



The Dialogue

Holy Week & Easter at LELC

Holy Week and Easter provide Christians around the world the opportunity to step into the story of Jesus's death and resurrection. Worship services bring us alongside Jesus on his journey to the cross and from the

grave. We hope you will let the worship services here at LELC help you enter more deeply into this central mystery of our faith.



Palm Sunday: April 14 **8:00 and 10:30 am**

We will recall the events of that fateful first Palm Sunday. We will gather in the Library for a blessing of palms and to process into the worship space. The service will include Holy Communion and a reading of the Passion from Luke's gospel.



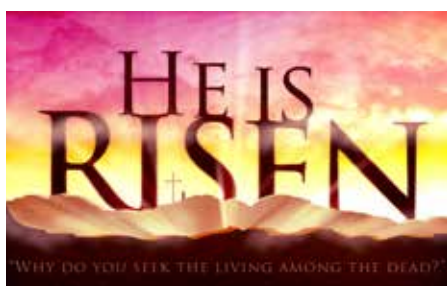
Maundy Thursday: April 18 **7:00 pm**

Our worship service will begin in the spirit of the Passover that Jesus celebrated with his friends. The service will include Holy Communion and Footwashing.



Good Friday: April 19 **7:00 pm**

We will continue the beloved tradition reading the Passion from the Gospel of John interwoven with choral selections from hymns. The service will be both contemplative and dramatic.



Easter Day: April 21 **8:00 and 10:30 am**

Both services will be festive celebrations of the Resurrection of Christ. Services will include special music and Holy Communion. Early service will begin with the unveiling of the Cross. Late service will conclude with the Hallelujah Chorus. A Continental Breakfast will be served between services in the coffee fellowship area. No Sunday School.

Pastor's Discretionary Fund Update



You may have noticed that the "No Woodman's Cards This Week" sign has been up continuously lately. In the conversation on the use of the Pastor's Discretionary Funds the consensus was that the method of distribution (e.g. having people queue

for numbers to receive a card) was creating unfortunate unintended consequences. We will no longer be creating that "wait in line" dynamic. We also want to return to providing assistance for rent, utilities, and other needs, large or small.

We are exploring how to better partner with other local organizations to provide rent and utility assistance. In the future, we plan to use a portion of the donations to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund each month to provide rent assistance through a helping organization partner. In April we also plan to provide a single lump sum (tbd) to assist with utility termination prevention when the utility termination moratorium ends on April 15th.

Just to give you an idea: in March, in addition to over \$900 in rent assistance, the Pastor's Discretionary Funds were used to assist with gas (7 times), provide emergency hotel stay to someone escaping domestic violence, bus fare to an out-of-town family funeral, and a pair of steel-toed shoes to someone starting a new job.

The Pastor's Discretionary Fund will continue to be in focus on the first Sunday of each month. If you would like to contribute, please use the envelope included in your envelope packet or a pew envelope with the designation Pastor's Fund. Thank you for your generosity to our neighbors in need.

Come and Pray With Us

Lake Edge has two weekly prayer groups open to all. Sundays, 9:30 am: Centering Prayer; original building, 2nd floor sixth grade room. Thursdays, 11:30am-12:30pm. Prayer Group; Office Conference Room. All are invited to these prayer opportunities.



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Office Hours Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 am-4:00 pm
Fri. 8:30 am-12:00 pm

In Our Prayers

Our prayers for comfort and healing are with:

- those who grieve including the family of Mike Murray;
- those who are ill, hospitalized, recovering, or who are in special need of a healing touch from God, including: LaJeane Hettrick, Terry Anne Taylor, Linda Brown, Liz Ekola, Lisa Swan Meyers, Katya Ouchakof, Christine Thompson, Nancy Schultz, Ken Neundorf, Rev. Jeff Tomberlin, Wesley Simmons, Diana Roehr, Gabe Blood, Doug Siebert, La Jeane Hettrick, Mary Pharmer, Lisa Pietrowiak, Jim Jerney, Ken Jackson, Del Jasper, Terry & Rose Mary Jackson, Mariellen Kuehn, Lorraine Hansen, Casimir Brandon, Sybil Gilbert, Bill Jones, Nancy McFadden, Tony Paulson, Judy Fritz, Bette Paulson, Audrey Simonson, Wes Stiemke, Judy Kollath, Joyce Narveson, Albert Singer, Virgil Mellum, Bruce Burnside, and the family of Maureen Mengelt;
- our neighborhood church partners: Lake Edge United Church of Christ, St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Christ the Solid Rock Baptist Church, Monona United Methodist Church, Lakeview Moravian Church, Zion Lutheran Church, and Plymouth UCC;
- our synod and national church staff; our sister congregation, Cristo Rey, El Salvador; our companion church, The Northern Evangelical Lutheran Church in India; and our ELCA partners in the Caribbean Synod and the Slovak-Zion Synod.



