

## Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

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**TRIP TO ISRAEL:** The group trip to Israel, which was originally set for January 2021, has been rescheduled for January 10-19, 2023 with a possible three day extension to Jordan for those who are interested. If you would like more information about this trip, please contact Pastor Mayhew (nmayhew@sleepyeyelutheran.com). With travel restrictions lifting all over the world, it looks like we will finally be able to go! The trip will include visits to Caesarea, Mt. Carmel, Nazareth, Cana, Capernaum, Jerusalem, the Dead Sea, En Gedi and more. It will include visits to the traditional sites of many of the events in the ministry of Jesus as well as those of the prophets and apostles. Brochures with trip details are available upon request. Nathanael Mayhew – Pastor

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We proclaim to a world dead in sin that salvation is a gift of God's grace; that Jesus Christ paid the full sacrificial price—His very life—so that that gift of salvation could be ours. If you are interested in learning more, please call **Pastor Bernthal** at **608-233-2244** or e-mail him at [mbern@juno.com](mailto:mbern@juno.com)

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# Peace Thru Christ

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Pastor: Mark H. Bernthal**

**Organist: Mrs. Karen Schaser**

**Third Sunday of Easter • May 1, 2022**



*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.*

**Psalm 23:1**

**Pre-service Preparation:** Psalm 23

**THE ORDER OF SERVICE** Worship Supplement, p. 1

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**Closing Hymn:..... 733**

**Antiphon, Ps. 118 .....Pg. 29 W.S.**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

**Jeremiah 17:5-8**

Jeremiah’s message from the LORD is a curse upon unbelievers but a blessing to believers. In Jesus, our Heavenly Father blesses and saves us. Apart from Jesus is eternal damnation. We cannot “go it alone,” but must rely upon our Resurrected Lord and Savior for every blessing.

*“Cursed is the man who trusts in man And makes flesh his strength, Whose heart departs from the Lord. 6 For he shall be like a shrub in the desert, And shall not see when good comes,*

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of us intend to step down from this role, but are willing to help transition the responsibilities to the new coordinators in 2023. Please email (emradichel@gmail.com) if you are interested in taking over this retreat. Thank you,

Erin Radichel and Sarah Radichel

**YOUTH CAMP:** This camp will be taking place on the Immanuel campus in Eau Claire, June 12-18. It is a week-long camp of faith, fellowship, and fun. Camp is open to kids going into grades 6-9 and the cost is \$135/camper. There is also a morning pre-camp program available for kids going into grades K-5 with a cost of \$60/camper. Registration will open Sunday, March 27th at 3 PM. For more information visit [youthcampclc.wixsite.com/camp](http://youthcampclc.wixsite.com/camp), or email the camp directors Kendra Rodebaugh and Sam Radermacher at [youthcamp.clc@gmail.com](mailto:youthcamp.clc@gmail.com)

**TVBS:** The TVBS committee has finalized our list of trips for this summer. We will be going to California, Washington, and North Dakota. We are now in need of volunteers to ensure we can make these trips possible. If you are interested in volunteering and would like more information please go to our website: <http://www.clctvbs.org/tvbs>. You will find information about the trips, this year’s theme, and a registration form. If you have any questions you may use the “contact us” link or email us directly at the email address below. Please let us know if you would like more information or have any questions. Thank you for considering! Ryan Hammett on behalf of the TVBS Committee [Hammettr@gmail.com](mailto:Hammettr@gmail.com)

**THE KINSHIP COMMITTEE** is in need of individual sponsors for both orphans and seminarians in our overseas sister congregations. Fields of opportunity are continually expanding, as are the needs for support from those who are moved do to do. Please consider helping. Financial support ranges from \$25/month to \$50/month. For more information

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- Motion approved: Direct the BOCE to start a Christian Day School by the Fall of 2023 The meeting closed at 1:08 PM with the Lord's Prayer The next Church Council Meeting is scheduled for May 8th after church.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASS:** We continue our Wednesday Night Bible Class by Zoom this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. We will study John 20.

**WINDOWS & SIDING:** The construction should begin soon. Offerings for this project should be marked "PTC 50th Anniversary." \$ 22,590 has already been received. Praise the Lord!

### **CLC NEWS:**

- Pastor Mike Wilke, Gethsemane, Saginaw, MI has returned the call to Immanuel, Winter Haven, FL.
- Allison Brown, a member of Faith Lutheran Church, Markesan, WI, has accepted the call to teach preschool part time at Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI.
- Pastor David Ude, Living Word, Appleton, WI has been called to Redemption, Lynnwood, WA.
- Teacher Graduate, Kendra Rodebaugh, has accepted the call to Gethsemane Lutheran School, Spokane, WA.
- Seminary Graduate, Zachary Sippert, has accepted the call to Redeemer, Bowdle, SD, and to Zion, Ipswich, SD.

