com) if you are interested.

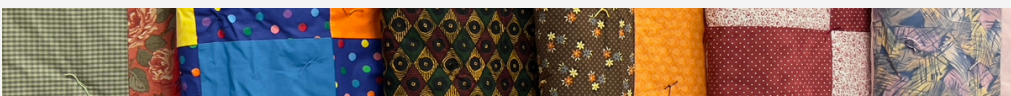
If you can't volunteer, please stop by and shop. Lord of the Lakes earns 50% of the profit for the day. Thank you all our shoppers and volunteers.



## Scrip Ministry - Spread some Love with Scrip

Have you tried the Raise Right app to make your scrip/gift card purchases. Make March the month you commit to trying it out. You will love how easy it is to use.

If you still aren't comfortable with using the app stop by the scrip table and pick up physical gift cards. Our Scrip coordinator, Tammy Wright, and other volunteers are stationed by the entryway between services with their gift card display. The ones they have on hand are just a small sample of what is available. If you go to [Raiseright.com](http://Raiseright.com) and click on “Brands”, you can view and browse all the different stores, restaurants, etc. that you could order gift cards from. Be sure to use the **enrollment code 37D492B534575** to register your purchases for Lord of the Lakes.



## Busy Hands Quilting Group

In March Busy Hands will meet on Tuesdays, the 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Currently we have cut, sewed, and tied approximately 60 twin size quilts and 5 baby baptismal quilts. Our goal is 225 quilts by September 2026. We start tying quilts at about 9 am and we break for devotion/snack at about 10: 45 am. Please consider joining us during any of that time.



# March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 8am & 10am Worship Services 9am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School <b>11:00 - New Member Class</b>	<b>2</b> 5:00pm Narcotics Anonymous	<b>3</b> 6:00pm - New Member Class	<b>4</b> 3:30pm - Guitar Band 4:00 - Buildings & Grounds meeting 4:30pm - AcaBellas 5:30pm - Soup Supper 6:30pm - Lent Service 6:00pm SWAG 7:00pm - Choir 7:00pm - Confirmation	<b>5</b> 8:30am Bible Study 5:30pm - Life & Growth Meeting	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 10-2 Thrift & Gift
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<b>15</b> 8am & 10am Worship Services 9am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School	<b>16</b> 5:00pm Narcotics Anonymous  *Newsletter Articles due*	<b>17</b> 6:30 - Council Meeting	<b>18</b> 3:30pm - Guitar Band 4:30pm - AcaBellas 5:30pm - Soup Supper 6:30pm - Lent Service 6:00pm SWAG 7:00pm - Choir	<b>19</b> 8:30am Bible Study	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 8am & 10am Worship Services 9am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School	<b>23</b> 5:00pm Narcotics Anonymous	<b>24</b> 9:00am Busy Hands	<b>25</b> 4:00pm - Guitar Band 5:00pm - AcaBellas 6:00pm SWAG 6:00pm - Choir	<b>26</b> 8:30am Bible Study  LOL Prepares Meal at Day By Day Shelter	<b>27</b> Noon-3:00 - Senior Friday Funday	<b>28</b> SWAG Pizza Pick Up
<b>29</b> 8am & 10am Worship Services 9am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School <b>10:00am - Confirmation</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>April 1</b> 4:00pm - Guitar Band 5:00pm - AcaBellas 6:00pm SWAG 6:00pm - Choir	<b>April 2</b> 6:30pm - Maundy Thursday Service	<b>April 3</b> 6:30pm - Good Friday Service	<b>April 4</b> 10-2 Thrift & Gift



# March Worship Assistants

*indicates chairperson for coffee fellowship	
<b>March 1st 8:00am</b> <b>Greeters:</b> Nancy Abraham & JoAnn Dallmann <b>Reader:</b> Jamie Bliske <b>Communion:</b> Ellen Smolinski & Pam Ulness <b>Usher:</b> Mel Koneman & Marsha Phillips <b>Coffee Fellowship:</b> Sally Patterson*, Mark Kunde, Betts Nikolai	<b>March 1st 10:00am</b> <b>Greeters:</b> Jon & Sarah Walsh Family <b>Reader:</b> Paige Nikodem <b>Communion:</b> Jan Olson & Gail Gardner <b>Usher:</b> Janine Brantley & Barry Christianson
<b>March 8th 8:00am</b> <b>Greeters:</b> Phil Ruedinger & Ron Zehner <b>Reader:</b> Tammie Volkel-Fox <b>Communion:</b> Lisa Curtis & Janet Veith <b>Usher:</b> Chris & Jim Rescheske <b>Coffee Fellowship:</b> Gail Gardner*, Janine Brantley, Barry Christianson, Lori Schmeling & Tammy Wright	<b>March 8th 10:00am</b> <b>Greeters:</b> Ken & Mary Mueller <b>Reader:</b> Mark Kunde <b>Communion:</b> Beth Melby & Mark Jorna <b>Usher:</b> Jan & Verne Olson
<b>March 15th 8:00am</b> <b>Greeters:</b> Tim & Kate Fuller Family <b>Reader:</b> Jody Kell <b>Communion:</b> Betts Nikolai & Sally Patterson <b>Usher:</b> Pam & John Ulness <b>Coffee Fellowship:</b> Barb Wachtendonk*, John Macho, Jamie Bliske, and Trudy Strand	<b>March 15th 10:00am</b> <b>Greeters:</b> Mimi Peterson & Greta Wortman <b>Reader:</b> Darlene Larson <b>Communion:</b> Kimberly Radtke & Ryan Otto <b>Usher:</b> Beth & Jim Melby
<b>March 22nd 8:00am</b> <b>Greeters:</b> Betts Nikolai & Jill Templin <b>Reader:</b> Dana Hartel <b>Communion:</b> Brian & Jamie Bliske <b>Usher:</b> Deb Ruedinger & Kim Zehner <b>Coffee Fellowship:</b> Jan Olson*, Dorothy Bain, Marsha Phillips, and Laurie Behm	<b>March 22nd 10:00am</b> <b>Greeters:</b> Allys & Wayne Rudisill <b>Reader:</b> Andrea Schell <b>Communion:</b> Kimberly Radtke & Gail Gardner <b>Usher:</b> Barb & Mark Jorna
<b>March 29th 8:00am</b> <b>Greeters:</b> Sally Patterson & Victoria Waters <b>Reader:</b> Arial Haemmerle <b>Communion:</b> Deb Ruedinger & Kim Zehner <b>Usher:</b> Mel Koneman & JoAnn Gehler <b>Coffee Fellowship:</b> Deb Ruedinger*, Mimi Peterson, Greta Wortman, and Tammy Wright	<b>March 29th 10:00am</b> <b>Greeters:</b> Dorothy Bain & Lorriane Papke <b>Reader:</b> Kimberly Radtke <b>Communion:</b> Cheryl Prosek & Ray Zegers <b>Usher:</b> Jan & Verne Olson



**March Counters:** March: March 1 - Deb Ruedinger and Ellen Smolinski  
 March 8 - Deb Ruedinger and Ellen Smolinski  
 March 15 - Deb Ruedinger & Jon Walsh  
 March 22 - Deb Ruedinger & Michelle Engeldinger  
 March 29 - Deb Ruedinger & Jon Walsh

**April Counters:** Pam Billman & Lani Stanek

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Neenah: 722-7707

Don't let stigma stand in your way



**Prayer List**

Please contact the church office or  
Pastor Kevin to add your request to  
our prayer chain. All concerns are  
kept confidential.