

The “Visitor”



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

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The council usually meets the third Sunday of each month at 8:00 AM.
You are welcome to attend.



“Am I a Fan, or Am I a Follower – of Jesus?”

When I was growing up, in Elkhorn, WI – going to church was a weekly affair with my family. I mean, we had “Sunday clothes”, Sunday School, and then we had worship to attend also, including the expected “Sunday behaviors” too. More often than not, and especially in the summer, I was pre-occupied with the thoughts of listening to the Milwaukee Braves playing baseball on WTMJ AM radio when I got home from church. Going to church was the weekly family ritual that continued until I graduated from high school.

In my first year of college, freedom from this family ritual really felt good! Man, I could sleep in on Sunday mornings as long as I wanted – and I did! However, in this time of personal experimentation, I noticed that I was truly missing something in my life. And it wasn’t just the routine of going to church. It truly was to my amazement, that I was missing the presence of God in my life that the experience of worship (going to church) gave me every week. As I look back, I was beginning to discover that what truly mattered the most, was God’s relationship with me; as the prayers, Bible lessons, sermons, and the sacraments, gave me as a gift from my Savior and Friend. In addition, I became aware that worship wasn’t about the obligations I was doing for God, as much as it was about what God was, is, and will always be offering, for me in my life’s journey. Furthermore, all that God wants from me is just learn to trust him, more than anything else in life. And with that, everything else God will faithfully take care of. He always has, and he always will! This is why Jesus repeatedly teaches us; (for example in Matthew 6:33) to seek God’s presence, that is his kingdom first and God willingly, takes care of the rest. *“But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all of these things will be given to you as well.”* Over the years of my faith’s continued growth I consistently see that God isn’t interested in our “religious obligations”, but he is interested in our hearts and in whom they trust.

Clearly, God desires from the “very bottom” of his divine heart that we won’t be satisfied with just saying, “I believe”, but rather that we truly learn to believe, that is, to trust in God and his Word of Life for us all. Once again Jesus repeatedly instructs us that learning to faithfully respond to God’s Word, is like a wise man, who built his house on “the rock”. (Matthew 7:24-25) *“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.”*

You see, it is all about God and what God has, is, and will be offering for us throughout our lives'. And, even though Jesus has a sense of humor, he sure isn’t joking around when he gives us our earthly life and our eternal life in baptism. So may the peace of God which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and your minds n Christ Jesus. Amen! God’s blessings be with you all,

In His love, Pastor Mark

If you have something you would like to have included in the “Visitor”, please have the information to the church office by the third Sunday of the prior month.



October
Benevolence went to
SAM 25 and
Red River Riders

Dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings to all of you, in the name of God our Father, and our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

St. Paul wrote to his friends in Rome; *“For as in one body we have many members, and not all of the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.”* (Romans 12:5) So my friends, within a few lines we see a very clear picture from Paul about the reality of being a child of God – we belong to God and therefore, we belong to each other. This is very different from what we have assumed is true as Americans, stressing our “natural” individualism. Scripture clearly teaches us that everyone is important, and that everyone has a gift to share and therefore being a blessing to others, reflecting the very love that Jesus has always given to us.

It is with this great Christian truth that Pastor Marcia and I, invite all of you to a forthcoming ministry opportunity entitled, A.C.M.M. (Ascension Cottage Meeting Ministry). Both Marcia and I have been involved with cottage meeting ministries within other parishes we have served. Cottage meetings provide Pastor Marcia and myself with the great opportunity to become more quickly acquainted with all of you, and; we have the privilege and the pleasure of listening to you and getting to know all of the things that are important to you and in the life and ministry of Ascension Lutheran Church. Simply put, what are the things you believe are the most important for the future ministry of Ascension Lutheran Church? And therefore, what become the most important issues to follow God’s will in the faith-life of Ascension Lutheran Church?

So, how do cottage meetings work?

These are the cottage meeting arrangements.

- 1) Pastor Marcia and I will offer advice to hosts and hostesses regarding this A. L. C. ministry.
- 2) This ministry will need hosts/hostesses to invite family and friends to their particular informal gathering, at the convenient time and place of the hosts/ hostesses choosing and refreshments are not mandatory.
- 3) All hosts and hostesses and participants are encouraged to invite neighbors who may have been inactive; have questions about their faith; or are seeking a new “home” for their worship and care.
- 4) A Sign-up sheet is available for the hosts and hostesses to schedule their personal “cottage meeting”. If you have any questions please contact either one of us.

Thank you for getting involved in A. C. M. M. as we are looking forward to our special times together.

