



# The Evangel

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## Our Saviour

### Lutheran Church

is a congregation of the  
Indiana-Kentucky Synod of the  
Evangelical Lutheran Church  
in America.

We welcome all  
to share in life with Christ  
as a community  
of faith in mission.

## OSLC

### Mission Statement

God calls us to make Christ's love  
real in our daily lives by:

- ✝ Growing in faith  
and discipleship
- ✝ Loving and serving God  
and neighbor
- ✝ Proclaiming the Good News  
of Jesus Christ

### Sunday Worship

9:00 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

Attended nursery available  
on Sunday mornings

### Easter Sunday Worship

8:15 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

Attended nursery available

### Fellowship

10:00 A.M.

Will Peugeot, Pastor

Michael Vinson, Campus Pastor

## The Answer Is Easter

After the April 2013 suicide of his 27-year-old son, Matthew, pastor and author Rick Warren was often asked how he was able to keep going. His frequent reply? *"The answer is Easter."*

In the Easter sermons Warren preached the following year, he emphasized that Jesus' resurrection is the answer to discouragement, defeat and devastating trials.



*"The death, burial and resurrection of Jesus happened over three days,"* Warren explained. *"Friday was the day of suffering and pain and agony. Saturday was the day of doubt and confusion and misery. But Easter, that Sunday, was the day of hope and joy and victory."*



*"You will face these three days over and over and over in your lifetime. And when you do, you'll find yourself asking, as I did, three fundamental questions. **Number one, what do I do in my days of pain? Two, how do I get through my days of doubt and confusion? Three, how do I get to the days of joy and victory? The answer is Easter."***

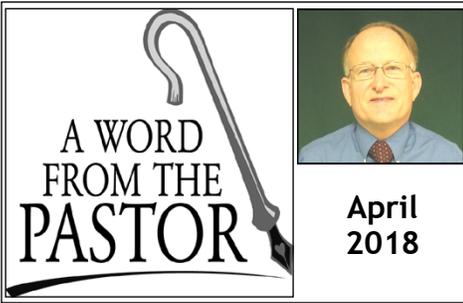
Easter Sunday, April 1

Sunrise Service, 8:15 A.M.

Breakfast & Egg Hunt

9:15—11:00 A.M.

Celebration Service, 11:15 A.M.



*"It's hard to be humble when you are so great."* That might well be the theme of this age. Look at any field of endeavor: politics, academia, business, religion. Those who get ahead put themselves forward to show how truly great they are. This self-promotion is sometimes labelled "marketing." Our age thinks this is good.

Throughout Lent we hear the Word of the Lord encouraging humbleness. On Ash Wednesday we heard Jesus say, *"Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them."* We enter Holy

Week hearing the great hymn to Christ's humility from Philippians: *"Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,...he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross."*

True humility comes when we recognize the great gift that is ours in Christ Jesus AND we did nothing to deserve it. God's grace is active in our lives, calling us to follow Christ, gathering us to receive Christ in Word and Sacrament, enlightening us toward greater understanding, sanctifying us as his people, and keeping us united with Christ and the whole Church.

Our boasting about ourselves is nothing but hot air. Our boasting about God's grace is a breath of fresh air. So, give the world a breath of fresh air. Boast about God's grace, mercy, and peace available to all people.

Pastor Will Peugeot's Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 A.M. - Noon  
 Contact info: Office: 743-2931; Home: 463-5057  
 Friday is Pastor Will's day off.

### Council Highlights, March 1

**Christian Education:** The Women's Retreat was a success. Planning for the Youth Gathering is ongoing. The total amount raised for the Souper Bowl of Caring was \$522.32.

**Property:** On February 13 and 14 Lafayette Glass came and took new measurements. The Spring Work Day will be April 14, 9am-2pm.

**Outdoor Banners:** Council feels they should be wider than 8'. Aaron, Angie and Sandra will meet to talk about ideas for what to put on them.

