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THE DAILY NEWS

March 2019

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Mar.. 3— 9am Worship**
Transfiguration Sunday
Nolsy Change Offering Sunday
- Mar. 6 – 5:00 pm Soup and Grilled Cheese**
5:25pm Confirmation Class
6pm Choir Practice
5-6:30pm Soup Grill Cheese Supper
7pm Worship—Ash Wednesday
- Mar. 10 — 9am Worship**
Name Tag Sunday
- Mar. 11 – 6:30pm Music & Worship**
Committee Meeting
- Mar. 12 – 6pm Council Meeting**
- Mar. 13—5:00 pm Soup and Grilled Cheese**
5:25pm Confirmation Class
6pm Choir Practice
5-6:30pm Soup Grill Cheese Supper
7pm Worship
- Mar. 17 – 9am Worship**
Temple Talk
- Mar. 20—5:00 pm Soup and Grilled Cheese**
5:25pm Confirmation Class
6pm Choir Practice
5-6:30pm Soup Grill Cheese Supper
7pm Worship
- Mar. 24 – 9am Worship**
Food Pantry Sunday
- Mar. 27—5:00 pm Soup and Grilled Cheese**
5:25pm Confirmation Class
6pm Choir Practice
5-6:30pm Soup Grill Cheese Supper
7pm Worship
- Mar. 31 – 9am Worship**

Finally, We Begin The Journey Of Lent

Beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing through Holy Week, our Mid-Week Lenten theme this year is “The Mission Table”. Over the years the church has increasingly suffered from decline. Many congregations are at risk. Ignoring the facts and hiding our heads in the sand does no one any good. The pace of change in the church must increase from that of a snail. This change however requires all people to be trained and willing to be engaged in all things within the local church. As I hope we know, the church is not merely a building, but rather the people of God working together in harmony. The church building (or the local congregational family) however, continues to be a focal point. Some might call it ‘home’. But just like in any home, how we did things yesterday is not necessarily the same way we do things today and tomorrow. Some churches, particularly some of the non-denominational churches (or emerging churches), have developed some wonderful ways of ‘doing church’. We clearly need to and want to incorporate some of the successful traits, learned from these newer emerging churches, into how Gloria Dei operates. And number one on that list is how we welcome and show warmth to others. We cannot become stuck in the old ways, pining for the days of old. Most visitors are not so much concerned about our history and form, but rather do they feel a connection with God’s Word being preached / taught? Do they feel and sense a genuinely warm and welcoming environment when they first walk in the door? This does not merely fall on the shoulders of the leaders, but with all family members, to be warm and welcoming (without being too nosy). Our worship must be meaningful. Our message must

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resonate. Our music should be an expression of who we are and whose we are.

In the context of this series, mission will refer to "God's reconciling and restoring action in the world." Table, in this series, is all about relationships and community. The table of our lives center around our trust in a God who exists in a perfect relationship with all three persons of the Trinity (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit). Our tables are expressions of God's love and community. Mission tables are when the kitchen table and altar tables merge both locally, globally, and inside our brick and mortar building called Gloria Dei Lutheran Church.

Pastor Jim will begin on Ash Wednesday by introducing us to what mission looks like and how Gloria Dei can make the mission model be meaningful. On the subsequent Wednesday evenings, our messages will look how the table was broken at creation, how we seek hospitality at our broken table, what does mission look like with a broken table, leadership at the mission table, and how do we set the (mission) table? Maundy Thursday will begin with a meal in the Social Center and integrating the kitchen table to the Altar Table. Good Friday, we will remember see how the Christ on the Cross actually restores the broken table, making it whole again.

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday evenings for our special Lenten worship. And remember that God loves you, and so do I.

Ministry Sign-Up Table: As you look around in the Narthex, you'll see that all of our sign-up sheets for up coming events have been moved. Please review and sign-up, as your heart allows. If nobody signs-up for an event, it may be canceled. Thank you to Becca Zimmerman for adding beauty and color to the table. We also thank Becca for Providing a fresh look to the Kiosk

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Looking for volunteers to help keep the church clean. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the narthex. Many hands make light work. Thank you!



In-Kind Donations

Please fill out the in-kind donation form, (You can request a form from the Church Administrative Assistant Ann Martin) or turn in any receipts for items purchased and donated to the church. This would include boxes of tissues, toilet paper, office supplies and any other items that would normally need to be purchased as part of the budget. Keeping track of all the items that are donated helps to ensure that our budget is accurate.

Treasurer - David Hoban.



