



THE PARISH NEWS



April, 2018

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**NEWSLETTER INFORMATION/
ARTICLES DEADLINE is 20th of each month.**

Our Mission. . . "Working hand in hand to know Christ and make Christ known through Worship, Christian Education, Evangelism, Fellowship, Caring Ministries, and Service."

"The Parish News" a monthly publication of First Lutheran, linking Church and members' homes, is mailed from Washburn, ND 58577, Bulk Postal permit #39.



Here is a Psalm appropriate for the Easter season.

The LORD's Faithfulness Endures Forever

117 Praise the LORD, all nations!

Extol him, all peoples!

*2 For great is his steadfast love toward us,
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
Praise the LORD!*

It is the shortest Psalm in the Bible. Yet it's vision is unlimited. All peoples, all nations are to Praise the Lord. Why? Because of the Lord's steadfast love toward us and the fact that His faithfulness endures forever.

As we look throughout God's word we see that the Lord's faithfulness begins with Israel and then it expands even to us and to future generations. This happens through Christ. Christ's death on the cross for us and His resurrection – this is how the Lord shows us His steadfast love and faithfulness.

The Lord is indeed worthy of our praise! In Christ's death and resurrection, we have every reason for hope now and for all eternity! This Psalm is certainly good for helping us celebrate the resurrection of Christ from the dead. Twice the Psalm encourages us to "Praise the Lord!" This Easter, let's all "Praise the Lord" together.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Praise the Lord!

O Lord, we praise You for Your faithfulness to us and Your steadfast love for us and for all people. Thank you for the new life that you give us through Jesus Christ. Amen.

We pray you have a Blessed and praise-filled Easter!
See you at worship!

Pastor Erik Johnson



Easter
Morning
Schedule



Easter Sunday
April 1, 2018

7:00 AM
Sunrise Service
w/Holy Communion

Easter Breakfast
7:45 - 9:15 AM

9:30 AM
Easter Celebration Worship
w/Holy Communion

April 6th - 6:00 PM

Have baked items
to the church.

Packaging of baked
items.



April 7th

Deliver baked items

Remember the shut-in's, homebound, sick, etc. with "Goodies From the Heart".
If you know of people that we should be distributing to,
please let Alli Sheldon know (name and address) by texting her at 701-880-8802
or email allisheldon3@gmail.com. Please let her know if you can help package or deliver too!

Vacation
Bible
School

May 29
thru
June 1

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

Vacation Bible School will be held May 29 – June 1.
We are looking for a leader or co-leaders for the preschool VBS.
Say "Yes" by contacting Brenda Suckow at 462-8166.

Volunteers are needed for both the morning preschool group and the evening elementary group.
If you can help with serving snacks, crafts, games, or 'crowd control' for either group, please contact Brenda.
Unable to volunteer your time? Please consider a monetary donation for snacks, craft supplies, or to sponsor a child. Thank you! We couldn't have VBS without you!



MARCH 12, 2018

(Please note that minutes are not approved until voted on by the council at the next month's meeting.)



- President Dick Bickert called the meeting to order
- Members present: Pastor Erik Johnson, Dick Bickert, Kris Schmidt, Leilani Olafson, Donna Sommer, Jeff Schmidt, Brenda Suckow, Aaron Vorland, Kathy Keller and Jeannette Rost, Administrative Secretary. Absent: Emily Retterath
- Pastor Erik Johnson, opening devotions of Ephesians 6:10-20
- Approval of previous council meeting minutes from February 15, 2018
Motion to approve: Kris Schmidt, 2nd Jeff Schmidt. Motion approved.

• **Treasurer's Report – Donna Sommer**

Motion to approve: Kathy Keller, 2nd by Aaron Vorland. Motion approved. The balance of accounts as of March 12, 2018 is as follows:

Checking	\$11,552.27
Building	30,050.01
Cemetery	617.40
Interest	1,677.27
Music	1,524.24
Parking Lot	36,881.11
Worship	1664.56
Morgan Stanley Smith Barney	11,992.40
TOTAL ASSESTS	\$95,959.26

Pastors Report

Pastoral Acts:

Funeral: Kim Gutknecht, February 16, 2018
Memorial Service: David Loe, February 24, 2018
Attended Camp of the Cross Annual Meeting on February 25, 2018 in Underwood
Attended World Day of Prayer Service at First on March 2, 2018

Visitations:

Home – 3
Nursing Home – 1
Hospital – 1

Items for information or consideration:

- Dave Anderson Concert – April 13, 2018 (Friday): \$300 + freewill offering
- Holy Week – Easter Schedule
 - Maundy Thursday – 7pm communion service
 - Good Friday Service – 7pm
 - Easter Sunrise – 7am
 - Easter Service – 9:30am
- Danielle Wood – competed three years of confirmation studies in Newcastle WY, but they moved before she was confirmed. I am requesting to the church council that we confirm her this year with the 9th Grade Class that is being confirmed. Council is ok with this.

Confirmation Sunday is May 6, 2018

Committee Reports:

- **Stewardship Committee - Kathy Keller**
Stewardship meal on 3/14/2018 will serve BBQ's and Nachos.
It was proposed by Kathy Keller that funds from the event should go towards parking lot fund.
- **Worship Committee – Jeff Schmidt**
Jeff has received good response in calls made for readers and communion assistants.
- **Education Committee – Brenda Suckow**
VBS will be 5/29/2018 to 6/1/2018. VBS volunteers are needed.
Contract has been signed with Camp of the Cross. First Lutheran pays \$28/child for attending VBS.
Sunday school ends 5/14/2018
- **Evangelism Committee – Emily Retterath**
No Report as Emily was absent
- **Property Committee – Aaron Vorland**
Window and Door Store estimated for eleven windows at \$18,792 and the actual window count is nine. Bringing the new estimate to:

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\$15,210.00. Current blinds will be reused. Jeannette Rost had stated that the down payments were issued to Weber Electric and also the down payment for the Window and Door Store.

Upkeep on the pews was discussed and to realign the pews as needed.

