

The “Visitor”

March
2020



“Joyfully, we invite and equip all people to share Christ’s love”
The Mission Statement of Ascension Lutheran Church.

Ascension Lutheran Church
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Your Church Council

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The council usually meets the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm You are welcome to attend.

Please note the next council meeting will be Thursday, March 26th at 6:00pm.



Matthew 23:13-36 Jesus denounces the scribes and Pharisees for their false practices and stop those who want to enter the kingdom (vs.13). “Woe to you scribes and Pharisees, and woe to you, blind guides whose Ancestors shed and killed the prophets that God sent to them. Now Jesus laments for the people of Jerusalem.

Matthew 23:37 *“Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing. See, your house is left to you desolate.”*

We have entered the Lenten season. We prepare our hearts for the sacrifice that God did on the cross through his Son. It is a holy time in which Jesus brings life to those who believe that he is the risen Christ. We are to live our life trusting in him. We are called to witness for the Kingdom today. We are to endure what life may come our way, and trust in him for all things, F.R.O.G. By Jesus’ death and resurrection he reconciles us to the Father by making peace on his cross. We think of a cross as a death device that brings a slow and painful death. Indeed, it was a slow and painful death for Jesus. The cross of Jesus however, is a cross of life.

“I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story because I know it’s true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.” Jesus enters the human story. The sins of the world; past, present and future are on his shoulders. This is the long beloved song I grew up with. God the Father sent his love in the Son. Every year we set aside some time as we remember the love Jesus shows for us. He took our place on the cross. His death had to happen in this way.

Deuteronomy 21:22-23a *If someone guilty of a capital offense is put to death and their body is exposed on a tree, 23 you must not leave the body hanging on the tree overnight. Be sure to bury it that same day, because anyone who is hung on a tree is under God’s curse.*

Acts 4:12 *“Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.”* “What wondrous love is this O my soul, O my soul.”

Pastor Marcia✠



**MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICES
WEDNESDAYS AT 7:00PM
MARCH 4TH-APRIL 1ST**

**WE WILL BE LEARNING ABOUT
“A WOMAN NAMED ORPAH”**

Palm Sunday-April 5th @9:30 am

Maundy Thursday-April 9th @7:00pm

Good Friday –April 10th @7:00pm

**Lenten Services Soup Supper
Wednesdays at 6:00 pm**



Donations of Soup (two different kinds each week), fruit, cookies, bars and quick breads are needed for the following Wednesdays:

March 4th, 11th, 25th and April 1st. The Community Dinner will provide the meal for March 18th. There is sign up sheet for food donations on the table in back of church.

All are Welcome



Greetings in Christ Jesus!

The North American Lutheran Church has now finished its ninth full year as a church body. Across these years, God has unfailingly multiplied the resources available to the NALC for the work of building up the church, not least through the consistent generosity of donors like you. God entrusts to the NALC abundant seeds for sowing through your gifts, and a quick look at the NALC today reminds us of the breadth of ministries funded by God's steadfast provision and your generosity.

- Most weeks, our bishop Dan Selbo and the NALC executive staff travel across North America to visit and work with the congregations of the NALC, which now number more than 437, including 17 congregations which joined the NALC just this past year.
 - The NALC Missions Team provides guidance and seed funding for new mission congregations and house churches across North America, which constitute more than 15% of the NALC.
- NALC missionaries are now serving the Lord in Belarus, Congo, Haiti, Tanzania and elsewhere.
- Most of the more than 40 future pastors studying at the North American Lutheran Seminary and at other seminaries receive scholarships which eliminate or greatly reduce the cost of tuition.
- NALC Disaster Response teams mounted sustained and extensive aid efforts this past year responding to flooding in the Midwest, tornadoes in Ohio, earthquakes in California and continued rebuilding in areas affected by hurricanes.
- The NALC's Life to Life Discipleship Team is expanding its work with pastors and congregations as we seek to be a church community focused on being disciples and making disciples.

In all these things we rely confidently on God's promises that He will provide the seeds needed for the accomplishment of His purposes. We also thank God for your partnership in this mission. You and many other donors have contributed generously our of the resources entrusted to you by our Lord, so that the NALC might continue to share the Good News of Jesus Christ across North America and around the globe.

The NALC began in 2019 with a significant anticipated operating deficit. Your generosity helped to prevent that deficit from ballooning, and with the benefit of some extraordinary one-time gifts, the NALC ended 2019 in solid financial shape. The new year presents similar financial challenges, but we trust in God's provision and your continued commitment to meet them.

Please continue to pray for our church body, its members, and our proclamation of God's word, as we will continue to pray for God's abundant blessings for your ministries.

In His service,
Ryan M, Schwarz, Treasurer

Dear Ascension Lutheran Church,
On behalf of Haiti's children Inc., a 501(c3) public charity, I would like to thank you for your cash donation of \$742.00 sent in 2019.

Haiti's Children, Inc. relies on the generosity of donors such as yourself and is grateful for your support.

Thank you once again.