Blessings to all of you; Pastors Mark and Marcia



Dear Ascension Members,
We want to thank you for keeping our granddaughter, Piper Stephens, in your prayers for the last two - three years. She was diagnosed with ACL - Acute

Lymphoblastic Leukemia on December 3, 2014 at the age of 5. She turned 6 on January 8, 2015. She was put on a 2 1/2 year program of intense chemo, steroids, and antibiotics. She was cancer free as of April 27, 2015 but had to continue on the program. God blessed us with her only landing in the hospital two times due to an infection. In March of 2017 she had her last chemo and steroids. She continued to go to clinic once a month for antibiotics. The end of September 2017 she had her last dose and her port was removed. She will continue to go to clinic to have her blood checked every month for a while and then it goes to longer times in between for the next five years. She has been a little trooper throughout all of it. When she started losing her hair for the second time her Mom heard her going down the hall singing " for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus but to Trust and Obey". God has truly answered our prayers!

John and Dorothy Nelson

ROGER OLSON, THE GIDEON REPRESENTATIVE WHO SPOKE AT ASCENSION WANTED TO THANK ALL WHO MADE DONATIONS IN ORDER TO PLACE BIBLE WHERE THEY ARE NEEDED. ALL DONATED MONEY GOES DIRECTLY TO DISTRIBUTING THESE BIBLES AROUND THE WORLD.

Thank you for all the prayers and cards during my illness and surgery.



Everett Olson

Thank you to all the members who beautified the church grounds and mowed the cemetery and church lawn this summer.

Thank You Cindy Garrigan for providing paper towels for the dispensers.



Thank you to Sally & Dave Richter for providing flowers for the altar.



Thank You to Everett and Sue Olson for providing flowers for the altar on October 29th. They were in honor of their 5th wedding anniversary.



FIRST COMMUNION MINI-RETREAT

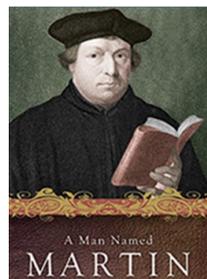
Saturday, November 11th 9-Noon

All of Ascension's families who have young people between the ages of 3rd grade and older, are warmly invited to participate in this special event for their First Communion instruction. It will be an informal affair and parents are invited to stay for the morning as well. Also, if you know of others who also would be interested invite them as well. And, if you have any questions, please ask Pastor Mark: e-mail; spyderman2@tds.net or 715-340-3670. I look forward to seeing you all then!

Martin Luther Bible Study Series

Continues until January/
February 2018

**Monday evenings
at 6:30 pm or
Tuesday mornings
at 9:00 am**



Parts 1, 2 and 3 each have multiple sessions. Come for one study, five studies, or all.

It's your choice!

Martin Luther's Spirit-inspired grasp of justification through faith was the cornerstone of the Reformation. His faith tested and tried by the fires of religious oppression remains a standard of Christ-centered endurance for believers today.

Learn more about the German reformer in this three-part series from Lutheran Hour Ministries.



Hunter's Service
November 15th
7:00 pm

Everyone is welcome to attend the Community Thanksgiving Dinner at 5:30 pm and then attend our special Hunter's Service at 7:00 pm

Come dressed in your camouflage or blaze orange hunting attire.

Please note that we have pictures of your trophy buck, turkey, fish or other wild game from previous years but if you have new pictures please turn them into the church office by November 12th.



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



Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship Service

Will be held at Trinity UCC Church
On Monday, November 20th
at 7:00 pm

Pastor Marcia Sabin will be leading the Worship Service

It is requested that people please bring canned goods or cash donations for the food pantry.



A heads up on upcoming events in December

- Blessing of the Quilts, Sunday—12/03
- Golden Age Party, Saturday—12/09
- Quilt Sales for future church projects—12/09 & 12/10
- Sunday School Christmas Program and the Giving Tree Collection for SafeHaven—Sunday—12/10



Dartball Schedule

Mondays at 7:30 pm
For November

- November 6th:—No Dartball
- November 13th
 Ascension @ Black Creek Lutheran
- November 20th—No Dartball
- November 27th
 Seymour Lutheran @ Ascension



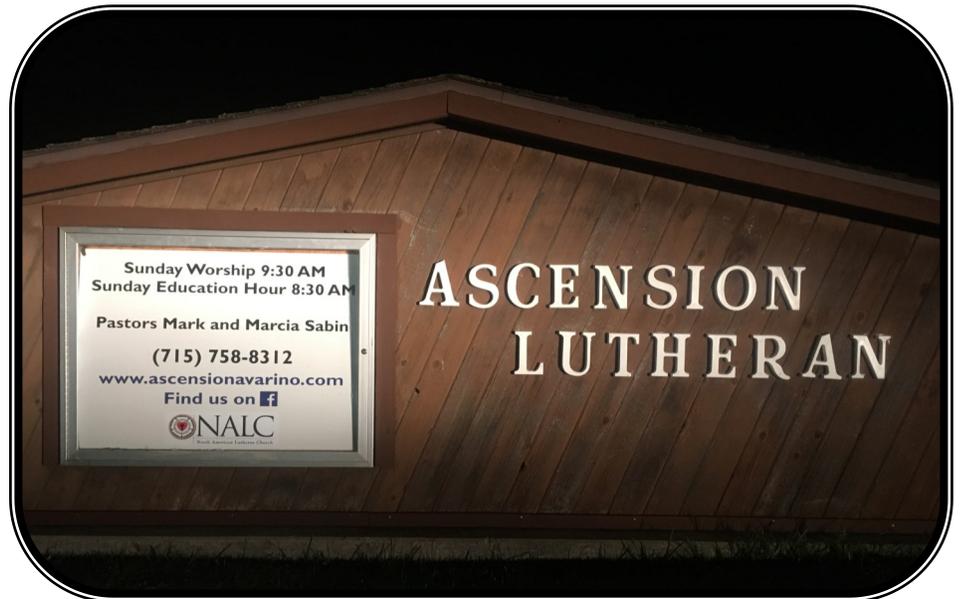
New Home Devotionals
"Our Daily Bread"
For November

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.



