



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's Vision & Mission

God calls us to be a community of
discipleship for all, making Christ's
love real in our daily lives.

Grow in faith and Christian calling
Love and serve God and neighbor
Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Worship

April 7, 14, 28

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

April 21, Easter Sunday

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

Wednesdays during Lent

5:45 P.M.

April 18, Maundy Thursday

7:00 P.M.

April 19, Good Friday

7:00 P.M.

Attended nursery available
on Sunday mornings

Fellowship

10:00 A.M.

Sunday School

April 7, 14, 28: 10:15 A.M.

Judy Follis, Interim Pastor

Michael Vinson, Campus Pastor

Holy Week at OSLC

April 14: Passion Sunday Services
9:00 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

April 18: Maundy Thursday Service
7:00 P.M.

April 19: Good Friday Service
7:00 P.M.

April 20: OSLC Spring Work Day
9:00 A.M. — 2:00 P.M.

April 21: Easter Sunday Services
8:15 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

*Donations Needed for the Breakfast: Fruit and/or Fruit Salad and Pastries - If you'd like to contribute an item, add your name to the signup sheet by the OSLC office.

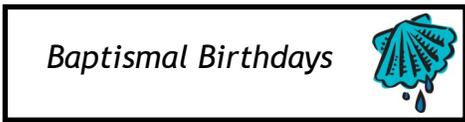
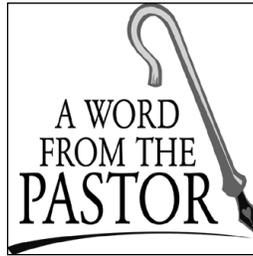


*"Our Lord has written the promise
of the resurrection, not in books
alone, but in every leaf in spring-
time."*

—Martin Luther

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

For those of you whom I have not yet had the privilege of meeting I am Pastor Judy Follis, serving as your interim pastor until OSLC calls its own pastor. For those of you whom I have already met I thought perhaps you may want to know more about me so you can get to know me better. It is my privilege and honor to serve all of you during this interim time while you are between called pastors.



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So, I have been an ELCA pastor for 20 years, serving all of that time in the Indiana-Kentucky Synod, the Northeast Conference. Prior to my becoming a pastor I was a dental hygienist in the Fort Wayne area for about 27 years. I was the called Pastor of Hope Lutheran Church near Columbia City, IN for 15 years before taking additional training to become an Intentional Interim Pastor. (Intentional merely means specially trained as opposed to a retired pastor serving as an Interim.)

My husband, Mike, and I have been married for soon-to-be 48 years. We are the proud parents of our two married sons, Jeffrey (Jen) and Stephen (Amy) and the extremely proud grandparents of our three grandsons, Logan, Gavin and Blake. Mike, a metallurgical engineer, retired from Dana Corporation this past December after 42 years of service.

We enjoy cheering Gavin (10) and Blake (8) who play hockey and baseball and Logan (16) who plays football. In the summertime Mike and I enjoy boating on Lake Wawasee in northern Indiana.

Once again, it really is my privilege and honor to serve God, serving you, as your Interim Pastor. Most weeks I'll be in town late Saturday afternoon through Monday late afternoon, working at home one day a week, except for the second week of the month I'll be in town through the Wednesday evening Council meeting. Please feel free to call or text me at 260.609.5543 or email me at jafollis@aol.com, particularly in the event of an emergency.

Servant of Christ,
Pastor Judy

Council Highlights from March 13

- The code for the back door will be changed soon.
- Motion to approve the contract for Pastor Judy, seconded, passed.
- Motion to allow the Property Ministry Team to seek an estimate on kitchen cabinets, seconded, passed.
- Motion to change to the summer worship schedule beginning May 19, seconded, passed



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 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 the pastor's office. **Social Justice Ministry** meets in the Fellowship Hall on Servant Sunday, on an as-needed basis. All are welcome!