Lent at Lake Edge Lutheran Church

Mid-Week Lenten Worship
Holden Evening Prayer
Thursdays Through April 11
7:00 pm

Join us on Thursdays in Lent for beautiful worship with Holden Evening Prayer.

LENT Souper Suppers

Church and Family Fellowship will continue doing Souper Suppers starting at 6:00 p.m. on April 4, April 11 and April 18 (Maundy Thursday). There will be soup, homemade breads and desserts. Come for food and fellowship before the 7:00 p.m. Lenten service. If you have a soup or dessert you would like to donate, call or text Nancy Pike 608-332-4370, email pikenancy56@gmail.com.



Winsome Widows' Luncheon

The Winsome Widows' Luncheon will be Wednesday, April 17; 11:45 am. All widows are invited to attend. Please sign up on the bulletin board. The Winsome Widows meet monthly on the third Wednesday at 11:45am at a variety of locations. Call the church office for location.



Photo Directories Available Now!

Our new photo directories are available in the church office. A suggestion of \$5.00 per book to help defray the cost of printing is appreciated.

Updates are available in the office from the December new member class.

Communion Instruction for All Ages Saturday, April 13th, from 10:00am to 12:00 pm

Growing in faith and understanding of Holy Communion is a life-long journey. To assist in that faith development process, Pr. Zelle will be leading a Communion Instruction class on Saturday, April 13 from 10 am to noon. She will be using a resource called "A Place For You" which is a simple but profound discussion of the meaning and practice of Holy Communion. Children may participate by themselves or parents and children may participate together. We plan to bake bread for the next day's Communion so if you are able, please let Pastor Zelle know you are planning to come so she can plan accordingly. Email at mjzelle@lelc.org is easiest. Thanks.

By the way, if this doesn't work for your family, watch for another session tentatively planned for the fall.



Garage Sale

The Garage Sale will be a three-day event on June 27-29th. Starting in April we will collect only Craft items, fabric, sewing items, jewelry, towels, sheets, blankets, table cloths etc. Clean out your sewing, craft and linen closets in April! Drop the items off in the box marked Garage Sale. Call or text Nancy Pike 608-332-4370, email pikenancy56@gmail.com with questions.



Support Vacation Bible School 2019!!

The week of VBS, June 17 - 20, will be here before we know it and there are multiple ways you can help.

Giving Tree

A Giving Tree will be set up on March 31, April 7, 14, and 28. Pick a leaf from the tree and make a donation toward expenses for VBS. Any amount is appreciated!!

Volunteer: During the week of VBS, volunteers will be needed in many areas including supervision/activities, snacks and lunches, and the Closing Event. See the sign up sheet on the bulletin board or contact Sheree Kehoe or Nancy Pike. Thank you in advance!!

Young Adult Gathering: Wednesday, April 3; 7:00 pm



Glass Nickel Pizza

Get to know other young adults in their 20s and 30s. We meet the first Wednesday of each month, in the basement room at Glass Nickel. on Atwood. Food or drinks are on your own.

News from the Women of Lake Edge Lutheran (WELCA)

At our February board meeting of the Women of the Church the distribution of the proceeds from our Annual Bake Sale was determined. This is the most gratifying article that we write all year. We, again, had a very successful Bake Sale and that is thanks to all of you who contributed. It is our goal, making the decisions on the recipients of these gifts, to be good stewards of our gifts and money. The distribution follows at this time:

- \$ 500.00 Domestic Abuse (Women) Intervention Services (DAIS)
 - \$ 500.00 Pine Ridge Indian Reservation
 - \$ 500.00 Goodman Community Center
 - \$ 500.00 Annunciation House- El Paso, Texas (Pastor Mary Pharmer)
 - \$500.00 Sister House (ELCA) (Sisters in Sobriety Together Engaging Responsibly)
 - \$ 300.00 Personal Essentials Pantry
 - \$ 200.00 ELCA Good Gifts
- \$ 3000.00 TOTAL

We feel strongly that our gifts will touch many lives and that is being Good Stewards! Thanks to all of you who contributed baked goods, helped make lefse, rosettes, sandbakels, krumkake, and any other way you may have helped. And thanks to the matching funds that we received from Thrivent through the Gifts Committee.

