

A Little Bit of Sunshine

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April 2023

On April 23, between worship services, OSLC will meet in Annual Meeting once again. Those present receive the yearly reports of our various leaders and boards. Understanding that only a relative minority of folks are able to join us for that meeting, I offer my annual report here, in this April edition of our newsletter... the month of Easter and our celebration of death's defeat. "Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!" Pastor S.



"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God." Hebrews 12:1-2

Dear friends,

I always struggle with what to write for these Annual Reports. How does one sum up an entire year of being church together? So, after staring at an empty computer screen for a while, I decided to bag it and go for a run. Maybe I'd find some inspiration on the road.

It occurs to me... I run nearly every day (or at least 5 days a week). I do it for all sorts of reasons: it's what I've always done, to a greater or lesser extent, for about the past 44 years; it gets my heartrate up and keeps my metabolism from slowing to a crawl, as ever-aging bodies are wont to do; it releases endorphins that put me in a better mood and keep me from being too grouchy; and perhaps most importantly, it just keeps me sane. Through that physical exertion, I'm able to clear my head, work through problems, put things in their proper perspective. It sets my day.

For all that, this act of running can at times seem pointless. I always end up back where I started. Always. If I'm running on the roads or trails, it's always some kind of circuitous route that brings me back home or to my car. And if I happen to be on the treadmill, it looks even more ridiculous, as I've appeared to go absolutely nowhere!

How much of our everyday living seems to be mirrored in this exercise? Most of our days look pretty much the same... we get up, maybe grab some quick breakfast or cup of coffee... then it's off to work or school or wherever your day usually takes you. Sure, we occasionally mix it up with a day off or a weekend (which usually have their own routines) or maybe even an extended adventure of some sort. And yet, we always wake up the next day to start it all over again, often feeling as though we haven't moved much from where we started.

And yet... when you actually look back at where you've been, where you've gone, what you've done, you see that something *has* changed. When you're a kid, it can seem like you'll be a student forever, going through the same grind of homework and assignments and schedules, until all of the sudden you find yourself out of your childhood home and on your own. As a parent raising kids, the treadmill of the every-day can seem grinding... until one day you look around and you have adults leaving your nest, off to start lives and careers and families of *their* own. Through faithfully attending to the every-day, the work and love and time you've put in have changed your reality, and others are changed for it.

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Most importantly, by attending to the disciplines of every-day living... no matter how routine or familiar or circuitous they may seem... *you* have changed. You're stronger in experience and spirit, if not in body... perhaps wiser, and maybe even more hopeful, knowing that paying attention and staying the course gives courage to face what you don't know.

Our life together as church is much like this. I look back at another year gone by and see much that is familiar: we worshipped together, we sang, prayed and communed together. We gathered around the Word and studied together in various groups, sharing our perspectives, our questions and our lived experiences. We celebrated new lives brought into our family of faith through baptism. We taught and played with our young ones, confirmed the faith of our adolescents, blessed and sent off our graduates. We blessed and prayed for our newly-married... listened to and held space for our troubled and wondering... tended to our sick and dying... and we walked to the grave with our grieving. The specifics and the names might change, but when it comes right down to it, this is just what the community of faith has always done, is called to do, and will wake up tomorrow doing.

I'm grateful for the many new faces that have appeared among us over the last twelve months, bringing new gifts to the whole Body of Christ in this place. I grieve the loss of those who have left us, whether by relocating or by death. But most of all, I rejoice and give thanks to God for the people around me here at OSLC... the wonderfully capable staff I get to work alongside each day, and every one of you with whom I get to share this journey.

So, looking ahead to another year... ***let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.*** Because, you see, we're not running in vain, as though going nowhere. In the every-day of being church together, God is in the process of *transforming us*, as the Apostle Paul says, *into the image of Jesus, from one degree of glory to another* (2 Cor. 3:18). Thanks be to God!

Pastor Stephan Sandness

Our Savior's
Annual Meeting of the Congregation
is Sunday, April 23
at 9:45 AM
in the Fellowship Hall.