Tuesday Morning
Quilting

**New
Church
Sign
Insert**





Church Chat

from the Church Lady



Well I think our Fall season is over. As I am typing this, snow is predicted to fall this weekend. It was nice while it lasted. We had an unusually warm October but now on to November. For the church this is the beginning of our busy season. Preparations are already being made for all our events in November and December. Hence, again this is why I am terribly behind is getting Church Chat written. I know I am beginning to sound like a broken record but one day I will be on top of things. Check out the Up and Coming Events notice earlier in the newsletter for what is happening in December. More information to follow next month. In addition to planning future events I have also been busy with updating our membership rolls. The Membership committee recently met after completing their calls to people who did not respond to first letter. A second letter was drafted and approved by the Church council giving members a last chance of retaining their membership. All responses should be back by November first or we will make the assumption that these inactive members no longer wish to be on our church rolls. A final report will be included in the annual meeting booklet. I want to thank Ruthann Meiers, Dorothy Nelson and Pat Zuiches for all hard work on this committee. I think the end is in sight. Now to think of a way to ensure that we keep our membership rolls current.

Next I want to give you an update on the flooring project. The project is mostly done. There are a few carpet tiles that need to be laid and some minor repairs to the fellowship hall flooring. When totally completed the final bill will be paid. There will be leftover Hall Flooring funds which the Church Council will need to direct elsewhere. Council has had discussions and have done some checking on costs for other special projects that will need to be completed in the upcoming years. After all information is gathered the congregation will have an opportunity to voice their opinion. So sorry folks but I think the loud offering is hear to stay. If you have any other suggestion for raising funds for our special projects please let a Council member know or Darrel Klemp with the property committee.

Lastly I want to thank Lisa Wollenberg for cleaning the viruses off the church office computer and also Pastor Marcia laptop. Apparently we had an issue with malware. NO I did not go on any questionable sites! So thankful we have someone who is more knowledgeable about computers than I am.

I just want to leave you with this one last thought. Why did John Nelson shorten the quilting ladies legs?

Bonnie
Church Lady

ASSISTING MINISTERS

November 2017	Ushers	Greeters	Communion Helper	Readers	Money Counters
November 5 9:30 am	Greg & Amy Schoettler	Dave & Sally Richter	Shelly Klemp	Darrel Klemp	Glen Peebles
November 12 9:30 am	Al Meiers George Peters	Bonnie Weyers	Dave Klemp	Nancy Peters	Phyllis Peebles
November 19 9:30 am	Lon Hilliker Glen Peebles	John & Dorothy Nelson	Denelle Daniels	Heather Goodacre	Jim & Alice Mueller
November 26 9:30 am	Ralph & Jean Mueller	Arnie & Carol Kloes	Dave Rohrer	Mark Mueller	Arnie & Carol Kloes

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.



November

B I R T H D A Y S

DATE

NAME

11/02	Carol Kloes
11/03	Becky Wudtke
11/04	David Doucette

DATE

NAME

11/07	Cynthia Garrigan
11/08	Mason Dingeldein
11/08	Autumn Lorenz
11/09	Jessica Conradt
11/09	Mike Podell
11/10	Karen Berndt
11/11	Nettie Rottier
11/13	Jesse Nitzske
11/17	Heidi Ketchum
11/20	David Hillsberg
11/21	Arletta Kauffman
11/21	Sophie Zanzig
11/23	Greg Ehrle
11/23	Cade Johnson
11/24	Betty Hillsberg
11/24	Nicole Simon
11/25	Jason Steinbach
11/30	Lloyd Allen
11/30	Devin Doucette

COUNCIL MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 15, 2017

Attendance – Dave Rohrer, Glen Peebles, Al Meiers, Lisa Wollenberg, Dave Klemp, George Peters. Pastors Mark and Marcia Sabin

Guests: Ralph and Jean Mueller, Darrel Klemp, Bonnie Weyers.

President Dave Rohrer brought meeting to order at 8:00am.

Devotion by Ralph. Prayer – Pastor Mark.

