

ANNOUNCEMENTS – FEBRUARY 23, 2020

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: St. Matthias, Apostle: Isa. 66:1-2; Acts 1:15-26; Matt. 11:25-30
4:45PM Chime Choir
Wednesday: 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:00PM Ash Wednesday Service
7:45PM Choir
Saturday: 9AM-5PM Hay Creek Crafters
Next Sunday: The First Sunday in Lent
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Today - Carson Callstrom
Monday - Alicia Hoffman, Haley Rupe
Tuesday - Kevin Hoffman

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jeanette Falkner, Melissa Barbey, Bob Langhans, Pat Banitt, Phillip Sorenson, Dustin Stumpf, Gerald Dicke, Keith Holst, the family and friends of Joel Ofstie (mourning his passing), and Tom Paton (friend of Dan and Bev Kerns in Virginia).

PROJECTS WITH PAM

Projects with Pam will not be meeting in February or March due to projects availability. I will try to create something for April. If anyone has any suggestions, please let me know or if you are interested in a particular craft to make.

LENTEN MIDWEEK WORSHIP

The Lenten season will begin this Wednesday, February 26th (Ash Wednesday). Midweek services will be held on the Wednesdays of Lent at 7:00 PM. This year's midweek theme will be: "Our Savior's Wounds." Note: No midweek service will be held on March 4th as Pastor will be out of town. This Wednesday's particular focus is "The Wounds of Blasphemy" - Jesus is accused of blasphemy. The imposition of ashes will be available for those who desire it.

BOWLING MENTORSHIP EVENT

On March 15th, a mentorship event will be held at Bierstube Bowl in Red Wing. The event will begin at two in the afternoon. Mentors and mentees will be paid for out of the Scrip fund. However, anyone from the congregation who would like to participate is welcome to join the group (at his or her own expense). A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who would like to attend.

NO MARCH 4TH WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES

Pastor Sorenson and Sara will be out of town on Wednesday, March 4th. No midweek activities will be held, including confirmation classes, Lenten midweek worship, and choir rehearsal. Activities will resume according to the usual schedule on Wednesday, March 11th. Note: The next 5th/6th grade confirmation class will be held on March 18th at 4:30 PM.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

Copies of the minutes from the Annual Voters' Meeting, held on January 28th, are available for your review. Look for the stack of papers on the table next to the Scrip box. Lana Horn served as acting secretary for the meeting.

LIFE QUOTE

"I am extremely thankful for the many doctors and nurses who stand firm in their opposition to assisted suicide and euthanasia, although they are finding themselves being pressured to change their position. Please pray they remain firm in their For Life stance. May we also pray that ... they boldly ... maintain the ethical standards their professions were created to provide to society and that the Gospel clearly proclaims." *Virginia Flo, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • www.lutheransforlife.org

CATECHISM REVIEW

Confession

What is the benefit of private confession and absolution?

In private confession and absolution, God Himself through the pastor forgives each individual the sins that are confessed.

"So any heart that feels its sinfulness and desires consolation has here a sure refuge when he hears God's Word and makes the discovery that God through a human being looses and absolves him from his sins" (Appendix B, Brief Exhortation 14).

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday March 1, 2020

6:05AM on WCCO-AM (830), Minneapolis

6:00PM on KDHL-AM (920), Faribault

"Singled-Out but Not Alone"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Something needs to be done and it falls to you to do it. You might feel alone-but you're not alone. (Exodus 3-4)