

Ascension Lutheran Church of Navarino

“The Visitor”



“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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Visitation Pastor
Marcia Sabin
715-340-5951-Cell

Holy Week and Easter Services



Palm Sunday – Maundy Thursday – Good Friday – Easter Sunday

Come Worship With Us!

- **Sunday, April 13 – PALM**
SUNDAY @ 9:30 am
- **Thursday, April 17 – MAUNDY**
THURSDAY @ 7:00 pm
- **Friday, April 18 – GOOD FRIDAY**
@ 7:00 pm
- **Sunday, April 20 – EASTER**
SUNDAY @ 6:30 & 9:30

Your Church Council

Carmen Wetzel, President	(715) 853-7101
Lisa Wollenberg, Treasurer	(920) 525-2024
Cathy Thomas, Secretary	(920) 858-3835
Brad Schuelke, Vice President	(920) 659-2402
Jacob Hartlaben	(715) 851-1904
Mike Homan	(715) 853-2996

Church Council



The council usually meets the third Wednesday of each month. You are welcome to attend.

The next council meeting will be Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at 5:30 pm.

Message from the Pastor ~ Bible Study Information



"I must listen to the Gospel, it tells me, not what I must do, but what Jesus Christ, the Son of God, has done for me." Martin Luther.

As we continue to prepare our hearts during this holy season, do we remember what our hearts are being prepared for? Luther said, it is not what I do to be saved, but what God does through his Son. I ask you and me, are we preparing our hearts for the ultimate truth of God's love in Jesus? Because of our sinful nature, Satan will guilt us by putting thoughts in our minds like: How can God love me? Look at all the bad things I have done. I'm not worthy of His love.

It isn't easy to admit that we are responsible for the reason the Son of God/Son of Man came to earth to suffer, be handed over to His creation so that He will be crucified on a cross. **Deuteronomy 21:22-23**; *"When someone is convicted of a crime punishable by death and is executed and you hang him on a tree.... is under God's curse...."* Jesus took our sins and put them on his shoulders. It wasn't Jesus who was cursed; it is our sins, past, present, and future that are cursed. The wisdom of man is foolishness to God. The religious leaders did what God had designed. They thought if they did away with Jesus, everything would go back to "normal." They would return to their prestigious roles under Jewish Law.

Like I stated earlier, Satan gets into our minds and makes us doubt how much God loves us. God does not guilt us into fear. God brings us back to his throne of grace and we declare; I am a child of God and I belong to Him. I am worthy because He says so.

We will experience the Passion of Jesus. We call it Good Friday - for it is the hour when Jesus takes all our sins and God was pleased to reconcile us to himself by making peace through the blood of His cross. **Colossians 1:19** (*paraphrased*)

The disciples were overwhelmed and afraid of the events they would witness. Jesus said to his disciples three times what was going to happen to him and he gave them the message of victory, "the Son of Man will rise again in three days." The disciples were not waiting for Jesus' resurrection. They were afraid of the religious leaders because they were disciples of Jesus. They locked themselves in the place where Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper. The Pharisees never found the disciples, but Jesus did. Everything has changed.

May you all have a blessed Easter. Pastors Marcia and Mark ☩

Adult Bible Study

Sunday Mornings at 8:30 am
Monday Evenings at 6:30 pm
Tuesdays Mornings at 9:00 am



Children's Sunday School

April 27 at 8:30
(See Rita for more information)
Wednesday Evenings at 6:30

Come join us! All are welcome.

Assisting Ministers – Birthdays & Anniversaries

Assisting Ministers

April 2025 (9:30 services)	Communion Server	Reader	Money Counter
April 6	Linda Bubolz	Denelle Daniels	Ruthann Meiers
April 13	Dave Rohrer	Toni Klemp	Glen Peebles
April 20 (6:30 am)	Pastor Marcia	Denise Klemp	- -
April 20 (9:30 am)	Carrie Daoust	Darrel Klemp	Phyllis Peebles
April 27	<i>Volunteer</i>	Chris Schley	Rita Olson

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.