Sincerely,
Gladys, Mungo, Director of Haiti Mission

Dear Pastor Sabin and the congregation of Ascension Lutheran Church,
Grace, mercy and peace to you from God our Father, and our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Thank you for your gift of \$112.50 in December 2019 in support of the North American Lutheran Seminary. As our partner, we always appreciate your prayers for our students as well as your generosity in financial giving.

As we enter into this New Year, we are grateful for our partners and rejoice in the many blessings we have received in 2019! Students have returned and completed their first week of spring semester classes. We are pleased to say that combined residential and online students currently total twenty four preparing for both ordained and lay ministry in the church. Please pray for each one of them. The task they have set out to complete is not easy-many have moved hundreds of miles to embark on their degree program, while others have made great changes to their lives to cram in multiple hours per week reading, writing, and meeting with professors and colleagues online-and all for the sake of Christ and his church.

It is with thankful hearts that we look ahead to welcome NALS President-Elect the Rev. Dr. Eric Riesen to his term beginning on February 1 this year. As this will be my last letter to you as NALS President, I simply want you to know how much you support has meant to me these past six years. You have been in my constant prayers. I pray that your generosity will continue as together we prepare faithful, orthodox, confessional Lutheran pastors.

Blessings in Christ,
Dr. Amy C. Schifren

Dear Ascension Lutheran Church,

On September 19, 1999, a prayer meeting began which continues to this day; from dawn to dusk and through the watches of the night, by the grace of God, prayer with worship has continued 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for 20 years! Thank you for being apart of our family and partnering with us. Your generosity is helping advance 24/7 prayer with worship and keep the fire burning brightly on the altar. It is not an overstatement to say this couldn't have happened without you.

As we enter into our third decade, we are taking a stand in prayer with gratitude for the promises fulfilled over the years and are believing for those yet unfulfilled. We embrace the assignment God has for us to prepare and see thousands of full-time intercessory missionaries, like John the Baptist, whose lives and voices cry out, "Prepare the way of the Lord!" We are grateful for over 20 million man-hours of unceasing corporate prayer with worship with over 20,000 people who have said "yes" to this calling over the last 20 years.

Ascension Lutheran Church, thank you for partnering in the promises with us! Together, as a family, we will be able to do more for the advancement of the prayer movement. We could not do this without you!

The whole IHOPKC family says, "Thank you," and wishes you a happy, blessed new year!

With much gratitude,
Mike Bickle, Director of IHOPKC



Thank you for your gift to Lutheran Bible Translators. You are helping us make God's Word available to many people in their heart language.

Your friend in Christ,
Mary K.

Thank you to everyone who sent well wishes to me during my recent surgery. I am now back to work.
Mark Engel

Thank You for your continued prayers, cards and calls these past few months. They mean more than I can explain and we feel the love and strength that they bring. God has a plan and, even though sometimes we don't understand where He is leading us, we know that it is for our good. HE is teaching me patience and the importance of faith and a positive attitude. Thank you for all you do for us.

Kay and Dennis Fuerst



Thank You to Darrel and Dean for rewiring and replacing our fluorescent lights with LED lights. They shine brighter and cost less money to operate. Also thank you to Darrel for fixing the seal on the toilet in the women's bathroom. We no longer have to wonder if we missed or the toilet was leaking.

Thank you to Lisa for fixing our computer and Wi-Fi issues this past month. We also have a new router so hopefully our connection problems are resolved. Also, thank you to Lisa for our February bulletin board. Take a look as you enter the Church.



In Need of Kleenex

The church puts Kleenex boxes in the church pews for your convenience. We are currently running low on our supply and are requesting donations. Please contact the church office if you are willing to donate this needed item.



February Benevolence went to Ascension Agape fund to benefit individuals in need.



Praise with Passion
Will be scheduled on a week by week basis.

5:00 pm Fellowship followed by 6:00pm Praise with Passion

(Gathering for informal, spirit-filled praise and prayer)

Please listen for announcements at church or call Toni (715-853-9461) to be sure we are meeting.

Location: Ascension Lutheran Church
The 'Church on the Corner'
3 miles west of Navarino on Hwy 156



Church Offering



Did you know you can have your weekly offering sent to the church through your bank? If you bank online all you need to do is go to your online bank account. In the bill pay section click on add a company or person and type in the name and address of Ascension. Once we are added as an account you can set up auto pay and automatically have your bank send us a check on a regular basis.



Ascension Budget

Council would like the membership to be aware of our financial status on a month to month basis. Below is where we are at after the first month of the year.

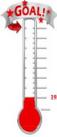
Income received: \$7,815.00
Expenses Paid out: \$5,908.77
Income exceeding expenses by \$1,906.23

FLOWERS FOR EASTER SUNDAY



If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily for the altar the sign up sheet is on the table in back of Church.
The cost is **\$17.00.**

Fundraising Corner



Special Projects Fund

Estimates for the church roof are between \$29,700-\$58,000 and Solar removal is estimated at \$12,000 more or less. In the month of February personal donations of \$5150.00 was received for the church roof. Since the first of 2019 the Loud Offering has raised \$2175.41, the candy bars sales raised \$600.00, KWIK Trip rebates were \$74.86 & Amazon Smile rebates were \$57.59.

