

ANNOUNCEMENTS – FEBRUARY 2, 2020

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: 1:00PM Ladies Mission Project
4:45PM Chime Choir
Tuesday: 8:00AM Men's Bible Breakfast
2:00PM Health Center Chapel
Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:30PM Choir
Thursday: 9:00AM Circuit Conference
7:00PM Women's Bible Class
Friday: 10:00AM KWNG Recording Session
Next Sunday: The Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Monday - Dale Banitt, Merle Dargus
Tuesday - Nathan Arndt, Boe Scheele
Thursday - Jackson Turner

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jeanette Falkner, Melissa Barbey, Bob Langhans, Pat Banitt, Phillip Sorenson, Dustin Stumpf, Gerald Dicke, Keith Holst, Anaka Baker (recovering from heart surgery), Sophia Baker (mourning the loss of her mother), and the family and friends of Burnetta Dicke (mourning her passing).

MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST

The Men's Bible Breakfast will meet this Tuesday morning at 8:00 AM. This week's focus will be on the concept of Israel and the Church. All men of the congregation are welcome to attend.

YOUTH SNOW TUBING

As the snow tubing event was cancelled in January, we will try again in February! The rescheduled event will be held on Saturday the 22nd at 2:00 PM in the afternoon. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who would like to attend. The cost is \$20 with extra money needed if you wish to buy concessions. Pastor is also willing to pack a cooler with drinks and snacks. Friends from outside the congregation are welcome to join us. However, please sign-up early so that sufficient transportation may be arranged.

FEBRUARY 15TH BABYSITTING

The Sunday Morning Youth Service Group, led by Brian and Nikki Scheele, will be hosting a February 15th babysitting event on the day after Valentine's Day. This is a time for mom and dad to have dinner or go shopping or do other tasks that need to be done. Parents are welcome to drop their children off at church for babysitting at 4:00 PM. The event will conclude at 9:00 PM. Dinner will be served to the children. The youth of the congregation who are providing this service will be under the supervision of adults at all times. A sign-up sheet has been put on the bulletin board if you would like your children to attend. If you have any questions, please speak with Brian or Nikki for clarification.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Newly elected and returning officers are invited to participate in the installation liturgy during the Transfiguration worship service on Sunday, February 23rd. If you know you will not be able to attend, please let Pastor know at your earliest convenience. Blessings to all of our church officers in 2020!

PRO-LIFE PETITION

An MCCL pro-life petition has been placed in the narthex for those who would like to sign. In 2018, 117 abortions in Minnesota took place at 22 weeks gestation or later, when scientific evidence clearly indicates these unborn children experience pain while being killed. Legislation supported by MCCL (Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life) will take the first step towards ending such barbarism by protecting these pain-capable unborn children.

NEW MEMBERS

It is with great joy that we welcome four new members into our congregation. Donna (Voth) Baker transfers to us from Concordia, Red Wing. She is the daughter of Elmer and Bertha Voth (who were members at Hay Creek for a time). She is married to Clarence (Skip Baker). He joined our congregation from Concordia a few months back. Donna and Skip were married at Hay Creek by Pastor Meyr on November 14, 1981. We welcome Donna back to Hay Creek! A wonderful young couple has also submitted paperwork for membership: Jacob and Samantha Gaster of Frontenac. Jacob is the Park Manager at Frontenac State Park; Samantha is an MBA student who will graduate in May of this year. The Gasters were married in 2011 at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Urbandale, Iowa. We welcome the Gasters to Hay Creek! We also welcome into our church family Beth Ann Langlois. She continues to work at HR Solutions, Incorporated as a Manager in Client and Career Services. She anticipates retirement sometime in 2020! She also has been extensively involved in Bible Studies over the years. May Donna, Jacob, Samantha, and Beth Ann be richly blessed in our Hay Creek fellowship!

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, February 9, 2020

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

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

"Break Through the No-Go Zone"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Sometimes, the difference between then and now, between what used to be and what is, comes in a single moment, a defining act. We call that a breakthrough. (Genesis 43-45)

CATECHISM REVIEW

Confession

What is the first part of confession?

The first part of confession is that we confess, or acknowledge, our sins.

What is the second part of confession?

The second part of confession is that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness of sins.

CHURCH HISTORY *(continued from last week)*

After his first wife died, Christoph Voth Sr. married a widow, Mrs. Mehrkens, who had two children, a daughter named Margaret who died at age 19, and a son named Henick. This wife died a few years after marrying Christoph, Sr.; there were no children (note: who lived) of this marriage. Christoph came to America later, perhaps with his stepson Henick. (Note: Henick has not been found on the same ship roster as Christoph.) Henick is said to have had three daughters and seven sons, one of whom was Herman, father of George and grandfather of Lyle and Dale Mehrkens of Red Wing.