Agenda: Ministry Reports, Council
Elections, and Financials Update

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As of February 28, 2023

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| Year-to-date Offerings: | \$93,426.65 |
| Year-to-date Expenses: | \$99,876.25 |
| Year-to-date Budget | \$110,577.78 |

The "Love Your Neighbor" Jar

for the month of April will benefit
ELCA World Hunger Appeal

February's Love Your Neighbor Jar raised \$286.63 for Camp Scholarships for OSLC campers going to Lutherans Outdoors camps and \$4,743.59 for Lutheran Disaster Response Middle East Crises (Earthquake Turkey & Syria).

☪ Pastoral Acts ☪

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| <u>Wedding</u> | |
| March 25 | Duane Kirk & Bonnie Geier |
| <u>Funerals</u> | |
| March 14 | Bart Willuweit, 67, Spearfish |
| March 24 | Esther Haggart, 95, Spearfish |

Holy Week at OSLC

We invite you to once again immerse yourself in the sacred drama of Christ's death and resurrection by joining us for worship during this holiest week of the year:

Thursday, April 6, 6:26 P.M. Maundy Thursday worship, during which we commemorate Jesus' last supper with his disciples, his betrayal and his agony in the Garden of Gethsemane.

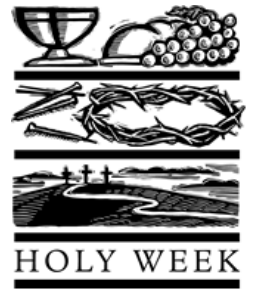
Friday, April 7, 6:26 P.M. Good Friday worship, during which we hear the story of Jesus' arrest, trial and crucifixion, gathering around the cross in confession.

Saturday, April 8, 7:30 P.M. Easter Vigil begins around the campfire in the parking lot on the north end of the church building, moving into the church for a remembrance of baptism and a glimpse of what's to come in the light of dawn.



Sunday, April 9, 8:30 A.M. and 10:45 A.M. Easter, celebrating our Lord's defeat of death in his resurrection, with celebration of Holy Communion and special music for the day. The 8:30 service will be live-streamed over the internet, as well. Please join us between services for an Easter Breakfast served by the High School Youth Group (Free-will donation)

Whether in person or online, we as a community of faith will worship the One who raises us up! Join us...



Bring your family to the Easter Vigil...

... **Saturday, April 8**
at 7:30 pm

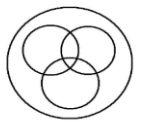
We will begin this short service (about 30 minutes) in the parking lot on the North side of the church and gather around the fire. From there we will move into the church for a remembrance of baptism and a glimpse of what's to come in the light of dawn.



"This is the night we await salvation! At the Vigil of Easter, we gather around fire, word, and water, proclaiming...that ours is a God who continuously brings life out of death. On this night we experience again the heart of God's baptismal promise and the center of our faith: we are claimed and cleansed, renewed in the death and resurrection of Christ...."

Friendship Ministry

Extending the love of Christ
from Friend to Friend



Friendship Ministers are members of our church who listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people in our congregation and community who are facing a transition, going through stressful times, or experiencing loneliness.

To learn how you can receive care, call Nancy Christopherson at 605-645-2723. The care you will receive is confidential and free.

Two new folks are joining us in conversation to become Friendship Ministers. If you would like to consider that, too, please call Deacon Laura at 605-642-3715.



**New Members
to be received
April 23
at both worship services.**

If you are interested in membership at this time, please call the church office at 605-642-3715. New Member orientation is Thursday, April 20 at 5:45 PM.

"I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." ~ John 10:10b

During the season of Lent, we have been walking with Jesus on his way to Jerusalem. Now we enter April to the sounds of the celebration of Palm Sunday, knowing that accolades soon turn to the roller-coaster ride of Holy Week. From our vantage point as those who know the story, the roller-coaster isn't quite so terrifying as it was to the disciples, because we glimpse the glory of Easter in the distance. We know that death will die and abundant life will reign.