VandeWalle's

There are VandeWalle's candy bars on the table by the library for sale.

They are a dollar each. Please put your money in the envelope in the box. If you want to sell elsewhere, please see Heather Goodacre. All profits will go to the Special Projects Fund.

Looking for Thrivent Members

Please let the office know if you have an insurance policy or investment funds with Thrivent. Any Thrivent member is eligible to apply for two \$250 Thrivent action cards which can be used to as seed money for our fundraisers or for community service projects. We will help you with the application process and completing your final report for any project you may be involved with.



Do you shop online? Consider choosing Ascension Lutheran Church when shopping online.

1. Sign into [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) (instead of signing into [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)). If this is your first visit to AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com)), you will be prompted to select a charity.
2. Add a charity
3. In search bar, type: **Ascension Church, Shiocton**
4. Select **Ascension Lutheran Church, Shiocton**



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SCRIP PROGRAM:

You can purchase SCRIP (gift cards) and the rebates (income) supports Ascension Church.

SCRIP cards available (in the following denominations: \$25, \$50, or \$100) for immediate purchase are: **Fleet Farm, Kwik Trip, Walmart, Woodman's.**

Other cards that can be ordered (but need a week's notice): *Mary's Family Restaurant* (8%), *McDonald's* (5%), *Culver's* (10%), *Good Company* (10%), *Tom's, Manderfield's Bakery* (5%), *Cedar Creek Meat Market* (5%), *Mark's East Side Restaurant* (10%), *Bulk Food Shoppe* (5%). The percentage of income back to Ascension is in the parenthesis ().

Contact Nancy Peters to order any of the specialty cards.

Sales available after Sunday service and during weekday office hours.



Pizza Fundraiser

Council has decided to hold a Pizza Fundraiser for the Church roof. Order forms are on the SCRIP table in back of church. All orders must be in by March 15th. We also will be in need of volunteers to help make pizzas on Friday, March 27th from 4pm-8pm and Saturday, March 28th from 9am-3pm. A sign up sheet is on the table. You can pick up your pizzas from 2-4 pm on Saturday, the 27th or after church on Sunday.

Fundraising Committee

Do you have a fundraising idea? Contact the Fundraising Committee to schedule your fundraiser. Committee members: Dawn Dingeldein, Ruthann Meiers, Nancy Peters, Lois Rohrer. Fundraising supports the Church's Special Projects Fund.

Youth Retreat at Silver Birch Ranch Winter Jam 2020

As an adult chaperone, I got the privilege to see the youth experience a Religious Retreat. It was wonderful to see the children put down the high tech electronics & focus on religion & the bible. The band provided meaningful music that the children could connect to & enjoy. One of my favorite quotes were: "through it all, Be Patient, Don't give up!" Also the close connection of staying in a cabin in nature with the youth was relaxing & peaceful. The winter activities were amazing. The zip line put my fears in check & I was able to enjoy the freedom & the world that God has created for us all.

Sincerely Janelle Balthazor



I had lots of fun doing the winter activities with our group and it was fun meeting new people. George the speaker was absolutely amazing and the band sounded great. It was worthwhile going and hope we can go next year!

Ava Lorenz

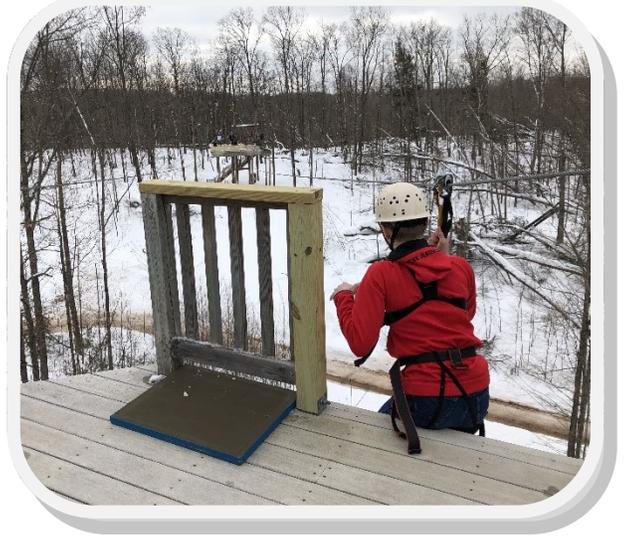
Winter jam was so much fun this year. Zip lining and horseback riding were my favorite activities, I really enjoyed Chapel as well. I hope I can go back again!

Autumn Lorenz



Youth Retreat at Silver Birch Ranch Winter Jam 2020

I had a blast serving as a chaperone at Winter Jam this year. We played games, went horseback riding, downhill tubing, cross-country skiing, played broomball and zip lined for the 1st time. The music and speakers were really good. Thanks for a memorable weekend! The youth had good behavior also. Thanks for sponsoring us.
Patty Lorenz



I had fun skiing and ice skating. The food was good and hiding Autumn's phone was a blast.
Jerry Wetzel

I had lots of fun ice skating, tubing and power tubing. I know I will go again. Also hiding Autumn's phone.
Scott Daniels

I had fun doing all the activities they had to offer and hearing George's speeches.
Abbie Daniels



I had a great time participating in Winter Jam. There was a copious amount of activities that everyone enjoyed as well as an animated speaker who everyone connected with.
Madeline Daniels

I had a great time. I learned a lot. They offered many activities, The cabins were beautiful. I'm looking forward to going there next year.
Mason Demerath.