We have tabled the Thankoffering Service at this time. A spring or summer event will be discussed at our next Board meeting. Trinity Lutheran will be hosting the Spring Gathering of the East/West Conference of the Women of the Church on Saturday, April 6, 2019. Mark your calendar. Registration begins at 8:30 am with the Conference beginning at 9 am. Jane Harrison representing UPVAVM will be the keynote speaker.

Boxtops for Education

Did you know that the Women of the Church have been collecting Box Tops for Education? There is a box on the lower shelf of the bookcase leading to the library. We give them to Frank Allis School. So continue to save them and put them in the box. Thank you!

Circles

Deborah Circle: 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1:00 pm. Contact Doreen Davidson 839-5194.

Salome Circle; 2nd Tuesday, of the month at church at 7 pm. Contact Terry Anne Taylor 223-9807.

Rhoda Circle: 3rd Tuesday of the month in the church library at 1:00 pm. Contact Sharon Kreul 279-2814.

Deborah Circle

Deborah Circle will meet on Tuesday, April 9th. Gathering time will be 12 noon. Hostess is Karen Justeson. Bible study leader is Jean Morris

Quilter Appreciation Luncheon at Lutherdale

Five Happy Quilters will travel to Lutherdale Bible Camp on Tuesday, April 2nd for the Quilters Appreciation Luncheon. This is in recognition of quilters in Southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois who contributed to the success of the Quilt Auction in August 2018.

Happy Quilters

The Happy Quilters will gather on Wednesday, April 10th in Good Shepherd Hall to continue cutting, pinning, sewing, and tying quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Hostess will be Marlene Gerner and Barb Gilbertson.



Opening the book of faith

Open Scripture. Join the Conversation.

May Bible Study - The Psalms

Thursdays, May 2-16; 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Join Nancy Anderson in exploring the ancient poetry of the Psalms on Thursdays, May 2, 9, and 16 at 1:00-2:30 and 7:00-8:30. We will discuss the historical context, differentiate the categories of Psalms, and learn hints for reading Hebrew poetry, all while we "sing" our favorite Psalms or explore some new ones.



Adult Education

Join Us in the Adult Ed Room
Sundays at 9:30 am

April 28: A presentation and discussion about how Lake Edge Lutheran Church can be more involved with MOSES, the criminal justice reform organization that we belong to. Presenters will include James Morgan, a MOSES member and also a member of Ex-incarcerated People Organizing (EXPO).

LELC Global Outreach Mission Personal Care Kits

Last year, Lake Edge sent 193 Personal Care Kits to LWR (Lutheran World Relief). We are now collecting items for this year with a goal of 150 Kits.

For April our focus is on nail clippers and combs.

Woodman's has nail clippers for \$0.79 and \$0.89, and good sturdy combs for \$1.09. A basket for these items is on the bookcase shelf leading to the library.

There are only five items in the Personal Care Kits:

- Bath Towel (20" x 40" to 52" x 27" (light weight, dark colors recommended)
- Nail Clippers
- Toothbrush (adult size only)
- Combs (sturdy)
- Soap (Bath-size- 4oz to 5oz size - 2 bars per kit)

We currently have:

96 Bath Towels; 20 Nail Clippers; 42 Combs; 89 toothbrushes; and 79 bars of soap (4 oz).

Sharon Kreul

Your Global Outreach Mission

Thank you for all of your support and contributions.

Luke House

The Community Meal Program

Help Feed the Hungry at Luke House

Thursdays, April 4 & May 4, 2019

Mark Your Calendar! 1st Thursday Each Month

4:45-7:00 pm; 310 South Ingersoll St, Madison

Luke House provides dinner at 5:45 P.M., Sunday through Thursday. Meals are provided and shared by faith communities throughout the Madison area, with a different menu from each community. Director Matt Rogge (Paul Ashe has retired) encourages community participation and welcomes all, to come and dine. One doesn't need a black tie to join this feast. No shirt, no shoes, is not written on the entry. This is a gathering place of the servant church.