### **CLC MIDWEST WOMEN'S RETREAT:**

Greetings! We wanted to provide an update regarding the Midwest Women's Retreat 2022. Due to feedback we have received and in talking with the retreat location coordinator, we have cancelled this year's retreat and postponed it to 2023. We are still waiting on a date for next year. Going forward, we are looking for volunteers to take over the planning and running of the Midwest Women's Retreat. Both

*But shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, In a salt land which is not inhabited. 7 "Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, And whose hope is the Lord. 8 For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters, Which spreads out its roots by the river, And will not fear when heat comes; But its leaf will be green, And will not be anxious in the year of drought, Nor will cease from yielding fruit.*

## **Luke 24:13-35**

Look how hopeless and despairing the lives of these two disciples were when they did not believe the reports of the resurrection of Jesus. Look how hopeful and exciting the lives of these two disciples were when the resurrected Christ appeared to them and opened the Scriptures to them and they believed.

*Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was seven miles from Jerusalem. 14 And they talked together of all these things which had happened. 15 So it was, while they conversed and reasoned, that Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. 16 But their eyes were restrained, so that they did not know Him. 17 And He said to them, "What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walk and are sad?" 18 Then the one whose name was Cleopas answered and said to Him, "Are You the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have You not known the things which happened there in these days?" 19 And He said to them, "What things?" So they said to Him, "The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20 and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. 21 But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, today is the third day*

since these things happened. 22 Yes, and certain women of our company, who arrived at the tomb early, astonished us. 23 When they did not find His body, they came saying that they had also seen a vision of angels who said He was alive. 24 And certain of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but Him they did not see.” 25 Then He said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?” 27 And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. 28 Then they drew near to the village where they were going, and He indicated that He would have gone farther. 29 But they constrained Him, saying, “Abide with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent.” And He went in to stay with them. 30 Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight. 32 And they said to one another, “Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?” 33 So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, 34 saying, “The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” 35 And they told about the things that had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread.



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- May 22nd Last Day of S.S. & Bible Class • May 26th Ascension Service at 7:00 PM • May 29th Church goes to summer schedule at 9:00 AM
- June 2-5 Pastor's 2nd week of vacation. Seminary Student Paul Agenten to preach June 5th
- June 6-7 Great Lakes Pastor-Delegate Conference, Saginaw, MI
- June 19th 50th Anniversary services 9:00 or 10:00 AM Meal following and second service 1:00 PM After meal — Pastor's David Koenig and John Ude preaching
- June 23-26, CLC Convention, Thursday-Sunday at ILC
- July 24th, Third Quarter Voters' Meeting
- July 31st Pastor' Farewell Service Membership changes
- Transfer In Johanna Meyer from Messiah, Eau Claire.
- Release of membership Rachel Gerbitz, Rachel is joining a WELS church.

### Treasurer's Report

- YTD offerings \$34,280 which is .5% ahead of the budget of \$34,125
- A little over \$22,000 has been donated from congregation offerings for the Windows and Siding project.
- Dan Schaefer volunteered to attend Delegate Conference and CLC Convention.
- John Gerbitz volunteered to do Delegate Conference Chris Ude volunteered to attend CLC Convention.
- Consideration of Christian Day School restart report
- Caleb Gerbitz, BOCE Chair, put together a report on our congregation's current ability to restart our school, and considerations around it.

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### PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We are glad you are with us this morning worshipping our resurrected Lord and Savior. May you recognize the Resurrection Difference in your life. Without Christ's resurrection we have a hopeless end, but with Christ's resurrection we have an endless hope! Come again and learn more about your crucified and risen Lord and Savior. Please also sign our guest book.

**This Week:** 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Flood/Tower of Babel  
Bible Class: Judah During the Divided Kingdom  
10:00 a.m. Family Worship/Communion  
11:15 a.m. 50th Anniversary Committee Meeting

**Tuesday** 11:00 a.m. Bible Class at Sage Meadow

**Wednesday** 7:00 p.m. Bible Class by Zoom

**Thursday** 10:45 a.m. Bible Class at Heritage

**Next Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. S.S./Bible Class

10:00 a.m. Family Worship

11:15 a.m. Church Council

### SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week: A. Ude B. Schaser/Schaser

Counters: Randy Dreyer & Gail Schaefer

**OFFERINGS** 4/24 for Unified Budget: \$1,610.00

Windows & Siding: \$500

**ATTENDANCE:** Church: 39 YouTube: 4 Bible Class: 15  
S.S.: 2

**QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETING REPORT:** April 24, 2022

- 3 Weekly Adult Instruction Classes with Ana McCourt, David Larson, and Chase Brunette-Pak.
- May 19-23 — Pastor's 1st week of vacation. Seminary Student Jonah Albrecht to preach May 22

## THE SERMON:

### I Corinthians 15:12-20

Sermon Theme: **THE RESURRECTION DIFFERENCE!**

**I: Without Christ's Resurrection, we Face a Hopeless End!**  
**II: With Christ's Resurrection, we Have an ENDLESS HOPE!**

*12 Now if Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. 14 And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. 15 Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up—if in fact the dead do not rise. 16 For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. 17 And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins! 18 Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. 19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable. 20 But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.*

**HOLY COMMUNION:** The Lord's Supper is being celebrated this morning. We encourage all of our members to attend this meal of forgiveness from our Savior. Since it is a confession of oneness in faith and doctrine, we ask that only members of Peace Thru Christ or of a sister congregation in the CLC partake of the Lord's Supper. If you have any questions concerning this practice called "Close Communion," please see Pastor Bernthal. Thank you.