

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 Lent and 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

PICTURE DIRECTORY

It's almost time to have our church directory updated. Please mark your calendar for the week of April 29th – May 4th; Monday -Saturday, for your family portrait and on May 5th the group pictures will be taken. Watch for more information to come!!

LENT SERVICES

Ash Wednesday is on March 6th. There will be two Communion Services on that day, at 10:30am and 6:30pm. There is also a Lent Dinner at 5pm. Make a habit of coming and growing in your faith in preparation for the celebration of Easter.



WRLHS TRIVIA EVENT

Join in the fun! Wolf River Lutheran High School is hosting their 6th Annual Trivia Night to benefit the school on **Sunday, March 10th at our new school W7467 River Bend Rd in Shawano at 1:00 pm sign in and event to start at 1:30pm.** Trivia nights are informal, fun, competitions where teams battle to see who has the greatest knowledge of trivia. Teams can have up to eight adults. Free drinks and popcorn will be provided, and free babysitting. Participants are encouraged to bring a snack item to share at your table too. The theme this year is "Think Spring". Decorate your table and yourself as "springy" as you can get. Best attire and best decorated table will receive a prize. You don't have to have a full team to sign up. **A table of 8 is \$70 in advance or \$12/person at the door or \$10/person in advance. Please call the WRLHS office at (715)745-2400 or email office@wrlhs.org to reserve your spot.**

LENT – BEHOLD, THE MAN

At the Wednesday Lent Services we will be hearing about the humanity of Jesus and what God in the flesh means for us. Each Wednesday a different pastor will be here to preach.

- March 13th:** Pastor Conradt from Hermansfort
- March 20th:** Pastor Palmer from St. Paul, Bonduel
- March 27th:** Pastor Eyer from Stony Hill/Gresham
- April 3rd:** Pastor Kleinschmidt
- April 10th:** Pastor Palmer from St. Paul, Bonduel

LENT DINNERS

The Lent Dinners will be every Wednesday at 5pm during Lent. You can come anytime between 5 and 6 to eat. A free will offering will be collected. You can eat and then stay for the Lent Service at 6:30. If you are not a part of any of these groups, we would still love to have your help. You can sign up in the Narthex to help with food, setup, or cleanup for any Wednesday and the group in charge will contact you for your help.

- March 6th:** Higher Things Youth
- March 13th:** Board of Evangelism
- March 20th:** Board of Christian Education
- March 27th:** Board of Trustees
- April 3rd:** Church Officers
- April 10th:** Board of Elders

USHER SCHEDULE

- March 3rd: Dale & Jim
- March 6th: Donna & Mike
- March 10th: Jeff & Troy
- March 17th: Marshal & Mike
- March 24th: Donna & Dale
- March 31st: Jim & Jeff

If you would like to be an usher starting in April, please see Don Bublitz by March 17th or call him at 715-526-5315.

FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship group will be traveling a little bit on Friday, March 8th. This time we will be gathering at Lake Aire Supper Club, serving again will be at 6:30pm. We'd like you to join us! Be sure to sign up by the Sunday before- March 3rd.

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

- Upcoming lessons at Sunday School:
- 3/3 The Good Samaritan
 - 3/10 The Good Shepherd
 - 3/17 Jesus Teaches Us to Pray
 - 3/24 Jesus Raises Lazarus
 - 3/31 Jesus Seeks the Lost

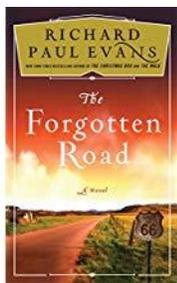


HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES

We have had hearing assistance devices the past several years that can help those people who have trouble hearing at church. These small devices fit in a pocket and there are three different options for how they transmit the sound to you. They can have (1) an in-ear speaker, (2) an over the ear speaker (this works on the outside of a hearing aid), (3) or a hearing loop system. The hearing loop system is worn around your neck and transmits the sound directly to the t-coil of your hearing aid. We've had great reviews of these devices. **They work!** Talk to an usher before church and he will help you get acquainted with these new devices. *Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of Christ.* (Romans 10:17)

PLANTING SEEDS

(Book Section 1) Book 2 of the series: Chicago celebrity and successful pitchman Charles James is supposed to be dead. Everyone believes he was killed in a fiery plane crash. But thanks to a remarkable twist of fate, he's very much alive and ready for a second chance at life—and love. Narrowly escaping death has brought Charles some clarity: the money, the fame, the fast cars—none of it was making him happy. The last time he was happy—*truly* happy—was when he was married to his ex-wife Monica, before their connection was destroyed by his ambition and greed. Charles decides to embark on an epic quest: He will walk the entire length of Route 66, from Chicago to California, where he hopes to convince Monica to give him another shot. Along the way, Charles is immersed in the deep and rich history of one of America's most iconic highways. But the greater journey he finds is the one he takes in his heart as he meets people along the road who will change his perspective on the world. But will his transformation be enough to earn redemption?