The first Thursday of every month Lake Edge Lutheran Church provides the menu and dines as guests of Luke House. We serve 165 children, women, and men.

We never have too much food. What may appear as leftovers feeds people at Luke House's lunch program or is taken to men at Port St. Vincent for the lunches they take to work.

We humbly ask God to move our community to reveal the Spirit of Christ in our midst. God enters our lives to become relational and that can be risky, for we never know who will be given on loan, to love for the day.

Are you called to feed the hungry in our community? Have you questions? Contact Joan Martin at 839-1370. We hope to see you there! Thank you for your continued support of this ministry!

Madison Homeless Resources

A comprehensive list of resources for homeless people is available at www.madcityhomelessresourceguide.com/resource-list.

Book Club 2018-2019

The LELC Book Club typically meets the first Monday of every month. Below you will find a list of books that we are reading for discussion each month at 7:00 pm.



April 1, 2019: "The Life We Bury" by Allen Eskens

May 6, 2019: Book Club Cafe Selection

June 3, 2019: "Being Mortal" by Atul Cwande



Knit and Crochet Group

Our Knit and Crochet group members continue to make baby hats for newborns at Lake Edge, Baby Sweaters for Baby Care Kits, mittens and hats for next winter, and Baby Blankets for Global Health Ministries.

We still have prayer shawls and lap robes available (for free) for anyone to take to a relative, neighbor or friend.

We meet every Monday at 1:00 pm in the library. All are welcome. If you can't come, but would like to knit or crochet, patterns and yarn are always available. Contact Joanne Wallendal.

Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.
Your Global Outreach

Senior Corner

NewBridge

Sharing Active Independent Lives



This is a non-profit organization in collaboration with Oakwood Viillage and UW-Madison designed to support the health and well-being of people as they age. SAIL offers annual screenings for fall risk and prevention. The next event will be in April. SAIL offers services like daily automated check-in service for people who live alone, discounted rate for personal emergency pendant service, free medication reviews to check for potential side effects. SAIL makes connections to volunteer and paid service providers for home adaptations and repairs. They offer information on meal options, and assistance with household chores and more. SAIL also offers opportunities for social and educational programs to help keep minds sharp and engaged. For more information about SAIL and the services they offer, contact their office at 608-230-4321 or email info@sailtoday.org. You can also learn more by going to their web site: sailtoday.org.

A Word from the "Kitchen Cooks"

Greetings! Over the past two months, eleven of our members have met in the church kitchen and "cooked up a storm" making a total of 12 different recipes. These cooks made more than 145 portions. This food was frozen and given to recuperating members and to many of our "senior" members.

Save the Date! Church Yard Cleanup!

Saturday, April 13; 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Plan to join us! Rain date, April 20.



Finance and Property April 2019

Spring has made it once again, much to our surprise. Each spring the yard clean-up is a main event and a must do. The leaves have to be raked, the debris picked up, bushes trimmed, weeds pulled, mulch distributed, gutters cleaned out and a general shaping up of the yard. We have a service that mows the lawn once week. The grass will not be mowed by the service unless the lawn is cleaned up. If we need to pay for the yard to be done, it will cost over a thousand dollars. We need at least 40 people to do the work. When we have enough people it is still work but it is fun and enjoyable. So come on April 13th (rain date is April 20th) starting at 9AM until 11AM. As usual, a light lunch will be served about 11AM. If you no longer can do that kind of physical work, you could help with the lunch and with organizing. All help is appreciated. Sign-up sheets will be on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, please see Linda Nettesheim.

We are getting closer to installation of the new boilers. The weeks of May 15th and May 22nd, the old equipment will be removed. Then Zander Solutions will come in and put in a drainage system in the boiler room. Water has been coming up through the floor due to the high water table. There was standing water in the furnace for quite a bit of time last summer. After this process, the new boilers and all the necessary parts to it will be installed, piping moved around etc. Then the software people will set-up the boilers to run with the software we now have. During this time, the church will not have heat or air conditioning. We are hoping for perfect weather for this time period so that the congregation and the office staff can feel comfortable as well as those doing this work.

As most of you are aware, we have had the locks changed and new keys distributed. Our next step is to change the code for the outside key container. Stay tuned for when that happens.

If anyone notices some repair that has to be done at church, please put a note about what needs to be one in the finance and property mailbox. We can't always immediately repair something but it does go on the list to be accomplished.