Minutes from Sept, 2017 meeting were approved. Motion Made-Glen Second-Al Voice Vote Passed. Pastor's Report – Enjoyed their vacation. 6 home visits 4 with Holy Communion, First Communion Instruction ideas up-coming. Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services discussed, times to be posted later. Deer Hunting Service Wednesday, November 15th 7pm to coincide with community dinner, Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service @ UCC on Monday, November 20th @7pm, Pastor Mark/Marcia will be preaching. Emphasize Cottage Meetings.

Treasurer/Finance Report – Lisa provided a Synopsis and reported a favorable year from a financial standpoint.

Committee Reports – Pastor Marcia reported for the Education Committee the Confirmation class is studying The 10 Commandments, and the Wednesday evening youth study is being well attended. The Finance Committee will be meeting in October/November to begin budget planning for 2018. Darrel reported for the Property Committee, the new flooring is mostly complete. A few discrepancies have been pointed out and are being tended to. The Church sign “quick-fix” of a vinyl insert will be completed soon. Bugs in the entryway have been sprayed twice now and hopefully are under control. Attention is being brought to adding an additional motion detector to light the entryway when members are leaving in the evening. The Membership Committee has been getting in touch with people, and are steadily making progress in updating the registry. A “Final Notice” letter was drafted for people who have not answered previous mailings and phone calls. A short discussion followed about updating the Church Directory including contact information and pictures.

Correspondence – The current bank the church has been with is changing from FNB to BankFirst. A letter received from the WI Dept. of Transportation regarding the repaving of St Hwy 156 will be in Summer 2018. Access to the church should always be possible, especially on Sundays. Some detours may have to be used during the week when they are removing and replacing culverts.

Old Business – Community Dinners will continue every 3rd Wednesday. This month the meal will be hot dishes. Volunteers are always needed to assist in serving and clean up. Anyone available can show up and see Glen. Just a reminder that Thrivent Dollars are still available. Anyone with questions regarding this can contact Bonnie in the church office or Rita Olson. To date \$578 Thrivent Choice Dollars have been received! Keep up the good work!

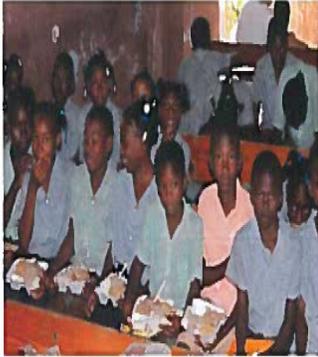
New Business – Discussion was had regarding future use of Loud Offering. Al provided 1 estimate to replace the church roof, approximately \$50,000. Other items considered are new lawn mower, new church sign, repaving the parking lot and new upholstery for pews. Lisa has extended the Wi-Fi in the church. She will be moving it to find the best signal and it is password protected, for access see her. A short discussion was had about “What is a member?”.

Date was set for next council meeting to be held October 15, 2017 at 8am. SHARP!

Motion was made by Glen and Second by George to adjourn meeting at 9:25am.

Humbly and Respectfully Submitted: Dave Klemp, Secretary

Gladys Mungo in Haiti 2017



Dear friends and prayer warriors,

It has been another incredibly blessed year for me in Haiti. I returned a month later than usual this year due to shoulder surgery. The first order of business, was the continued relief efforts after Hurricane Matthew took total rage on the southwest of Haiti: 806,000 people were facing critical food shortages; 90% of some areas were completely destroyed; 100% of farms were washed out; 1000 people died; over 1300 cases of cholera reported; **today** over 1 million people are in need of Humanitarian Aid. Haiti's Children reached out:

- HCI received a grant to help supply materials for 100 roofs
- HCI was gifted not one, but two 40-foot containers of food from FMSC (that was a total of 544,320 meals)
- Water and Rice was received from Convoy of Hope
- Funds came in so we could purchase spaghetti, mackerel and other staple foods
- HCI's staff was able to deliver over 100 tons of food in each of the villages we work in and where you have a child sponsored
- Churches from Illinois, Wisconsin, Washington, Minnesota (meaning all of you) stepped up and immediately sent tarps, food, and hygiene kits for us to get out to the people immediately.

This year Haiti's Children, Inc worked with several teams:

- ✚ The first team came in November, 2016 to help with Hurricane relief and mobile medical in the area hit the hardest by Hurricane Matthew, from Martha & Mary Lutheran Church

- ✚ The next team received was a medical mission team from Old Dominion – working in the (Grande Anse) and the remote islands off of Pestel.
- ✚ We were privileged to have Merry & Ed from Emmanuel come and help with the continued relief aide. Merry held a Community Health Worker Seminar with local nurses in Twamango, teaching basic health care and monitoring chronic conditions.
- ✚ The team from Emmanuel came to finish building the church in Twamango, which included painting, tiling, installing electrical outlets and outhouses. The team also hosted a mobile medical clinic, as well as distributing over 100 trees to the community. Pastor Dave did a great job reaching out to the community in the evening with open air crusades and opportunities for the team to pray with the people.
- ✚ There was a group of evangelists, J.P. Olson (WI), Cheri Anderson (FL) professional story tellers, Pr. Tim Coombs (NY) and Barb Turpyn (IL). The group reached out to 100's of people at our nightly Crusades. Pr. Tim held a men's conference during the day, while the ladies held our 5th annual Women's Empowerment Conference. We spent some time singing and dancing with our friends at the Nursing Home – Dorcas Azile, and visited several schools to share the stories in the Bible in a different way.
- ✚ We partnered with World Harvest to open a nutrition center in the Grande Anse area – we already have over 100 kids that come to the clinic to get medical attention and families to receive food. Our hope is to stop children from dying of hunger.