News and Notes

Stewardship Column, April 2019

Call Process Update 3-25-19

Over the past two months, the Call Committee did initial interviews with three pastor candidates whose names were given to us by our Synod office. We did an initial Skype interview with each candidate and checked with their references. Based on that, we decided to proceed with an in-person interview with one of the candidates, which was done in early March. After the interview, we requested of that candidate that he be our "Primary Candidate", which would mean his name would be forwarded to the Church Council for consideration. At the same time, that candidate was being considered by another congregation. Perhaps unfortunate for us, the other congregation happened to be in the city where the candidate and his spouse both grew up, and where they still have family. Within the time period of a week, both OSLC and the other congregation asked this pastor to become their Primary Candidate. Not surprisingly, the candidate chose to accept the offer from the other congregation - - not an easy decision for him, he said, but an easy decision for his family.

Our Call Committee is waiting now for the Synod office to send us the names of additional candidates (normally just one at a time, after the initial three names are sent). We continue to ask the OSLC congregation members for prayers throughout the call process, to help guide everyone involved.

Stewardship at OSLC Stewardship Opportunity

A new project in stewardship will be introduced, starting April 1, to grow the OSLC Foundation significantly, so that we can make a bigger impact on projects we want to support. Anonymous donors are offering \$5,000 in matching your contribution dollar for dollar (doubling your gift) during this year ending December 31.

Examples of recipients in the past have been LUM, PLM, Mission Guatemala, ELCA Disaster Response, OSLC Capital Campaign and Freed to Lead, (a seminarian college debt reduction program).

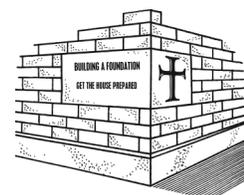
The OSLC Foundation strives to meet needs that might not be met by individuals or congregational efforts. The Foundation has consistently donated \$3,000 annually from its earnings for over 15 years. Although \$3,000 is a small amount, it becomes a large amount to those in need.

Our funds are managed by ELCA Pooled Trust and Mission Investment Fund. These instruments are available to church-related colleges, seminaries and congregations. Regular, consistent payments are made to us for our distribution.

Thanks for your support of our church's ministries. Let's grow our Foundation well beyond \$100,000 and take advantage of the \$5,000 match.

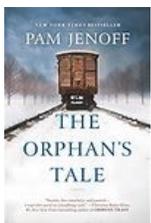
Look for updates on the progress of this opportunity over the course of the year, but know that it will be brought to a close at the end of this calendar year and you will hear the final results at next year's annual meeting.

—The Foundation Board



Give Hope Fight Poverty Shoe & Clothing Drive

Cleaning out closets for Spring? OSLC will collect gently used clothing and shoes (no winter boots needed) to benefit GHFP's programs in Eswatini (Swaziland). Donations will be accepted through **April 21**.



Book Discussion for April

The Orphan's Tale by Pam Jenoff

The Nightingale meets *Water for Elephants* in this powerful novel of friendship and sacrifice, set in a traveling circus during World War II.

Thank you for your help, support, and prayers during my recent knee replacement surgery on March 12. Friends from my working days and church, my sister Barbara, and other family members have been particularly helpful before and after surgery. This includes cards, phone calls, equipment, meals, and rides to appointments. I am particularly thankful to Diane Gray, Kathy Heise, Vera Weiser, Sue Larson, and Sue Hermodson for the meals that they provided. I would also like to thank Pastor Will for his visits and prayers. I appreciate the community that supports home health care, grocery delivery, and transportation services.

Charlotte Erdmann



APRIL UPDATES

Women's Fellowship Event Painting with a Twist!

Friday, April 5 from 6:30-8:30 P.M.

- \$35 for painting & \$5 for sandwich & drinks
- Adult beverages available for purchase
- No experience or ability needed. Join us for fellowship and fun!
- Please RSVP to Angie Henderson at angie@osluth.org
- Payment link for painting & for more information use code: OSLC

<https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/studio/lafayette-in/event/1960245/>

Easter Egg fillers needed

We are collecting donations to fill Easter eggs. Items will be collected in box located in the Narthex until April 14.

Annual Easter Brunch and Easter Egg Hunt

You and your family are invited to the Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt between services on Sunday, April 21. The Egg Hunt will begin around 10:00 A.M.