Old Business:

We have \$432.13 in Thrivent Choice Dollars

ND Adult and Teen Challenge – called Awakening is 4/8/18

30 minutes of service time will be needed and a freewill offering will be taken

Potluck will be considered and Jeannette Rost will consult with Sharon Chrest on which workgroup will serve

It was discussed Sunday School at 9:30am and Church Service at 10:30am with potluck to follow

First Quarter Benevolences:

Relief Missions - \$225 to Kids International Ministries & \$25 to World Day of Prayer

World Hunger - \$125 to World Day of Prayer

US Local Mission - \$375 to ND Adult & Teen Challenge

Motion to approve: Kathy Keller and Kris Schmidt 2nd, Motion approved

New Business:

McLean County Sheriff's Department is asking for money to support the National Child Safety Council, further discussion will be considered at April 5, 2018 meeting.

Transfer Requests:

Transfers In

- None

Transfers Out

- None

Next Council Meeting

April 5, 2018 at 7 pm

Meeting to adjourn - Kathy Keller, 2nd – Jeff Schmidt. Motion approved.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Leilani Olafson
Council Secretary

THANK YOU

☺ Thank you to Brenda Suckow & Peggy Wollmuth for helping fold and tape the March newsletter for mailing.

☺ Thank you to the following groups who served meals on Wednesday nights during the Lent season: FLCW, Evangelism Committee, FLY, Stewardship Committee and Men's Bible Study. All meals were really appreciated and very delicious!

☺ Thank you to the following for being part of our Lenten worship drama series: Brad Sheldon, Randy Hall, Brent Petersen, Cathy Sheldon, Monte Carvell and Mike Nelson.

The following is from Laura Gardner:

☺ Thank you Heather Seidler, Suzanne Richards & Pastor Erik for helping with Pizza Day!

☺ Thank you Kathy Key, Tammy Dockter & Matt Gardner for helping with the Lenten meal.

☺ Thank you Kathy Key, Tammy Dockter & Donna Sommer for helping with the Lion's Carnival.

☺ Thank you Theresa Petersen for donating sloppy joes for our meal at the Lion's Carnival.



You will see later in this newsletter that First Lutheran will be updating their church directory. Dates and times for picture taking will be listed and how to sign up. There will be more information in your bulletins leading up to the dates and handouts for you to pick up.

We are now looking for volunteers to help with calling to set up schedules with those that don't sign up on their own. Also volunteers to help the days of photography to check families in. Call the church office to volunteer - 462-3775!

"AWAKENING"

ND ADULT AND TEEN CHALLENGE

Sunday, April 8, 2018

First Lutheran Church

10:30 AM

Potluck follows

Please note the schedule change for this Sunday:
Sunday School, Coffee Hour and FLCW Executive Board Meeting at 9:30 am
Worship Service with "Awakening" at 10:30 am followed by potluck
(There will be approximately 25 people in Awakening. So plan accordingly when bringing food for the potluck. Thanks!)

A freewill offering for ND Adult and Teen Challenge
will be taken after the worship service.

WE ARE MESSENGRERS

**THURSDAY
APRIL 12, 2018**
BISMARCK COMMUNITY CHURCH
1617 MICHIGAN AVE. BISMARCK

DAVID DUNN
*I Wanna Go Back,
Today Is Beautiful*

JJ WEEKS BAND
Let Them See You

HOPE IS THE MESSAGE TOUR

SPONSORED BY
Dvorak MOTORS inc.
Bismarck, ND
Dodge, Chrysler, Ram, Jeep, Fiat, Ram

Tickets: \$35
Meet & Greet: \$10

Tickets available at
Bismarck Cancer Center,
The Rainbow Shop, and
online at www.itickets.com

Doors open @ 6 p.m.
Concert @ 7 p.m.
Meet and Greet 5 p.m.

PROCEEDS BENEFIT
**BISMARCK
CANCER CENTER
FOUNDATION**

The Voice of the Martyrs

ADVANCE CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 21 AT 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.

Charity Lutheran Church
120 Aspen Ave
Bismarck, ND 58503

No charge for registration or attendance.
Register for FREE at: VOMAdvance.com or 800-747-0085.
Bring a friend! Walk-ins welcome.

THE RESCUE TOUR

Dave Anderson & Roger Walck



Join us for
Praise & Worship

The concerts these men present include Gospel music, old-time Sunday School Songs, Contemporary Christian music, and stories of God's grace and mercy including "The Rescue Story" which has been heard by millions of people around the world!



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
709 5TH AVE. WASHBURN, ND

Friday, April 13, 2018
7:00 PM

Come and bring friends...for a great time of music and fellowship.
A freewill offering will be received to benefit the Shepherd's Canyon Retreat.

*Dave & Roger's music ministry benefits Shepherd's Canyon Retreat. www.ShepherdsCanyonRetreat.org
800-783-3079*

FIRST LUTHERAN YOUTH

By Laura Gardner

It's hard to believe we are already four months into 2018! We are busy fundraising and preparing for our summer trips. With time flying by, it can be so easy to lose sight of the 'why' we are fundraising and why we are going on these trips. Please join me in praying for the youth going on these trips that we don't lose sight of why we are going and that we don't get wrapped up in the hustle and bustle of things. I want them to see God in this whole process. In reality I think all of us can relate to this. We get so wrapped up in getting things done or planning for this or that that it easily becomes a 'have' to get this done rather than we 'get' to do this.

We have a few more fundraisers coming up with our Meatball Dinner being the first. On Sunday, April 29th we'll be serving Swedish meatballs and mashed potatoes, spaghetti and meatballs, meatball sandwiches, salad, and a variety of desserts. We will be serving from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Our next fundraiser is our 4th Annual Variety Market. We are waiting to hear back on what day the citywide rummage sale is set for but our fundraiser will be on that same day. We will have rummage sale space, sloppy joes, and a bake sale. We are also accepting rummage sale donation items. If you would like to donate items or would like booth space, please contact Laura 315-0212.

I know this is getting redundant but Pizza Day is again been a big success and I can't say enough about what a vital tool it has been. It costs between \$140 and \$180 a month to host this event and I do feel it's become a very important resource. We have had multiple youth who come from atheist homes or either never been or haven't darkened the doorway of church since they were little coming faithfully the 1st Wednesday of every month. This year we are routinely serving between 20-25 youth every month. It's truly my favorite day of the month! If you are interested in donating please contact Laura, 315-0212.

