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First Edition

"Growing God's Family by Serving"



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JANUARY 2019

WE ARE LOOKING FOR COUNCIL/COMMITTEE MEMBERS...

At the congregation's Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 10th, we will be electing members to serve on the First Lutheran Church Council. We are looking for members with a servant heart that can lead us well into the future. Listed below are responsibilities of the council members.

Council Meetings

Church Council is held once a month at a time and date to be determined by the new council. Most Council meetings are finished in two hours.

Ministry Areas

Each council member is given an opportunity to serve in an area of ministry. There are six ministry areas: Worship, Property, Education, Youth, Finance, and Outreach. Each council member is free to select an area that will best utilize their gifts. As the need arises, council members attend any meetings of their service area and share information with the council.

Worship Assistants

Each council member is asked to assist with Holy Communion at worship and is also scheduled to count money on Sunday mornings after worship on a rotating basis.

Therefore...

Serving on Church Council is your opportunity to grow spiritually, and to help oversee the operation of First Lutheran. This serving is a high privilege. We ask that you prayerfully consider this important role within the Body of Christ. For more information, please contact any of the nominating committee members:

Aaron Buhr	715-263-3824
Jackie Goodmanson	715-607-0621
Liane Petersen	715-263-3777
Jerry Thompson	651-328-0476

Thank you for your consideration!

WAPO Summer Bible Camp Registration Opens January 15th

Priority registration for summer bible camp at WAPO in Amery opens on January 15th and runs until March 15th. Our church's reserved numbers are guaranteed through March 15, 2019. On March 16th, those spaces are opened up on a first come, first served basis. Your custom link will still work after that date, if there is still space available. It is possible to register without the link, but the program options listed will be overwhelming.

Using the link will only show our church's reserved programs.

Link for Wapo & Ox Lake Programs: <http://lwlbc.com/first-clearlake>

Servant Leadership Application: <http://lwlbc.com/slp>

New for 2019!

Two weekends this summer of fully programmed family camp open to all families on a first come first serve basis.

Link for Wapo Family Camp: <http://lwlbc.com/wapofamily>

Links are not active until January 15th!

FINANCES

General Fund Update

Total offering as of December 9th (\$15,090 needed monthly) \$7,563.75

Mortgage Fund Update

Total offering as of December 9th (\$2,600 needed monthly) \$2,540.00

(Thrivent Mortgage Balance Remaining) \$203,800.00



Memorials Given to Building Fund

In Memory of

JoAnn Rosen
James Williams
Sharon Seeger

Given by

Lois Campion
Carol Williams
Lois Campion

WOMEN OF THE WORD (WOW)

Minutes of December 11, 2018 Meeting

Christmas potluck luncheon held at church @ 11AM. Thank you to all who attended. We enjoyed great food and fellowship!

Following lunch, our meeting was called to order by President, Gloria Hedquist.

Secretary's report was read. Motion to accept Secretary's report as read made by Eva Wilson. Seconded by Dixie Croes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: \$5826.27 in checking. Motion to accept Treasurer's report as read made by Jo Nilssen. Seconded by Jeanne Briesemeister. Motion carried.

Old business:

1. Smorgasbord
 - A. Change evening hours to 4-7pm. (currently 4-8pm)
 - B. Cut back on certain foods (ex: cheese, beef tongue, deviled eggs, meatballs)
 - C. Served 40 less people than last year
 - D. Use inserts for refilling crock pots at buffet table. Look into purchasing liners (inserts) only.
 - E. Reviewed prices for adults and children presently charged. Motion made to charge \$6 for children and \$12 for adults. Age 5 and under free. Look into family rate. Motion made by Dawn Peterson to accept new rate, seconded by Janet Monson. Motion carried.
 - F. Report requested as to the net funds generated. Kyle Overby has those numbers, per Gloria Hedquist.
2. New business:
 - A. Get list from Terri Moe as to whom to send Christmas cards to.
 - B. End of the year gifts: Christmas for Children \$150, Pastor \$150 and Interfaith Caregivers \$150. Dawn Peterson made motion to accept, seconded by Jo Nilssen. Motion carried.
 - C. Potluck meeting April, date to be determined.
 - D. Discussion of possible May Day Gold and Silver luncheon.