**March 25 Adult Forum:** We'll watch the video of Bishop Bill and then play the rest by ear.



### Times and Locations of Ministry Meetings

**Property** normally meets on the first Sunday of the month in the library, shortly after the 9:00 service ends. The meeting is moved to other Sundays as needed to accommodate the schedules of its members. If you are interested in attending the meetings or joining the property ministry team, please contact Matt Ohland at [ohland@purdue.edu](mailto:ohland@purdue.edu) to be notified of changes in the regular meeting time. **Fellowship Events** meets in the Fellowship Hall on Servant Sundays. All are welcome! **Christian Education** meets in the Fellowship Hall following the 11:15 service on Servant Sundays. New members are welcome! **Operations** meets only when there is a need or crisis. If you would like to attend one of the meetings, please email Chris Johannsen and he will notify you of the time and place. **Finance** normally meets on Servant Sunday between the services in Pastor Will's office. **Social Justice Ministry** meets in the Fellowship Hall on Servant Sunday, on an as-needed basis. All are welcome!

### Baptismal Birthdays



#### April

John Larson	1
Herb Ohm	1
George Gough	2
Justin Walsh	5
Elaine Baumgardt	7
Maria Guido	7
Jim BeMiller	14
Charlotte Erdmann	18
Sam Rasmy	26
Valeri Guido	30

### OSLC Spring Work Day Saturday, April 14 9 A.M. to 2 P.M.

Please put this on your calendar and help as you are able with Spring maintenance. There is a list in the narthex to sign up for things to do. The work can be done anytime that's convenient for you, but if you can come April 14 between 9 A.M. and 2 P.M., you can join others working in fellowship, including lunch around noon.



# News and Notes

## News from the Tree of Life Center

Therapist Marcia Daehler continues with the four week course of good self-care techniques including mindfulness, stress release and relaxation that began on Sunday 25 March 2018. OSLC members are welcome. If you plan to participate, we would be delighted if you brought a friend. Please RSVP to Marcia at 765.414.5229.



### Free Third Thirty Workshop Saturday, April 14, 9 A.M. to Noon Central Presbyterian Church

(Education Building, 7<sup>th</sup> and South Sts, Lafayette)

The “Third Thirty” is a concept focused on how to age wisely, happily, respectfully and graciously, using our faith and spirituality. It opens our minds and helps us generate the confidence we need, whether we are a caregiver or someone approaching our own “Third Thirty.”

Topics and Issues to be covered and discussed:

- ◆ retirement (whether by choice or imposed)
- ◆ the loss of independence
- ◆ Planning A Good End (PAGE)
- ◆ loss of a spouse or loved one
- ◆ downsizing and all that stuff
- ◆ making good use of all that time
- ◆ involving your family in your plans, or not
- ◆ accepting help from others

**If you have parents or grandparents approaching retirement or who are in their third thirties, or you are in your third thirty, this workshop is for you. If you are a pastor, church educator, lay leader, or involved in adult education, this workshop is also for you!**

See the registration form to the right. 

## We Did It!

We’ve known for several months now that our Capital Campaign was going to surpass its goal of \$125,000. The only question was by how much. Our final contribution tally came in at \$148,537. That’s 119% of our goal. What a blessing!

Thank you for your financial support of our renovations (e.g., lighting in worship space, balcony window, kitchen appliance updates) over the past two years.

Capital Campaign Committee  
Carl Behnke  
Jane Krause  
Ken Musselman

REGISTRATION FORM FOR WORKSHOP - MAKING - "THIRD THIRTY" A GREAT THIRTY  
Saturday, April 14, 2018 - 9AM to Noon  
Registration is due - April 9, 2018 and there is no charge for the Workshop

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_ CLERGY \_\_\_\_\_ Lay \_\_\_\_\_

Return to: Central Presbyterian Church, 31 N. 7th St., Lafayette, IN 47901  
Or RSVP by email to - [dannead@aol.com](mailto:dannead@aol.com)

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# Social Justice Updates

## Family Promise

The 2018 Homeward Bound Walk and 5K Run will be held on Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at Memorial Island at Columbian Park.



Our steering committee has been working hard to make this year's event the best yet! We've added a professionally timed 5K run at 11 A.M.! You can register on-line (join the OSLC team or create one) at

<https://homewardbound.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=10299>

We encourage youth groups, families, and work groups to get involved; this is a fun filled event for everyone!