Here's a few dates to jot down;

April 1st Easter Breakfast

April 4th Pizza Day

April 29th Meatball Dinner



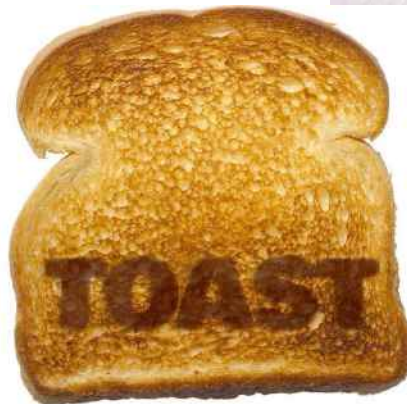
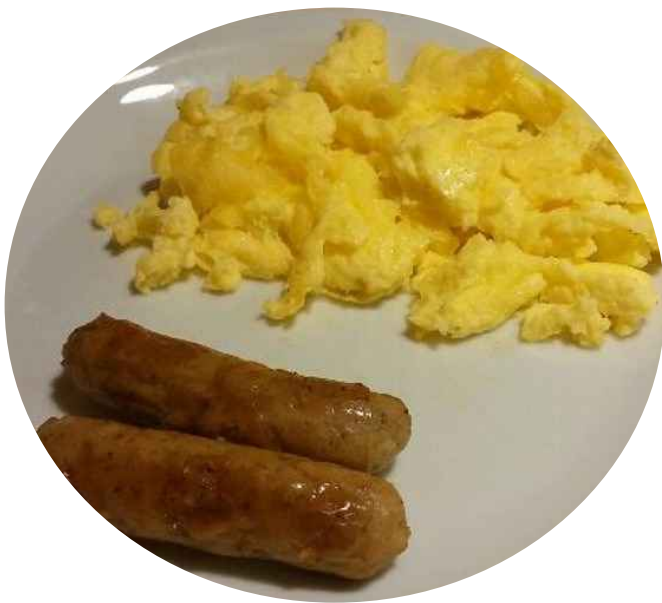
FLY had the privilege of serving at the Lion's Carnival. Preston Beckman, Tristan Allery, Christian Gardner, Emma Hanson, Cassidy Sommer, Hannah Westrick, Emily Westrick, Sammy Geiser

- If we don't teach our youth to follow Christ, the world will teach them not to. -

EASTER BREAKFAST

April 1, 2018
7:45 - 9:15 am

Served by FLY



Scrambled Eggs, Sausage Links
Toast, Fruit

Freewill Offering
Proceeds go to support youth activities

FLCW NEWS

April, 2018

Executive Board:

Cathy Sheldon
Val Swanson

Secretary:

Marlys Knell

Treasurer:

Sylvia Thompson

Action (Quilts, LWR Kits):

Sylvia Thompson

Altar Guild:

Theresa Petersen

Audit:

Kathy Keller
Norma Petersen

Camp of the Cross:

Peggy Moran

Community:

Kathy Keller
Meals on Wheels
Lions Bake Sale
Alli Sheldon
Goodies From the Heart

Good Cheer:

Mary Ann Beeks

Growth (Confirmation & Graduation Tea and 3rd Grade Bibles):

Donna Gunderson

Kitchen:

Arlene Schwarz
Becky Heringer
Nancy Fuchs
Linda Zeller

Kuchen, Lefse, Cards, etc.:

Donna Kroll
Marlys Knell

Library:

Sharon Chrest
Sande Wagner
Norma Petersen
Arlene Schwarz

Prayer Chain Chairmen:

Sande Wagner
Arlene Schwarz
Norma Petersen

Receptions/Bulletin Board

Decorating:
Donna Gunderson

Service Secretary:

Sharon Chrest
Melissa Chrest

We began March with a meaningful **World Day of Prayer** service prepared by a committee from Suriname and presented by the FLCW executive board. The theme this year was "All God's Creation is Very Good." The emphasis was on caring for and preserving all of God's beautiful creation. A huge thank you to Kathy Keller for chairing the event, Pastor Erik for running the Power Point presentation, Mary Ann Beeks for coordinating the delicious lunch with work group 3, Kathryn Johnson for accompanying, and all who had a reading part in the program.

Thank you also to everyone who donated baked items to the **Meals on Wheels Bake Sale**. Your efforts are so appreciated!

Be sure to mark April 22 on your calendars. Susan Schwieters, owner of Lillians in Bismarck, will be speaking at our **Mother/Daughter Tea!**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *April 1 Easter Celebration
- *April 6 Goodies From the Heart
Drop off goodies in the church kitchen before 6:00 p.m.
- *April 8 Executive Board Meeting 9:30 a.m.
- *April 15 Community Meal 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
- *April 22 Mother's Day Tea 2:00 p.m. Work Group 4 serves.
- *April 26 Quilting – 9:00 a.m.
- *May Meals on Wheels
- *May 5 Confirmation Tea – Work Group 5 serves.
- *May 9 -10 Lutheran World Relief Pick Up (Quilts & Layettees)
Also, we could use more bar soap for the Health Kits.
- *May 20 Graduation Tea following church. Work Group 1 serves.

*Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything,
by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.
Philippians 4:6*

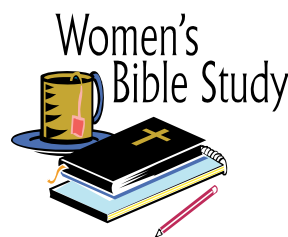
Val Rae Swanson and Cathy Sheldon, Co-Chairs

**Hannah Bible Study**

April 17, 2018

2:00 PM

Amanda Thyberg's

**Deborah Bible Study**

April 19, 2018

9:30 AM

at the Church

Barbara Brewster &
Sande Wagner Host

Please let your hostess know whether or not you will be attending each month.

Mother Daughter Tea
April 22, 2018
FLC Basement - 2:00 p.m.

Come & hear Susan Schwieters,
owner of Lillians, share her inspirational story.
Who knew retail could be a form of ministry!