Save the Date

- VBS is June 24-28 at Badger Grove.
- “Life is wild and God is Good!”
- VBS will give kids a reason to Roar!



Contact Information for Angie Henderson, Director of Christian Education and Outreach:

EMAIL: angie@osluth.org Church: 765-743-2931 Cell/Home: 402-213-9157



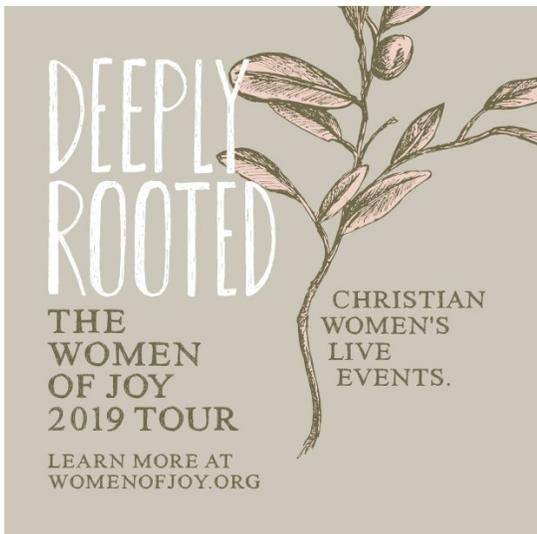
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Upcoming Events

- ⇒ **Sunday, April 7**
Servant Sunday and Youth Coffee Hour
- ⇒ **Sunday, April 21**
10:00 A.M.
Egg Hunt

Adult Forum Highlights

- ⇒ **Sunday, April 14**
Passion Sunday
No Adult Forum
- ⇒ **Sunday, April 21**
No Adult Forum
Easter Brunch between services
- ⇒ **Sunday, April 28**
Scott Vana
Bread for the World
Offering of Letters



August 16-17 Indianapolis, Indiana Bankers Life Fieldhouse

Speakers and Music:

Jennie Allen, MercyMe, Margaret Feinberg,
Karen Kingsbury, Angela Thomas Pharr, Charles Billingsley

Mark your calendars for an upcoming Women's Event. Please RSVP to Angie Henderson at angie@osluth.org or text to 402-213-9157. A sign-up will be available in April. Cost is \$99 for 10 or more by May 15. We plan to car pool for the 2-day event in Indianapolis. If you are interested in staying downtown with a group, let Angie know as housing is filling up fast.

Worship Assistant Schedule for April

Date & Time	Assisting Minister	Acolyte	Lector	Comm. Assistants	Ushers	Greeters	Deacon & A. Deacon	Altar Prep	Coffee Hr Hosts
April 7 9:00am	Beth Dana	Anna Henderson	Carl Huetteman	Kathy Grogan & Sue Axtell	Jesse Grogan & Ken Musselman	Allen & Ruth Anne Hammer		Diane Gray	OSLC Youth
April 7 11:15am	Scott Vana	Scott Vana	Sue Larson	Scott Vana	Sam & Renee Rasmy		Scott Vana & Renee Rasmy		
April 14 9:00am	Mary L. Waltmann	Emma Henderson	Bob Nielsen	Mark & Sue Hermodson	Vince & Sherri Guido	Carl Behnke		Vera Weiser	Open
April 14 11:15am	Scott Vana	Isabel Cardella	Sandra Vana	Scott Vana	Chris & Jo Johannsen		Scott Vana & Monica Cardella		
April 18 7:00pm Maundy Thurs.	Robert Hershberger	Lexi James	Dee Hershberger	Vera Weiser & Marcia Daehler	Vicki Mills & a Friend			Vicki Mills	
April 19 7:00pm Good Friday	Mike Dana	Scott Vana	Sandra Vana		Sandra Vana & a Friend				
April 21 8:15am Easter	Sherri Guido	Anders Ohland	Sonya Margerum	Mary L. Waltmann & Vince Guido	Wayne & Ruth Ewbank	Wes & Krista Gearhart		Vicki Mills	Easter Breakfast (Carl's in charge)
April 21 11:15am	Emily Ohland	Cindy Modlin Adams	Sandra Vana	Cindy Modlin Adams	Sue Larson & Aaron Johnson		Scott Vana & Cindy Modlin Adams		
April 28 9:00am	Kathy Heise	Max Cassou	Mike Dana	Diane Gray & Emily Ohland	Marcia Daehler & Suzanne Nielsen	Nancy & Chuck Calahan		Sue Axtell	The Rasmys
April 28 11:15am	Reuben Peterson	Abigail Black	Jean	Reuben Peterson	Holly Black		Scott Vana & Charlotte Erdmann		