It's been a very busy summer home in the states. Kay worked diligently with all the churches arranging my schedule. Did you know? I spoke at over 21 different services this summer; as well as, CMA chapter - Revelation Riders; and Recycled teenagers. God is good...All the time. We also have 41 more children sponsored. We raised over \$4,000 for Seeds of Hope, as well as 1800 packets of seeds. This summer many of the churches were amazingly generous in collecting items for Haiti. The container has shipped and on its way to Haiti.

Due to all the devastation from Hurricane Irma, I had many delays getting back to Haiti. My heart goes out to all those in Texas and Florida. I know what you're going through and pray you seek comfort and peace from our Lord. "You never know how strong you are until being strong is the only choice you have." (-Bob Marley). With the help of Agape Flights, we were able to get the remaining tarps we had on hand, to Puerto Rico after the devastation of Hurricane Maria.

My staff in Haiti has worked hard to get all the books for the children so they would have them the beginning of the 2017/2018 school year. We will continue with our school food programs, as well as the nutrition center.

DID YOU KNOW... there are other ways to help support Haiti's Children, Inc.

- ❖ We have been accepted as a Service Organization by LCMC
- ❖ We have been accepted by Thrivent as a Charitable Organization for 'Choice dollars.' If you're an eligible Thrivent Financial member, please consider directing your 'Choice Dollar' to Haiti's Children, Inc. For more info or to direct Choice Dollars, call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice." Or go to: <http://bit.ly/XJrPZN>, and select HCI
- ❖ When you shop Amazon (online) you can support Haiti's Children Inc. by selecting the following: www.smile.amazon.com. Select Haitis Children (no apostrophe in Haitis) **NOTE: you have to make sure you are signed into smile.amazon.com in order for us to receive a percentage of the purchase.** The Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to our organization. Thank you for your support.

Please continue to pray for the following:

- ✓ Thanking God for all the blessings and provisions.
 - ✓ Thank you God for providing a second vehicle.
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- ✓ Haiti's Children, Inc and the children of Haiti.
 - ✓ For our sponsors and those who support HCI.
 - ✓ For the Nutrition center in the mountains – that we may reach every child that is in need.
 - ✓ For the leaders in Haiti, that they make the right choices for all the people here.
 - ✓ Keep praying for teams and people to come and help us to reach out to the people

God is good...all the time. All the time...God is good.

HCI is in need of the following:

- Teams for Construction; Medical; Evangelism
- Sponsors for our children.
- Honda EU2000I Super Quiet 2000 Watt Portable Generator with Inverter (can be purchased through smile.amazon) \$999.00
- Refrigerator
- Inverter to power the house, as electricity is sparse in Haiti.

I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. – Ephesians 1:16. Thank you, together we have accomplished many things here in Haiti.

In His Service,

Gladys Mungo
Gladys Mungo



God proved His Love on the Cross.
When Christ hung, and bled, and died,
it was God saying to the world,
"I love you."
-Billy Graham



Jonathan & Theresa Baldwin

Laboring for every nation to hear the love of Christ

Ministry Update - October 2017



My friend, Frank Sui fulfilled prophecy when He was home in China recently watching the prayer room on his "unplugged TV set"



Unplugged TV Sets

In 1983, a prophecy was given about a 24/7 global prayer and worship movement. This included a prophecy about believers in China in rice paddy fields watching the singers and musicians in Kansas City on 'unplugged TV sets'. It was such a crazy prophecy at that time and no one thought it possible since things like smartphones didn't even exist. A good friend of ours, on a recent visit to China, watched the IHOPKC 24/7 Global Prayer Room in China and took his phone to the a rice paddies in China! This encouraged us that God has prayer and worship in His heart and desires to use it to glorify Jesus. Surely, "from the ends of the earth we will hear songs, 'glory to the Righteous One!'" (Isaiah 24:16) God is using us in the nations without us even leaving Kansas City.

Pastoral Care for Hope City Staff

At Hope City, Jonathan and I (Theresa) were asked to help lead a home group and give pastoral care for the staff of Hope City. We are looking at how to strengthen community and facilitate discussions regarding creating a solid

structure for revival in the inner city. We just started last month, and we are excited to watch it develop as we pour into these ones who pour their lives out in the prayer room and minister and serve the inner city.



Jeremiah is excited (well...sometimes) that he is going to have a little brother! Jeremiah and his brother will be about a year and a half apart so we know they will have lots of fun growing up together!