*Life is a
Journey!*



STEWARDSHIP CENSE



“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise, Jesus Lord to Thee we raise.” LBW #90

Lent is, as I see it, meant to be a time for **self-reflection and introspection**; God sending His precious son to earth to die for our sins. Easter however, (again as I see it), should be a time for **thankfulness and praise** for forgiving those sins and promising to grant everlasting life to me and all who believe that He did indeed arise from the dead. But when I think of thanking the Lord, I think of **SO** many other things to thank him for, that I want to say, **“why stop there?”** Let me share a few of my other **“Easter thanks”** with you.

First, I want to thank Him for allowing me the **best** Stewardship committee anyone could ever hope to have. They all took time out of their busy schedules to come and serve barbecues to hungry parishioners at our Stewardship Lenten meal. Easter thanks and praise to all committee members for a **GREAT** job! But wait! There’s more! I also need to give Easter thanks for sending special people unexpectedly into my life for that Stewardship supper! (And this is a perfect example of how God works in mysterious ways!) Theresa Petersen came to me one Sunday and said she would make **all** the barbecue and buns for our meal! Homemade buns even! Easter thanks and praise to both Brent and Theresa! And who knew we would take in **\$500** for the parking lot fund! Easter thanks

once again to all who attended. More Easter thanks for allowing my World Day of Prayer committee and Work group 3 to put on a very educational program on the country of Suriname and raise \$150 for WDP. But wait! There’s more again! Easter thanks to our wonderful council for agreeing to match that \$150 with another \$150 to enable us to send **\$300** to Suriname and other global WDP charities.

Things such as these do **NOT** happen by chance! They happen because of the faith of our wonderful First Lutheran congregation and the leader of it! **God** will always be the vessel for working good in our hearts for those who believe! So, “thank the Lord and sing His praise and tell everyone what He has done!” By the time you read this, Easter will have come and gone, but I pray that God’s grace will keep pointing you toward **thanks and praise** for all the blessings we receive from **Him** every day and in every way!

I sincerely hope that you had a **GREAT EASTER** and we will all be looking forward to God’s beautiful North Dakota spring!

Until next month, **Blessings and Prayers,**

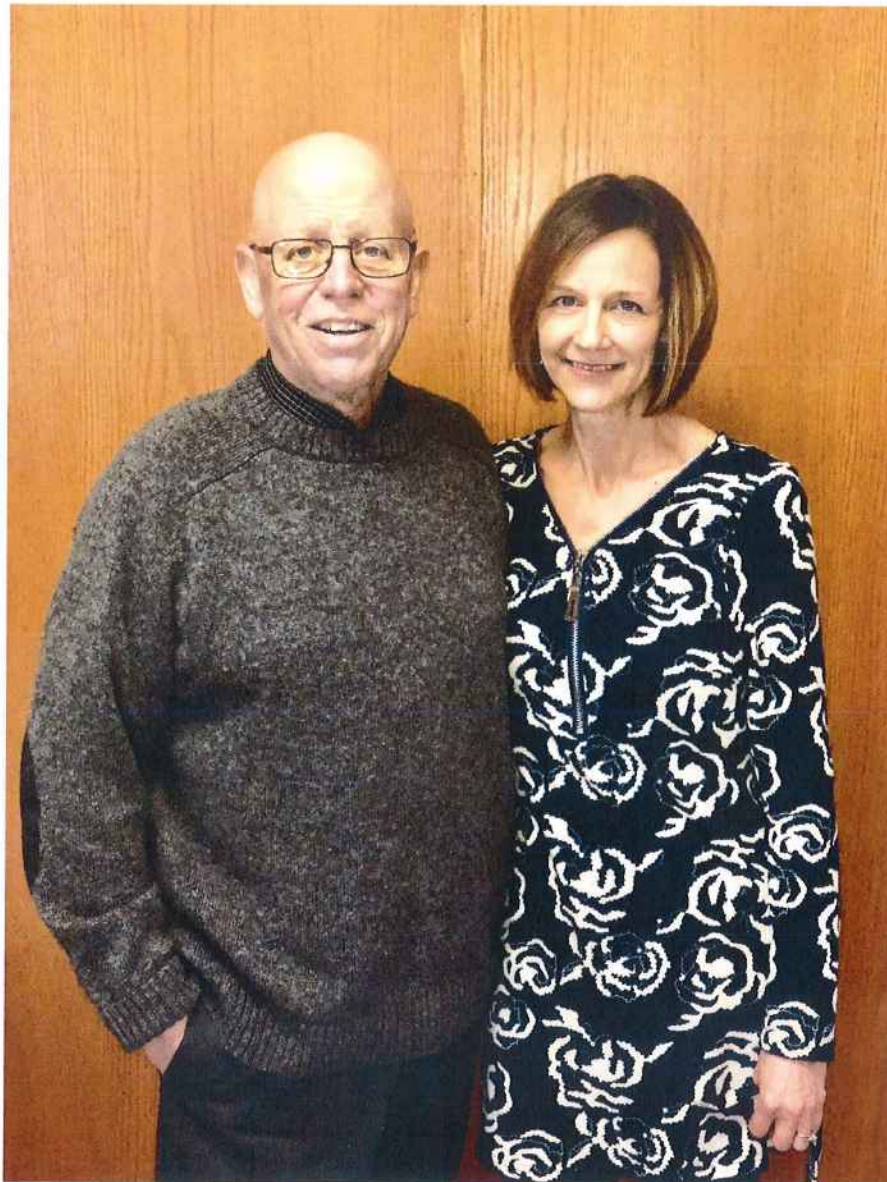
Kathy Keller
Stewardship Chair

BOWLS AND PANS IN CHURCH KITCHEN

These bowls and pans were left in the church kitchen from special activities that food was brought for and not picked up. Are you missing yours? Seventy-five percent of them have names on. Please stop and claim yours now to clear the clutter on the counters and make room. Maybe you just forgot and didn’t realize where it was!



TOM SHELDON BENEFIT



SUNDAY APRIL
15, 2018
11AM – 2PM
WASHBURN
MEMORIAL
HALL

COTTON WOOD
BAND WILL BE
PROVIDING
ENTERTAINMENT

LUNCH WILL BE
PROVIDED

SILENT AUCTION
&
RAFFLE

TOM WAS DIAGNOSED WITH STAGE 4 PANCREATIC CANCER
IN JUNE OF 2017. PROCEEDS WILL GO TO HELP DEFRAY
INCURRED MEDICAL EXPENSES. AN ACCOUNT HAS BEEN
ESTABLISHED FOR TOM AT FARMERS SECURITY BANK,
WASHBURN.