What does it mean to have the promise of abundant life? In our culture, the word "abundant" brings to mind overflowing to excess, right? We picture more than enough of everything—overflowing goodness, whether it be food, material goods, travel, family, friends, comfort, leisure time, etc. But Jesus offers a gift of abundance seen from a completely different vantage point—one of life eternal that begins here and now. His gift of abundant life is total dependence upon him rather than on outside circumstances. Abundant life that Jesus brings is living life to the fullest, not merely existing, making a living, or worrying about anything—"more and better life than we ever dreamed of." He offers life abounding in joy and strength for body, mind, and spirit. Envision that abundance in your Easter basket this year!

~ Deacon Laura Lee Campbell

Gather

Women's Evening Bible Study

The Ten Commandments,

by Rev. Christa von Zychlin



Finishing...

Tuesday, April 18, 6:30 -7:45 pm

Guardrails for love of God and neighbor

As a resource, we use the **Gather** magazine of the Women of the ELCA.

RSVP to oslc1@rushmore.com or 605-642-3715



World Hunger Offerings

Many people in our neighborhoods, country, and world do not have the basic things or opportunities needed for life. Your contributions to ELCA World Hunger make a difference!

A **special offering** for World Hunger will be received in worship on **April 30** with an envelope available in your worship bulletin. Also, your contributions to the **Love Your Neighbor Jar** throughout the month of March will go to ELCA World Hunger.

Thank you for your generous contributions!

SonShine Squad

For April only the day has been changed to a Wednesday. The SonShine Squad will meet on Wed., April 5 at 9:00 am in the Conference Room. We will be making small Easter gifts as well as May baskets to take to our home bound folks when we visit in April and May. We invite you to join us in making the crafts and/or as we make our visits.



Please remember your Secret Sister during the month of April by mailing a card and keeping her in prayer!



WELCA cookbook committee invites **everyone** to share some of your favorite recipes, including gluten free, for the new WELCA cookbook that is a work in progress. You can e-mail them to Julie at the church, oslc@rushmore.com, or drop

them in the basket on the table in front of the receptionist's desk. Please put your name on each recipe. The deadline to get your recipes in is May 1.

Spearfish Community Food Pantry needs for April

Saltines, apple juice, pork and beans, hamburger helper, canned ravioli, spaghetti noodles, pancake syrup-24 oz., canned chicken, fruit cocktail.

Confirmation

Confirmation Parents: Please pay special attention to the upcoming schedule. There is no confirmation on April 5 & 12. On April 19 I will be meeting with only the 8th graders as they make final preparations for their Affirmation of Baptism Day. On Wed. April 26 we will have a Fellowship Night with the 7th & 8th Graders. On Wednesday, May 3 at 6:26 our 8th graders will be sharing their faith statements during worship as they prepare to affirm their baptism on May 7 at the 2nd service. ~ *Chris Blain*

- April 5: No Confirmation
- April 12: No Confirmation
- April 19: 8th Grade optional night to complete Faith Statements
- April 26: 7th & 8th Grade Fellowship Night
- May 3: 8th Grade Presentation of Faith Statements @ Wednesday Word
- 7th Grade to listen to Faith Statements
- May 7: Affirmation of Baptism @ 10:45 AM Worship Service

April Acolyte Schedule

Sundays, 8:30 AM Worship
Carson Skavang

Sundays, 10:45 AM Worship
Tiernan Frederickson

High School Youth Group

7:10 PM, Wednesday Evenings
The Living Room, 810 N. Yale.

For all freshmen through seniors.

On these gathering nights we discuss matters of faith, life and anything on your mind. It is a great hour of fellowship and faith formation. It is a very informal and meaningful evening and bringing a friend or friends is always welcomed.

Our High School Youth are encouraged to sign-up for reminders by sending a text to:

text @oslc to the number 81010

Questions? Please contact Chris Blain at ckblain@gmail.com.