Homeward Bound is an annual event that takes place to raise funding for and awareness about affordable housing and homelessness. The event is organized and governed by a local steering committee made up of dedicated community leaders. Every dollar raised goes directly to the benefiting agencies of Homestead CS, LTHC Homeless Services, Family Promise, and PATH.

The Homeward Bound Walk is an approximately 2-mile non-competitive walk. It begins at 2 P.M. The 5K Run is a 3.1 mile professionally chip timed event.

Both races will take place rain or shine. Also, refreshments will be provided for participants of both the walk and the run.



OSLC and UU will be hosting Family Promise guests April 22<sup>nd</sup> through April 29<sup>th</sup>. The schedule of needs is posted outside the office for sign-up. As I will be out of town the first two weeks in April, let Sandra or Julie Huetteman know of any concerns. I will return on the 15<sup>th</sup> to finalize things for the week of hosting. The sharing of your time for this outreach ministry is very much appreciated.

Thank you,  
Ruth Ewbank



The new building is going up! Here's a picture! FPGL is keeping busy getting the interior design and details arranged! This is an exciting time for Family Promise.

**A big THANK YOU to the donors and foundations that are making this project possible. We are grateful for the following supporters!**

- \*North Central Health System (NCHS) \$560,000 (construction)
- \*The New Market Tax Credit program through Faith CDC and The City of Lafayette \$100,000 (land)
- \*The Scheumann Family Foundation \$120,000 (construction)
- \*The Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette \$14,500 (appliances)
- \*Men Who Give (Community Foundation) \$7,400 (furnishings)
- \*Riley Children's Foundation \$1900 (Children's furnishings)

## 7<sup>th</sup> Annual LUM Follies

### *A Special Event Benefiting a Special Fund*

Lafayette Urban Ministry would be honored with your presence at the  
**LUM Good Samaritan Fund FOLLIES**  
for the benefit of the LUM Good Samaritan Fund  
**Friday, the thirteenth of April**

**Social hour - 5:30 P.M.**

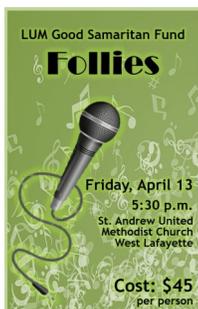
**Dinner - 6:30 P.M.**

**Follies entertainment - 7:30 P.M.**

**St. Andrew United Methodist Church**

**West Lafayette**

**\$45 per person - \$360 per table**



*LUM Follies is a lighthearted evening of fine dining, entertainment, fun and good company, filled with joyful surprises. One hundred percent of the proceeds from this event go to the LUM Good Samaritan Fund, an emergency financial assistance program that supports local families.*

## I-K Lutheran

### *Where God is doing new things*

On Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, sixty young people from across Indiana and Kentucky, accompanied by adult youth ministry leaders, pastors, and deacons, gathered at Pilgrim Lutheran Church, Carmel, IN, for the third annual Bishop's Youth Day. (Another forty who had registered were unable to attend because of weather.) Ranging in age from eighth grade to seniors in high school, this group of young disciples was energetic, engaged, and inspiring.

At worship that day we used the scripture texts for the next day, Transfiguration Sunday. In Mark's telling of the transfiguration story we hear God say, *"This is my Son, the beloved; listen to him."* As I looked around the room that Saturday in February I also heard God say, *"These are my beloved children; listen to them."* I am writing to share with you what I heard when I listened. I hope you'll listen, too.

The participants, young people and adults alike, were formed into small groups who rotated through a series of breakout sessions. When they came to mine, I asked them three questions and asked them to record an answer to each on a Post-It note and stick it on the wall: (1) What is an issue that high school students face? (2) What is something that you like about your home congregation? (3) What do you want the church and its leaders, like me, to know or do?