Bread for the World's 2019 Offering of Letters

Better Nutrition, Better Tomorrow



Joseph Molinari for Bread for the World



Rodgers, a young child in Uganda, is growing strong and healthy. Unlike 1 in 4 children around the world, Rodgers has escaped the lifelong sentence of stunting caused by chronic malnutrition. Rodgers has a brighter future because of a U.S.-funded program that helps his mother and father grow crops rich in Vitamin A and iron.

When you take part in Bread for the World's 2019 Offering of Letters: Better Nutrition, Better Tomorrow, you will help more children grow and thrive.

By spending a few minutes to write a personal letter or email to your members of Congress, you will help improve nutrition for mothers and children.

Your letter—along with letters from thousands of other people of faith across the country—will help persuade Congress to make improving global nutrition a priority. This outpouring of letters will also urge Congress to increase funding for programs that provide better diets for poor farmers, promote breastfeeding for young children, and ensure safe drinking water. These measures will save the lives of children and help meet the international goal of ending hunger by 2030.

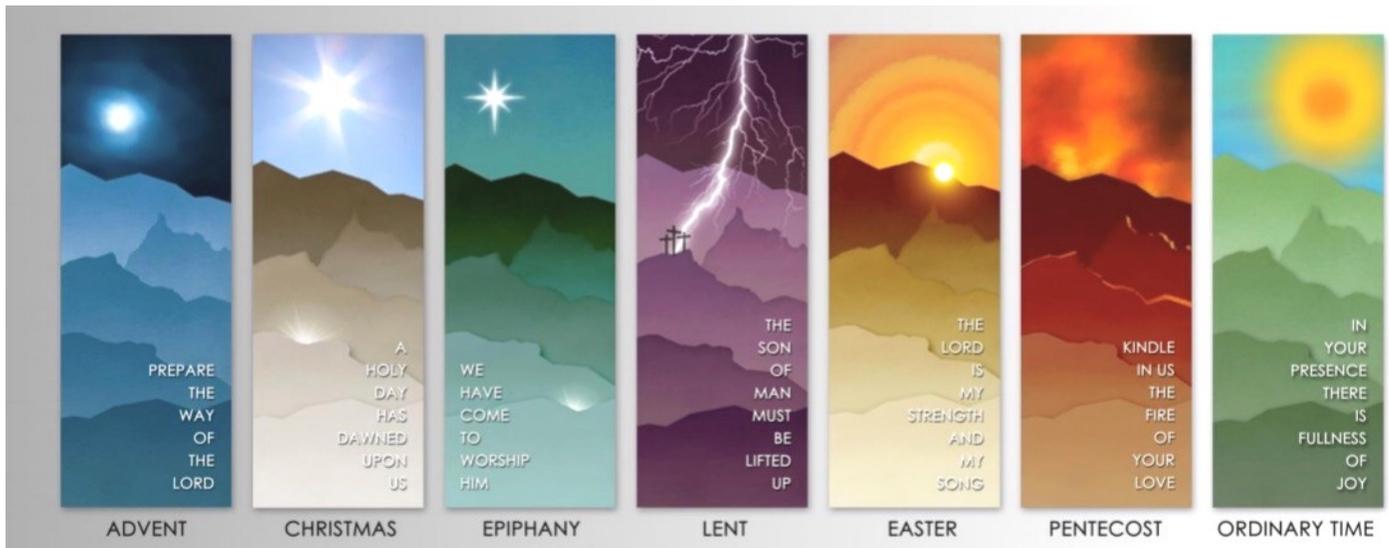
Moved by God's love in Jesus Christ, we reach out in love to our neighbors. We join other people of faith, and we work together to give children a brighter future with better nutrition.