LELC Memorial Garden

With thoughts of lovely Gardens coming to mind these spring days, our special garden here at LELC may need to be introduced to our newer members and refresh others.

The most important thing to know right now is you must order by april 14th if you wish to have a memorial brick laid in 2019.

Call the church office 222 7339 or a Memorial Garden committee member for details.

Lil Genskow 283 9383

Karen Justeson 665 3947

Chuck Martin 839 1370

Jeff Meicher. 441 0721

Kathy McGraw 247 0424

There are brochures under the Jumbotron describing this special place.



A Forum with a Twist

On Sunday, March 24, the East Side Progressives hosted a unique forum at LELC that combined the mayoral and school board candidates on one stage answering questions on both city and school board issues. The forum was attended by at 132 people.

People of Faith United for Justice Thursday, April 11, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm First United Methodist Church to the Capital

People of Faith United for Justice is a day-long gathering to learn, discuss, pray and advocate together for social justice issues of importance to all the people of Wisconsin. As a new legislature starts work on the next state budget, our representatives need to hear our values, priorities, and concerns, our expectations and aspirations. Issues for Advocacy will be Clean Water, Expanding Badger Care and Early Child Care.

Whether we expect them to agree with us or not, they need to hear from us. Together, we can ensure that our commitment to compassion and justice is reflected in that budget. Co-Sponsors: Wisconsin Council of Churches, WI Faith Voices For Justice, Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee, Lutheran Office for Public Policy in Wisconsin, Madison Area Urban Ministry, Milwaukee Jewish Federation, Jewish Federation of Madison and Wisconsin Jewish Conference. Registration after March 18, \$50 (lunch not guaranteed). Register and find more info at <https://www.wichurches.org/calendar/event-list/advocacy-day/>

Volunteers Needed for Schenk Weekend Nutrition Project

At Lake Edge Lutheran Church, we participate with 4 other neighborhood churches in the Schenk Weekend Nutrition Program. We pack 8 food items into plastic bags and place them in the lockers of Schenk Elementary School children who are on the free and reduced lunch program. Food is packed on Thursday and delivered on Friday. Currently 100 children qualify. Sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board. April 4, 11 & 18: Pack at 3:30 pm at the Moravian Church. April 5, 12 & 19: Deliver at 9:00 am to Schenk Elementary. Call Chris Maloney with questions: 608-358-5248.

Where Did “This Little Light” Go; And Is It Ever Coming Back?

Pastor Mae Jean Zelle

Yes. Yes, it is.

“This Little Light of Mine”, perhaps the signature closing hymn of LELC is coming back. For now though, for the season of Lent, we are singing, “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms.” That’s because Lent is when we remember that, in our broken-ness, we don’t shine our light as God calls us to do. “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” reminds us that it doesn’t ALL depend on us and how well we live out our faith (good thing). We remember that as we journey we can always lean on the One who is greater, the One who will see us through.

When Easter comes, we will be singing, “I’ve Got Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy Down in My Heart.” In Easter we celebrate that God keeps God’s promises. Just as God raised Jesus from the grave, God will raise us from all the graves we make for ourselves and one another. Thank goodness! And what joy!

And then will come Pentecost – June 9th this year. At Pentecost we celebrate that, in spite of all our frailties and failings, God still chooses to send the Holy Spirit to each one of us, entrusting each one of us with the joy and privilege of sharing God’s love. “This Little Light of Mine” proclaims the very essence of Pentecost; so beginning with Pentecost and continuing through the rest of the year, we will sing it afresh, full of conviction and desire to live it out.

I hope you will let the song of each season lead you deeper into the celebration of the meaning of each season and the fullness of each part of our faith.



Partners for Change Luncheon Tuesday, April 23; 11:30 am-1:00 pm Celebrating MUM’s 46th Anniversary

Keynote Speaker is Retired Judge Paul Higginbotham, the first African American to serve as Wisconsin Appellate Court Judge, currently serving on Governor Evers transition team. Emcee Judge Everett Mitchell is a Dane County Circuit Court Judge and Senior Pastor of Christ the Solid Rock Baptist Church. Register or purchase tickets online at mumpartnersforchange2019.eventbrite.com. Contact Kathy Eckenrod at kathy@emum.org.