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

Jonathan & Theresa Baldwin
11408 Jackson Ave
Kansas City, MO 64137



Via de Cristo News

Fall Via de Cristo weekends are just about here.
This year, things are a little different!

The SonRise Fall Weekend is specifically designed to present God's Love to our Millennial Generation, those who are currently between 20 and 40. If you are interested in attending this 3 day, spirit filled weekend and Walk with the Lord, please speak with our Pastors, Kay/Dennis Fuerst, or Shelly/Dave Klem and we will help introduce you to Via de Cristo.

The Northern Light Fall Weekend is designated as a training weekend for those that are already 4th Day members of Via de Cristo. This training will provide a greater understanding of the Via de Cristo movement as well as the history and reasons why this format is followed. If you have questions or need a registration form, please speak with our Pastors, Kay/Dennis Fuerst or Shelly/Dave Klem.

Dates to Remember

Northern Training Weekend
November 3 - 5 2017
Silver Birch Ranch, White Lake, WI

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.

COMMUNITY DINNER



The next Community Dinner will be Wednesday, November 15th at 5:30pm.

This is our Thanksgiving Dinner. The Food Pantry will be providing turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, cranberries and green bean casserole.

We are asking for donations of rolls, salads, vegetables and desserts.

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

For more information contact Judy, Glen or Phyllis.

Everyone is Welcome



Focus Items for November 2017

- ◆ Cereal
- ◆ Peanut Butter & Jelly
- ◆ Pancake Syrup
- ◆ Canned Meat (No tuna)
- ◆ Canned Soup

**** Most of these items can be found at Dollar Tree, Dollar General and Family Dollar**

Cash donations are always welcome

Thank you for your continued support



Be prepared for future medical expenses.



Thrivent Federal Credit Union is offering a free online workshop on the benefits of a Health Savings Account (HSA), including:

- Established savings for future medical expenses.
- Potential decrease in taxable earnings.
- Education around a complex topic.
- Assistance with account setup.



Take advantage of our HSA online workshop by visiting Thriventcu.com/hsa-workshop or call **800-701-3885** today.

WANTED GROCERY BAGS-PLASTIC AND BROWN PAPER BAGS



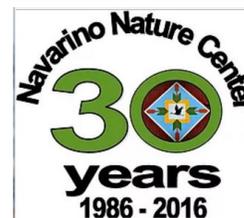
The Food Pantry is in need of bags, plastic and paper for their upcoming distributions in November and December. Please place in the grocery cart near the church entrance.

Exercise Group



Exercise Class will meet every Monday and Wednesday at 5:00 pm except for the Wednesday of Food Pantry Distribution.

Everyone is welcome to join us.



The Navarino Nature Center has many upcoming events.

Below are a list of November and December events.
You can RSVP at navarinonc@gmail.com.

TINY NATURALIST STORY TIME -- Join Assistant Naturalist Kaylee for these special tiny naturalist story times. Each of the 6 dates will feature an animal or special theme with books, crafts, and hands on activities that will spark your child's imagination! Themes include Owls, Bats, Fall Colors, Deer, Wolves, and Winter Fun. Reservations required to assist staff in preparation. Please call 715-758-6999 to reserve your child's spot for one or all of the Storytime opportunities. *Open to any age Time: 10 am - Noon Fee: Members: Free, Non-members: \$2 per child **Wednesday, November 8th-Deer and 29th-Wolves**

Candlelight Hikes at Navarino

Come out and explore nature at night, special activities will be available depending on the night, including astronomy, stories and campfire. **Saturday, November 4th, 6 – 8 pm**
Must register in advance. **NNC members \$4, Non members \$6, Families \$12**

Art Fest at Navarino Nature Center - Saturday, Nov. 11th 9 am – 3 pm

Looking for a unique place to do some craft or Christmas shopping? Navarino Nature Center is pleased to offer our 5th Annual Art Fest. This Art Fest has a variety of local artists and crafters selling their different items. We will also be having a book sale & bake sale, plus food is available for purchase as well. So tell your friends, family, and everyone to come on out to see what is all there!

Wreath Making Class - Dec. 2nd & 9th, 2017 9 – 11:30 am

Learn how to create a wreath making using natural materials from the wildlife area. Finished wreath will be on a 24" frame. Cost is \$25 members, \$30 nonmembers

Christmas tree Sales at Navarino Nature Center

Cut your own tree. Trees are untrimmed. Cost per tree is \$20 Sizes 8' to 20' Location Wildwood Road, just south off of Townline Rd. *(Precut trees will be available at the Nature Center)*

Sat., December 2nd 11am-3pm Sun., December 3rd 11am-3pm Sat., December 9th, 11am-3pm

***Are you or someone you love
concerned about memory loss?***

Lutheran Social Services cordially invites you to

MINDWORKS TRY-IT SESSION - FRIDAY, November 17, 2017 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
3003 N. Richmond Street, Appleton, WI. 54911

MindWorks is a program for people experiencing early memory loss. This program offers mental and physical exercise, and helps participants develop memory strategies that allow individuals to cope with their changing cognitive status.