BAPTISM

Willow Mae Berendt was baptized on February 23rd. She is the daughter of Cohl & Sonny Berendt. She was born June 1st, 2017 and her baptismal sponsors are Tyler Hoyer, Amanda Krueger, Casie Ferron, and Whitney Conlon.

READINGS AT CHURCH

March 3rd: Deuteronomy 34:1-12
Hebrews 3:1-6
Luke 9:28-36

March 10th: Deuteronomy 26:1-11
Romans 10:8b-13
Luke 4:1-13

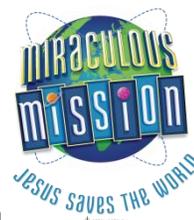
March 17th: Jeremiah 26:8-15
Philippians 3:17-4:1
Luke 13:31-35

March 24th: Ezekiel 33:7-20
1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Luke 13:1-9

March 31st: Isaiah 12:1-6
2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS will be held the week of **June 10th-14th** in the mornings. The theme this year is Miraculous Mission. John 3:16 is the theme verse: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life." The week of VBS is the week after school gets out and the week before Summer School begins. Make plans now to have your children attend, help, or tell your grandkids and friends about this great opportunity to learn about Jesus. Look for registration material in the coming months



CONSIDERING A LUTHERAN SCHOOL?

St. Jakobi has funds available to help pay or 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 question



LOOKING AHEAD

Palm Sunday is April 14th, Easter is April 21st, Confirmation Sunday is June 9th and the Outdoor service and church picnic is June 16th.

SPAGHETTI DINNER:

The Spaghetti Dinner will be held May 5th, 2019 from 11am-1pm. There will be sign-up sheets in the Narthex for donating desserts and for helping the day of the dinner. We also still need some help serving and preparing the food.



TALK RADIO THE Issues, Etc. THINKING CHRISTIAN

CHRIST-CENTERED, CROSS-FOCUSED TALK RADIO...You can listen to Lutheran experts teach on subjects like: The Book of Judges, Responding to Objections to the Christian Faith, First Century Pastor & Martyr Polycarp, Paul Sails for Rome and more. Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. You can listen to what you want when you want at www.issuesetc.org.

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THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS



Thanks to the eligible members that received Thrivent Choice Dollars and designated them to St. Jakobi and other Lutheran organizations. We received \$3,801 in 2018. This money was previously designated to go to our building fund (new church).

There are a number of eligible members that have not designated their funds. You have until March 31, 2019 to designate your 2018 funds. If you have questions on how to designate them you may contact your Financial Representative or call the Thrivent home office at 800-847-4836 and state "Thrivent Choice". You can also visit www.thrivent.com. Remember this is "your money, free money" and if not designated by March 31 it is no longer available.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR

You can listen to the Lutheran Hour at 7:30am Sunday mornings on 92.3FM or 960AM here in Shawano. The Pastor often preaches on the same texts that you hear in church.



PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 14TH

At the Palm Sunday Service, the Sunday School children will sing and process into church with Pastor while they are carrying Palm branches. They are singing hymn number 433, *Glory Be to Jesus*. Be sure to have the children here early so they can get lined up to walk in and then sing.



In addition, the Palm Sunday Service will include the reception of New Members. Be sure to welcome those who are joining the congregation.

CAMP LUTHER NEWS

CAMP LUTHER SUMMER REGISTRATION IS OPEN!
Greetings from Camp Luther!

Registration for Summer 2019 is open! Are you ready for the Best. Summer. Ever!? You can learn about all our summer programs, including session dates and prices, on our NEW website, www.camluther.com/register. Additionally, brochures were mailed right after Christmas.



HOLY COMMUNION PROCEDURES

It's always good to review what you may have learned in Catechism class; even the practical things, like how to receive our Lord's Body and Blood. When receiving the Body of Christ from Pastor, hold your palm out flat so he can place it into your hand. If



you choose to take the Common Cup, then hold your hand out palm up so Pastor or the Elder knows to distribute the Common Cup to you. When you take the Chalice hold the bottom with one hand and tilt it into your mouth. If you choose to take the Individual cup, then place it into an empty spot in the acolyte's tray. Don't stack the empty cups on top of one another because then the trays won't stack properly.

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.

DID YOU KNOW?

On the inside cover of the hymnal there are prayers that can be prayed during the service. They are entitled, "On entering a church", "Before worship", "After worship", "Before Confession and Absolution", "Before communing", "Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament", and "For blessing on the Word." Please make use of these as you see fit.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Join the fight against cancer! The American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Shawano-Menominee County is March 30th from 9am-3pm at Shawano Community High School. There is more information on the bulletin board at church or call 715-526-2724 or go to www.relayforlife.org/shawano-menomineewi

ST. JAKOBI ON FACEBOOK

St. Jakobi has a [Facebook page](#). Stay up to date on happenings at church by liking the page. There have been many pictures posted from VBS and the Church picnic on the Facebook page. You don't need a Facebook account, just visit the website: www.facebook.com/lcmsjakobi



NEWSLETTER IN COLOR

The pictures in the newsletter look great in color plus you can zoom in for more detail! You can receive a copy of the newsletter in color and save the church the printing cost by signing up for email delivery. You can sign up at <http://www.bit.ly/Jakobisignup>