Council Members present: Karen Cook, Jon Fadness, Sharon Kreul, Linda Newman, Jonathan Pike, Nancy Pike, Ron Siggelkow, George Swamp, Mark Taylor, Pastor Mae Jean Zelle

Excused Absence: Jim Ahearn

Call to Order by President Jonathan Pike at 6:50 p.m.

Prayer & Bible Study: Pastor Mae Jean reviewed the Lake Edge Mission Statement "Daring to embody the Gospel" and then led the Council in prayer.

BUSINESS

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2019. Moved by Linda Newman, second by Ron Siggelkow to approve. Approved by voice vote.

Financial Dashboard – Jonathan Pike reviewed the current report for February in Jim's absence but noted that Ms. Brown has been out, ill so only the reported actuals in the report are accurate. The recently approved 2019 budget has not been entered for consideration.

REPORTS

Pastor's Report- Pastor Mae Jean reported no additional pastoral acts for the past month. She has missed several days of service due to flu but since has made home visits, phone calls and pastoral visits to hospice. Lenten services have begun and planning for the fall confirmation classes has also begun with the parents. Ms. Brown, our Financial Manager has been out of the office from a serious illness, but she will be returning in the coming days.

Pastor Mae Jean has had a discussion with Lake Edge members concerning the Pastor's Emergency Fund. She also led a workshop at the Synod LEAD conference earlier this month and she will attend the Synod Assembly in early May (4-5).

The next vacation day for Pastor Mae Jean will be May 19th.

MISSIONS

(Items needing Council Awareness or Approval)

Church & Family Fellowship – Nancy Pike Lenten evenings have started with Soup/Suppers to encourage fellowship as we then attend the evening service. So far \$158 has been collected and will be used as seed money in the mission's other projects.

Music Appreciation Sunday is pending a May date, perhaps the 19th?

Garage Sale Dates – June 27, 28, 29th.

Vacation Bible School will have the support of this mission. Pastor Mae Jean reported that there has been a discussion with Mr. Jerome Flowers from Christ the Solid Rock concerning their participation for this year. Two fundraisers are tentatively scheduled to support the VBS.

April 28th is the date for the Carnival with the Giving Tree to begin March 31st through April. Motion by Mark Taylor and second by Linda Newman to approve the Giving Tree and Carnival fundraisers to support the VBS. Approved by voice vote.

Education – Mark Taylor reported that the concerns of the VBS has been addressed. Nothing further to report.

Finance & Property – Jon Fadness reported that matters concerning the certified survey map are moving forward. The Spring cleanup date will be Saturday, April 13th beginning at 8 am and continuing through the morning until whenever. Please bring your rakes or other tools to assist. The Alternate date will be April 20th.

Tentative date for the changeover for our heating boilers will be in early May.

Membership Support – Karen Cook reported that there's a new outreach effort to help our young families get to know each other. Three families have indicated interest but there is room for more to become involved.

Ministry Support – Ron Siggelkow reported that our "Time & Talent" form has been updated and will be available to the membership online in the coming weeks. The mission will also be looking into reviewing and organizing the records of the church. This has not been done for several years. The first step will be to determine what records have been kept and which need to be maintained. The mission is also considering the development of a history page for our current website.

Peace & Justice – Sharon Kreul reported that our Luke house activity will be Thursday, April 4th. The personal essentials collection will continue. Youth will be making a special effort for the collection. The Madison Area Urban Ministry Luncheon is April 23rd (11:30 – 1pm). Tickets are available online.

Worship – Linda Newman reported the previous documents to describe worship activities at Lake Edge have been located and are being reviewed. (Thank you Judy St. Vincent). The Mission hopes to streamline the more than 70 pages to make a useful document for current volunteers.

PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT TOPICS:

Separation Agreement with Pastor Katya – (Update) It has been signed and everything is in order.

Brief review of members who have recently left – A handful of members have left Lake Edge as a result of our Pastoral turmoil. Council reviewed the list and discussed the concern.

Current use of loose offering (1st Sunday of each month) for the Pastor's Emergency Fund. After a discussion in the Council, Ron Siggelkow motioned, second by Nancy Pike to rescind a previous motion by the Coun-

cil to designate the loose offering of the first Sunday of each month to the Pastor's Emergency Fund but confirm the use of designated envelopes and pew envelopes to continue the support of the fund on the first Sunday of the month. Passed by voice vote.