**Baptism of Henry Mark Mitchler
Sunday, February 9th**



**Carmen Reibel at worship
service, February 16th**



Installation of Council Members during February 23rd worship service

ASSISTING MINISTERS

March 2020	Ushers	Greeters	Communion Helper	Readers	Money Counters
March 1 9:30 am	Glen Peebles Lon Hilliker	Al & Ruthann Meiers	Dave Klemp	Denelle Daniels	Ruthann Meiers
March 8 9:30 am	Jean Conradt Bonnie Weyers	Dave & Lois Rohrer	Patty Lorenz	Ava Lorenz	Rita Olson
March 15 9:30 am	George Peters Al Meiers	Dave & Sally Richter	Nancy Peters	Heather Goodacre	Glen Peebles
March 22 9:30 am	Greg & Amy Schoettler	Carl & Pat Schoettler	Denelle Daniels	Madeline Daniels	Phyllis Peebles
March 29 9:30 am	Glen Peebles Lon Hilliker	Judy Porter	Dave Rohrer	Darrel Klemp	Ruthann Meiers

If you would like to help out with any of the above tasks, please call the church office (715-758-8312) and we will add your name to the list. If you are unable to be here on the date you are assigned, please find a replacement. Thank you.



<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
03/01	Kris Jensen
03/05	Corina Mueller
03/05	Jeffery Paulson
03/09	Dave Klemp
03/10	Greg Schoettler
03/12	Jake Mitchler
03/14	Toni Klemp
03/14	Arnie Kloes
03/14	Paul Zuiches
03/15	Doug Wilber
03/17	Everett Olson
03/19	Eric Houdek
03/22	Nataly Dominguez
03/23	Tina Jung
03/23	Madeline Zuiches
03/28	Rita Olson

COUNCIL MINUTES

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH OF NAVARINO Council Meeting Minutes Thursday Feb. 20th, 2020

Present: George Peters, Glen Peebles, Dave Klemp, Dawn Dingeldein, Rita Olson. Guests: Bonnie Weyers, Lisa Wollenberg

President George Peters brought the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Prayer and devotion: read by George P.

Approval of minutes: 1st by Glen P. and 2nd by Dave K. Voice vote passed.

Pastors Report:

Nine member/nursing home/shut in visits. Seven visits with Holy Communion. Five sessions of Youth ministry night. Pastor Marcia is in VDC training. Youth ministry sessions will begin at 6pm during the Lenten Service schedule beginning on Ash Wednesday.

Treasurer's/Finance Report:

Income for January \$7,815.00

Expenses for January \$5,908.77

YTD we are \$1,906.23 in the black for income vs expenses.

Project fund for January: Loud offering \$218.99, Script card sales \$1,200.00, Script card expense (\$2,622.10), misc donation \$50.00, Kwik trip rebate \$2.18. Total for month \$1,471.17 Total available for projects: \$24,754.98

Reoccurring Accumulative totals for special project June 2018-current:

Amazon Smile rebate: \$57.59

Kwik Trip Rebate: \$74.86

Loud offering \$3,222.16

Thrivent choice: \$3,266.00

Candy Bars: \$600.00

Scrip Card earnings \$498.94

Report approved by Dave K, 2nd Glen P Voice vote passed.

Property: Darrel is starting to replace oldest light bulbs with LED. New toilet seat installed. New internet and modem was installed in the office.

Youth: Several youth attended Silver Birch winter jam at the end of January.

Worship: Carmen Riebel's message and music was well received. Christus church in Clintonville has invited us to share a celebration service at 6:30pm on Thursday 5/21. Details to follow. Ash Wednesday is 2/26 at 7:00pm with imposition of ashes and Holy Communion. The mid week services will feature "Orpah" as our special guest for the Wednesday services. Soup supper will be during Lenten service from 6-7pm. Plans for a country gospel and polka worship in the coming year.

Old Business:

Community Dinner: March meal will be tuna melts and hot ham & cheese. Any corn beef dishes are welcomed too. Wednesday, March 18th at 5:30pm,

Door lock repair: not completed yet. Bonnie is working with the individual that will complete this.

Projects: (Roof) est. \$29,700-\$58,000). + Solar removal \$12,000 +/-

Upcoming Fundraisers:

Continued Fundraisers:

Script program:

Script cards can be purchased from Bonnie at any time and also after each service. Ascension receives a percentage back after the cards are used.

VandeWalle Candy Bars:

Candy Bars are available in the social hall. If you would like to sell a box at your workplace, please see Heather Goodacre.