The answers to the first question were both heartbreaking and important to hear: bullying, pressure to achieve, stress, relationship challenges, depression, fear of letting down parents, being accepted, anxiety...As joyful and buoyant as our young people can be, so many of them also struggle with very serious issues and concerns around relationships, belonging and identity, and pressure and stress of many kinds. I also learned that some of them are occasionally ridiculed for being involved in church. I was left wondering, How might each of us and our congregations pay closer attention to the young people in our midst and in our communities and accompany them with compassionate listening and unconditional welcome, with healing, hope and love?

Clearly, some of this is already happening in their congregations, our congregations. What do you like about your congregation? *"Everyone is nice to everyone and no one judges."* *"Super friendly."* *"Welcoming to all."* *"Our small youth group are good friends."* *"Dedicated parishioners."* *"We are family."* *"Kindness and willingness to help."* *"The people."* *"Financial and personal support of youth."* *"Everything!"* Over and over these young disciples testified to the welcome, sense of belonging, and support they receive from you, the people of God gathered as local congregations. This is the foundation for forming young people in faith and they are paying careful attention to how we treat them and others. Thank you for this important ministry with them.

Finally, here's a smattering of what they said they want the rest of the church and its leaders to know or do: *"Help us know how to live through God at school."* *"Young people have good ideas, too."* *"Change can be a good thing."* *"Church needs to be comfortable with uncertainty."* *"Be clear that ALL are welcome and live it."* *"Keep doing more service projects."* *"Include youth in decision-making."* *"More learning activities."* *"More ecumenical activities and service projects."* *"Remember to have fun."* *"Give youth more leadership opportunities."* *"Address social justice issues."* *"Keep focused on Christ for the world."* There it is, the summary of what our young people want us to know and do: keep focused on Christ for the world.

In the end, the pile of Post-It notes that I've been carrying around in my briefcase and in my heart since February 10<sup>th</sup> reminds me of this, at least this, and so much more: Our young people are a prophetic presence and voice among us, sisters and brothers. They are God's beloved children; let's listen to them.

Bishop Bill Gafkjen



Be the Lord's Messenger!

## APRIL UPDATES

### Annual Easter Brunch and Easter Egg Hunt

You and your family are invited to join us for our Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt between services on Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. The Egg Hunt will begin around 10:00 A.M.

### Thank you for your donations!

**Personal Care Kits:** On April 8<sup>th</sup>, personal care kits will be assembled between services. Our goal is to make 60 Lutheran World Relief kits. We appreciate your willingness to offer gifts of dignity and health to our neighbors around the world.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** Thank you for supplying candy and small toys for the Easter eggs! A special thank you to the Middle Schoolers for stuffing the eggs.

**Youth's GHFP Shoe Drive:** Over 80 pairs of shoes have been donated through March. You still have time to clean out your closets! Donations of gently used shoes (no winter boots needed) will be accepted through April 22<sup>nd</sup>.



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## VBS 2018

### Calling all Castaways!

Save the date:

**JUNE 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> (9—11:30 A.M.)**



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### Upcoming Events

- ⇒ **Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Easter Sunday Egg Hunt  
No Sunday School
- ⇒ **Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>**  
Youth Coffee Hour  
Servant Sunday  
Pack Care Kits
- ⇒ **Wednesdays, April 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Catechism 7-8:30 P.M.

### Adult Forum Highlights

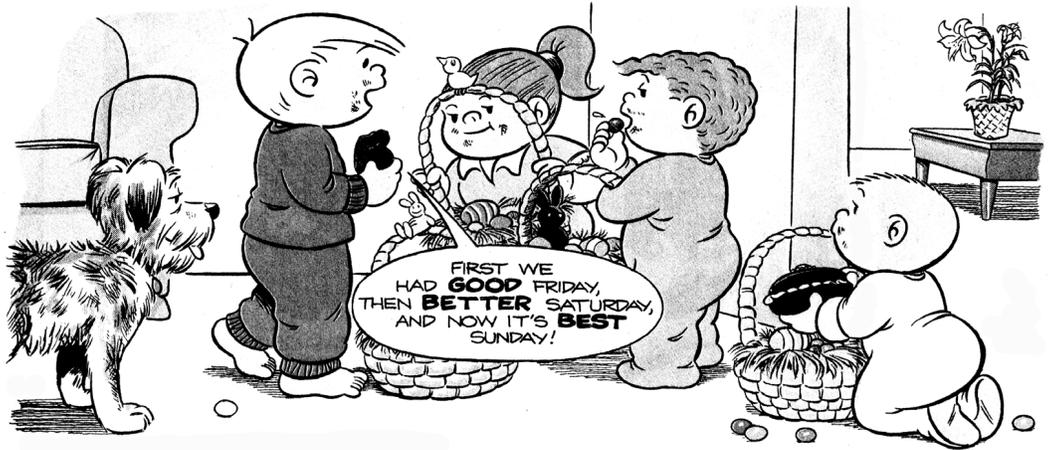
- ⇒ **Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Caregiver Companion
- ⇒ **Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**  
OSLC Council: Preparing to make a Call—Discernment Process