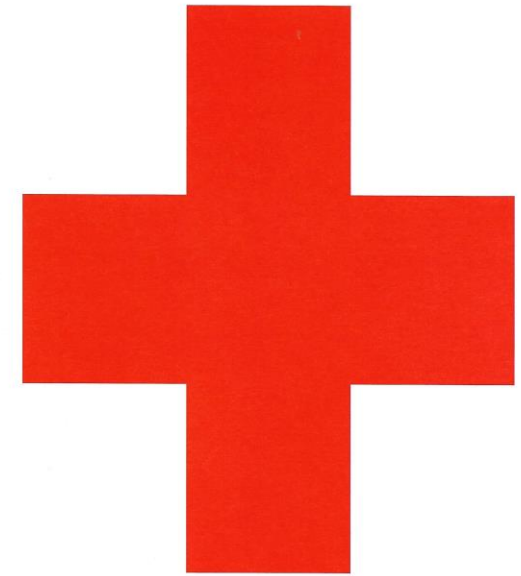
Motion to adjourn made by Janet Monson, seconded by Judi Desmond. Motion carried.

Barbara Anderson, Secretary/Treasurer

Give blood.

Every 2 seconds someone
in the U.S. needs blood.

American Red Cross



Blood Drive **Clear Lake Community** **First Lutheran Church**

811 South Avenue W

Monday, January 14, 2019
1:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org and enter: Clear Lake to schedule an appointment.



Scan to schedule
an appointment.

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | redcrossblood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

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JANUARY WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

ALTAR GUILD: Mike & Rosemary Johnson

ACOLYTES

6 Kelli Niles
13 Nick Haley
20 Nick Haley
27 Kiyah Krueger

READERS

6 Jody Hadac
13 Chris Petersen
20 Tim Wyss
27 Patti Wyss

COUNTERS: Janette Cain & TBD

COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Janette Cain

USHERS

6 & 13 TJ Buhr & Dale Wirth
20 & 27 Bob Croes & Craig Fouks

FELLOWSHIP SERVING

Council president, Dale Wirth has taken the initiative to coordinate a fellowship serving schedule for the upcoming year. In cooperation with our office he will be developing a fellowship assignment schedule so everyone can have an opportunity to continue and grow this valuable ministry. Families will be assigned a Sunday to put out the coffee and cookies that are provided or alternatively serve their own goodies following the 10am service. Please stay tuned for further information and we trust this will be a blessing for all who participate. Until this new plan for fellowship is up and running by February, we trust volunteers will simply step in and serve. There will be no sign-ups just lend a hand as needed.

Sincerely,
the First Lutheran Council

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



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| 1: Aric Moe
Jack Sullwold | 15: Sheri Weber |
| 3: Marlene Rundquist
Ashley Sempf | 16: Ashley Parent |
| 4: Beverly Alvermann
Jodi Barney | 18: Wyatt Connors
Gabe Colbeth
Samantha Kelly |
| 5: Jason Barney | 19: Natalie Jarchow
Jay Case |
| 6: Brenda Fořarty | 20: Carter Lillie |
| 8: Sheryl Wirth
Emily Monson
Theresa Anderson
Alyssa Davidson
Gayle Sullwold | 21: Josie Miller |
| 9: Gail Clark
Adam Loenser
Michelle Nelson
Stacia Hoefflerle
Rayna Case | 22: Dylan Davidson
Christian Roth |
| 10: Brent Hansen
Beverly Hennessy
Landon Everson
Dean Scholz | 23: Shirley Buhr
Jameson Jarchow |
| 11: Patrick Somsen | 24: Blaine Leslie
Dwight Martin |
| 12: Ryan Ayer
Paxton Krohn | 25: Veronica Fox |
| 14: Jane Prusak
Ashley LaBlanc
Kirsten Krohn | 26: Mathias Monson
Benjamin LaBeree |
| | 27: Mitchell Warner
Kayla Roe |
| | 28: Dennis Anderson
Charles Murray
Dylan Schramski
Andrew Buhr
Sterling Alvermann |
| | 29: Jolee Warner |
| | 30: Lisa Sloan
Hailey Veness
Amy Colęrove
Wyatt Buhr |