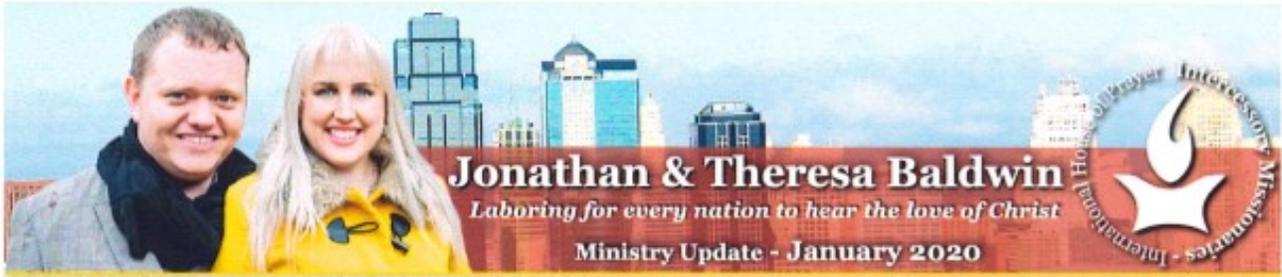
Pizza sales: The council has agreed to take the "coordinator" role for pizza fundraising. Pizza's will be made Saturday 3/28. Look for order forms soon. Volunteers will be needed to make pizza's.

If you have any ideas of future fundraisers, please let the council or the fundraising committee know.

Next council meeting: Thursday, March 26th, 6:00pm.

Meeting adjourned 7:15 pm Motion to adjourn: Dave K, and Dawn D. 2nd.

Respectfully Submitted by: Dawn Dingeldein, Secretary



Jonathan & Theresa Baldwin

Laboring for every nation to hear the love of Christ

Ministry Update - January 2020



Brittany, celebrated legally regaining custody of 3 of her children! We are so proud of all of her hard work!

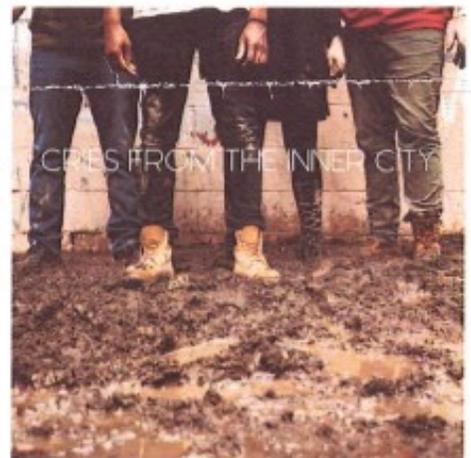
A Miracle of Restoration

I (Theresa) first met Brittany a few years ago. We were both pregnant at the time she came to do our trade off program, TOP, at Hope City. Due to unstable housing, drug abuse, and domestic violence her children were in the care of the state. As she started working with an advocate to help her through the court process, it looked like she was at the brink of forever losing custody of all her children. Our addiction recovery program was her last chance to get sober and take the first steps towards changing her life. Both Jonathan and I easily connected with her early on and began praying for her and speaking life into her. Many times she wanted to give up, but many more times she made the hard decision to not quit. I loved watching her transform little by little as she spent time in the presence of God in the prayer room making the decision to love Jesus. After she had her baby, someone we know and respect in our community who is a foster parent took Brittany's baby in as Brittany worked to turn her life around. So many at Hope City encouraged

her and spent time working with her embracing her as family. As she worked hard and got a steady job, it was looking hopeful that if she continued her progress, she would gain sole custody of her children again. We just recently got to celebrate with her as the day finally arrived where she got custody! This is just one of so many people who have been transformed by the love of Jesus during their time at Hope City. We couldn't do it without you praying and partnering with us in ministry as we labor to see lives transformed and Jesus glorified! You have an inheritance in Brittany, her children, and so many other's lives!

Hope City CD Project is Out!

Our Hope City Collaborative CD Project is out! You can get ahold of it digitally on the typical music platforms or, if you want a physical CD, next time I roll through town. The first track is my new song, "How Long?" It is a cry to God for the release of signs and wonders testifying of God's glory. After that are powerful prayer sets and my favorite songs by my friend Aaron Swanger, "Jesus of Nazareth".



International House of Prayer is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Contributions are tax deductible. Contributions are made with the understanding that IHOPKC has complete discretion & control over use of all donated funds.

To give please make checks payable to "IHOPKC" and send to:

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Via de Cristo News

SonRise Ultreya

Please keep the upcoming weekend in your prayers; many of our members will be attending.

Northern Light Spring Weekend #51-52

March 12-15, 2020
Forest Springs Camp
N8890 Forest Lane, Westboro, WI

Upcoming dates to remember:

Saturday, April 18, 2020
SonRise Annual Meeting

Prayers for our Congregation

The Ascension Champions of Prayer are inviting you to join us in praying for every member of our Ascension Family. Each Sunday a list the names of those you should hold up in prayer for the week will be posted in the bulletin. The power of prayer is amazing and we know we will see and feel the love of others on the day we are prayed for. If you would like to submit a special request for you , a family member or friend, please use the form below and submit it to Pastor Marcia or Kay Fuerst.