Choir Practice

will be every
Wednesday, @ 6:00 pm.
If you would like to share
your vocal talents please
join in.

Karen's Korner

Wintery Greetings!

It's been awhile since I have greeted you from this venue. Be patient with me as I "get back in the saddle" and learn what this role is all about given our current outlook. I believe our "current outlook" is towards a brighter future for Gloria Dei. With the logo of Our Future is Now, we have taken when has been described as 'baby' steps in moving forward with the long-term goal of growing our future including a new minister. This has been a necessary part of the process. If you have been following our progress then you will know that this is a critical year for Gloria Dei. **IF** we all work together, I believe we can make bigger steps towards that goal.

To that end let me introduce you to the new council and share a little of what we will be doing at the beginning of this year.

Karen Ebert, President

Dianne Fett, Vice President

Barb Spiegel, Secretary

David Hoban, Treasurer

Dave Kohls, Director of Ministries

Ruth Camomilli- Liaison to Worship

Jerry Jensen, Stewardship

Roxanne Ruechel – Liaison to Outreach and Fellowship

Julie Schaefer – Liaison to Property

One of our first agenda's will be to set some goals for this coming year. Because the welfare of all of Gloria Dei is important to the council, we really encourage you to speak to any of the above members about goals you would like to see accomplished in this coming year and beyond. Let us know what you are thinking so we make wise decisions.

Stay warm, stay healthy, and stay active in the life of Gloria Dei!

In Christ,

Karen



DINNER THEATER IS LOOKING FOR A COOK!

Steffi Sabel will not be able to cook for the dinner theater this year so I am looking for a person or persons who might be interested. We have 5 shows, May 3,4,5,10 & 11. The 5th of May will be a matinee. If you have any questions you can contact me at 920-286-1367. We certainly are hoping we can find someone so the tradition of the dinner theater can continue.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dianne Fett

Not Yet Ready for Divine Time Players

Gloria Dei Church Council - February 19, 2019

Meeting - 6:00 pm

Present: Karen Ebert, Joe Janicek, Dianne Fett, Barb Spiegel, David Hoban, Dave Kohls, Ruth Camomilli, Julie Schaefer, Roxie Ruechel, Annette Pleshek, Sue Erickson, Coleen Allee

Call to Order and Opening Prayer- Dave opened the dinner portion of the meeting with prayer at 6:00p

Karen opened with prayer and called the meeting to order at 6:27p

Welcome New Council Members- Karen welcomed new members and thanked them for their willingness to serve.

Appreciation for Outgoing Members- Karen thanked members whose term had expired and thanked them for their service to Gloria Dei.

Exchange of Council Binders – Question and Answer Session- Karen requested volunteers be liaisons to committees.

Outgoing Members May Adjourn- Annette left

Approval of Meeting Agenda- Motion Roxie, second Jerry to accept amended agenda. Carried.

Secretary's Report- Motion Dave, second Julie to accept the January secretary's report as presented. Carried.

Treasurer's Report-

Monthly Revenue 2019											
Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
7275											
Monthly Expenses 2019											
9060											
Checkbook Balance 2019											
155278											
Capital Fund Balance 2019– YTD											
310											
Memorial Fund Balance 2019											
1036											
In-Kind Giving Balance 2019											
0											

David presented treasure's report. Answered any questions. Motion Barb, second Dianne to accept report as presented. Carried.

Committee Reports:

-Property(Sue)- Bids are still pending with vendors for furnace/AC unit. Julie will become liaison to Property committee. Julie will reach out to the Muellenbach's regarding the details of their agreement with Gloria Dei.

We are tremendous appreciative of all Mary Jo and Joe are doing and wish that to continue.

-Education- (David)- Sunday School continues to go well. Pastor Jim will conduct Sunday School while Hoban's are out of town.

- Outreach/Fellowship-(Roxie) Outreach is expanded to include fellowship. The Outreach Committee has not met. Cookies for College Kids will still be coordinated by Coleen.

-Stewardship-(Jerry) has not met. We are current with Mission Investment mortgage payments. Capitol Fund campaign will continue.

-Worship-(Dave) Met last week plans are in place for Lent. Ruth will become liaison to Worship.

-Long Range Planning Committee-(Jerry) A meeting will be scheduled in the near future.

-Vice President Binder -Karen will meet with Dianne to share the binder.

Director of Ministries Report-(Dave) - A detailed typed report was provided. Dave addressed several items. Members are making positive comments regarding our intention pastor. A monthly financial report card will be emailed to active members monthly. There was a short discussion regarding financial needs required to consider a part-time pastor in 2020. There were no requests for First Communion class this year, next class will be 2020.