This session will introduce participants to the MindWorks program, regularly held on Monday/Wednesdays or Tuesdays/Thursdays from 11:00am to 3:00pm at Lutheran Social Services for enrolled participants. Try it for **free** at this introductory session! Family members are welcome to participate.

Please call to RSVP to reserve your spot:

Katrina @ (920) 225-1708 or
Sandy @ (920) 225-1712



But God has put the body together . . . If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.”(1 Corinthians 12:24b, 26)



Dear Friends at Ascension Lutheran Church:

We join you in praying for all those affected by devastating Hurricanes. When disaster strikes, Christians are among the first to roll up their sleeves and open their wallets – and Thrivent Financial members often look for additional opportunities to help those in need. In addition to relief efforts your church might be involved with, Thrivent members and others in your church can help in the following ways:

- **Donate.** Thrivent will match up to \$3 million on individual personal donations to specific disaster relief organizations.
- **Lend a hand.** Learn how Thrivent members can share time and talent to help with recovery efforts by leading a Thrivent Action Team. Eligible members can also direct Choice Dollars®.

Visit the [Disaster Response page on Thrivent.com](#) for details on these opportunities.

As the Christian community comes together to pray for and reach out to those who have been affected by the recent disasters, Thrivent Financial is mobilizing its financial resources and members nationwide to help those in need. Thrivent members and others who are interested in ways to help with the recovery efforts are encouraged to visit www.Thrivent.com to learn more about the organization’s \$3 million match on individual personal donations and other ways in which they can help.

We thank you and your congregation for continuing to keep storm victims in your prayers and support them as you’re financially or physically able. Your commitment to living generously is appreciated.



For information . . .

Contact: Vicki Johnson, Alz. Association at (920) 327-8187

Or Heidi Russell, Shawano County at (715)526-4686

**The Café Calendar
November 7th, 2017**

It is time for some football!
Enjoy a Packer Tail Gate Party
1:30-3:00 pm



Location: Hope Community Church
302 Tristan Dr. Shawano, WI
No cost to attend

WHAT IS THE MEMORY CAFÉ?

The café provides a fun, comfortable environment where people with early stage memory loss, along with their companion and/or caregiver, can relax, engage, and enjoy the company of others who are on the same journey.



Hosted by
Shawano County
Department
of Human Services
and Pine Manor
Health Care

Mug Club for Caregivers

A support group for anyone providing care for other individuals with a need to learn coping skills, resources or just bonding with others who understand.

We will meet the first Tuesday of the Month
From 5pm – 7pm
at the Fellman Center – 607 E Elizabeth Street Shawano

Next Meeting is November 7, 2017

Question's? or Transportation Needs?
Call the Shawano County Department of Human Services at
715-526-4686

Powerful Tools for *Caregivers*

©*Powerful Tools for Caregivers* is an educational workshop for people who are taking care of a family member or friend. It was developed by Legacy Healthy Systems at the University of Oregon, Portland; and is based on the Living Well with Chronic Conditions program created by Dr. Kate Lorig and colleagues at Stanford University.

The workshop is directed specifically to the caregiver and his or her well-being. It does not teach hands-on care or focus on disease conditions.

PTC is an “evidence-based” curriculum, meaning it has been studied and found to have significant positive results for people who take the workshop.

The workshop is facilitated by two trained leaders using a scripted curriculum to maintain consistency and fidelity to the program. It is 2 ½ hours long and taught for six weeks.

Topics include: Taking care of YOU, Reducing Personal Stress, Communicating Feelings, Needs, and Concerns, Communicating Effectively with Others, Learning from our Emotions, and Mastering Caregiving Decisions

Benefits to Caregivers: You will feel more in charge of your caregiving life, more relaxed, learn better coping skills and how to coordinate your family, and learn to take care of yourself and make sure your needs are met too. You will leave the class feeling more in charge of you – you cannot be a caregiver if you are not taking good care of you!

Classes meet on Tuesdays beginning on November 7th, 2016 at 5:00pm. Space is limited. To reserve a place, or if you have questions please call Heidi Russell, Director of Aging, Shawano County Department of Human Services at 715-526-4686. Powerful Tools for Caregivers is sponsored by the Shawano County Human Services – Aging Unit and Pine Manor Health and Rehabilitation.



Election Day Potato Pancake Dinner

Including chicken soup, cheese & dessert

**Tuesday November 7th, 2017
11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

St. John's United Church of Christ
324 S. Warrington, Cecil, Wisconsin
Church Phone (715) 745-2195

Adults ~ \$9
under 3 ~ free.