The Champions of Prayer are waiting to pray for your concerns. If you would like to share a confidential prayer request with a small group of fellow Christians who are willing and waiting to pray for your concerns, please take a moment and let us know how we can help. Please briefly list your concern, request or praise below. Your request will remain confidential, no need to even sign your name. Place the form in with your offering or give it to Kay Fuerst.

Prayers for those ill, injured or hospitalized:



Kay Fuerst, Dave Ort, Dylan Mueller, David Doucette, Allan Berreitter, Kim Schroth, Brittany (Klemp) Schumacher, Arletta Kauffman, Beck & Rosie Pues, Jim & Alice Mueller, Dean Pues, Brittany Slack, Betty Hillsberg, Peggi Strelow, Tim Rohrer, Bob Singler, Arnie & Carol Kloes, Terri Rapp, Jill Krohlow, Mark Mueller, David Nesberg, Larry Svetnicka, Reba Power, Jackson Kloes, Geri Anderson, Mark Stevens, Lori Meyer, Rick Meyer

Prayers for our Military:

Jonathan Sabin—son of Pastor Sabin

COMMUNITY DINNER



The next Community Dinner will be Wednesday, March 18th at 5:30pm.

Tuna Melt and Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwiches will be provided.

We are requesting donations of tuna salad, corned beef dishes, gluten free dishes, vegetables, fruit, salads and jello's and desserts.

A sign up sheet is on the table by the library.

For more information contact Phyllis, Glen or Judy.

Everyone is Welcome



Focus Items for March 2020

- ◆ Cereal
- ◆ Hamburger Helper
- ◆ Canned Meats (Tuna, Spam, Chicken, etc.)
- ◆ Juice
- ◆ Soup

* Cash donations always welcome

Thank you for your continued support.

HELP WANTED

At the Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry

Looking for individuals with:

-  A love of helping others
- A warm smile 
- A little free time 

Come share your talent and energy for a great cause.



* Perfect opportunity for anyone to get your School, Scouts, Confirmation or other Community Service Volunteer hours

Distribution is the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 5-7pm & the following Saturday from 9-11am, but we have lots of other times and days that we need your help. Please contact Mona Ashenbrenner at 715-851-2104 for more information.

AED TRAINING

The Church has a defibrillator located between the restrooms. Glen Peebles will be holding a short refresher course on how to properly use it, after worship on Sunday, April 19th. Please sign up on the sheet in back on church if interested in learning the correct procedures.

The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (**WHEAP**) is in progress, and offers a one-time payment during the heating season (October 1-May 15) to Wisconsin residents to make their energy bills more affordable. If you haven't already applied for energy assistance this heating season, go to www.co.shawano.wi.us click on the **homeenergy+** logo. Or contact **715-526-4740**.



Exercise Group

The exercise group meets on Mondays and Thursdays at 5:00 pm. Everyone is welcome.



ThedaCareTM

ThedaCare Medical Center Shawano
ThedaCare Physicians
100 County Road B
Shawano, WI 54166

Diabetes Education Support Group

<p>Exercise Programs</p> <p>Meal Programs</p> <p>Homecare</p> <p>Support Groups</p> <p>Financial Resources</p>	<p>Date: Monday, March 2 • 10-11 AM</p> <p>Topic: Community Reaching Out To You</p> <p>Location: Red River Room, Second floor, ThedaCare Medical Center Shawano (TCMCS)</p> <p>Heidi Russell from the Aging Resource Center will be sharing many community resources that may be beneficial to you.</p>
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Meetings are free and open to the public



What you will learn:

The Stepping On workshop meets for two hours a week for seven weeks.
Topics include:

- Simple and fun balance and strength training
- The role vision plays in keeping your balance.
 - How medication can contribute to falls.
- Ways to stay safe when out and about in your community.
 - What to look for in safe footwear.
 - How to check your home for safety.

Class Schedule

Shawano – Theda Care
March 1, 2020 to April 14, 2020
Tuesday mornings
9:30 am to 11:30 am

Class 1: Introduction, Overview, and Risk Appraisal

Class 2: The Exercises and Moving About Safely

Class 3: Home Hazards

Class 4: Community Safety and Footwear

Class 5: Vision and Falls and Vitamin D

Class 6: Medication Management and Mobility Mastery Experiences

Class 7: Review and Plan Ahead

Class locations:

Shawano – Theda Care Medical Center
100 County Road B
Shawano, WI 54166

How to register:

Contact Sharon Luepke, sharon.luepke@co.shawano.wi.us
715-524-6816 or
Toll Free call 1-866-526-2130

No Cost to participate.

Sponsored by Shawano County Human Services and Theda Care - Shawano

Church Mutual Religious Scholar Program

Giving the religious leaders of tomorrow a helping hand today.

CM CARES
Church Mutual Insurance Company Foundation believes helping today's vibrant and dedicated religious scholars will ensure strong faith based communities of Tomorrow. That is why, for the fourth year in a row, we're offering 50 scholarships totaling \$250,000 for the 2020-21 academic year.

Students of all faiths are encouraged to apply by April 8, 2020.