INQUIRIES CALL 701.462.3695

If you would like to donate money for food or donate silent auction items, please contact:

Connie Goetz @ 462-3695, Elaine Carr @ 462-3384 or Tami Acevedo @ 462-3247

MEATBALL DINNER

Sunday, April 29

5:30 - 7:00 pm

First Lutheran Church

Served by FLY (First Lutheran Youth)

Free-will Offering

Proceeds will be used for their summer trips.



Swedish
Meatballs and
Mashed
Potatoes



Spaghetti
and
Meatballs



Meatball
Sandwiches

Top it off with a salad and variety of delicious desserts!!!

APRIL WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY USHERS/GREETERS - 9:30 AM

- 1 - 7:00 AM - Brent Petersen
- 9:30 AM - Jayne & Clark Pochant Family
- 8 - 10:30 AM - Dick & Carla Bickert
Larry & Kathy Keller
- 15 - Kim & Brenda Ankenbauer
Elmer & Arlene Schwarz
- 22 - Mike & Sharon Nelson
Lynn & Donna Sommer
- 29 - Mike & Sharon Nelson
Kris & Ranie Schmidt

ACOLYTES

- 1 - Preston Beckman & Karter Hansen
- 8 - Caitlin Scheresky & Ellie Schmidt
- 15 - Skyler Rodriguez & Kolten Schmidt
- 22 - Emily Westrick & Cassidy Sommer
- 29 - Skyler Rodriguez & Kolten Schmidt

ALTAR CARE

Claudette Ness & Maybell Job

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

- 1 - 7:00 AM - Jeff Schmidt
- 9:30 AM - Jeff Schmidt, Duane & Marlys Knell
- 15 - Nadine Berger

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READERS

- 1 - 7:00 AM - Jeff Schmidt
- 9:30 AM - Wendy Miller
- 8 & 15 - Randy Hanson
- 22 - Donna Sommer
- 29 - Randy Hall

COFFEE HOUR SERVERS

- 1 - Easter Breakfast
- 8 - 9:30 AM - Dale & Julene Klosterman
- 15 - Kim & Brenda Ankenbauer
- 22 - Steve & Peggy Wollmuth
- 29 - Dick & Carla Bickert

SERVICE GROUP COORDINATORS

Dick & Carla Bickert



Have you been to our church library lately and checked out any good books to read? Our library committee was busy cleaning and putting away books. There are a lot of new and old titled books to check out. Become a bookworm and see all the good books that could be of interest to you! What a fantastic library First Lutheran has!



As of March 25, 2018:

Our envelope giving is \$40,879.00 with a yearly budget of \$190,000.00
The plate giving is \$949.48 with a yearly budget of \$7,000.00

Thank you for your giving.



Membership of First Lutheran was divided into 12 groups that each took a month to be responsible for ushering and coffee serving. The idea was that we could encourage more fellowship and participation. That would mean that each of us only had to volunteer for one month a year. Please step up and take your turn in service for your First Lutheran community.

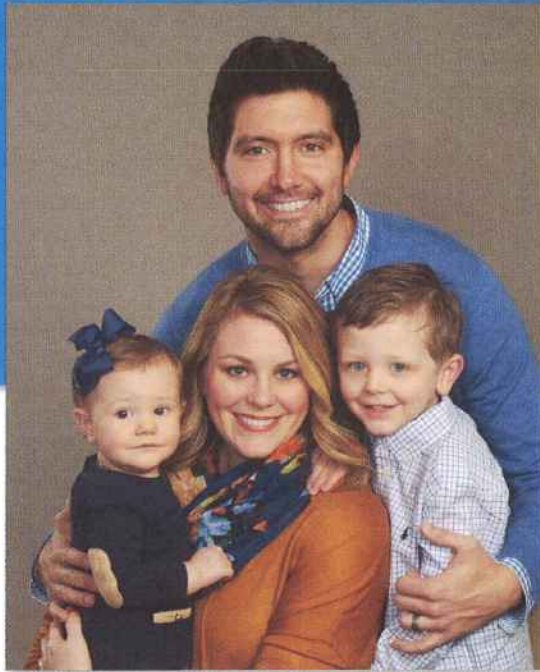
The list below is the service group scheduled for **May**. The service coordinators are **Howard & Elda Johnson**. ***If your name is on this list, please check the calendar and see what Sunday(s) in May works best for you and give Howard or Elda a call at 462-8386. If Howard or Elda calls you, please prayerfully consider how you can help.*** If you don't see your name on this list, your month is coming. Please say yes, when called. Thank you for doing your part and participating in our worship service.

Julie Bentz
Gwen DeMontigny
Wayne & Carol Leidholm
Kelly Murrey

Kristi Olson
Dick & Jackie Olson
Dale & Geniel Schell
Arden & Sande Wagner

Don & Sue Winter
Deb & Virgil Wisdom
Kim & Joan Zimmerman

You are invited to
♥
Capture memories
for a lifetime



Be a part of our new family directory program. Our goal is to include everyone!



We are partnering with Lifetouch for professional photography that will connect our families.

Create treasured keepsakes

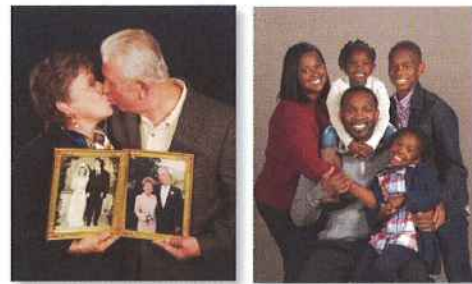
More information will be coming soon about scheduling your photography session.

Convenient

Lifetouch will photograph at our location.

In your one-hour session you will:

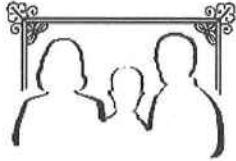
- Be professionally photographed
- Immediately view your photographs
- Be able to purchase photography gifts



Each family will receive a complimentary 8x10 photograph & directory for participating



Exclusive products for your cherished memories



Church Photo Directory Sign-Up

Our Church Photography Dates

Tuesday - Saturday
April 24 - 28
May 22 - 23

Weekday Photo Hours:
2:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday Photo Hours:
10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

HOW DO I SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT?