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Old Business

- Empty Bowls – February 23rd at Gloria Dei. Two other churches will be providing soup. The committee is ready.
- Meeting with the Synod- the Action Committee met with the Synod at Gloria Dei. Follow-up will occur.

New Business

- Temple Talk**- Karen – New President's prospective for Gloria Dei
- **Calendar Review**-
Empty Bowls Feb.23rd
Lenten Services- Soup and Grilled Cheese will start with Ash Wednesday
Women's Spring Retreat – date to be determined
Dinner Theater weekends in May
- Goals:** Karen requested each council member bring two long or short term goals for Gloria Dei to the next council meeting.
- Next Meeting March 12. 2019 6:00pm**
Discussion regarding Dinner Theater practice times tabled to next month as it was not an agenda item.

Adjourn with Lord's Prayer Motion Dave, second Dianne to adjourn. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Spiegel

Minutes are subject to council approval at the March meeting

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Ash Wednesday—**March 6, 2019**
Outreach Meeting—**March 17, 2019**
Palm Sunday —**April 14, 2019**
Easter Sunday —**April 21, 2019**
Confirmation Sunday —**May 19, 2019**



Soup and Grilled Cheese Lenten Suppers

Beginning on Wednesday March 6 (Ash Wednesday) and continuing each Wednesday of Lent (The Mission Table), we will again offer Soup and Dave's Grilled Cheese Sandwiches. We had a lot of fun and social time last year, because when we meet, we must eat! So, please plan on joining us for soup and grilled cheese from 5pm until 6:30pm. We will also be looking forward to anyone who wishes to make soup and provide other supplies. A sign-up for soup and grilled cheese supplies will be on the Ministry Opportunities Table. Check it out!



Gloria Dei Worship and Liturgy Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2019



Present: Dave Kohls, Doug Everson and Raeline Springstroh

Excused: Barb Spiegel

Dave open us with a prayer.

Per our last month minutes, we have continued to collect Time and Talent sheets from the members. Ann is in the process of tallying the returned sheets. As such, assignments will be adjusted per preferences.

We reviewed the Director of Ministry Report. It was noted that at this time we do not anticipate having any youth taking first communion this year. Confirmation will be held on May 19th. A sign up sheet has been posted for Wednesday Soup and Grilled Cheese sandwiches prior to our Lenten services. Dave has sent out a request to all committees to put together a hard copy of all operational policies and procedures. A discussion was held on the logistics of the New Member orientation, it is expected that we will have 4 new members to welcome in February and another 3 to 5 members in March. A reception will be held on February 20th. Lastly a discussion was held on doing a Sedar meal on Maundy Thursday. Dave will put out a request to find a coordinator for the event. If we are unable to find anyone that can coordinate, we can do something a bit simpler.

Meeting was closed with a prayer.

Next meeting will be March 11th, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted:

Raeline Springstroh

Piggly Wiggly Receipts

Your receipts from Piggly Wiggly from both Kiel and New Holstein can be placed in the basket in the narthex. Both stores allow us to turn in receipts to get the same non-profit donation as purchasing SCRIP gift cards. Receipts from purchases using gift cards are not eligible.



Cookies for College Kids

Time to start planning the spring shipment of Cookies for College Kids. First of all, I NEED NAMES and ADDRESSES of congregation college kids. I have my list from the fall semester and will leave it on the table in the Narthex. Please check names and addresses to make sure they are up-to-date, add any names and addresses that you do not see on there, and delete anyone who is no longer in school. Next, if you are willing to bake or contribute other treats like individually wrapped candy, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for that too. For anyone who would like to help, we will be packing the boxes on **Sunday, March 3rd, after service**. If you're not a baker, you can still help with a monetary donation that would defray the cost of shipping the packages (about \$10.00 each). If you have any other questions, just ask!

Coleen Allee

coleen.allee@gmail.com or 920-889-1187



Dear Friends,

It seems like Christmas is barely over and we've just welcomed the New Year, but time keeps moving forward! We are looking ahead to the bright colors of spring already. Just a reminder that Easter falls on **April 21st** this year. Knowing that all things take time and planning we are sending out our Easter lily pricing. We are also including the pricing of other spring specialty plants as more churches are asking for a mix of flowers. All plant pricing remains the same as last year.

