

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Karen and I hope everyone had a wonderful Valentine's Day. As we all know, February is a month that everyone hopes leads to an early spring in March. It's hard to believe that Lent is right around the corner. It seems like only yesterday we were celebrating the birth of Jesus. Now the solemn period of Lent will start, culminating with Our Joyous Easter in April. I want to thank all the members that are involved in "The Soup Suppers" for putting this together. I know the Members of Bethany enjoy this event before the Service.

Our projects are continuing. The Organ update is nearing completion of Phase 2. Phase 3, which was already in the total cost of the project, is underway. If you remember, Phase 3 is replacing existing pipes with better sounding pipes. We are planning a Dedication Service for the Organ on a Sunday afternoon in June. More details will follow as we get closer. The Service promises to be filled with guest musicians and music to highlight the organ and its new sounds.

The Kitchen Project is still in the planning stages. Ideas of how the kitchen will be used in the future, the needs of the people using the kitchen, and the flow of space have been incorporated into a plan. We are now investigating the cost of these plans to see if they fit into our financial plans. The Long Range Planning Committee hopes to share these plans with the Members by late Spring or early summer.

Karen and I wish you all well, and hopefully an early Spring. I also want to thank Todd Matte for filling in while we are gone.

Robert (Bob) Wuerzberger, Council President

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3-1: Joanne Stangel	3-18: Gilbert Sternitzky	3-26: Vicki Lindstrom
Milly Menzer	3-20: Joanie Schnettler	3-29: Pastor Robert Steele
3-8: Ivan Hazen	3-22: Shirley Ottman	
Alaric Hazen	3-23: Jerry Sabrowsky	
3-09: Elanore Faucher	3-24: Barbara Vogt	
3-11: William Paltzer	3-25: Katelyn Regutis	

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

3-03: Bill & Judi Strenger
3-18: Jason & Jill Mengel

If we missed a member's birthday or anniversary, please contact the church office and let us know.

MARCH/APRIL CHARITY OF THE MONTH

The March/April charity of the month is Lutheran Bible Translators. The mission of Lutheran Bible Translators is to help bring people to faith in Jesus Christ by making the Word of God available to those who do not yet have it in the language of their hearts. To learn more about LBT, visit their website at www.lbt.org.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILTING TO BEGIN

Bethany World Relief Quilters will begin their FINAL SEASON on Tuesday, March 10 at 9:30 a.m. in the church basement. We will meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the months of March through November. We have between 40 and 50 beautiful finished tops left that we hope to assemble for October shipping. If anyone is so inclined to come and help us with "this final push", it would be very much appreciated.



Soup Suppers at Bethany

Please join us in the fellowship hall prior to each Lenten Service beginning at 5pm for a soup supper. Join together for a time of fellowship sponsored by Thrivent Choice Dollar funds. Anyone wishing to bring a dessert to share is welcome to do so. This year, we will have different groups "hosting" each of the Soup Suppers. A free will offering will be taken each night to help raise money for various charities as well as to cover some of the cost of the supplies. If you are interested in hosting one of the Suppers, please contact Gina in the church office.



DEADLINE TO DIRECT THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

MARCH 31st IS THE DEADLINE TO DIRECT YOUR CHOICE DOLLARS FROM 2019, OTHERWISE THESE FUNDS WILL BE LOST.

All Thrivent members at Bethany please remember to direct your "Thrivent Choice Dollars" to Bethany Lutheran Church if you have not already done so.

Thrivent cards on the shelf near Pastors office will help guide you. If you are unsure if you have funds available to direct just call 1-800-847-4836 to check. Any questions please see Lynn Luebke, Dave Prange, or Mary Madden and they would help you also.

Thanks to those who have already directed their dollars. These dollars help fund programs, events and missions for Bethany as you can see outlined in the 2019 Annual Report.

EASTER FLOWERS

It's time to order Easter plants for decorating our church on Easter Sunday. If you would like to purchase a plant, please fill out the form below, make check out to **Bethany Lutheran Church** and give or mail to Shirley Mueller, 1714 Autumnwood Ct. Sheboygan, WI 53081. They also may be placed in the Altar Guild box in the Communication Room. Plants may be taken home after the Easter Sunday service.

Deadline to order is Sunday, March 22.