You can sign up one of three ways:

- 1) **Online Sign-ups!** There is a scheduling link on our church website:
www.flcwashburn.com
- 2) **Sign Up at Church – Sheets on table in narthex**
- 3) **Call Church Office (701) 462-3775**
(Watch for specific dates on website and in bulletin)

There is no sitting fee - just for participating, you will receive a complimentary 8"x10" portrait and a free church directory! And, Lifetouch has promised us that there will be no pressure to order additional portraits!



Questions?
Contact Pastor Erik
or Jeannette at
701-462-3775
or email
flc@westriv.com

HELP US MAKE THIS DIRECTORY COMPLETE! IT WON'T BE THE SAME WITHOUT YOU!

We want to make this a complete representation of our church family - PLEASE be a part of it!

Room Reservations

Rooms are being held at the Badlands Motel and Roughrider Hotel. You must make your own room reservations by calling 1-800-MEDORA-1. Reservations may be made after February 15th. Please identify Dakota Women's Retreat to receive discount.

Retreat Registration

Registration deadline is April 6, 2018. Registration fee is \$125.00 per person flat rate, no partial registrations. Cost includes general sessions, workshops and 5 meals. It **does not** include lodging. Payment must accompany registration form below. **For scholarship questions call 701.595.0720 and leave message. Calls returned in 48 hours. For all other inquiries email DWR at: dakotawomensretreat@gmail.com.**

- DWR and the Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation cannot accommodate special food or dietary requests and are not responsible for accidents.
 - Sessions and workshops are not for infants or children.
- Mail \$125.00 with registration form below. Make checks to Dakota Women's Retreat. Your canceled check is your receipt. Paypal accepted with online registrations at dakotawomensretreat.org**

Mail to:
PayPal™
Dakota Women's Retreat
3100 46th Avenue SE
Mandan, ND 58554

Additional registration forms available at dakotawomensretreat.org
(detach and mail with \$125.00 by April 6, 2018)

Registration Form

(one name per form - form may be photocopied)

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DAKOTA WOMEN'S RETRTREAT 40TH ANNIVERSARY APRIL 20-22 WITH LAUREL BUNKER IN MEDORA!



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CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF GOD'S GOODNESS!

Tentative Retreat Schedule

Friday, April 20	Registration: Medora Com. Center Bookstore opens: Medora Com. Center	Workshops
2:30-5:00 PM MT	Dinner Session #1	Each workshop will be presented 2 times on Saturday. There will be limited seating in each workshop session due to firecode restraints.
5:00 PM MT		A Wonderful Work in Progress
6:30 PM MT		Seventy Times Seven
Saturday, April 21	Breakfast Session #2 Workshop 1 Lunch Workshop 2 Free time! Dinner Session #3	Living Loved: A Breathless Wonder
7:30 AM MT		The Rebuilder of Broken Walls
9:00 AM MT		You Want Me to do What?
10:45 AM MT		Why Am I the Way I Am?
NOON		Are You Sure About That? AM only
1:45 PM MT		Bible DIY PM only
3:00 PM MT		No Greater Sorrow, No Greater Joy
5:00 PM MT		
6:45 PM MT		
Sunday, April 22	Breakfast Session #4	
7:30 AM MT		
9:00 AM MT		



Speaker: Laurel Bunker

Laurel is Dean of Campus Ministries and Campus Pastor at Bethel University. Her messages draw women into a deeper relationship with Jesus by focusing on God's Word. She lives in Minneapolis with her husband and two daughters.

Music: Remix

Remix is a group of women from North and South Dakota of various life-experiences and musical-gifts who come together to create a unique worship experience. Their hearts reflect a love for God and each other. They desire to see God glorified in all they do. It's been a great 'mix' so far.



CHURCH USAGE AND SPECIAL REQUESTS

Are you in need of renting or using the church? Do you need items rearranged or set up differently for a special occasion? If you answered yes to these questions, please call the church office and talk to Jeannette or Pastor Erik and they will relay the message to our custodians. Please do not call or text our custodians with these requests. Thank you!

CAMP OF THE CROSS NEWS

April 6-7	7th-9th Grade Bash
April 14	2018 S'mores and Much More Gala
April 27-28	4th-6th Grade Bash
April 27-29	Women's L.I.F.E. Weekend
April 29-May 1	Theology On the Prairie
June 3-August 5	2018 Summer Sundays
June 16	2018 Prairie Lake Festival
July 21	2018 5K Run/Walk
August 7	2018 Prairie Masters Golf Scramble
November 17	2018 Scandinavian Supper

*** The Annual Meeting was held February 25th at Augustana Lutheran Church, Underwood. Rev. Bob Caranicas and Emma Berg were re-elected, and DeAnne Finken elected to the Board of Directors. Amber Nelson did not seek re-election and Rev. Stephen Holmes and Rev. Robert Schmidt resigned from the Board of Directors, and all were thanked for their service to the camp. Volunteers have been working on sheetrocking the new Fellowship Center and the plan is to use volunteers to put a "finish" to the cement floor. Attendees were reminded that we want to consider that we "invest" in the camp vs. "donate" – we need to remember that it is OUR camp. Highlights from 2017: 512 campers had a faith experience on site; 744 campers had a faith experience with off site ministries; and over 1,000 adults participated in retreats on site.

At the time of the annual meeting, 140 had already registered for 2018 summer session. Summer staffing is in need of female counselors.

During re-organization of the board, the following officers were elected: Rev. Bob Caranicas

of Bismarck, President; Jill Denning-Gackle, Garrison, and Peggy Moran, Washburn, Co-Vice-Presidents; Emma Berg, Wilton, Secretary. Appointed position of Treasurer is temporarily open.

*** The 2018 summer program is open for registration. Through the generosity of groups and individuals from First Lutheran Church, the registration fees will be fully covered this year for our members. Please let Peggy Moran know if you have registered campers for the summer sessions.

*** Thank you to those who have been attending and contributing to groups providing Lenten Meals with proceeds going to camp fees for our campers!