For Eligibility Information & Application Details go to:

churchmutual.com/cmcares-scholars

MANAGING A MOVE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS



Are you or a parent facing a move? What do you take with you? What do you do with the rest? Senior move managers are professionals that deal with ALL the details

of a move for senior citizens. This class will help you navigate the process. Instructor: Sue McCabe, certified Senior Move Manager & RN
Optional workbook available for purchase at class: "Moving for Seniors: A Step-by-Step Workbook" by Barb Morris.

Wednesday, March 18 9:00 am – 11:00 am
SCMS Room 103 FREE

Register by calling 715-526-2192 ext. 3202.



Navarino Nature Center's 10th Annual Sporting Clay Shoot Fundraiser

 **Sat. March 21, 2020** 

At J & H Game Farm, W5810 J & H Road, Shiocton, WI 54170

 **Fee: \$25.00**
Re-entry: \$15.00 

-  **Door Prizes**
-  **Shooter Prizes**
-  **Youth Prizes**
-  **Food Available
at J & H**

All funds generated support the environmental education programs, scout groups, Senior Centers, Service groups, summer camps, local schools, and public visitors that utilize the Nature Center.

Thank you for your support!



Elder Resource Fair

Learn more information regarding elder and caregiver services within Menominee, Shawano, Oconto and Langlade county.

- Gift Basket Raffles
- \$10 Free to Play
- Snacks and Refreshments

March 25th, 2020
9a.m. - 4p.m.

Menominee Casino Resort Convention Center
N277 HWY 47/55 Keshena, WI 54135

RSVP to kwaukau@mitw.org to reserve your informational booth

Sponsored by Menominee Tribal Clinic



GOSPEL

Amazing Grace



Dinner Show

Tuesday, April 7th

5pm Bar Opens • 6pm Dinner • 7pm Showtime • \$40 Per Person

Family style dinner of broasted chicken and baked fish, including coleslaw, baby red buttered potatoes, wild rice, vegetable, dinner rolls and dessert.

Everyone is welcome for an amazing dinner and your favorite Gospel songs.

The Main Event

206 N. Lemke St, Cecil

Call Sally at 715-745-2150. Reservations secured with credit card payment in advance.



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BONDUEL

SENIOR CITIZEN BREAKFAST

Please come join us every second Wednesday of the month through May with school district Superintendent Joe Dawidziak. Starting from 8:30-9:00 a.m. coffee will be served along with an informal Q and A. Breakfast will be cooked and served by students at 9:00 a.m. At 9:15 a.m. Bonduel students will be performing for our senior citizens. Below you will find the schedule of the breakfast for the remainder of the school year. We hope to see you there!

Wednesday Mar. 11th-TBD

Wednesday Apr. 15th-TBD

Wednesday May 13th-Wisconsin Fun Fact Escape Room

October 9th

High School
Commons

MENU

Scrambled eggs,
pancakes, sausage,
bacon, coffee, orange
juice, and milk

Entertainment

TBD

**\$3.00 per
person**

R.S.V.P.

Amber Laude

715-758-4850 ext. 820

laudeamb@bonduel.k12.wi.us



A Mug Club for Caregivers

Shawano County Department of Human Services, The Pines and the Forget Me Not Fund is hosting the

Mug Club for Caregivers

Learning how to care for yourself first when you provide care to another.

Next session is March 3, 2020

From 5pm-7pm, the first Tuesday of each month

At Shawano County Human Services W7327 Anderson Ave, Shawano WI 54166

Question's? or Transportation Needs?

Call the Shawano County Department of Human Services at 715-526-4686

What is Silver Society Club?

The Shawano County Silver Society Club, formerly known as the Memory Café, always meets the first Tuesday of the month from 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM.

The club provides a fun, comfortable environment where people with early stage memory loss along with their companions and/or caregivers are welcome to engage, enjoy, and relax with others who are on the same journey.

The Shawano County Silver Society Club is sponsored by the Wolf River Dementia and Caregiver Network and Forget Me Not Fund, Inc.

For more information please contact...

Liza Steffek
Dementia Care Specialist
Toll Free 855-492-2372



Silver Society Club Of Shawano County

BIRD TALES

Join us for a morning of learning about some of our favorite feathered friends!

MARCH 3, 2020

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Shawano County Library
128 S Sawyer Street
Shawano, WI 54166

The Navarino Nature Center has many upcoming events.

Below are a list of March events. You can RSVP at navarinonc@gmail.com.

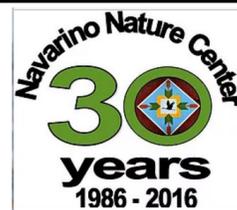
Senior Safari-Lunch & Learn-Thursday, March 12th. Register at NNC or Dept. of Aging.

Storytime @Navarino-Wednesday, March 18th. Topic: Cookies, 10pm-to noon.

NNC Sporting Clay Shoot at J&H Game Farm-Saturday March 21st. Time: 8 am-3 pm. Fee: \$25 per person, re-entry \$15. Proceeds benefit NNC educational programs.

Garden Raised Bed Workshop-Saturday, March 21st or Saturday March 28th, 9 am-Noon. Create a single or double raised bed using plastic 55 gallon barrel halves. Cost: Single=\$60, Double=\$110. Limit 15 kits per workshop date. Register the Thursday before.