On Sunday, April 28 during the Adult Forum Scott Vana will lead us in writing letters as part of Bread for the World's 2019 Offering of Letters.

We'll review the significant progress achieved in 2018 to reduce hunger, and then urge our elected officials to increase programs that fight child malnutrition. Please join us!

Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad. For more than 40 years, Bread for the World's members have helped win bipartisan support for measures that address the causes of hunger. Each year, thousands of churches from many different faith traditions take part in the Offering of Letters.





Arts Ministry Update: Part II

Last month Emily Ohland and I wrote a brief history of the work that has been done by the “altar banner task force” over this past year to research possible new art for the wall behind our altar area. This month we are happy to announce that we have contracted with liturgical artist Linda Witte Henke of Westfield, IN to purchase her series of banners entitled ‘Journey’. The series consists of the seven banners you see here: one each for Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Pentecost and Ordinary Time as well as two banners for the Easter Season. We are excited that the banners have arrived! If you would like to learn more about Linda and her extensive body of work, please see her website at www.lindahenke.com.

There is some finish work to be done on the banners so you will not see them right away. We need to add a backing to each banner and hem them according to the artist’s directions before they will be ready to hang. The OSLC quilting group that meets monthly to create quilts for Lutheran World Relief has volunteered to complete this work for us. Thank you to Mary Waltmann, Ruth Ewbank, Judy Ohm and Renee Rasmy for giving their time and skills to this project. Thank you to Pastor Will who introduced us to Linda’s work, and finally, a special thank you to Jo Amstutz and her family for the memorial donation that has provided the funding for this beautiful new art!

Emily Ohland, Chair, Arts Ministry
Sue Larson, Vice President, Council

JOURNEY COLLECTION



A common topography traverses the seven panels in the Journey collection to create the common sense of “place” that is each person’s life. Changing views of that topography encourage use of the liturgical seasons as a lens for reflecting on the changing seasons of the life/faith journey.

- + A night sky combines with text to capture the mystery of Advent.
- + The blinding morning sun/star of Christmas combines with text to illuminate the incarnation that changed the world.
- + The Epiphany star combines with text to compel worship of God’s word-made-flesh.
- + A bolt of lightning combines with text to shatter the darkness and point to the culmination of Christ’s life-death journey at the cross.
- + A radiant dawn combines with text to engage participation in the joy of God’s New Day at Easter.
- + A raging wild fire combines with text to remind us that the Spirit’s work, begun at Pentecost, is far-reaching, all-consuming, and beyond human control.
- + A relentless sun combines with text and a verdant landscape to remind us that no Time is Ordinary when God disperses disciples to live lives of love for God, neighbor, creation, and self.

Multivalent imagery combines with a subdued color palette to make the seven-panel Journey collection one that prompts faith-full insight and encourages deep reflection.

Social Justice Updates and Opportunities



You can bring God's love and light to a local senior!

Are you looking for a simple, yet meaningful way to live out your faith? Your compassionate heart for others is needed to come alongside isolated seniors and weary caregivers who live around us with loving, non-medical help. Often just 1 hour a week is all that's needed to make a difference in someone's life and it could make a difference in your life, too!

Some current volunteer opportunities:

- * Transportation for elderly who are unable to drive
- * Light House Cleaning/Organizing for aging and frail community members
- * Visiting and Companionship for isolated seniors
- * Sitting with a caregiver's loved one so the caregiver can take a needed break
- * Simple in-home repairs or yard work assistance

Come and be amazed at the blessings that come from being there for someone in Tippecanoe County during a season of need. Great opportunity for your family, too! **Contact our office at (765) 423-1879 or caregiver95@gmail.com before April 12th to attend our monthly training class.**

CASA Program of Tippecanoe County Spring 2019 training

Description

We are currently recruiting for a Spring 2019 training class that begins on Thursday, April 4, 2019. If you would like to know more information on how you can participate in the next training series, please call Dawn at 765-423-9109 ext. 4 or e-mail at dtennes-sen@tippecanoe.in.gov, or simply apply at www.tippecanoe.in.gov/casa.