Happy Anniversary

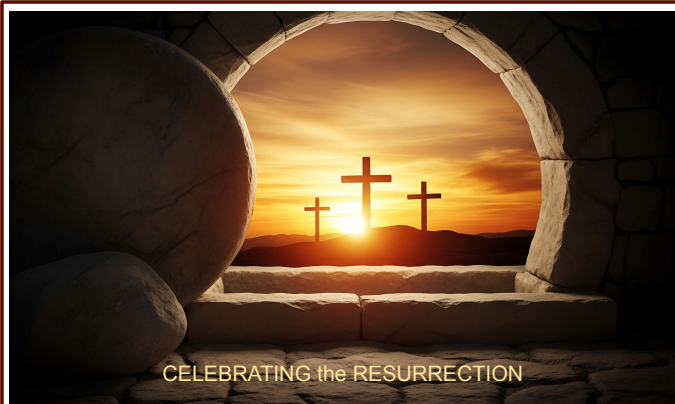
Scott & Lisa Wollenberg
04/24 (32 years)



Happy Birthday

04/02	Jane Shulze
04/04	Brad Schuelke
04/06	Helen Kienast
04/06	Brandon Wilkinson
07/07	Stacey Homan
04/08	McKenzie Wollenberg
04/08	Eric Shulze
04/09	Betty Ladwig
04/11	Dean Rueden
04/12	Greycen Johnson
04/14	Rodney Hillsberg
04/18	Mackenzie Dingeldein
04/18	Barbara Weissappel
04/19	Michael Homan
04/19	Rosemary Kienast
04/20	Jeff Anderson
04/20	Jacob Wetzel
04/21	Glen Peebles
04/23	Ruthann Meiers
04/26	Sean Harper
04/30	Jody Kuhn-Kauffman

Upcoming Events



April 20, 2025

6:30 am - Sunrise Service

7:30-9:00 am - Easter Breakfast

9:30 am - Worship Service

JOIN US!

Once again, we will order lilies to decorate the sanctuary for Easter. If you would like to purchase a lily to beautify the church and enjoy it at home after the 9:30 am Easter service, please let Denise in the office know before April 11. Thank you!

***Lilies are
\$20.00 each***



FREE!

CPR TRAINING

Get trained. Save a life. You'll be glad you did.

**Tuesdays, April 8 & 22, 2025
6:00 - 8:00 pm
Ascension Lutheran Church**

Sign up at Ascension or
Call Glen at 715-584-3029



Wednesday Night Soup Suppers

April 1 & April 8 at 6:00 pm



**Soup
Supper**



Mark Your Calendars

- **April 2, 2025** - Soup Supper at 6:00 pm
- **April 8, 2025** - CPR Class
- **April 9, 2025** - Soup Supper at 6:00 pm
- **April 9 & 12** - Loaves & Fishes Distribution
- **April 13, 2025** - Palm Sunday Worship at 9:30 am
- **April 17, 2025** - Maundy Thursday Worship at 7:00 pm
- **April 18, 2025** - Good Friday Worship at 7:00 pm
- **April 20, 2025** - Easter Sunday Worship Services at 6:30 & 9:30 am
- **April 20, 2025** - Easter Sunday Breakfast 7:30 - 9:00 am
- **May 19-21, 2025** - Brat Fry at Charlie's in Shawano

Dear Ascension Family -

Greeting from Nairobi Kenya! We are so thankful for your recent donation to our ministry with AIM AIR. You are a blessing!

Recently 2 of our pilots flew supplies to North Kenya for a missionary team there - hot, desert like place. They stayed a few extra days to replace a transmission on one of their vehicles and to do a few other technical projects. The pilot wives and kids live near to us, so we are checking on them, having them over, and being available as they need.