LO Where Faith becomes Life...
Lutherans Outdoors in South Dakota

April 8, 2023 - Easter Vigil at Outlaw Ranch

Lunch will begin at noon and the interactive service will be from 1-3 pm.

The Easter Vigil service is a celebration of Jesus' passage from death to life using deep symbols (new fire, spreading light, waters of baptism, etc.) and profound stories (creation, flood, dry bones, etc.) that proclaim God's salvation and love! We will explore these symbols and stories in creative ways at Outlaw Ranch.

Here is a registration link with a description of the Easter Vigil Service at Outlaw Ranch.

<https://www.losd.org/easter-vigil-2023>



Senior Ministry



Games & Dessert

Tuesday, April 18
1:00 PM

OSLC Fellowship Hall
Bring your Friends!



Sunday Morning Transportation

Need a ride to church on Sunday mornings? Call the church office (605-642-3715) by 2 pm Friday afternoon to reserve a ride.

Worship DVD and Bulletin

If you are homebound on Sunday mornings and would like to have a DVD and bulletin of worship, please let us know at 605-642-3715.



On Wednesday, May 3,
during our Wednesday Word
worship service at 6:26 pm,
the congregation is invited to
come and listen as the 8th
grade confirmands share their
faith statements.



Our Sunday, May 7, 10:45 am worship service will be filled with statements of Christian faith, as the eighth graders have completed their two years of confirmation instruction. This service will also be available to watch via live-stream from our website, and it will also be archived.

**The following 8th graders
will be confirmed:**

**Haven Baker, James Binder,
Piper Brooke-Ellison, Maggie Faulkner,
Abigail Hegge, Addison Keller,
Kayla Lantis, Jobie Manke, Lillian Miles,
Kallie Mittleider, Tucker Olson,
Chase Schenk, Kade Vavruska,
Caleb Verhulst**

These confirmands were made members of the church in baptism. Confirmation includes a public confession of the faith into which they were baptized, underscoring God's action in their baptism.



We would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts, for all the prayers and well wishes. Not to mention the food. (Leave it to the Lutherans to have the best foods.) This has been the longest, yet the shortest 7 months. With too many ups and downs to count. But we could always count on our Our Savior's family for support, warm thoughts, helpful hints, and always prayer.

Thank you again,
The Willuweit Family
Lori, Jake, Madison, Kelsie, Gracelynn

Scriptures

- April 2** Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 26:14 – 27:66
- April 9** Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
Colossians 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43
Matthew 28:1-10 or John 20:1-18
- April 16** Acts 2:1a, 22-32
Psalm 16
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31
- April 23** Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Peter 1:17-23
Luke 24:13-35
- April 30** Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

Office Notes:

The deadline for submission of items for the May newsletter is **Friday, April 21**. Please send your newsletter items to Lisa at oslc4@rushmore.com

Ways to give electronically:



Scan the code or go to our website, click on the Online Giving button:

Clicking on that button will take you to a secure page on which you can donate to the vital ministries of Our Savior's Lutheran Church directly from a checking or savings account, or using a credit or debit card.

Did you know...Our website contains the monthly newsletter, monthly calendar, and much more...Check it out at: www.oslcspearfish.com.

Has your address or phone number changed? Please let us know at 605-642-3715 or e-mail Julie at oslc@rushmore.com

Prefer not to receive a paper copy of our newsletter? Let us send you an email with a link to our newsletter when it's posted to our website. If you are interested, please send your email address to Julie at oslc@rushmore.com or call us at 605-642-3715. Thank you!



April 2023

WELCA Board meeting was held March 1 with eleven members present. Minutes were read and approved. Devotions were given by Diane based on Hebrews 11 regarding Abraham and Sarah's Journey.

Treasurer's report given by Karol accepted and approved.

Stewardship reported that 50 Personal Care Kits were collected and assembled by Deborah Circle.

Cheryl and Janet gave a report on the progress of the updated OSLC Cookbook. Looking forward to all the new recipes. Deadline to get your favorites in is May 1. Please send to Julie at church, or put in basket by the reception desk. If you have gluten-free please feel free to include these as well.