*** Upcoming fundraiser: CCM Dinner & Silent Auction, 7th Annual S'mores and Much More Gala, Saturday, April 14, 2018, 5 p.m. Bismarck Municipal Country Club with entertainment by "Helgeson Sisters", "A Time with Doug VerDouw" and Honored Alumni Guest Eric Schauer. A reservation includes hors d'oeuvres, meal, and entertainment for \$100/person, as well as a silent auction. Please make reservations by Thursday, April 5th, by contacting the Camp Office at 701-337-2246 or info@campofthecross.com.

*** Keep in mind that we will have an opportunity to MOTHER THE CAMP in May by providing food/cleaning items to help reduce operating costs of the camp. As well as providing quilts/baskets, etc. for the 2018 Prairie Lake Festival for June 16th. See list hanging on bulletin board.

Thank you
Peggy Moran



The following people were prayed for by request at worship from February 25 thru March 25. If we missed you or your loved ones, or your prayer requests, please accept our apologies.

Please let the church office know before you enter the hospital for planned surgeries, during any hospitalization, or about your illnesses and any special needs that we may pray for you.

- ◆ Family of David Loe
- ◆ Family of Daniel Denault on his death
- ◆ Scott Huso
- ◆ Pat Carpentier
- ◆ Caroline Kuntz - Mother to A.J. Kuntz
- ◆ Kristi Jaeger
- ◆ Mary Loing - Mother to Janet Hanson
- ◆ Weldon Wagner - Brother to Arden Wagner

- ◆ Yvonne Schmidt - Mother to Jeff Schmidt
- ◆ Pat Amundson
- ◆ Allison Weisgarber
- ◆ Samantha Schell
- ◆ Gay Larsen - Sister to Gayle Johnson
- ◆ Bob Miller
- ◆ Glenn Goetz
- ◆ Shirley Nelson
- ◆ Tom Sheldon
- ◆ Jackie Olson
- ◆ Rodney Jaeger
- ◆ LeRoy Bender
- ◆ Arden Wagner
- ◆ Vivian Merkel
- ◆ Ryan Jaeger
- ◆ Ruby in Pine Ridge. As spring approaches, greater demands are put on her. Pray for continued health and energy and for her efforts in establishing a soup kitchen.
- ◆ Family of Mike Schumacher on his death
- ◆ Margaret Kuch - Aunt of Melanie Beckman

Camp of the Cross Ministries

invites you to the

7th Annual

SMORES & Much More Gala

Saturday, April 14, 2018

The Bismarck Municipal Country Club

\$100 per person, Table Sponsor (9 people) \$750
Includes hors d'oeuvres, meal & entertainment.

For reservations contact the Camp Office
at 337-2246 or info@campofthecross.com

We have another awesome assortment of "silent auction" items to bid on this year!

Please place your reservations by Thursday, April 5.

The Evening

- Five O'Clock Refreshments and Silent Auction*
- Six O'Clock Dinner*
- Seven O'Clock "A Time with Doug VerDouw" and Honored Alumni Guest Eric Schauer*
- Seven Thirty O'Clock Entertainment "Helgeson Sisters"*



PO Box 1257, Garrison, ND 58540

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Memorial Gifts Given to Special Funds (Sunday, February 25 to Sunday, March 25)



Fund given to & by whom

In Memory of

Building Fund\$180.00
 Dick & Barbara BrewsterDavid Loe
 Sharon Chrest Kim Gutknecht
 Darrell & Sherry KinnischtzkeClyde Klosterman
 Darrell & Sherry Kinnischtzke (2 times) ..David Loe
 Wes Sauer.....David Loe
 Wes Sauer..... Esther Bender
 Wes Sauer..... Esther Yantzer
 Wes Sauer..... Kim Gutknecht
 Darrell & Sherry Kinnischtzke Kim Gutknecht

Camp of the Cross.....\$0.00

Decorating (Church).....\$0.00

General Fund\$260.00
 Howard & Elda Johnson (2 times) ... Lane Johnson
 Mac & Judy Beaudry Brett Bowerman
 Dean & Sonja BergstedtDavid Loe
 Elaine Carr Polly Fischer
 Jeneen Loe..... Esther Bender
 Steve & Peggy WollmuthDavid Loe
 Gary & Nancy Fuchs Donna Muller
 Nadine Berger Donna Lange

The following are all in memory of Kim Gutknecht:
 Jim & Jan Stoppler
 Jeneen Loe
 Steve & Peggy Wollmuth
 Terry & Donna Gunderson
 Gary & Nancy Fuchs
 Monte & Victoria Carvell

Global Missions \$0.00

Lutheran Social Services \$0.00

LWR \$20.00
 Sylvia Thompson David Loe

Music \$145.00
 Orlin & Ivadell Larson Esther Bender
 Arden & Sande Wagner..... Kim Gutknecht
 Ken & Maybell Job..... Esther Bender
 George & Val Swanson Esther Bender
 Darrell/Sherry Kinnischtzke Geraldine Aslakson

Fund given to & by whom

In Memory of

Music (cont.)
 Howard & Elda Johnson David Loe
 Steve & Peggy Wollmuth Brett Bowerman

Parking Lot Fund \$1,345.00
 Orlin & Ivadell Larson Kim Gutknecht
 David & Ruth Borlaug Kim Gutknecht
 A.J. & Doddie Kuntz (3 times)..... Keith Kuntz
 Orlin & Ivadell Larson Polly Fischer
 Orlin & Ivadell Larson Esther Yantzer
 Rick & LeAnn Richard Violet Moser
 Mary Schulz..... Esther Bender

The following are all in memory of David Loe:

Orlin & Ivadell Larson
 Peggy Moran
 Randy & Janet Hanson
 Jeneen Loe Family
 Dick & Kitty Tweeten
 Darrell & Sherry Kinnischtzke
 Brad & Cathy Sheldon
 Joe Ness
 Don & Loretta Streifel
 Ken & Peggy Irman
 Chad & Bonnie Westerhausen
 Gary & Linda Kienzle
 Dale & Julene Klosterman
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 Shirley Nelson
 Wayne & Julie Petersen
 Jerry & JuDee Simpfinderfer
 Jill Simpfinderfer
 Pam Perleberg
 Curtis & Cathy Birst

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Parking Lot Fund (cont.)