We are honored to be part of this AIM AIR community! Thank you for being part of it too. Love, Phil & EJ Blohm

Sunday Fellowship

Everyone is invited and welcome to stay for food and fellowship after worship every Sunday. A free will donation is accepted.

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| April 6 | - Pizza |
| April 13 | - Surprise |
| April 20 | - Easter Breakfast (7:30-9:00 am) |
| April 27 | - Birthday Cake and Ice Cream |



PARKING LOT FUNDRAISER

*Give a little, give a lot,
Give for our new parking lot!*

April Challenge

How many rooms are
in your house?
(Give \$1 for each room)

Ascension Budget



Council would like the membership to be aware of our financial status on a month to month basis.

YTD Income received:	\$15,041.00
Expenses paid out:	\$12,506.62
Income Exceeding Expenses:	\$ 2,534.38

Looking for Thrivent Members

Any Thrivent member is eligible to apply for two \$250 Thrivent action cards per year which can be used 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.

Fundraising Committee

Do you have a fundraising idea? We have a form for you to complete and give to the Fundraising Committee. You can pick up a copy on the SCRIP table in Church.

Committee members: Dawn Dingeldein, Ruthann Meiers, Lois Rohrer. Fundraising supports the Church's Special Projects Fund.

Our April Benevolence
will go to:

NALC National Support

Loaves & Fishes

Focus Item for April 2025:
Brownie & Cake Mixes

****The Food Pantry is in need of plastic
and paper grocery bags.****

**Shop
With
Scrip®**

Scrip Cards were restocked in February, and we are now carrying inventory on \$25 and \$50 Amazon. A larger than normal purchase of Kwik Trip cards was made in February due to the extra discount made available.

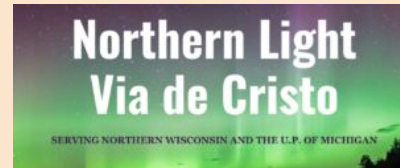
We have a number of \$10 cards available for your smaller gift giving, donations, and rewards. Stop in the office and make a purchase.

VDC ~ Prayer List ~ Online Worship Service Info

Via de Cristo News



Sonrise Spring Camp
April 24-27, 2025
Camp Fairwood
W7905 S Pleasant Rd,
Westfield, WI 53964



**Northern Light Spring Ultreya/
Annual Meeting**
Saturday, April 5, 2025 - 10:00 am
Worship Service / Annual Meeting
followed by Potluck
St John's Lutheran Church, Spencer

Prayers for those ill, injured or hospitalized:

- Alice Mueller
- Dave & Sally Richter
- Pat Zuiches
- Arnie Kloes
- Russell Kloes
- Beck & Rosie Pues
- Carl Schoettler
- Linda Ogi
- Everett Olson



Online Worship Services

Ascension's website for online services: <https://www.facebook.com/AscensionNavarino>

OR you can find a link to our online services on our website:

<https://www.ascensionavarino.com>

If you are worshipping at home and would like to follow along with a bulletin, you will find both the Bulletin and Announcement sheet on our website also.

The services are also audio-recorded onto CD's when possible and delivered to the homes of those without internet who are unable to attend worship.

If you have something you would like to be included in the "Visitor", please have the information to the church office by the third Sunday of the month. Thank you!

Sledding at Navarino Nature Center - February 2025



Lenten Series "Fisherman's Friend" and Fish Fry - March 2025



March 2025



Per Pastor Marcia: This picture was taken when we got to Ascension Lutheran Church for confirmation.



Did you know...?

Pastor Mark took a Call to Scandinavia WI in 1998. Pastor Marcia stayed at home to sell the house and continued to work in Madison. She visited every weekend. They decided she would come to Scandinavia for good on February 14, 1999. Who knows when Pastor Marcia accepted the call to Ascension? Check back next month for the answer!

Cool jet patterns above the church!