April 29 is the Spring Prayer Brunch & General Meeting, 10:00 am at the church. Deborah Circle will be Hostess.

OSLC ladies served the Lenten lunch on March 15. Thank you all for your helping hands. I think it went very well. Nice to see the churches in Spearfish come together during the Lenten season.

Remember your Secret Sister in your prayers!!

Next Board meeting is April 5

Kitchen duty for March and April is Deborah circle

Blessings

Mary Goddard, President

WELCA Calendar

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| April Kitchen Duty | Deborah Circle |
| April 5 ~ 9:30 AM | WELCA Board Meeting |
| April 22 ~ 9:00 AM | Bear Butte Conference |
| | WELCA Spring Gathering |
| | Faith Lutheran, Rapid City |
| April 29 ~ 10:00 AM | Spring Prayer Brunch and General Meeting |

Circle Meetings

Circle Study Leaders

April 3, 9:00 AM

Esther Circle

April 13, 1:00 PM

Leader: Janet Baker

Hostess: Annette Johnson

Deborah Circle

April 10, 10:30 AM

Leader: Helen Merriman

Hostess: Del Wientjes

Ruth Circle

April 20, 10:00 AM

Leader: All

Hostess: Loretta Greni

Bear Butte Conference
Women of the ELCA

Spring Gathering "In the Garden"

Saturday, April 22, 2023

9:00am to 2:00pm

At Faith Lutheran Church

17 Indiana Street, Rapid City, SD <

9:00-9:30 Registration with Coffee & Goodies
Cost-\$8; includes Salad Lunch & Surprise Dessert

Morning Speaker: Brian Stambaugh
Engineer, Rancher & Organic Farmer

Morning Business Meeting & Election of Officers

Positions to be filled: Co Coordinator &

Secretary, Stewardship, & Discipleship Directors

2 Delegates per unit to vote

Morning Offering to Synodical & Bear Butte Conference
Afternoon Offering to benefit Youth & Family Services (YFS)

Afternoon Worship & Communion



WELCA Spring Prayer Brunch & General Meeting

Saturday, April 29, 10:00 am

Speaker: John Ligtenberg,

Executive Director & Founder of Love, INC

Love, INC is an organization that works with churches to help families in need.

Brunch served by Pam England

Cost: \$10 at the door

Tickets can be purchased by contacting Marilyn Ham (605.559.0289 or 605.631.9135) or Diane Bryan (701.870.2020). Tickets will also be sold between church services on Sunday, April 23.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, April 25 to Marilyn Ham.



Children & Family Ministries April 2023



SUNDAY & WEDNESDAY SCHOOL

April 2 Palm Sunday

Sunday school kids will be singing at the end of first service and the beginning of second service.

We are so excited to sing for our church family!

CELEBRATION SUNDAY

April 30 at 9:45am!

Join us as we say *Thank-You* to our STUDENTS & VOLUNTEERS for a great year of Children's Ministries!



We will recognize Sunday school & Wednesday school volunteers, Confirmation Guides, Cradle Roll volunteers, those "behind the scenes" volunteers and more!

POTLUCK BREAKFAST BRUNCH

Please bring a breakfast item to share.

Suggestions:

If your last name starts with:

A—F= Breakfast Breads (muffins, rolls, quick breads)

G—L = Fruit OR Breakfast Meats (fresh fruit, fruit salad, Pan of Bacon, Sausages, etc...)

M—Z = Breakfast Casserole (baked eggs, French toast bake, breakfast burritos, etc...)

We would appreciate having some gluten free and dairy free items as well!

CAMP NEWS

REGISTER **BEFORE APRIL 15** TO RECEIVE THE DISCOUNT!