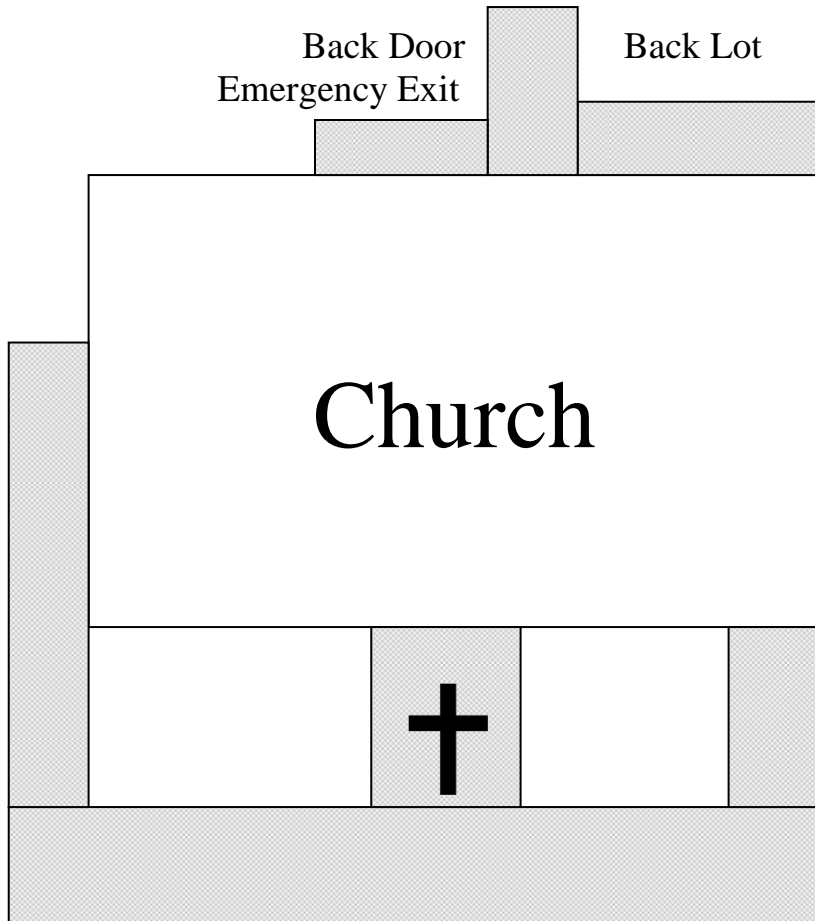
PLEASE HELP!

Snow shoveling volunteers are needed by the week throughout the winter. A sign-up sheet is posted on a clipboard in the fellowship hall. Thank you for your service.

Snow Shoveling Volunteer Map

Volunteers will clear all sidewalks and entrances as shaded below. All auto parking is cleared by a hired plow.

The church supplies shovels, ice chippers, salt or you may bring your own.



NEWS & NOTES



We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love: Levi Ramsey, Curt Measner, Nikki St. John and Paul O'Connell. *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*

Our sympathy is extended to the following families on the death of a loved one:

- Connie Young (father, Jerry Swenson)
- Kermit Thompson (sister, Donna Warner)
- Darcy Bruner (mother, Sharon Seeger)

Baptism: Jameson Terrance Jarchow, son of Jamie & Sara Jarchow

Ray Smith has moved to Otsego, Minnesota to be close to family. His new address is: 9200 Quantrelle Ave NE Apt 470
Otsego, MN 55330
(763) 441-9848



First Lutheran 2019 Annual Meeting will be held **Sunday, February 10th, starting at 10:30 AM.** Our worship will be shortened accordingly. All members are encouraged to attend and share their voice and vote on important issues. The meeting will consist of reviewing the 2019 proposed budget, financial reports, and election of Council members. Please mark your calendars for this important meeting! **ANNUAL REPORTS ARE DUE TUESDAY, JANUARY 15TH!**

ONGOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES (SIGN-UP SHEETS IN ENTRY.)

1. Offering Counters
2. Fellowship Serving
3. Sunday School Teachers
4. Snow Shoveling Volunteers



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Some of you may have done a Bible Marathon with me before. If so, why not try it again? Others may be attempting such for the first time. Either way I know it will be an immense blessing for all who participate.

In Christ,
Pastor Bryan

(Please return to church office or put in offering plate.)

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