

From Pastor Kleinschmidt

The center of the Christian's year is found in the events of Holy Week. We order our time around many things. The calendars in our purses, on our phones, in our heads have lots of events in them about where we need to be and when we need to be there. Our calendars fill up with sports and school activities, church activities, work meetings and trips out of town.

Time is a gift from God but when we order our time around things that are a drain on our time, then we are misusing the gift that God has given to us.

When our time and our year is ordered around the events of Holy Week, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter, then the rest of our weeks and year are properly ordered.

Let me explain what I mean. We believe the events of Holy Week and the Passion of Jesus Christ happened and are rooted in the historical events of our world. The fact that Jesus rose from the dead is the foundation of what we believe. For if Easter is a hoax then nothing else about the Christian religion matters. Thus, we can point to Easter and say that without that day, our faith would be pointless. An Easter hymn we will sing, (LSB 486) says,

"If Christ had not been raised from death our faith would be in vain, our preaching but a waste of breath, our sin and guilt remain. But now the Lord is ris'n indeed; He rules in earth and heav'n: His Gospel meets a world of need—In Christ we are forgiv'n."

Since Jesus is raised from the dead, the rest of our life is ordered around that day. Thus, our weeks begin on Sunday, the day of the Resurrection when new life comes to us from Jesus. Every time we gather to worship it is a celebration of a mini-Easter. Each time we go to

work or school we do it with the knowledge that we do it as God's redeemed people who are forgiven. Each time we make time to spend at leisure activity, we do it only because in Christ we are free to relax as our Lord would have us do according to the Third Commandment.

It's interesting that people can "despise preaching and God's Word" (3rd Commandment Explanation from Small Catechism) the whole year but yet on Easter they are sure to be in the pews. But yet, Easter is not about one day. The Resurrection of Jesus should permeate all the days of the year and our time should be ordered around the weekly celebration of Christ's resurrection by attending church every weekend.

This year as we approach Holy Week, slow down. Make the time to hear what Jesus has done for you. Listen as the people shout, "Hosanna to the Son of David." Listen as Jesus says on Holy Thursday, "Take, eat, this is my body." Listen as Jesus speaks from the cross, "It is finished." Listen as the angels speak from within the empty tomb, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has arisen."

As we seek to order our days around the life and death and resurrection of Jesus we live out the mystery of our salvation and the unimaginable way that God loves us by sending his only begotten Son to die for us.

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it (Psalm 118:24). Every day belongs to God and every day

we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ and live as his redeemed and forgiven people.

In our Risen Lord,
-Pastor Kleinschmidt



ST. JAKOBI NEWS & EVENTS

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 28th is Maundy Thursday this year. We will recall how Christ has given to us the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar with services at 10:30am and 6:30pm. March 29th is Good Friday when we recall the death of Jesus Christ. Services are at 1:00pm and 6:30pm. We will celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter morning, March 31st with services at 6:00am and 9:00am. There is also an Easter breakfast beginning at 7am.



EASTER VIGIL

Last year we had an Easter Vigil service at St. Jakobi on the Saturday before Easter. This year the service will be held at Zion Lutheran Church in Embarrass at 6:30pm. Pastor Kleinschmidt will assist Pastor Jerabek with the service. This unique and special service is a reflection of how God made promises of a Savior in the Old Testament and with the Resurrection of Jesus they all come true.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The second Saturday of every month, the men of the congregation are invited to have breakfast in the Parish Hall. Each month we have a discussion of things going on the news and looking at them from a Christian perspective. This past month we discussed the seriousness of the Pro-Life Issue.

FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship will be on Sunday, March 10th. We will eat at Noon, at Main Event in Cecil (formerly Fox Ballroom). Call Joanne Bublitz (526-5315) if you plan on coming so she can make the appropriate reservations. You can also sign up on the sheet found in the Narthex at church.

SPRING FORWARD!

Daylight Savings Time begins on March 10th. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour so you will be at church on time Sunday morning.

EASTER BREAKFAST

On Easter morning there is breakfast in the Parish Hall of egg casserole, fruit, and buns. Come between 7am and 8:15am for a great breakfast!

DID YOU KNOW?

In 1907 and 1908 the "old" church was built under the guidance of Pastor F.F. Selle. The architect was Christ Fritze and the principal carpenter was Henry Krueger. The bricklayer was Albert Dickow from Gresham. Albert Buettner and Herman Nuske, as members of the church board, laid the cornerstone for the new church. Albert Buettner was also one of the principal builders of the church, using his skills in masonry to good advantage. The new church cost \$4,425.48. The 600-lb. bell was pulled up to the steeple by Albert Wendorff and his team of horses, using a hayfork rope. Albert Buettner and Ernest Engel bravely climbed into the steeple and guided the bell into place. The bell cost \$90 with \$14 for freight. The furnace cost \$100.