Camps are filling up fast but there are still some openings! You will receive a discount for registering before April 15! After that, the cost is the full price of the camp. Please go to www.losd.org to check out the camp dates to make your plans now!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our kids can be menders of the universe! *But*, you may think, *they're just kids!* How can they be menders of the whole universe? At Operation Restoration, they will practice being universe menders, because that is **exactly how God made all of us!** Your kids have the power to FEED, HEAL, FORGIVE, PRAY, and REST—essential tools to help repair all that has gone wrong in the world. They'll learn more about their **MENDING POWERS** at Operation Restoration Vacation Bible School!



DATE: June 26 – June 30, Monday thru Friday

TIME: 9:00 AM—NOON

PLACE: Our Savior's Lutheran Church

AGES: Preschool through 5th grade in the 2022-23 school year

Scan this QR code to register and be sure to invite your friends!



VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

****Operation Restoration DIRECTOR****

Run the show with Miss Beth's help!

Activity Station Leaders:

- Art Center
- Music Center
- Science & Nature
- Service Learning
- Storytelling Center



Other Volunteers

- Group Guides – great for pre-teens & teens
- Set-Up Crew – prepare activities
- Snack People – prepare & serve light snacks

See Miss Beth for more details and to sign up!!

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Council Minutes

March 14, 2023 - 6:30 PM, Conference Room

OUR MISSION: Inspired by God's grace, we open our hearts to all in faith, prayer, fellowship, and service through Jesus Christ.

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Andy Binder at 6:36 PM. Members present were Pastor Stephan Sandness, Deacon Laura Campbell, Andy Binder, Nichole Braithwait, Linda Easthouse, Christopher Egerdahl, Deming Haugland, Karson Klein, Cindy Koppinger, Mat Ornelas, and David Pummel.
2. **Devotions:** The Painted Boat Devotion focuses on the idea that you never know how a small kindness or action could affect someone's life in a positive way.
3. **Approve Agenda:** David Pummel moved to approve the agenda; Nichole Braithwait seconded; motion carried.
4. **Approval of the February Council Minutes:** Linda Easthouse moved to approve the minutes of the February meeting; Dave Pummel seconded; motion carried.
5. **Approval of February Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer David Pummel stated that the income for the month was very close to that of last year's, as was the year to date income, but since we increased the budget for 2023, we are behind. When figuring in the expenses for the month, we are at \$8,500 less than budgeted. Utilities were higher, since February was a cold month. The month had four Sundays, and we couldn't meet on Ash Wednesday, so we had fewer chances to receive offerings. We received the snow removal bill, which we will pay next month, so if you have been praying for snow, please stop. Deming Haugland moved to approve the February treasurer's report; Christopher Egerdahl seconded; motion carried.
6. **Ministerial Staff Reports:** Deacon Laura Campbell reported that she has a few spots open yet for the Lenten Devotions. Centering Prayer is going well, and the four weeks scheduled this Lenten season may not be enough. Fifteen people from OSLC and other churches have attended faithfully. On the Saturday before Easter at 7:30 PM, we will observe a shortened form of Easter Vigil, starting by a fire in the parking lot and moving inside by the baptismal font.

Pastor Stephan Sandness officiated two funerals today: one at National Cemetery and the other for Bart Willuweit. It was a hard day. He has some weddings coming up, and he has started meeting with the couples. Lent is his focus right now. At the Wednesday services, he's been using videos to help tell the Bible story he will share at the Sunday service. Confirmation classes will now be for the 8th graders exclusively as they prepare for each step toward their Confirmation. It is the season of transition. Last Sunday, he attended the Bear Butte Conference. It was good to see colleagues. On the weekend, he will travel to Minnesota to visit his mother and other family members.

7. Committee Updates:

Mission Team will host the Wednesday Supper on March 15 to support the Woyatan Bus, which is a way that the church in Rapid City helps the homeless have a warm place to be with soup and safety on a cold night. On March 22, we will host the Wednesday Supper to raise money for Outlaw Ranch campers, and on the 29th, we will sponsor a diaper drive for Pine Ridge. We received three thank you cards for our donations in January.