2.8% pay increase for Lay Staff retroactive to January 1, 2019. While approved in the 2019 budget and previously discussed in Council, there isn't a motion to designate how this should be implemented. Motion by Nancy Pike, second by Mark Taylor to approve a 2.8% (Cost of Living) pay increase for our permanent Lay Staff retroactive to January 1, 2019. Approved by voice vote.

Motion to approve the Council appointment to Mission – Motion by Sharon Kreul, second by Karen Cook to appoint Lesta Searles to the Shepherding Chair-Elect position in the Membership Support Mission. Approve by voice vote.

LELC nominations for the May 4-5 Synod Assembly – After a brief discussion, Linda Newman moved, second by Mark Taylor that Jonathan and Nancy Pike would be our delegates to the Synod Assembly and Katie Pike would be the youth delegate. (They have not previously attended) Passed by voice vote.

Asbestos update – Two companies have looked at the tile and ceiling in the old building. Samples for testing have been gathered. Estimates for repair/restoration are pending.

Humidification efforts – The concern is for our organ and piano. This winter the air was too dry over several consecutive weeks. A company has been consulted but other bids will be gathered to consider next steps to address this concern.

REMINDERS:

April Dialogue Articles Due: Sunday, March 24th, 2019
Next Mission Meeting: Monday, April 8th, 2019, 6:45 PM
Next Council Meeting: Monday, April 15, 2019, 6:45 PM

Snacks for next month's mission meeting – Worship Mission Visioning – Jonathan reviewed the three sessions he attended in the recent Synod LEAD Conference.

Council was challenged that April will be a good time to identify members to serve on one of two Task Forces. One a Ministry Evaluation Team to determine what our ministry should look like going forward. (continue with our co-pastors, or one pastor and what else?) The other would be a Transition Team to address the details that will have to occur prior to a Call Committee.

For the Good of the Church – Pastor Mae Jean introduced a moment we lift up members who have contributed to our church community:

Nancy Pike – Helping to organize our Souper Supper for Lenten Service.

Helping with our Vacation Bible School

Organizing our St. Patrick's Day celebration

Ron Siggelkow – Getting those Time & Talent forms done.

Karen Odegaard & Kaelin Fontaine – Bringing our young families together.

Closing Prayer – Pastor Mae Jean led the Council in a closing prayer.

Adjourn – Motion by Ron Siggelkow, 2nd by Sharon Kreul to adjourn. Passed by voice vote. Council adjourned at 9:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, George Swamp, President Elect.



Time to Step Forward?

In light of recent leadership changes, some members of LELC have decided to temporarily step back from the lay leadership roles they had been filling. If you have been sensing the Holy Spirit nudging you to become more involved, please speak with Pastor Zelle. Perhaps you are the one of the ones the Holy Spirit is asking to step forward to provide the lay leadership

which is so crucial here at LELC as we move ahead to the future to which God is calling.



Scholarship Applications

The Gifts Committee Scholarship program will be accepting applications for 2019 Scholarships. Please contact Milan Summ for details on the application process. Email Milan at foursumm@sbcglobal.net.

April 2019 Worship Helper Schedule

	4/4/19	4/7/19	4/11/19	4/14/19	4/18/19	4/19/19	4/21/19	4/28/19
Greeters	7:00 PM Linda Newman	8:00 AM Len & Carol Swart Deb & Tim Olsen 10:30 AM Karen Bitter Pat Bitter Bedzwick (2)	7:00 PM Linda Newman	Palm Sunday 8:00 AM Judy Raebel-McKinley Ron McKinley Chuck & Joan Martin 10:30 AM Sidda & Mason Zimmerman Fred Leidel Jeanette Johnson	7:00 PM Linda Newman	Good Friday 7:00 PM Linda Newman	Easter 8:00 AM Karen & Jerry Cook Gary & Lee Lunda 10:30 AM Karnu & Malia Ahearn Mea Saul Myah Gudmandsen	8:00 AM Jerry & Nan Tollefson Loretta Erdahl Donna Gehrke 10:30 AM Sybil Gilbert Anita Hubanks Bill & Diane Meadowcroft
Lectors	Linda Newman	8:00 AM Yvonne Bushland 10:30 AM Jim St. Vincent	Linda Newman	8:00 AM Ron McKinley 10:30 AM Gary Bushland	Linda Newman	Linda Newman	8:00 AM Jerry Tollefson 10:30 AM Chuck Larson	8:00 AM Leslie Schey 10:30 AM Jeanette Johnson
Assisting Minister	Linda Newman	8:00 AM Gary Bushland (wine) 10:30 AM Lesta Searles (bread)		8:00 AM Judy Raebel-McKinley 10:30 AM Rod Nordby(bread)	Linda Newman	Linda Newman	8:00 AM Nan Tollefson(bread) 10:30 AM Linda Newman(bread)	8:00 AM Joan Martin (bread) 10:30 AM Dneece Hettrick
Communion Assistants		8:00 AM Yvonne Bushland 10:30 AM Pat Bitter Karen Bitter Bedzwick (2)		8:00 AM Judy Raebel-McKinley 10:30 AM Kari Lee & Zak Zimmerman Sidda & Mason Zimmerman			8:00 AM Karen Cook 10:30 AM Ahearns (4)	8:00 AM Laura Tollefson 10:30 AM Bonnie Gudmandsen Mea Saul Myah Gudmandsen
Children's Sermon Activity Time		10:30 AM		10:30 AM			10:30 AM	10:30 AM
Ushers	B-2	8:00 AM B-1 10:30 AM B2	C-1	8:00 AM C-1 10:30 AM C-2	C-2	A-1	8:00 AM A-1 10:30 AM A-2	8:00 AM B-1 10:30 AM B-2