### Book Discussion Group

April Book:  
*The Memory House*  
by Linda Goodnight



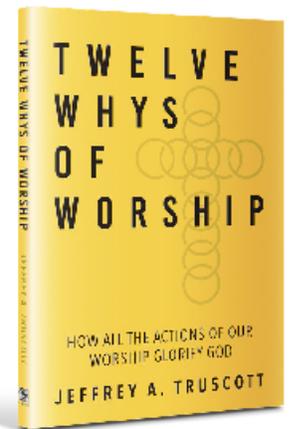


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Dear ELCA Missionary Sponsoring Congregation:

Greetings once again from Singapore.

Currently, we are on a mid-semester break at Trinity Theological College in Singapore, where I teach ministerial candidates courses on worship and preaching. I am excited to announce the publication of a new book of mine: *Twelve Whys of Worship: How all the Actions of Our Worship Glorify God*. I anticipate that it will be available through Amazon, since my other book, *Worship: A Practical Guide* is listed with Amazon. For me, writing books on worship is a *ministry*; I write to help people grow in knowledge and in their ability (I hope) to think critically about different topics. But I also grow because writing helps to clarify and deepen my thought. Sometimes writing makes me aware of gaps in my knowledge. For example, as I finished *Twelve Whys*, I realized that I had not really addressed a deeper question: why bother with all of these ritual elements of worship when many Christians around the world find that merely “singing and a sermon” is sufficient? Yes, we preach, baptize, and hold a meal (communion) because these are actions commanded by God and contain saving promises. But some of our liturgical actions lack direct commands from Jesus himself. So why do them? This is the question that I hope to answer in my next book which will probably be entitled: *Ritual in Christian Worship: Why?* (If anyone can think of a better title, please let me know!)



Another aspect of my ministry is teaching beyond the walls for Trinity Theological College in Singapore. As it happens, I will be teaching at a local Lutheran Church this coming Sunday on the topic of “Contemporary Liturgical Worship” – and, no, “contemporary” and “liturgical” are not contradictory terms. I argue that the liturgical service of Lutherans and other Christians IS contemporary because it offers *exactly* what contemporary people need: the saving mercy of God in Jesus Christ! Besides that, the liturgy is always updating and adapting itself to the times and places of local communities through art, architecture, and music (among other things). Finally, I will be teaching two modules on worship at Malaysia Theological Seminary near Kuala Lumpur in May and then again in August. I anticipate teaching in Cambodia, Myanmar and China in 2019. Please pray for me as I prepare for these “missionary journeys” –as I like to call them.

**Please note that I will be in the United States on Home Assignment this summer.** I will be available for speaking and preaching in your churches from June 18 to July 21. As for Sunday preaching, I will give priority to those congregations whom I have *not* visited before. Do remember that it is possible for me to visit your church on a weekday to share about my work in Singapore. Please contact me about a visit via email.

Thank you for your support in all the forms that it takes.

Best regards in Christ,

Jeff Truscott

ELCA Missionary

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News items for the May *Evangel* are due to Sandra Vana (sandra@osluth.org) by 4/25/2018. Please type "Evangel" in the subject line.

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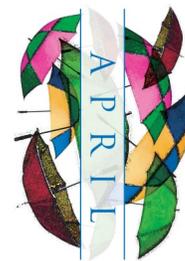
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