Property Team: The team has been looking over the church building and has found areas that need attention. The building has shifted which has caused windows to be less sealed to the outside world. The overhang at the front of the church has water getting into it, which will need to be addressed to find out the cause and solution. Some lights in the Fellowship Hall need to be replaced, and the discussion centered on whether we should replace all the lights with LEDs at one time.

Stewardship: Members of the team plan to use Temple Talks to inform the congregation of their mission.

8. **Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 7:08 PM. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 6:30 PM in the Conference Room. Pam Tyma will lead devotions.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Koppinger

April Faith & Care Group (#13)

Bob & Marcia Aiken
Sue Aker
Ken & Shari Bartell
Andy & Tawnya Binder
Tim & Barb Bjorneberg
Chris Blain
Chuck & Lila Bliss
Diane Bryan
Amy Carlson
Billy & Tiffany Clendenen
Scott & Sheryl Eisenbraun

Jim & Edith Fischer
Steven & Kristin Giuseffi
Darlene Hoon
Annette Johnson
Nancy Litschewski
Ann & Isaiah Miller
Cris & Dianne Miller
Donna & Dan Morgan
Norvan & Carol Ness
Bill & Carol Nicholas
Alexis & Beth Novotny

Blaire Olafson
Reva Paulson-Olafson
Sandra Salzsieder
Jan Sampson
Norma & Gene Schlekeway
Steve & Tammy Silvernagel
Ann & Ray Spellman
Jill Trimble
Mildred Vasknetz
Penney Williams



This group will receive an email link to SignUp Genius where you can volunteer for the days and times that work best for you to serve as Welcome Center Host, Usher, Communion Assistant, Snack Provider, and Coffee Server.

Anyone (outside of this group) is also welcome to sign up if you wish! Email sommerlyn.mortensen@gmail.com that you want to receive the link.

Welcome Center Hosts (2):

Arrive 30 minutes before the service begins. Stand by the Welcome Centers (one on each side). Warmly greet each group as they arrive.

Ushers (2):

Arrive 30 minutes before the service begins. Stand by counters by the glass doors of the Sanctuary (one on each side). Welcome each family group or individual as they enter, hand them a bulletin, and assist them to find a seat if necessary. Count all heads in the room and record the number on the chart at the counter. At the time of communion, begin at the **front** and release one row at a time. If there are people in the Southeast section, start them first. Be the last to go up for communion.

Communion assistants (2):

During the Offering, go to the Sacristy behind the altar and wash your hands with soap and water. Pick up a cup for wine. Then come out and stand by the bell cabinet during the Words of Institution and Lord's Prayer. Pastor will serve you communion. He will then give you a tray of bread (wafers). There are also gluten free wafers in small containers on the rail. Follow the pastor's lead to move to the front of the rail. As each person comes to you, place a wafer on their open hand (without touching the person) saying, "The body of Christ, given for you." If the person asks for gluten free, give them one of the bread containers from the rail. Upon finishing, hand the tray back to the pastor.

Snack providers (4):

Bring 4 dozen cookies or bars to the church kitchen by 8 am on Sunday morning (or on Friday by 3 pm prior to your Sunday).

Coffee Servers (2):

Check in with the Kitchen Coordinator (Pam Englund) by 8:15 am to familiarize yourself with the kitchen and to get instructions. She will have coffee and lemonade prepared. Keep the cookie trays in the kitchen until right before serving. Return to the kitchen after communion. Put cookie trays and coffee urns on the serving table. Be ready to serve at 9:30 am. Serve coffee as people come through the line. Near the end of coffee hour, assist the Kitchen Coordinator with cleanup as instructed—putting things away, washing dishes, wiping down tables/chairs.



