

Faith's Blessings

Faith Lutheran Church
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April 2019



Alleluia! Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Easter is upon us. It is appropriate for us that Easter comes in the Spring of the year, when we watch for crocuses and hyacinths to break through the dormant soil. We watch as the buds appear on branches that showed no signs of life just a short time ago. In Resurrection, **everything** is made new.

Resurrection is more than just starting over. It is a new life filled with hope and joy that can barely be contained. Easter Sunday confirms God's control. Easter Sunday confirms that Jesus' Passion was not in vain. He pursued the Father's will to save us from our sins, no matter what the personal price. In Jesus, we find the love of God:

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."

John 3:16

By Christ's resurrection, the final victory is guaranteed. It is like reading a thrilling novel, the last chapter first. When you start over, you already know the end of the story. When the hero or heroine is threatened, you know they will be OK-because you know how the story ends. In the same way, we also know the end of our story: Jesus wins the battle, and we are raised to new life. The uncertainties of this age will be only a dim memory.

Praise the Lord! Alleluia! Christ is Risen!



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During the month of March, we lifted the following persons in prayer:

Mark Ohler, Jim Albright, Judy Weigle,
Tom Barnett, Jeff Weimer, Scot Houck

Worship Opportunities

April 14 Palm Sunday Worship 9 am

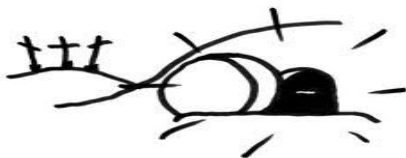


April 18 Maundy Thursday Worship 7 pm with stripping of the altar

April 19 Good Friday Worship 7 pm



April 21 Easter Sunrise Worship 6:30 am; breakfast approx. 7:30 am; Easter Sunday Worship with Holy Communion 9 am



April 2nd Offering

Our second offering for April has been designated for our Community Dinners. The offering will be collected April 14.

The Community Dinners are prepared by ladies of the congregation and anyone in the community can come and eat. A freewill donation is collected. They are hoping to begin in June and have these dinners the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.

The donation you make for this offering will help defray the cost of supplies for the dinners.

Thank you for supporting this community outreach.

Easter Egg Hunt

WELCA will host the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 20 at 1 pm. Children through 6th grade are invited, bring friends and neighbors!

Donations of individual pieces of wrapped candy and small toys are needed to stuff the eggs. Your donations must be received by April 7 because the ladies will meet April 8 to stuff the eggs. A box is in the narthex.



APRIL 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Caring Workers 10 am Choir 7 pm	4	5	6
7 Worship 9 am Coffee Break SCS 10:30 am	8 WELCA 7 pm	9	10 Caring Workers 10 am Choir 7 pm	11 Council 7 pm	12	13
14 PALM SUNDAY Worship 9 am 2nd offering SCS 10:30 am	15	16	17 Caring Workers 10 am Choir 7 pm	18 Maundy Thursday Worship 7 pm	19 Good Friday Worship 7 pm	20 Easter Egg Hunt 1 pm
21 EASTER Sunrise 6:30 am Breakfast 7:30 am Worship 9 am SCS 10:30 am	22	23	24 Caring Workers 10 am Choir 7 pm	25	26	27
28 Worship 9 am SCS 10:30 am	29	30		2nd offering is for Community Dinner Expenses		

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

2019 TREASURER'S REPORT

	<u>February</u>	<u>2019 Totals</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
<u>INCOME</u>			
Current	7,666.40	13,089.40	8,283.50
Benevolence	569.00	2,079.00	910.85
Missionary Support	70.00	120.00	145.00
Building/Maint.	457.00	690.00	639.00
Misc. In/Out	<u>322.00</u>	<u>942.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	9,084.40	16,920.40	9,978.35

2019 <u>Proposal</u>

<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Total Ministries	975.18	1,022.14	7,650.00

<u>Operating</u>	207.77	760.08	15,000.00
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<u>Payroll</u>			
Taxes	<u>308.65</u>	<u>308.65</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total Payroll	2,746.92	5,726.23	36,468.00

<u>Outreach</u>			
Benevolence	197.00	1,574.00	9,000.00
World Hunger	10.00	25.00	0.00
Missionary Support	50.00	380.00	2,000.00
2nd Offering	1,158.00	1,312.00	0.00
Other	100.00	200.00	2,850.00
Food Pantry	0.00	125.00	0.00
Chamber Dues	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>150.00</u>
Total Outreach	1,515.00	3,616.00	14,000.00

<u>Maintenance</u>	2,561.27	5,249.53	19,000.00
<u>Mem. Fund Purch.</u>	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lighting	0.00		7,000.00
Windows	<u>2,000.00</u>		<u>11,000.00</u>
Misc. In/Out	<u>0.00</u>	<u>144.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	10,006.14	16,517.98	110,118.00