What is a CASA volunteer?

A Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) is a trained community volunteer who is appointed by a judge to represent the best interests of an abused or neglected child victim in court. CASA volunteers are able to focus on the child and their needs while they are in the system. (I.C. 31-34-10-3)

What is the CASA volunteer's role?

A CASA volunteer provides the judge with a carefully researched background of the child to help the court make a sound decision about the child's future. Each case is as unique as the child involved. The CASA volunteer must determine what is in a child's best interest. The CASA volunteer makes recommendations regarding necessary services and placement options to the judge and follows through on the case until it is permanently resolved.



2019 Annual Letter Carriers Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive

Fill a bag. Volunteer. Help feed families.

Letter Carriers Branch #466 and local Rural Letter Carriers, in collaboration with the United States Post Service, United Way of Greater Lafayette, and Food Finders Food Bank, will once again participate in the National Association of Letter Carriers' (NALC) Annual "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive held nationally on May 11. This year marks the 27th anniversary of this food drive nationally, and the 25th year locally. Food donations will go directly to Food Finders Food Bank for distribution to its partner agencies.

The largest nationwide one-day food drive requires dozens of local volunteers to make it a success! See below for shift details, times, and registration. Shifts run throughout the day and include group and family-friendly options!

Date: Saturday, May 11th

Times: Multiple Shifts Available

Locations: 26 East Post Office, Business System Solutions WL,
Christ United Methodist Church and Food Finders Food Bank

**Sign up your family, small group or
just you at a Site Close to you!**



Family Promise Updates and Opportunities

New Online Training for Volunteers

Laurie Earnst, Executive Director of Family Promise, has created an online training session. Anyone can now access training by watching the video (a PowerPoint slide presentation with recorded audio). After watching the video the volunteer contacts Laurie to set up a facility tour and to complete paperwork.

Here is the link to the online training session: <https://1drv.ms/p/s!Asblez3fX3HGgl4Kc3wEJVzy8L4q>

[Asblez3fX3HGgl4Kc3wEJVzy8L4q](https://1drv.ms/p/s!Asblez3fX3HGgl4Kc3wEJVzy8L4q)

In-person training sessions will also be available in the future, but this online option will allow volunteers to access the training anytime it fits their schedule and whenever they can't attend a scheduled session.

If you complete the online training, tour and paperwork, please let Julie Huetteman know that you are available to help fill our volunteer slots for the weeks that we host in 2019: June 10-16, August 19-25, and October 28-November 3.

It is time to gear up for the Homeward Bound walk on April 28, 2019! We are encouraged to start gathering teams for this year's event. As always, we are asked as a partnering congregation to commit by gathering pledges and sending walkers the day of the event! This year there will be food and special events for families including an animal mini-zoo for the kids to enjoy! For more details see the flyer to the right.

Donations

These are currently needed at Family Promise:

- ⇒ Paper towels
- ⇒ Deodorant
- ⇒ Dishwasher pods
- ⇒ Kid friendly individualized snacks (breakfast bars, fruit bars, crackers, etc)
- ⇒ Walmart gift cards (used for personal items like underwear, socks, work uniforms, etc)

HOMEWARD BOUND WALK

APRIL 28, 2019

Homeward Bound is a local walk to promote homeless and affordable housing service providers throughout Indiana. This event is designed to raise funds for and awareness about affordable housing and homelessness.

Where: Columbian Park, Memorial Island **Cost:** Walk is free but donations of \$25+ will receive a t-shirt (*while supplies last*)

When: April 28, 2019
Registration opens at 1pm | Walk at 2 pm

Why: Raise funds to support affordable housing, end homelessness, and increase our community's awareness of these issues

Individuals and teams are encouraged to raise pledges to help meet our \$50,000 goal.