Council Minutes

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH OF NAVARINO

Thursday, March 27, 2025

5:30 pm Council Meeting

Present: Carmen Wetzel, Brad Schuelke, Lisa Wolenberg, Mike Homan, Jake Hartlaben, Cathy Thomas, Glen Peebles, Pastor Mark Sabin, Pastor Marcia Sabin

Call Meeting to Order: Carmen Wetzel @ 5:30

Prayer and Devotion: Pastor Mark Sabin - John 6:35

Old Business: Commercial Refrigerator update, Waiting for estimate, Fish Fry— 224 dinners sold

Approval of last month's meeting minutes: 1st by Brad 2nd by Jake voice vote passed

Pastor's Report: ALC Council Meeting, 2 Home visits, Writing Midweek Lenten services, Confirmation Sunday May 4th, April 29th last Tuesday Bible Study will resume again in Sept. 2025.

Treasurer's Report: Income Received for February: \$5,424.00

YTD Income received: \$15,041.00

Expenses paid out: \$12,506.62

Income Exceeding Expenses: \$2,534.38

Project Fund Income for the Month:

Loud Offering: \$76.00
Pizza Fundraiser \$4703.00 (net profit \$2,546.00)
CD Interest: \$224.69
Thrivent Choice: \$237 (5 accounts)
Fellowship: \$50.00
Scrip program: \$1886.00
Misc. Donations: \$50.00

Total Income for the Month: \$7,226.69

Pizza expenses \$2156.80, Scrip card Expenses \$1,930.00

Motion to Approve Treasurer's report: 1st by Mike 2nd by Jake voice vote passed

New Business: Council installation--Sunday April 6th

CPR classes Tuesday April 8th and 22nd.(2 separate sessions).

Polka Service Oct.19th 2025

Committee Updates:

Worship: Lenten Worship with Soup Suppers, Easter Breakfast April 20, 2025 7:30-9:00 am

Youth: Confirmation and Sunday School, Confirmation May 4

Finance: Next Finance Meeting will be in June--Date TBD

Property:

Fundraising: Brat Fry at Charlies - May 19-21, 2025

Miscellaneous: March 30 Birthday Sunday

Next meeting Date: April 9, 2025 at 5:30

A motion to Adjourn 1st by Jake 2nd by Mike voice passed

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Thomas Secretary

Acculative Totals:

Loud offering: \$10,672.21

Thrivent Choice: \$13,096.00

Candy Bars: \$ 5,798.70

Interest on SP Accounts: \$5,256.73

Total Available for projects: \$119,589.47

>\$3,098.89

**Church Council
Meeting Minutes**

Community Events

Upcoming Events at Navarino Nature Center:

Evening with the Sandhill Cranes Hike

Apr 03, 2025, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

See Sandhill cranes as they fly into Pike's Peak Flowage to roost for the night. Numbers vary from several hundred to over a 1,000 cranes.

Piece Out Fundraiser

Apr 05, 2025, 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Puzzle competition! Gather your family and friends and see if you are the fastest at putting puzzles together!

Register at www.navarino.org



November 2024

Responding to rising prices and decreasing availability of quality proteins for our pantry clients, your Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry is starting a MEAT FUND.

This fund will allow us to take advantage of sales & special offers on meat which we can store in our pantry freezers to have available throughout the year.

Our goal is **\$3,000** and we've already received \$500 seed money for the fund.

Look for the envelopes and make a contribution today.

Questions? Talk with Pastor Moira at 715-851-3080 or pastormoira73@gmail.com

In kind donations of commercially processed meat (including venison) are also most enthusiastically welcomed!