UPCOMING SPAGHETTI DINNER:

The Spaghetti Dinner will be held April 21st from 11am-2pm. There will be sign-up sheets in the Narthex for donating bars/tortes and also for helping the day of the dinner. We are in need of a minimum of 25 9x13 pans of bars and tortes to serve at the dinner. Please bring them to the Parish Hall on the 20th or the morning of the 21st.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to sign up to provide flowers for the Altar, you can do so on the bulletin board in the hallway at church. The flowers should be here before church on Saturday evening. You can provide them in memory of someone, in honor of someone or some event, or just because. Thanks for beautifying church in this way!

PARISH EDUCATION:

Sunday School is held weekly at 10:30am. The children meet in the Sanctuary for an Opening and then go to their classes in the Parish Hall.

Adult Bible Class meets Sunday morning at 10:30 and continues to study the Large Catechism.

Thursday Afternoon is held at 1pm and studies the Bible readings for the coming weekend.

LENT DINNERS

The Lent Dinners will be every Wednesday at 5pm during Lent. You can come anytime between 5 and 6 and there will be a meal already prepared and you can put an offering in the basket if you wish. You can eat and then stay for Lent Service at 6:30.

February 27th: Board of Stewardship

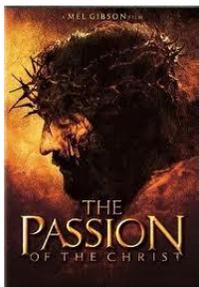
March 6th: Altar Guild

March 13th: Board of Trustees

March 20th: Board of Elders

MOVIE NIGHT

On Thursday, March 21st at 6:30 we will be watching *The Passion of the Christ*. Bring snacks and drinks to share and we will have a discussion about the movie afterwards.



LADIES OF ST. JAKOBI!

If you haven't come to the Ladies Bible Study, put it on your calendar now! We have great discussion about the Bible topic assigned. In March we will meet on the 6th at 1pm in the Church Library.

UPCOMING READINGS AT CHURCH

- March 3rd:** Ezekiel 33:7-20
1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Luke 13:1-9
- March 10th:** Isaiah 12:1-6
2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
- March 17th:** Isaiah 43:16-21
Philippians 3:8-14
Luke 20:9-20
- March 24th:** Deuteronomy 32:36-39
Philippians 2:5-11
Luke 23:1-56
- March 31st:** Isaiah 65:17-25
1 Corinthians 15:19-26
Luke 24:1-12

CAMP LUTHER NEWS



SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION OPENED JANUARY 1!!

Visit www.campluther.com to register online or to watch our NEW video. Camp Luther has an exciting summer planned for children K-12, and some for adults, too! This summer's theme is "LIVE LOVE[D]" and is based on 1 John 4:10-11. Register now to get the village you want on the week you want. If you need information, please visit the website or call us for a

brochure 1-877-264-CAMP. If there's a need, don't let that hold you back - ask about our Campership Program.

CAMP LUTHER GIFT CERTIFICATES!! Give a gift that your children or grandchildren will benefit from for their whole lives. These certificates can be purchased for any amount and may be used for Camp Luther programs and at our canteen. It's an easy gift and one that is always appreciated.

LIBRARY NEWS

PLANTING SEEDS

The year is 1965. Donna Paul has just graduated from nursing school. What should have been the most exciting time in her life was in fact the scariest. Donna is single, and pregnant, the result of date rape. At that time, it was often thought that the female was at fault, regardless of the circumstances. The father was no longer a part of her life. It was her secret that she lived with day after day.

Donna faced a difficult decision; keep her baby, give the baby up for adoption, or end the pregnancy. Her decision made, the baby was adopted right after birth. Donna never held him, and only saw him once. But she never forgot about him, right up to the day when she received the phone call: 'Hi Mom, it's Joel.' Few knew her circumstances until Joel re-entered her life. Donna has bravely shared her story now, for all of the world to read, in her book "A Song In Every Silence." A copy of this book can be found in the church library.



ARE YOU THINKING OF SENDING YOUR CHILD TO A LUTHERAN SCHOOL?

St. Jakobi has funds available to help pay for tuition at [St.](#)

[James](#) Elementary School, [Wolf River Lutheran High School](#), or at Concordia University if your student is majoring in a church-work field. Don't let tuition be a stumbling block to a Lutheran school education. Talk to Pastor if you need assistance or have questions.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS:

1 - Molly Buettner
2 - Marcia Buettner
2 - Mark Buettner
2 - Michael Waldvogel
2 - Alexis Dobberstein
4 - Darlene Wendorff
6 - Sabrina West
6 - Jennifer Murdock
8 - Mary VanScoil
9 - David Buettner
10 - Lucas Schoenike
10 - Jeff Opperman
10 - Ethan Pleshek
11 - Tabb Magee
11 - Ella Stuber
12 - Jesse Waldvogel
12 - Kadence Meyers
13 - Jessica McDowell
13 - Joel Buettner
14 - Patti Burr
14 - Sandy Wendorff
14 - Sara Steinke
15 - Kelsie Wendorff
15 - Darwin Drake
15 - Payten Thompson
17 - Braden Teetzen
17 - Payton Skalitzky
18 - Robert Buettner
19 - Carson Popp
19 - Allison Popp
20 - Betty Lemke
20 - Lindsey Teetzen
20 - Ethan Magee
21 - Doug Berkhahn
21 - Luella Selle
23 - Emily Pleshek
25 - Scott Kosnicki
25 - Rebecca Blumreich
25 - Connor Stuber
27 - Luke Lindner
29 - Michael Bohm