<u>ASSETS</u>			
General Checking			\$15,735.79
Savings (Pastors Disc. Fund)			\$1,551.01
Somerset Trust CD (60 mo.)			\$5,430.83
Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund			\$12,504.83
FNB CD (9 mo. Flex)			\$3,083.60
Memorial Funds			\$12,199.34
Camp Scholarship CD			\$5,911.03
Funeral Meals			\$1,653.00
Mission Team			\$1,779.12

We thank those who are willing to serve
for the month of April:

April 7

Altar Guild	Ruthie & Danni	Reader	Wendell Heil
Assisting Minister	Brenda Walker	Greeters	Wendell & Nancy Heil
Council Person	Carl Schrock		

April 14

Altar Guild	Karen Shaffer	Reader	Brenda Walker
Assisting Minister	Darren Walker	Greeters	Lori Dill & Shirley Weimer

April 18 (Maundy Thursday)

Altar Guild	Ruthie & Danni	Reader	Brenda Maust
Assisting Minister	Jane Pugh		

April 21 (Sunrise)

Altar Guild	Everyone	Reader	Ryan Maust
Assisting Minister	Dave Pugh	Greeters	Ryan Maust & Jim Rayman

April 21 (9 am)

Altar Guild	Everyone	Reader	Deanna Bowers
Assisting Minister	Brenda Maust	Greeters	Bill Bowers Family

April 28

Altar Guild	Karen Shaffer	Reader	Rich Walker
Assisting Minister	Bill Hoffman	Greeters	Donna & Jackie Rhoads

**Please remember that if you cannot be here and have a "job",
find a replacement!**

Open House

Lloyd Shaffer will be celebrating his 95th birthday on April 6. The family is hosting an Open House on Sunday, April 7 from 1-3 pm.

The congregation is invited to drop by the house between those hours and wish Lloyd a "Happy Birthday." The address is 2404 Stutzmantown Road.

Congratulations

In case you haven't heard the news, Hannah and Bowie Humbert welcomed Oliver Finn to their family on March 16.

Oliver weighed 8 lb. 12 oz. and was 20 1/2" long, and is beautiful.

Best Wishes to this family on the exciting new chapter in their lives!



Camp Sequanota News

Camp Sequanota will host their Spring Benefit Dinner on April 26.

Appetizers and tours begin at 4:45 pm. Dinner is at 6 pm. The cost is a suggested \$55 donation/person.

If you are interested in attending, call the camp at 629-6627.

Applications for the 2019 camping season at Sequanota are on the table in the narthex.

Recipe Corner

Berry Cake

1C sugar
2 TBSP. melted oleo
1 egg
1 tsp. vanilla
1/2C milk
1 1/2C flour
2 tsp. baking powder

Mix above ingredients well. Then stir in 1C berries. Bake at 350 for 30-40 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean. Let cool and remove from pan. Drizzle top with a mixture of powdered sugar and water glaze. This makes 1 loaf pan size cake.

Elaine Hillegas

Council Minutes February 14, 2019

Council met Feb. 14, 2019 with 7 members present, along with Pastor Doug Knupp. Tomalee Will had opening devotions. The Minutes and Treasurer's Reports were reviewed, motions to accept, and approved.

Committee Reports

Finance	Tally sheets reviewed. Jane Pugh & Sandy Pyle will schedule the annual audit
Social	Community dinners will start in June, the 1 st & 3 rd Thursdays of the month. March 23 will be movie night at the church
Worship	Will need to know Hannah's plans as soon as possible as far as her maternity leave so we can make arrangements, short term or long term
Education	No report
Youth	No report
Mission	Next meeting is Sunday, Feb. 24 at noon at Friedens Lutheran
Property	Waiting on word from prison rep regarding parsonage painting. Windows have been ordered. Will have to move baseboard heater in dining room to make room for the sliding door. First estimate for floor sander is \$65/day rental with 1 free day (ex. 3 days for the price of 2) estimating an additional \$150-200 for sand paper. Batteries in AED unit have been replaced, will order new pads also

Old Business

- Parsonage windows ordered. See above under property for update on parsonage painting
- No update on church lighting until Gene Hillegas is able to work after his recent surgery

New Business

- Motion made, accepted, and approved to renew the service contract for the parsonage with Shane Shaffer for a total of \$170. This includes 1 service and tuning and a reduced price on service calls and parts
- Audit for 2018 – Jane Pugh and Sandy Pyle will make arrangements to complete as soon as possible
- Only update from the Call Committee is that they are still awaiting candidates
- Motion made, accepted, and approved to earmark offerings from the Pancake Supper and Easter breakfast for postage costs for Operation Christmas Child

Good of the Order/Adjournment

Next council meeting March 14, 2019. Dave Pugh will have opening devotions. Motion made to adjourn. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Jane Pugh
Council Secretary

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Sunday Worship 9 am

Sunday Church School 10:30 am

