

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS – APRIL 7, 2019**

### **DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK**

This Afternoon: Mentorship Event, Serving Supper at Ronald McDonald House, Rochester  
Monday: 4:30PM Chime Choir  
Tuesday: 8:00AM Men's Bible Breakfast  
7:30PM Board of Elders  
Wednesday: 4:30PM 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
5:30PM 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
7:00PM Lenten Midweek Worship  
7:45PM Choir  
Thursday: 7:00PM Women's Bible Class  
Friday: 10:00AM KWNG Recording Session  
10:30AM St. Crispin's Chapel  
2:00PM Plaza Service  
Next Sunday: Palm Sunday  
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class  
9:45AM Fellowship Time  
10:00AM Worship  
11:00AM Palm Sunday Brunch

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK**

Monday - Kate Stehr  
Tuesday - Barb Gernentz, Ashley Kassen, Kevin & Carol Schafer  
Thursday - Sara Sorenson

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Jeanette Falkner, Melissa Barbey, Pat Banitt, Bob Langhans, Phillip Sorenson, Roy & Jane Krueger, Myron Alms (recovering from hernia surgery), and the family and friends of Marjorie Augustin (as they reflect on her passing).

### **EASTER FLOWERS**

Payments are due today for those who want to order flowers for Easter Sunday. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Please make checks out to Laurel Rortvedt.

### **LENTEN MIDWEEK WORSHIP**

This coming Wednesday at 7:00 PM is the last Wednesday midweek service of Lent. Holy Week will feature Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services, both at 7:00 PM. Any youth who would like to help Pastor Sorenson in a demonstration on Maundy Thursday during the service are asked to speak with him ASAP.

### **PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH**

A Palm Sunday Brunch will be held following the service next Sunday. Opportunities abound if you would like to bring food or help serve. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. On the menu are pancakes, egg casseroles (some are gluten free), fresh fruit, muffins/sweet rolls/donuts and beverages. Everyone in the congregation is invited to stay after worship next week for the meal!

### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

On Holy Saturday, April 20th, an Easter Egg Hunt will be held at church at 10:00 AM. This event is for children up to second grade. In the event of bad weather, all the activities will be done inside. Questions should be directed to Leslie Germann-Hutter or Nikki Scheele.

**"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, April 14, 2019**

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

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

**"He Loved Them to the End"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

We are people of diverse backgrounds drawn together by Jesus. We want to share His life with you.  
(John 13/18/19)

### **PROJECTS WITH PAM!**

Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy Projects with Pam! on Saturday, April 27th, at 9:00 AM. The group will be making bags out of shirts! Pam is always willing to share patterns, even if you cannot attend. To let her know you are coming or to ask a question about projects, give Pam a call at 923-4190.

### **CONFIRMATION POTLUCK**

The congregation is invited to a potluck immediately after the service on April 28th in recognition of the 2019 confirmands. Please join in congratulating this year's confirmands: Connor Ballman, Lily Germann-Hutter, Sarah Kirchner, Marshall Kitzmann, Jada Scheele, and Tally Stehr. Please bring a dish to share!

### **CATECHISM REVIEW**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**"And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us."**

***What does this mean?***

We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

### **A PRO-LIFE PETITION TO THE GOVERNOR AND STATE LEGISLATORS**

Governor Cuomo and the New York State Legislature have promoted and applauded legislation in the Empire State that will guarantee unrestricted abortion for any reason up until the moment of birth. Shame on them! Under the so-called "Reproductive Health Act," they have put the lives of New York women in jeopardy by allowing non-physicians to perform abortions. They have opened the door to unrestricted abortions throughout pregnancy, and they have allowed infanticide by removing protections for babies born alive during an abortion. They have even removed penalties for illegal abortion. There is no more dangerous place for unborn children than New York State. Sign the petition in the narthex telling our Minnesota legislature that we do not want this in our State! The petition reads: "We the undersigned demand that you reject New York's deadly path and instead encourage laws to protect children and their mothers from the tragedy of abortion and infanticide."

### **LIFE QUOTE**

**April 7** "Jesus came to save us, to show love to us; He came because He is pro-life, pro-eternal life, and He came to give eternal life to you, to me, to those children unwanted by anyone else, to those mothers who have fallen into sin, to the disabled and elderly forgotten by everyone else. Jesus came for you, not to condemn you, but to save you. He came to destroy death with all of its power over us, and His Easter victory, which we will celebrate very soon, is a day of life, eternal life, for all."  
*Rev. Christopher Maronde, pastor of Saint John Lutheran Church, Decatur, Indiana – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

## **CHURCH HISTORY**

An early pastor of Hay Creek, Pastor Wier, was a member of the Minnesota Synod.

Pastor Sorenson notes: The Minnesota Synod ultimately became part of the Wisconsin Synod and ceased to exist separately. The Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, a conservative Lutheran church in the United States, formed in 1892 as a federation of three conservative synods of German background and then was known as the General Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan and Other States. The Wisconsin Synod had been organized in 1850, and the Minnesota and Michigan Synods in 1860. In 1904, the Nebraska Synod joined the federation, which then became known as the Joint Synod of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, and Nebraska. In 1917, the synods were incorporated into one body, and in 1919 the body's new constitution received final acceptance. The name of the new church was "Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Wisconsin and Other States." The present name, "Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod," was adopted in 1959. The Wisconsin Lutherans cooperated with the Missouri Synod in the Synodical Conference (organized in 1872), an advisory body, until the early 1960s, when they finally broke with Missouri over the doctrine of church fellowship. People in the Missouri Synod had begun, contrary to their own teachings, to practice church fellowship with other Lutheran groups before establishing doctrinal agreement. The irony is that the original Wisconsin Synod was a much more liberal body than the WELS of today; the WELS learned its conservatism in part from the Missouri Synod, but then the Missouri Synod allowed for changes that could not be embraced by Wisconsin. For not breaking with the Missouri Synod sooner, the Wisconsin Synod paid dearly; its patience with Missouri led to a break in its own church body with the formation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC). St. John's in Red Wing is one of the WELS congregations that suffered a fracture, with some members leaving to form Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church.