Lake Edge Lutheran Church April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1-Apr		2	3	4	5
	1pm Knitters 7pm Book Club	9am Sewing Machine Exec Board Meeting 10am Staff Meeting 7pm Altar Guild 7:30pm Handbells	2:30pm Pastors/Musicians Mtg 6:30pm Bible Study at CTSR 6:30pm Living Stones 7pm Young Adult Gathering 7:30pm LELC Choir	11am Prayer Group 4:30pm Lake House Meal 6pm Souper Supper 6:30pm Girl Scout Troop #2825 7pm Lent Worship		9:45am Madison Youth Choir
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
8am Worship 9:15am Confirmation 9:15am Sunday School 9:30am Adult Education 9:30am Centering Prayer 10:30am Worship 1:30pm Sarah Gillepsie Horn Recital	1pm Knitters 6:45pm Mission Meetings	10am Staff Meeting 1pm Deborah Circle 5:30pm City Engineering: Road Work Meeting 7pm Salome Circle 7:30pm Handbells	9am Happy Quilters 2:30pm Pastors/Musicians Mtg 2:30pm Pinney Library Book Club 6pm Brownie Troop 8172 6:30pm Bible Study at CTSR 6:30pm Living Stones 7pm LENA 7:30pm LELC Choir	11am Prayer Group 6pm Souper Supper 7pm Lent Worship		9am Spring Clean Up 9:45am Madison Youth Choir 10am Communion Instruction
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Palm Sunday Name Tag Sunday 8am Worship 9:15am Confirmation 9:15am Sunday School 9:30am Adult Education 9:30am Centering Prayer 10:30am Worship	1pm Knitters 6pm Executive Committee 6:45pm Church Council	10am Staff Meeting 1pm Rhoda Circle 7:30pm Handbells	11:45am Winsome Widows' Lunch 2:30pm Pastors/Musicians Mtg 6:30pm Bible Study at CTSR 6:30pm Junior Troop 2622 6:30pm Living Stones 7:30pm LELC Choir	Maundy Thursday 11am Prayer Group 6pm Souper Supper 6:30pm Girl Scout Troop #2825 7pm Maundy Thursday Worship	Good Friday 7pm Good Friday Worship	Holy Saturday 9:45am Madison Youth Choir
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Easter Sunday 8am Just Bakery Sales 8am Worship 9:15am Confirmation 9:15am Sunday School 9:30am Adult Education 9:30am Centering Prayer 10:30am Worship	Easter Monday 1pm Knitters	10am Staff Meeting 1:30pm WELCA 5pm Lions Club Event 7pm Pinney Library Book Club 7:30pm Handbells	2:30pm Pastors/Musicians Mtg 6:30pm Bible Study at CTSR 6:30pm Living Stones 7:30pm LELC Choir	11am Prayer Group 1pm Dialogue Assembly		9:45am Madison Youth Choir 12pm Madison Music Theater
28	29	30				
Dialogue Articles Due Name Tag Sunday 8am Worship 9:15am Confirmation	1pm Knitters	10am Staff Meeting 7:30pm Handbells				