Easter Lilies:

- ___ One Stem, 5+ blooms. \$ 9.50
- ___ Double Stems, 9+ blooms. \$19.00

Blooming Plants:

Please circle choice of color you prefer

- ___ 6" Hydrangea - pink or blue. \$18.50
- ___ 6" Mum Plants - yellow, lavender, white. \$10.00
- ___ 6" Azalea - red, pink, variegated. \$18.50
- ___ 6" Reiger Begonia - pink, yellow, salmon. \$12.00
- ___ 6" Tulips - red, pink, purple, yellow. \$ 9.00
- ___ 6" Hyacinth, 3 blooms - pink, purple, white. \$ 9.00
- ___ 6" M. W. Geranium - burgundy, pink, purple. \$10.50
- ___ 6" Daffodils - yellow. \$ 9.00



Given by: _____

* In Memory of _____

* In Honor of _____

* Other _____

THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE THE MONTH OF MARCH 2020

Sunday, March 1 10:00 a.m. w/Holy Communion	Elder: Ushers: Acolyte: Scripture Reader: Altar Guild: Bulletin Folder: Door Locker:	David Hasler Group 7 – Andy, Austin, Noah Fibiger Ella Albert Steve Hazen Liz & Ken Buesing Sue Prange Lee Gumm
Wednesday, March 4 6:00 p.m.	Elder: Ushers: Acolyte:	Steve Hazen Group 8 – Todd, Lexie, Luke Matte Winston Hasler
Sunday, March 8 10:00 a.m.	Elder: Ushers: Acolyte: Scripture Reader: Altar Guild: Bulletin Folder: Door Locker:	Jason Mengel Group 1 – B. Marotz, T. Schnettler, Ivan & Alaric Hazen Grace Matte Lexie Matte Gina Fibiger, Rachel Johnson Sue Prange Tom Schnettler
Wednesday, March 11 6:00 p.m.	Elder: Ushers: Acolyte:	Shua Yang Group 2 – D. Fibiger, S. Hazen, Brian & Aiden Faucher Thomas Yang
Sunday, March 15 10:00 a.m. w/Holy Communion	Elder: Ushers: Acolyte: Scripture Reader: Altar Guild: Bulletin Folder: Door Locker:	Brian Faucher Group 3 – D. Luecke, K. Thompson, K. Rademacher Kaleb Faucher Lee Gumm Sue Prange, Lois Schmideler Sue Prange Patrick Johnson
Wednesday, March 18 6:00 p.m.	Elder: Ushers: Acolyte:	David Hasler Group 4 – Jerry Sabrowsky, Dave & Sue Prange Annalise Hasler
Sunday, March 22 10:00 a.m.	Elder: Ushers: Acolyte: Scripture Reader: Altar Guild: Bulletin Folder: Door Locker:	Andy Fibiger Group 5 – L. Gumm, S. Marotz, V. Hazen Madison Fibiger Norm Giertz Gina Fibiger Sue Prange Ken Thompson
Wednesday, March 25 6:00 p.m.	Elder: Ushers: Acolyte:	Steve Hazen Group 6 – Ray & Shirley Ottman, Derek MacKenzie Kaleb Faucher
Sunday, March 29 10:00 a.m. Examination Sun. (no communion)	Elder: Ushers: Acolyte: Scripture Reader: Altar Guild: Bulletin Folder: Door Locker:	Jason Mengel Group 7 – Andy, Austin, Noah Fibiger Ella Albert Todd Matte Kristine & Maggie Faucher Sue Prange Dan Fibiger

March 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
01 8:45am Bible Study Sunday School 10am Worship w/HC	02 6pm Altar Guild 6:30pm Elders	03	04 Confirmation 3:00 – 8 th grade 3:15 – 5 th grade 4:00 – 6/7 grade 5pm Soup Supper 6pm Lent Worship 7pm Joy Choir	05 5pm Early Communion Class	06	07
08 8:45am Bible Study Sunday School 10am Worship	09 5:45pm Bd of Ed 6:00pm Trustees 6:15pm Finance 7:00pm Council	10 9:30am Quilting	11 Confirmation 3:00 – 8 th grade 3:15 – 5 th grade 4:00 – 6/7 grade 5pm Soup Supper 6pm Lent Worship 7pm Joy Choir	12	13	14
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22 8:45am Bible Study Sunday School 10am Worship	23	24 9:30am Quilting	25 Confirmation 3:00 – 8 th grade 3:15 – 5 th grade 4:00 – 6/7 grade 5pm Soup Supper 6pm Lent Worship 7pm Joy Choir	26	27	28
29 8:45am Bible Study Sunday School 10am Worship Confirmation Examination	30	31				