Bill & Janell Peterson
 Sharon Hirschert
 Bryce & Scarlett Eckholm
 Mary Schulz
 Tom & Vivian Merkel
 Virgil & Deb Wisdom
 Dennis & Gayle Johnson
 Harold & Bonnie Holtz
 Don & Joyce Ellwein
 Kim & Brenda Ankenbauer
 George & Val Swanson
 Nadine Berger

Relief Missions..... \$0.00

Sunday School..... \$15.00
 John & Helen Samuelson Dan Denault

US/Local Missions \$0.00

World Hunger..... \$0.00

Worship..... \$60.00

Kim & Brenda Ankenbauer..... Esther Bender
 Gene & Dana Bischke..... Esther Bender
 Gary & Nancy Fuchs..... Esther Bender
 Mary Ann Beeks Polly Fischer



Our sympathy goes out to:

Mac & Judy Beaudry and family on the death of
 Judy's son, Mike Schumacher

May God give them comfort in this time of sorrow.

First Lutheran April Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following First Lutheran members who have birthdays in April. We are sorry if we missed anyone this month. If your name has been missed, kindly report it to the church office so we can get your birth date for our records. Likewise, if we have printed your birthday and you do not wish to have it published in the newsletter, please let Jeannette know in the church office. We will remove it for next year. Thank you!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Dick Bickert Kal DeMontigny Tate Price Sara Scholl	2	3 Wes Sick	4 Ethan Jensen Alex Seidler	5	6 Kory Peterson	7 Tom Merkel Owen Price
8 Preston Beckman	9 Geoffrey Beasley Patrick Oster Parker Schmidt	10 Andrew Carvell Parker Jacobson Lynette Sondrol Kyle Syverson	11	12 Amanda Jorgenson Cathy Sheldon	13 Cole Philbrick Katelyn Smith Liam Williams	14 McKenzie Baumann Beckett Kadrmas Karisa Thomas
15 Arlene Schwarz	16 Bekka Bentz Peggy Moran Davis Wolf Linda Zeller	17 Jamie Baumann Mike Nelson Eric Olafson Zachary Schell Heather Seidler	18 Lily Johnson	19 Elaine Carr	20	21 Danielle Hardy
22 Matt Gardner Corbyn Goetz	23 Kesia Boeshans Tyler Klosterman Kirk Sailer	24	25 Nathan Grubb Karter Hansen	26 Kathy Philbrick Ranie Price Logan Schmitz	27 Jackie Olson	28 Lily Gardner Lenny Lange
29 Courtney Hall Olivia Schmidt	30 Mac Beaudry Sandra Peterson					



2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Easter Sunday April Fool's Day Holy Communion 7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Worship 7:45 - 9:15 AM Easter Breakfast 9:30 AM Easter Celebration Worship NO Sunday School 7:00 PM AA Meeting	2	3 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	4 11:50 AM Pizza Day 6:00 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM Sr. FLY 7:30 PM Choir	5 AM Pastor Erik at Text Study 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting	6 6:00 PM Goodies From the Heart Packaging	7 Deliver Goodies From the Heart
8 Second Sunday of Easter 9:30 AM Sunday School Fellowship/ Coffee Hour FLCW Executive Board Meeting 10:30 AM Worship (ND Adult & Teen Challenge) Followed by Potluck 7:00 PM AA Meeting	9 10:00 AM Chat & Sew	10 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	11 6:00 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM Jr. FLY 7:30 PM Choir	12 AM Pastor Erik at Text Study	13 7:00 PM Shepherds Canyon - Dave Anderson Concert	14
15 Third Sunday of Easter 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/ Coffee Hour 10:45 AM Sunday School 3:00 PM CCM Meeting 4:30 - 6:30 PM Community Meal 7:00 PM AA Meeting	16	17 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group 2:00 PM Hannah Bible Study at Amanda Thyberg's 2:00 PM Home Health Group Meeting	18 6:00 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM Sr. FLY 7:30 PM Choir	19 AM Pastor Erik at Text Study 9:30 AM Deborah Bible Study at the church	20 Newsletter Deadline	21
22 Fourth Sunday of Easter 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/ Coffee Hour 10:45 AM Sunday School 2:00 PM Mother's Day Tea 7:00 PM AA Meeting	23	24 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	25 6:00 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM Jr. FLY 7:30 PM Choir	26 AM Pastor Erik at Text Study 9:00 AM Quilting 6:30 PM Infant Support Group	27	28
Church Directory Photos: 24th - 27th 2:00 - 9:00 PM; Sat. 28th - 10 AM - 4:30 PM						
29 Fifth Sunday of Easter 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/ Coffee Hour 10:45 AM Sunday School 5:30 - 7:00 PM FLY Meatball Dinner 7:00 PM AA Meeting	30					

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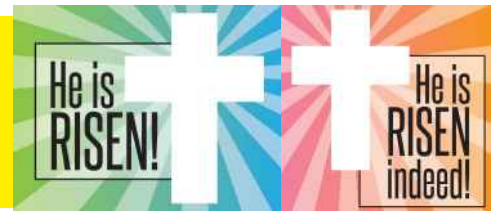
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know Christ and make
Christ known through
Worship, Christian
Education, Evangelism,
Caring Ministries, and
Service.”*

Easter Blessings to:

April 2018 Newsletter



Alleluia!



U, will like this...

THE U IN JESUS

Before **U** were thought of or time had begun,
God stuck **U** in the name of His Son.

And each time **U** pray, you'll see it's true,
You can't spell out **JesUs** and not include **U**.

You're a pretty big part of His wonderful name,
For **U**, He was born; that's why He came.

And His great love for **U** is the reason He died.
It even takes **U** to spell crucified.

Isn't it thrilling and splendidly grand
He rose from the dead, with **U** in His plan?

The stones split away, the gold trumpet blew,
And this word resurrection is spelled with a **U**.

When **JesUs** left earth at His Upward ascension,
He felt there was one thing He just had to mention.

“Go into the world and tell them it's true
That I love them all - Just like I love **U**.”

So many great people are spelled with a **U**,
Don't they have a right to know **JesUs** too?

It all depends now on what **U** will do,
He'd like them to know,
But it all starts with **U**.

Will **YOU** pass it on?



When **Jesus** died on the cross
he was thinking of you!