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BONDUÉL
SENIOR CITIZEN BREAKFAST
2024 – 2025

Wednesday, June 12th (Brunch 10:00 a.m.): Summer School
Wednesday, July 10th (Brunch 10:00 a.m.): Summer School
August Date TBA:
Wednesday, Sept. 11th: Admin Team and Fall Cleanup Sign up
Wednesday Oct. 9th: TBA
Monday, Nov. 11th: Veteran's Day Assembly
Wednesday Dec. 11th: TBA
Wednesday Jan. 8th: TBA
Wednesday Feb. 12th: TBA
Wednesday Mar. 12th: TBA
Wednesday Apr. 9th: TBA
Wednesday May 14th: TBA

R.S.V.P.
Amber Laude
715-758-4850 ext. 820
laudeamb@bonduel.k12.wi.us

\$3.00 PER PERSON

HIGH SCHOOL COMMONS

COME JOIN US!

ADRC
Aging & Disability Resource Center
Wolf River Region

SUPPORT GROUP
We are here to help

DO YOU CARE FOR A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER W/ DEMENTIA OR MEMORY CONCERNS?

- ✓ **Shawano:** 4th Wed./month @ 1-2pm at Beans & Books-Expresso ~215 Main Street
- ✓ **Bonduel:** 4th Tues./month @ 2-3pm at the Village Hall
- ✓ **Oconto:** 1st Mon./month @ 10-11am at the Bond Center
- ✓ **Gillett:** 1st Mon./month @ 2-3pm at the Community Center
- ✓ **Lakewood:** 1st Wed./month @ 2-3pm at Lakes Country Public Library
- ✓ **Tigerton:** 4th Wed./month @ 10-11am at the Senior Center

FOR MORE INFORMATION

1-855-492-2372
Ask for Ericka or Johanna
johanna@adrcwolfriver.org
Ericka@adrcwolfriver.org

www.adrcwolfriver.org
W7327 Anderson Ave.
Shawano, WI 54155

My Thoughts in Words ~ This & That



Above: A few pictures from my recent vacation in Jamaica

DEATH WHAT A WONDERFUL WAY TO EXPLAIN IT...

A sick man turned to his doctor as he was preparing to leave the examination room and said, "Doctor, I am afraid to die. Tell me what lies on the other side." Very quietly, the doctor said, "I don't know ..."
"You don't know? You're a Christian Man, and don't know what's on the other side?"
The doctor was holding the handle of the door; on the other side came a sound of scratching and whining, and as he opened the door, a dog sprang into the room and leaped on him with an eager show of gladness. Turning to the patient, the doctor said, "Did you notice my dog? He's never been in this room before. He didn't know what was inside. He knew nothing except that his master was here, and when the door opened, he sprang in without fear. I know little of what is on the other side of death, but I do know one thing ... I know my Master is there and that is enough."

My Thoughts in Words *By The Church Lady*

I took a trip to Jamaica the last week of February. I went with my husband Doug and 13 others to celebrate my cousin's 25th wedding anniversary. This was only my 2nd time flying out of the country and my 5th time flying overall. While flying is exhilarating it also gives me much anxiety. On an airplane, the passengers have absolutely no control over anything that may happen during take-off or landing or in the air. There always seems to be some turbulence and all anyone can do is stay in their seat and buckle up.

Flying really isn't that much different from life. No one is spared the turbulence that comes from living here on earth. My most turbulent time of my life was in July 1997. My first pregnancy ended in a stillbirth. Doug and I were devastated. I didn't know how to navigate life with a broken heart and empty arms. There were days I didn't want to go on and breaking down in tears was a common occurrence. I begged God to tell me why. I was so angry with Him that I was ready to turn my back on Him. How could I love and trust a God who would allow so much pain? One day I got my answer. As I was pleading with God to tell me why he allowed this to happen I heard, "I did this to bring you closer to Me." Wow! The promise that I will one day be reunited with my daughter is real, all because of Jesus death and resurrection. I believe in the promise of the resurrection and I hope you all do too!