Easter Lily (5+ buds, single stem) \$8.75

Mum (colors vary) \$9.00

Hydrangea (colors vary) \$22.00

Azalea (colors vary) \$21.00

Reiger Begonia (colors vary) \$17.00

The above price includes foil, bow and free delivery with 18 or more plants. We will deliver smaller orders but there will be a minimal delivery charge of \$5.00. Final numbers need to be to us by **Monday, March 18th**, this is a **firm date**. Due to a shortage of Lilies and having to find a new supplier, all orders are final, please **encourage timely ordering**. Our order has already been placed based on last year's numbers and the new supplier does not allow us to make any changes. We would appreciate it if you would let us know if you intend to from us. If you have any questions please call, 920-894-7877. You may place your orders by phone or email (mngplants@tcei.com). Thank you for your time and consideration, we look forward to doing business with you.

Sincerely,

Millhome Nursery



Easter Flower Order Form

If you would like to order flowers to decorate the sanctuary for Easter, please indicate the number of plants you'd like. Place order with check in the box in the narthex. Please **do not** place it in the collection plate. **Orders must be received no later than Sunday, March 17, 2019.**

___Mums (\$9 ea.) ___Reiger Begonias (\$17 ea.) ___Hydrangeas (\$22 ea.) ___Azalea (\$22 ea.)

Name of Purchaser(s): _____

Please state below if this is in memory or honor of someone, and if you wish, designates name(s):

PLEASE READ: Plants should be taken home after the Easter service or arrangements made to pick up by Tuesday, April 23, 2019. Please be aware, no one will be available to water plants.

Worship Committee

March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9am Worship Noisy Change Offering Sunday	4 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs.	5 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel	6 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:00 pm Soup and Grilled Cheese Confirmation Class 5:25 pm Choir Practice 6:00 pm. 7pm Worship Ash Wednesday	7 12pm – 5pm Ann's Office Hrs.	8	9
10 9am Worship Name Tag Sunday Daylight Savings Time Begins	11 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs. 6:30 pm Music & Worship Committee	12 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel 6pm Council Mtg.	13 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:00 pm Soup and Grilled Cheese Confirmation Class 5:25 pm Choir Practice 6:00 pm. 7pm Worship	14 12pm – 5pm Ann's Office Hrs.	15	16
17 9am Worship Temple Talk Sunday Outreach Meeting St. Patrick's Day	18 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs.	19 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel	20 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:00 pm Soup and Grilled Cheese Confirmation Class 5:25 pm Choir Practice 6:00 pm. 7pm Worship	21 12pm – 5pm Ann's Office Hrs.	22	23
24 9am Worship Food Pantry Sunday	25 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs.	26 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel	27 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:00 pm Soup and Grilled Cheese Confirmation Class 5:25 pm Choir Practice 6:00 pm. 7pm Worship	28 12pm – 5pm Ann's Office Hrs.	29	30
31 9am Worship						

WORSHIP HELPERS LIST

Date	Communion Assist	Communion Set-Up	Greeter(s)	Reader	Usher(s)	Acolyte	Penny Counter(s)
03/03/2019	Anne Sellen	Tina Puro	Cheryl & Craig Heller	Coleen Allee	Matt Aprill & Jeremy Cobble	Annalee Puro	Pat & Jerry Jensen
03/10/2019	Barb Spiegel	Barb Spiegel	Michael Hetzner	Zoe Zimmerman	Allan & Dianne Fett	Sara Hoban	Allan Fett
03/17/2019	Dick Welsch	Dianne Fett	Hoban Family	Jeremy Cobble	Cheryl & Craig Heller	Alex Jeanty	Anne Sellen
03/24/2019	Becca Zimmerman	Karen Ebert	Jeanty Family	Karen Ebert	Gary Meyer & David Leithold	Zoe Zimmerman	Jennica Krebsbach
03/31/2019	Coleen Allee	Hoban Family	Pat & Jerry Jensen	Allan Fett	Pat & Jerry Jensen	Braden April	Karren & Jaremy Cobble
04/07/2019	Karen Ebert	Tina Puro	Puro Family	Dianne Fett	David Leithold & Gary Meyer	Annalee Pruoo	Pat & Jerry Jensen
04/14/2019	Allan Fett	Julie Schumacher	Schumacher Family	**Volunteers	Randy & Julie Schumacher	Noah Schumacher	Allan Fett
04/21/2019	Dianne Fett	Barb Spiegel	Schaefer Family	Michael Hetzner	Anne Sellen & Wayne Zwart	Tyler Jeanty	Anne Sellen
04/28/2019	Cheryl Heller	Karen Ebert	Gladys & Scott Rickert	Laura Hoban	Kathy & Dick Welsch	Eloise Rickert-Bartz	Jennica Krebsbach