A BIRTHDAY PRAYER

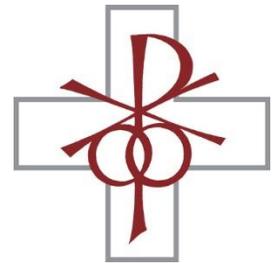
Heavenly Father, our times are in Your hands. Look with favor on name as he/she celebrates his/her birthday. Grant that he/she may continue to grow in wisdom and grace. Strengthen his/her trust in Your goodness and bless him/her with Your abiding love all the days of his/her life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES:

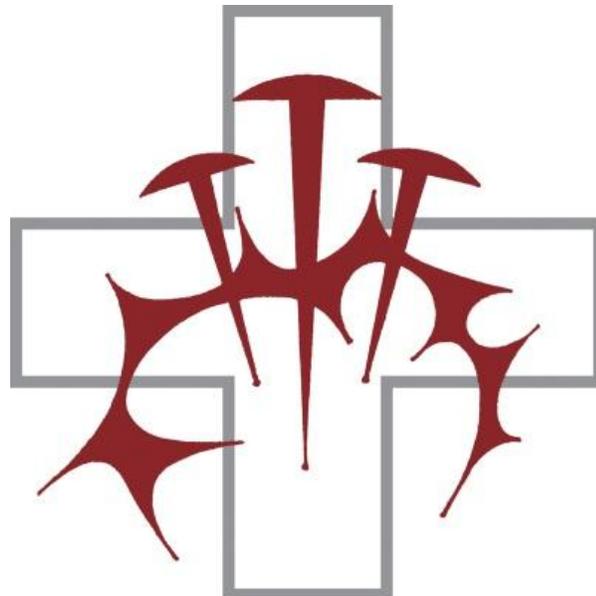
01, 2008 - Justin & Sarah Engel
02, 1996 - Chris & Jamie Popp
03, 1973 - Wilbur & Connie Steinke
08, 2006 - Brian & Deana Edelberg
11, 1994 - Carl & Holly Montoure
26, 2010 - Art & Kris Bahr

AN ANNIVERSARY OF MARRIAGE PRAYER

O Lord Jesus, Your mercies are new every morning. We thank You for another year of married life together for name and name. Open their hearts always to receive more of Your love that their love for each other may never grow weary but deepen and grow through every joy and sorrow shared; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



Contact the Church Office if you find anything in need of correction to the Birthdays and Anniversaries.



March 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 6:30 Service Acolyte: Eli Magee
3 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hours Acolyte: Kayla Vetter	4 6:15 Choir Practice 7:00 Altar Guild	5	6 10:30 Lent Service 1:00 Ladies Bible Study 3:30 Catechism 5:00 Lent Supper 6:30 Lent Service Acolyte: Lucas Gast	7 1:00 Bible Study	8	9 8:00 Men's Breakfast 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Gunnar Hein
10 <i>Daylight Savings Time</i> 9:00 Service 10:30 Ed. Hous Acolyte: Keonna Lindner 12:00 Fellowship @ Main Event	11 6:15 Choir Practice 6:30 Elder Meeting	12	13 10:30 Lent Service 3:30 Catechism 5:00 Lent Supper 6:30 Lent Service Acolyte: Mackenzie Boyles	14 1:00 Bible Study	15	16 6:30 Service Acolyte: Hannah Hein
17 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Callie Boyles	18 6:15 Choir Practice	19	20 10:30 Lent Service 3:30 Catechism 5:00 Lent Supper 6:30 Lent Service Acolyte: Alyssa Wendorff	21 1:00 Bible Study 6:30 Passion Movie Night	22	23 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Dylan Wolff
24 <i>Palm Sunday</i> 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour New Member Sunday Acolyte: Connor Angeli	25 6:15 Choir Practice	26	27	28 <i>Maundy Thursday</i> 10:30 Service (HC) 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Kaci Wendorff	29 <i>Good Friday</i> 1:00 Service 6:30 Service	30 6:30 Easter Vigil @ Zion, Embarrass
31 <i>Easter</i> 6:00 Sunrise Service (HC) Acolyte: Emma Magee 7:00 Easter Breakfast 9:00 Easter Service (HC) Acolyte: CJ Anderson	Notes: Elders: Sat: Darryl Prodell, Sun: Rich Raddant Spec: Chuck Stoehr Altar Guild: Carol Magee, Sue Giese, Carrie Westphal, Judi Raddant					

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

“We Preach Christ Crucified”



Church Services:

Saturday at 6:30pm and Sunday at 9:00am

Bible Study:

Wednesday at 7:00pm, Thursday at 1:00pm, and Sunday at 10:30am.

Sunday School:

Sunday at 10:30am