I wish you all a Happy Easter! God Bless you all! Denise

Easter Word Search



Angel	Holy	Messiah	Savior
Cross	Hope	Resurrection	Third Day
Crown of Thorns	Jesus	Risen	
Easter	King	Sacrifice	
Empty Tomb	Love	Salvation	
Good Friday	Mary	Sunday	



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Apple Dip

1 - 8 oz Cream Cheese
(whipped) room temperature
1 - 8 oz Vanilla Greek Yogurt
 $\frac{1}{3}$ C Brown Sugar
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp Vanilla

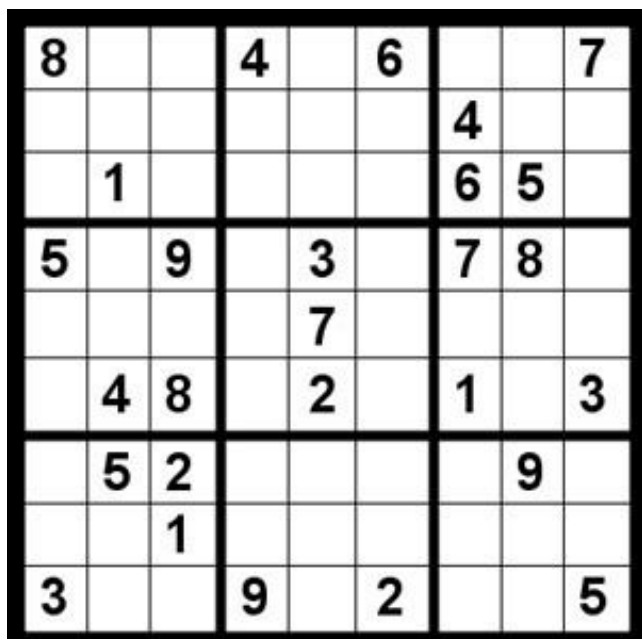
Blend together. Serve with
sliced apples.

~Submitted by Phyllis
Peebles



*Take up your cross,
and follow me*

MATTHEW 16:24



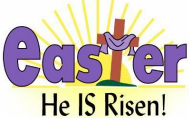
A man checked into a hotel. There was a computer in his room, so he decided to send an email to his wife. He accidentally typed the wrong email address, and without realizing he sent the email to a widow who had just returned from her husband's funeral. The widow decided to check her mail, expecting condolence messages from relatives and friends. After reading the first message she fainted. The son rushed into the room, found his mother on the floor and saw the computer screen which read:

To my loving wife, I know you are surprised to hear from me. There are computers here and we are allowed to send emails to loved ones. I've just check in. How are you and the kids? The place is really nice but I am lonely here. I have made necessary arrangements for your arrival tomorrow. Expecting you darling. I can't wait to see you!



April 2025



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 9:00am Bible Study  Bible Study	2 6:00pm Soup Supper 6:30pm Church School 7:00pm Lenten Worship	3 	4	5
6 5th Sunday in Lent 8:30am Bible Study 9:30am Worship Fellowship meal - Pizza	7 6:30pm Bible Study	8 9:00am Bible Study 6-8pm CPR Class 	9 4-6pm Loaves and Fishes Distribution 5:30pm Council Meeting 6:00pm Soup Supper 6:30pm Church School 7:00pm Lenten Worship	10 Loaves & Fishes  FOOD PANTRY	11	12 9-11 am Loaves and Fishes
13  Palm Sunday 8:30am Bible Study 9:30am Worship Fellowship meal - Surprise	14 6:30pm Bible Study	15 9:00am Bible Study	16 NO Church School	17 Maundy Thursday 7:00pm Worship	18 Good Friday 7:00pm Worship	19 
20  He IS Risen! 6:30am Worship 7:30-9:00am Easter Breakfast 9:30am Worship	21 6:30pm Bible Study (?)	22 9:00am Bible Study 6-8pm CPR Class	23 NO Church School 6:30pm Confirmation	24 	25	26
27 1st Sunday after Easter 8:30am Sunday School 8:30am Bible Study 9:30am Worship Birthday Sunday	28 6:30pm Bible Study	29 9:00am Bible Study 	30 6:30pm Church School & Confirmation			