

## ANNOUNCEMENTS – MARCH 15, 2015

### DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: 1:00PM Ladies Mission Project  
Wednesday: 5:30PM 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
7:00PM Lenten Midweek Worship  
7:45PM Choir  
Thursday: St. Joseph, Guardian of Jesus: 2 Sam. 7:4-16; Rom. 4:13-18; Matt. 2:13-15, 19-23  
2:00PM Ladies Aid  
Friday: 10:30AM KWNG Recording Session  
Saturday: 1:00PM Youth Event – Shoreview Tropics Waterpark  
Next Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Lent  
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class  
9:45AM Fellowship Time  
10:00AM Worship

### HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today - Janice Kassen-Rehder  
Tuesday - Traci Turner, Stan & Lois Klair  
Wednesday - Sue Domagala  
Thursday - Logan Dicke  
Friday - Brian Augustin, Dan Langhans  
Saturday - Marshall & Kari Benedict

### IN OUR PRAYERS

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Hermann von Knobelsdorff, Leonard Dicke, Kari Janssen, and Melissa Barbey.

### LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICES

Midweek services are being held on the Wednesday evenings of Lent at 7:00 PM. Pastor is featuring a series entitled: "The Battle Within." We are exploring the warfare that goes on in the Christian life between the spirit and the flesh. The remaining dates and topics are as follows:

March 18: The Wretched Saint (Romans 7:24)

March 25: The Hopeful Victor (Romans 7:24-25)

### PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH – MARCH 29

New Horizons will be hosting a brunch following the worship service on March 29<sup>th</sup>. On the menu will be pancakes, egg casseroles, fresh fruit, muffins/sweet rolls/donuts and beverages.

New Horizons members are asked to check the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for needed food items and areas where you can help. Members are also asked to bring 1½ dozen muffins, donuts, or sweet rolls and one bottle of pancake syrup.

*Family and friends are welcome!*

### BASKETS OF PROMISE LENTEN CAMPAIGN

This Lent we're joining Lutheran World Relief's Baskets of Promise campaign! You are asked to collect the following items: 2 bars of soap, one comb, one metal nail clippers and one bath towel (light-weight, maximum size 52" x 27", dark color recommended). Wrap all your items up in the towel and bring your completed kit to church by Easter Sunday. Note: The items must be new and the soap must still be packaged in order to be donated. These care kits will go to people around the world who are struggling to stay clean and healthy in life's most challenging situations. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

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## **EASTER FLOWERS**

Interested individuals may check out the Easter flower order form which has been placed on the bulletin board. We will again be using Hallstrom's as our vendor. A large variety of flowers are available to choose from, so there's sure to be a beautiful assortment gracing the altar area on Easter Sunday! Orders must be made and paid for by March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Checks should be made out to Bonnie Kassen. You may take your flowers home after the Easter service. Thanks!

## **ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS!**

**A Friendly Reminder: Your 2014 Choice Dollars must be directed by March 31, 2015.**

## **YOUTH EVENT**

On Saturday, March 21, the youth group will visit Shoreview Tropics Waterpark for an afternoon of water-sliding and swimming. The youth fund will pay for admission, but food and beverages at the snack bar will be your responsibility. We will leave from church at 1:00 PM. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend.

**"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, March 22, 2015**

**8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)**

**"No Regrets? Follow Jesus!"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

In the end, forgiven sinners will not regret having followed Jesus. (Matt. 16:21-26)

## **4H PLEDGE DRIVE/ALICIA HOFFMAN**

Alicia Hoffman is seeking to help raise funds for the 2015 4-H Youth Service-Learning Trip scheduled for June 20-27, 2015. A pledge drive is currently underway to help 20 youth and adults in Buffalo, Pepin, and Pierce County 4-H to volunteer and complete service-learning projects for those living in poverty in Hawaii. For every \$100 pledged, one or more of our 4-H youth leaders will complete community service for 2 hours in our local communities. Each young person has a goal to gain fifty \$10 pledges for a total of \$500 and 10 hours of community service. There are two ways you can pledge:

- 1) Complete a pledge form at <http://goo.gl/forms/ii2PRlqqgW>, make a check out in the amount of your pledge payable to Buffalo County 4-H Service Trip, and send it to UW-Extension, 407 S. 2nd St., Alma, WI 54610.  
(OR)
- 2) Pledge by credit card by using the online fundraising account: [www.gofundsme.com/4-Hservicetrip](http://www.gofundsme.com/4-Hservicetrip). Note: A small percentage of funds raised by this account are deducted for processing fees.

Help us get to our \$10,000 goal so that we can help others!

## **REVIEW: THE DOCTRINAL POSITION OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD**

### **Of Sunday (From "The Brief Statement")**

We teach that in the New Testament God has abrogated the Sabbath and all the holy days prescribed for the Church of the Old Covenant, so that neither "the keeping of the Sabbath nor any other day" nor the observance of at least one specific day of the seven days of the week is ordained or commanded by God, Col. 2:16; Rom. 14:5 (Augsburg Confession, Triglot, p. 91, Paragraphs 51-60; M., p. 66).

The observance of Sunday and other church festivals is an ordinance of the Church, made by virtue of Christian liberty. (Augsburg Confession, Triglot, p. 91, Paragraphs 51-53, 60; M., p. 66; Large Catechism, Triglot, p. 603, Paragraphs 83, 85, 89, M., p. 401.) Hence Christians should not regard such ordinances as ordained by God and binding upon the conscience, Col. 2:16; Gal. 4:10. However, for the sake of Christian love and peace they should willingly observe them, Rom. 14:13; 1 Cor. 14:40. (Augsburg Confession, Triglot, p. 91, Paragraphs 53-56; M., p. 67.)