Children age 3-12 ~ \$3
Take Out is available

**Don't forget your raffle tickets for
cash, gift cards & other great prizes**

*Everyone Is Welcome
Our dining room is handicap accessible!*

**Saturday
Nov. 11, 2017
9 am—3 pm**

Art Fest

**At Navarino Nature Center
W5646 Lindsten Rd.
Navarino, WI**

Food & Drink

**Original &
Hand Crafted
Treasures**

Bake Sale

**Nature
Exhibits**

**Admission \$1 per person
Children under 12 Free**

Know the 10 Signs Early Detection Matters

If you or someone you know is experiencing memory loss or behavioral changes, it's time to learn the facts. Early detection of Alzheimer's disease gives you a chance to begin drug therapy, enroll in clinical studies and plan for the future. This interactive workshop features video clips of people with Alzheimer's disease.

A workshop
presented by the
Alzheimer's Association®

Tuesday, November 14, 2017 - 1:30 PM

**ADRC of the Wolf River Region
607 East Elizabeth Street, Shawano WI 54166**

For more information and to register for the class, contact the ADRC of the Wolf River Region toll free at 1-855-492-2372. Walk-ins are always welcome!



Baked Apple Fritters

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| 1 Cup Flour | 1/3 Cup Sugar |
| 1 Teaspoon Baking Powder | 1/4 Teaspoon Salt |
| 1 Teaspoon Cinnamon | 1/4 Teaspoon Nutmeg |
| 1/2 Teaspoon Vanilla | 1 Tablespoon Butter, melted |
| 1 Egg | 1/3 Cup Milk |
| 1 Cup Apples, Finely Chopped | |

Glaze

1 Cup Powdered Sugar and 1 1/2 tablespoon Milk

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray a mini muffin tin with cooking spray. In a medium bowl, combine flour, sugar, baking powder, salt, cinnamon and nutmeg. Slowly add melted butte, vanilla, egg, and milk. Mix until well combined and then gently fold in apples. Bake in preheated oven for about 10 minutes. Remove from tin. Whisk together powdered sugar and milk to create a glaze. Roll the donuts in the glaze. Place on a cooling rack with paper towel underneath.

Thank you to Sarah Olson for this recipe.

Thanksgiving



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| BAKE | EAT | LEFTOVERS | SETTLERS |
| BREAD | FALL | MAIZE | SNOW |
| CARVE | FAMILY | MAYFLOWER | SQUASH |
| CIDER | FEAST | NAPS | STUFFING |
| COLD | FOOD | PARADE | THANKFUL |
| COLONY | GRANDMAS | PIE | THURSDAY |
| COOK | GRAVY | PILGRIMS | TRAVEL |
| CORN | HAM | PLYMOUTH | TURKEY |
| CRANBERRIES | HARVEST | PUMPKIN | VENISON |
| CROPS | HOLIDAY | PURITAN | WISHBONE |
| DINNER | INDIANS | ROAST | YAMS |

What would YOU call it?

Once, all the villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. That's FAITH. When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That's TRUST.

Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set the alarms to wake up. That's HOPE. We plan things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That's CONFIDENCE. We see the world suffering, but still we get married and have children, That's LOVE. On an old man's shirt was written a sentence "I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience." That's ATTITUDE.



November 2017

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 5:00 pm—Exercise Group 6:30 pm—Confirmation	2	3 8:00 pm—AA/Alanon	4
5 All Saints Day 8:30 am Sunday School 8:30 am Small Group Bible Study 9:30 am Worship <i>Daylight Savings Time ends</i>	6 5:00 pm—Exercise Group 6:30 pm—Bible Study No Dartball	7 9:00am—Quilting 9:00 am—Bible Study  ELECTION DAY ★★★★★★	8 5:00 pm—Exercise Group 6:30 pm—Confirmation	9	10 8:00 pm—AA/Alanon	11 9-12 pm—First Communion Instruction  VETERANS DAY
12 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 am Sunday School 8:30 am Small Group Bible Study 9:30 am Worship	13 5:00 pm—Exercise Group 6:30 pm—Bible Study 7:30 pm-Dartball @ Black Creek Lutheran	14 9:00am—Quilting 9:00 am—Bible Study	15 5-7 pm—Loaves & Fishes Distribution 5:30 pm—Community Dinner 6:30 pm—Confirmation 7:00 pm—Hunters Service	16 1:00 pm—Mary Circle @Pat Zuiches	17 8:00 pm—AA/Alanon	18 9:00 –11:00 am Loaves & Fishes Distribution
19 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am Church Council Meeting 8:30 am Sunday School Christmas Program Rehearsal 8:30 am Small Group Bible Study 9:30 am Worship	20 5:00 pm—Exercise Group 7pm-Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship Service at Trinity UCC No Bible Study	21 9:00am—Quilting No Bible Study	22 5:00 pm—Exercise Group No Confirmation	23  Thanksgiving Day	24 8:00 pm—AA/Alanon	25
26 Christ the King Sunday 8:30 am Sunday School Christmas Program Rehearsal 8:30 am Small Group Bible Study 9:30 am Worship –First Communion	27 5:00 pm—Exercise Group 6:30 pm—Bible Study 7:30 pm-Dartball @ Ascension	28 9:00am—Quilting ends 9:00 am—Bible Study	29 5:00 pm—Exercise Group 6:30 pm—Confirmation	30		