April 2023



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 2 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Education Hour 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service 12:00 PM Eleanor Case Birthday Party Conference Room <i>Palm Sunday</i> | 3 9:00 AM Circle Study Leaders 1:00 PM Yarn Ministry 6:00 PM Good Shepherd Clinic <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> | 4 8:30 AM Fix-It Group 9:00 AM Quilting 5:30 PM Education Comm. 7:00 PM Young Adults Bible Study Group @ TLR | 5 9:00 AM SonShine Squad 9:30 AM WELCA Board Mtg. 1:00 PM KidZone 5:15 PM Bell Choir NO Confirmation NO Wednesday Supper NO Wednesday School NO Wednesday Word 7:00 PM Senior Choir 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR | 6 1:00 PM Quilting 6:26 PM Maundy Thursday Worship Service <i>Maundy Thursday</i> | 7 6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR 6:26 PM Good Friday Worship Service <i>Good Friday Deacon's Day Off</i> | 8 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship 7:30 PM Easter Vigil Service (North Parking Lot) |
| 9 8:30 AM Easter Worship Service 9:45 AM Breakfast served by HS Youth 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Easter Worship Service <i>Easter</i> | 10 10:30 AM Deborah Circle 1:00 PM Yarn Ministry <i>Good Shepherd Clinic Closed</i> <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> | 11 8:30 AM Fix-It Group 9:00 AM Quilting 2:00 PM Two on Tuesday Women's Bible Study 5:30 PM Mission Comm. 6:00 PM Finance Comm. 6:30 PM Church Council 7:00 PM Young Adults Bible Study Group @ TLR | 12 10:00 AM Senior Ministry 5:15 PM Bell Choir NO Confirmation NO Wednesday Supper NO Wednesday School NO Wednesday Word 7:00 PM Senior Choir 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR | 13 1:00 PM Esther Circle 1:00 PM Quilting 6:00 PM Joyful Journey Practice | 14 6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR 5:00 PM Wedding Barb Schuler & Brad Baker <i>Deacon's Day Off</i> | 15 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM Piano Guild Auditions |
| SD Synod Spring Theological Convocation | | | | | | |
| 16 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Education Hour 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service | 17 1:00 PM Yarn Ministry 6:00 PM Good Shepherd Clinic <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> | 18 8:30 AM Fix-It Group 9:00 AM Quilting 1:00 PM Senior Ministry Games & Dessert 6:30 PM Gather Women's Evening Bible Study 7:00 PM Young Adults Bible Study Group @ TLR | 19 10:00 AM Spearfish Canyon Worship Service 5:46 PM Confirmation 8 th Gr. 5:16 PM Wednesday Supper 6:26 PM Wednesday Word 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR | 20 9:30 AM Burr's HC 10:00 AM Ruth Circle 12:00 PM Lunch @ TLR 5:00 PM Joyful Journey Practice 5:45 PM New Member Dinner & Orientation | 21 6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR 7:00 AM GSC Board Mtg. <i>Deacon's Day Off Newsletter Items Due</i> | 22 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship 9:00 AM WELCA Bear Butte Conference Spring Gathering @ Faith Lutheran |
| 23 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Annual Meeting of the Congregation 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service <i>New Members Received at both services</i> | 24 1:00 PM Yarn Ministry 6:00 PM Good Shepherd Clinic <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> | 25 8:30 AM Fix-It Group 9:00 AM Quilting 2:00 PM Two on Tuesday Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Friendship Ministry 7:00 PM Young Adults Bible Study Group @ TLR | 26 10:45 AM Edgewood Vista Worship Service 5:15 PM Bell Choir 5:46 PM Confirmation 7 th & 8 th Grades 6:26 PM Wednesday Word <i>Confirmand Faith Statements</i> 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR 7:15 PM Senior Choir | 27 12:00 PM Lunch @ TLR 6:00 PM Joyful Journey Practice | 28 6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR <i>Deacon's Day Off</i> | 29 10:00 AM WELCA Spring Prayer Brunch & General Meeting |
| 30 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Education Hour Celebration Brunch Potluck 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service <i>World Hunger Offering</i> | | | | | | |

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Worship: Sundays 8:30 am Traditional Worship Service
10:45 am Joyful Journey-led Service
Live stream at 8:30 AM or watch later! Connect through our web site.
Wednesday 6:26 pm Wednesday Word

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prayer, fellowship and service through Jesus Christ.