LETTER FROM SEMINARIAN ANDREW TWIETMEYER

Dear Friends at St. Jakobi, 1/22/19

Winter has arrived in Indiana. After a snowless December, we finally welcomed some snow mid-January. We were unable to travel south to our fieldwork church two Sundays in a row. Luckily, there is an LCMS church about two miles away from our house. We drive past it every day, and the weather gave us an excuse to stop in. The Fort Wayne area has an abundance of LCMS churches, though Baptist and Baptist-like churches are common too. Jane is halfway through her twice-a-week preschool year at home. The flexibility of homeschooling has been awesome. Her favorite subject is math and she loves being read to. Trips to the Allen County Public Library supplement our bookshelves, and both kids have been enjoying The Boxcar Children audiobooks. When given the chance to watch TV, they ask for Paw Patrol.

In 2019, we will, of course be looking forward to Andrew's vicarage placement. He sure is looking forward to that part of his education. It will be a big change of pace for our family. During vicarage, Elizabeth will work very little (if at all) and will homeschool four or five days a week while Andrew is a full-time vicar. We'll write more about this stage in our next letter. We haven't talked much about chapel services here, but it's a big part of our lives. It's a true blessing to have an opportunity to worship every weekday. On Wednesdays Divine Service is celebrated; the daily prayer offices such as Matins and Morning Prayer are held on the other days. Elizabeth (when she's not at work), Jane, and Eve usually join Andrew in chapel a few days a week. Daily chapel is one thing we'll miss on vicarage! Until next time, we thank you! Andrew, Elizabeth, Jane, and Eve Twietmeyer

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1 - Molly Mickalson
2 - Marcia Buettner
2 - Mark Buettner
2 - Michael Waldvogel
4 - Darlene Wendorff
4 - Matthew VanBuren
6 - Sabrina West
6 - Jennifer Murdock
8 - Mary VanScoik
8 - Jeremy Buenning
8 - Allyssa Verstoppen
8 - Elizabeth Buettner
9 - Grant Riesenberg
9 - David Buettner
10 - Lucas Schoenike
10 - Jeff Opperman
10 - Ethan Pleshek
11 - Tabb Magee
11 - Ella Stuber
12 - Jesse Waldvogel
12 - Kadence Meyers
12 - Lynn Trochil
12 - Robert Behrens
13 - Jessica McDowell
13 - Joel Buettner
14 - Patti Burr
14 - Sandy Wendorff
14 - Sara Steinke
15 - Kelsie Wendorff
15 - Darwin Drake
15 - Payten Thompson
15 - Kaden Marcell
17 - Braden Teetzen
17 - Payton Skalitzky
18 - Robert Buettner
19 - Carson Popp
19 - Allison Popp
19 - Roger Piehl
20 - Betty Lemke
20 - Ethan Magee
21 - Doug Berkhahn
21 - Luella Selle
23 - Emily Pleshek
24 - Emma Prodell
24 - Josh Trochil
25 - Melanie Buenning
25 - Scott Kosnicki
25 - Connor Stuber
27 - Luke Lindner
28 - Zoey Riesenberg
28 - Danielle Kuhn
28 - James Felckowski
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
03, 2014 – Bruce & Lena Johnson
08, 1997 – Jason & Janelle Lange
11, 1994 – Carl & Holly Montoure

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 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Elders: Sat: Mike Kroenke Sun: Bob Behrens Chuck Stoehr Spec: Jamison Yorton	Altar Guild: Kathy Fonger Carol Magee Sally Kroenke Brenda Gast				1	2 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Lily Felckowski
3 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Hannah Hoffman	4 6:15 Choir Practice 7:00 Altar Guild	5	6 Ash Wednesday 10:30 Service (HC) 4:15 Catechism 5:00 Supper 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Kennedy Meyers	7 1:00 Bible Study	8 6:30 Fellowship @ Lake Aire Supper Club	9 8:00 Men's Breakfast 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Lainey Peters
10 DST Starts 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Tucker Reinke	11 6:15 Choir Practice	12	13 10:30 Lent Service 4:15 Catechism 5:00 Supper 6:30 Lent Service Acolyte: Laci Sperberg	14 1:00 Bible Study	15 2:00 CPR Training	16 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Ella Stuber
17 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Teagen Thompson	18 6:15 Choir Practice	19	20 10:30 Lent Service 5:00 Supper 6:30 Lent Service Acolyte: Levi Wendorff	21	22	23 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Kendra Westphal
24 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Josie Gueths	25 6:15 Choir Practice	26	27 10:30 Lent Service 4:15 Catechism 5:00 Supper 6:30 Lent Service Acolyte: Derek Hartmann	28 1:00 Bible Study	29	30 1:00 Building Committee 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Cienna Kuhn
31 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Joe Kleinschmidt						

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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 6:30pm, Thursday at 1:00pm, and Sunday at 10:30am.

Sunday School:

Sunday at 10:30am