Yarn Bunny Workshop-Tuesday, March 24th. Time: 6 pm to 8 pm. Rachel Gunderson from Sunset Crafts will instruct participants to make an adorable yarn bunny. Cost: \$20 Members/\$25 Nonmembers. Please RSVP @715-758-6999 or register online at www.navarino.org/events. Space is limited.





10 Ways to Pray in 10 minutes a Day

Prayer isn't about words, it's about relationships. It's about our relationship with God; and God's relationship with us. It's about our relationship with our family and friends and their relationship with us. Prayer is about how we relate and communicate in our relationships with God and God's people. Prayer, like stewardship, can become a way of life for us if we take the time to nurture our relationship with God, even in small ways. The following suggestions may help to keep us aware of God's presence that is with us always, as well as the needs of God's people all around us.

- 1) When you hear a siren or see a fire truck or ambulance, say a prayer for the person/s who has been hurt or is ill.
- 2) When you're sitting at a red light, say a short prayer for the person in the car in front of you or in back. If it's a long light include them both.
- 3) When standing in line at the grocery checkout, say a prayer for those who have no money to buy food.
- 4) Park at the end of the parking lot, and thank God for your ability to walk as you approach the door of your destination.
- 5) Get a small notebook to keep by your bed. Each night before going to sleep, think back on the day and write down one thing you are grateful for.
- 6) Go out of your way to smile and greet people as you pass them in the halls at work or school, or on the street.
- 7) Tell your kids, your spouse or your dear friends that you love them!
- 8) When you say to yourself, "Why me, God?" take the time to listen for an answer.
- 9) Say a short prayer of thanks before and after every meal.
- 10) Pick a family member or friend each day and say a short prayer for them as you are brushing your teeth.

Thank you to Pat Zuiches for this article.



A Christmas Card from Latvia

Greetings at Christmas! From Saldus M. Luterā Church (Martin Luther Church in Saldus Latvia): "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name is called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."



Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday night the 7th. We don't want you to be late for Church on Sunday!



**New Home Devotionals
"Our Daily Bread"
For March, April & May**

Is now available on the table by the library. Large print books are also available. There is a box for a monetary donation to contribute toward the cost of the book.

March 2020

Sun
Mon
Tue
Wed
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Sat

<p>1 <i>First Sunday in Lent</i> 8:30 am Small Group Bible Study 9:30 am Worship</p>	<p>2 5:00 pm-Exercise Group 6:30 pm-Bible Study</p>	<p>3 9:00 am-Bible Study</p>	<p>4 6:00 pm-SS & Confirmation Class 6:00 pm—Soup Supper 7:00 pm—Lenten Service</p>	<p>5 5:00 pm-Exercise Group</p>	<p>6 8:00 pm—AA/Alanon</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8 <i>Second Sunday in Lent</i> 8:30 am Small Group Bible Study 9:30 am Worship</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Begins</p> 	<p>9 5:00 pm-Exercise Group 6:30 pm-Bible Study</p>	<p>10 9:00 am-Bible Study 9:00 am-Loaves & Fishes Board Meeting</p>	<p>11 6:00 pm-SS & Confirmation Class 6:00 pm—Soup Supper 7:00 pm—Lenten Service</p>	<p>12 5:00 pm-Exercise Group</p>	<p>13 8:00 pm—AA/Alanon</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15 <i>Third Sunday in Lent</i> 8:30 am Small Group Bible Study 9:30 am Worship</p>	<p>16 5:00 pm-Exercise Group 6:30 pm-Bible Study</p>	<p>17 9:00 am-Bible Study</p> <p>St. Patrick's Day</p> 	<p>18 5-7 pm-L & F Distribution 5:30 pm Community Dinner 6:00 pm-SS & Confirmation Class 7:00 pm Lenten Service</p>	<p>19 5:00 pm-Exercise Group</p> 	<p>20 8:00 pm—AA/Alanon</p>	<p>21 9:00 –11:00 am Loaves & Fishes Distribution</p>
<p>22 <i>Fourth Sunday in Lent</i> 8:30 am Small Group Bible Study 9:30 am Worship</p>	<p>23 5:00 pm-Exercise Group 6:30 pm-Bible Study</p>	<p>24 9:00 am-Bible Study</p>	<p>25 6:00 pm-SS & Confirmation Class 6:00 pm—Soup Supper 7:00 pm—Lenten Service</p>	<p>26 5:00 pm-Exercise Group 6:00 pm-Council Meeting</p>	<p>27 4-8 pm—Pizza Fundraiser set up and assembly</p>	<p>28 9-3 pm—Pizza Fundraiser assembly, and pick-up after 2 pm</p>
<p>29 <i>Fifth Sunday in Lent</i> 8:30 am Small Group Bible Study 9:30 am Worship Pizza Sales after worship</p> <p>Birthday Sunday</p>	<p>30 5:00 pm-Exercise Group 6:30 pm—Bible Study</p>	<p>31 9:00 am-Bible Study</p>				