Benefitting:
Family Promise | HomesteadCS
LTHC Homeless Services

Register at: greaterlafayettehomewardbound.com

For more information about the Greater Lafayette Homeward Bound visit the website or email Jennifer Layton (jlayton@lthc.net)



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I-K Lutheran Where God is doing new things

April 2019



They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.

Mary Magdalene, first report from the empty tomb [John 20:2]

She turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus...supposing him to be the gardener...

Mary, weeping outside the tomb [John 20:14-15]

Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.

On the road to Emmaus, the first Easter evening [Luke 24:16]

New life rises from a stone-closed tomb and it goes unnoticed, unrecognized, unappreciated. The first visitors to the empty tomb assume that the body has been moved or stolen. One of them thinks the just-risen Jesus is the gardener. Others ask the traveling companion who comes up alongside them if he's the only one who doesn't know what awful things happened to Jesus in Jerusalem...and it turns out the companion is, in fact, Jesus.

This life is so new, so fresh, so unexpected that no one sees it for what it is: world changing, life transforming resurrection. People just like you and me squint at the new life through old lenses, lenses clouded by long-held assumptions and colored by fear yet rendered obsolete the moment Jesus shed the shroud and left the tomb.

We are Easter people. We live on the far side of the resurrection of Christ. We proclaim for seven weeks: Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Yet we so often walk through our days as if Jesus were still lingering in the tomb. Resurrection life is afoot in the world and, squinting through old lenses, we so often miss it.

Thankfully, this Risen One is persistent. He keeps coming up alongside us to give us new lenses to see the new life he offers. A sip of wine and a bit of bread...water and Word washing over us...forgiveness offered or received...a friend living in recovery day by day...a simple sunrise or the complexity of a relationship restored...these and so much more are signs of resurrection and new life afoot in the world, so easy to overlook or mistake for something else. In, with, and under the mundane matters of our drudging days the Risen One comes near again and again to speak our name, open our eyes, stir our hearts, take our hands, and lead us out of dark tombs into resurrection light.

This Eastertide, may God's Spirit open our eyes wide with wonder to see new life coming near, open our hearts to receive it with hope and joy, and open our hands to share it with all we meet along the way.

*Christ, our companion, hope for the journey,
Bread of compassion, open our eyes.
Grant us your vision, set all hearts burning
That all creation with you may arise.*

[Susan Palo Cherwien, "Day of Arising," ELW 374]

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!

✠Bishop William Gafkjen



From the Bishop of the ELCA

March 15, 2019

Dear Church,

Today we awoke to the devastating news of the mass shootings at two mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand. We join in mourning for the people who were killed and wounded, for their families, for the first responders and grief counselors, and for all whose lives have been shattered today. We know that God is present in the midst of their suffering.

We know that our own Muslim neighbors here in the U.S. are also experiencing grief and fear. Many will wonder whether it is safe to attend Friday prayers today. These are not the kinds of questions that any of us should have to ask ourselves as we seek to live out our religious commitments. Yet, devastatingly, this is also a reality that binds us together as people of faith. As I wrote last November in the wake of the Tree of Life shooting: “Hate-filled violence knows no bounds – whether a Sikh Temple in Oak Creek, a Christian church in Charleston, a Jewish synagogue in Pittsburgh” – and now these mosques in New Zealand.

Together with our ecumenical and inter-religious partners, we stand shoulder to shoulder in condemning hatred, bigotry, racism and violence whenever and wherever it occurs. We do so because all people are made in the image of God. Therefore, as an act of neighborly love, I urge you to reach out to your Muslim neighbors today and in the days to come to ask how you might offer solidarity and support – joining whenever possible with other ecumenical and inter-religious neighbors.

I leave you with the words of Psalm 16:1: “Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.” This is my prayer – for our Muslim neighbors, for the people of Christchurch, and for all who mourn and are afraid. May we see in this devastation the possibility to be Christ’s presence with our neighbors in this world – to be present in their suffering and to be partners in God’s justice and peace.

In peace,



The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton

Presiding Bishop, ELCA



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News items for the May *Evangel* are due to Sandra Vana (sandra@osluth.org) by 4/24/2019. Please type "Evangel" in the subject line.

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