

THE CHRONICLES

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Lent is an important time of the church year of hearing and living into our connection to the whole story of faith. Do you ever wonder how you fit into God's work in the world? Yes, you understand that you are God's child but somehow you can't wrap your head around how your gifts and talents can make a difference for anyone else. The Bible is full of stories that point us to God's great love for all that is created. It is full of stories of God's grace, mercy and incredible patience with humankind.

Our Lenten theme is **Odd Balls God Calls**. We are going to lift up the stories of five Old Testament people, 'odd balls' and wonder together how God calls people like them and all of us to be part of the unfolding story of faith and reconciliation. Come and hear about Moses, Noah, Jacob, Ruth and David.

This season of Lent I encourage you to take part in one of the two Wednesday options. The morning group will meet at Deer Creek at 10:30. This will be a time of group study closing each week with a time of worship. The evening group will gather from 5:30-7:00. We will eat together, do some interactive learning and close with a time for worship.

February 10 – Ash Wednesday “Why Ashes, Where are the Alleluias?”

February 17 – Moses

February 24 – Noah

March 2 – Jacob

March 9 – Ruth

March 16 – David

10:30 at Deer Creek or 5:30 at the church

Blessings!
Pastor Becky

Council Corner

COUNCIL News at a Glance

Council met on Jan. 20 – We welcome our new Council members, and Dianne and Danny joined us at our last Council meeting of the term.

Highlights of items discussed:

2016 Missions – Council reviewed the survey results indicating what organizations/projects members would like to see LCR support this coming year. We targeted 5 organizations and assigned focus months.

Church Repairs – Ben Raska has been diligent in overseeing the repair effort for damage done to our roof etc. The work will be underway shortly and repairs will be covered by insurance.

Upcoming – Healthy Congregation Workshop Jan. 30. Bishop Tiemann coming to lead worship on Feb. 14.

President – Blaine Nelson

Vice President – Autry Burns

Secretary – Chris Weaver

Treasurer – Mary Rodgers

Member at Large – Shirley Schliessmann

JoAnne Miller – Advisor (non-voting)

Pastor – Rebecca Sogge

IMPORTANT DATES

PRAYER SHAWL MEETING

The next Prayer Shawl meeting will be on Sat. Feb. 6th at the church at 9:30. Call Pat Ehrhart at 512-964-0800 with any questions.

SCOUT SUNDAY

Sunday, Feb. 7th is **Scout Sunday**; all brownies, girl scouts, cub scouts, boy scouts, and venture scouts will be recognized. Please wear your uniform to worship.

COUNCIL INSTALLATION

Sunday, Feb. 7th is also the installation of the new and ongoing council members. This will be done during the worship service.

FAT TUESDAY

Prior to the beginning of Lent, we will have a “Fat Tuesday” dinner at 5:30 on Feb. 9th. The Dinner Group will be providing a meal of: pancakes, sausage, juice, etc. You don’t need to bring anything to enjoy the meal, just show up!

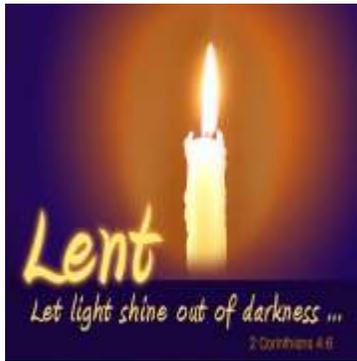
SUNDAY, FEB. 14

On Sunday, Feb. 14, Bishop Tiemann will be attending worship and preaching. This will be a good opportunity to hear the Bishop speak. After worship, there will be a Church Council Meeting and everyone is welcome.

VACATIONS

Pastor Becky will be on vacation from Mon. 2/15 – Tues. 2/23. Pastor John Fox will be the supply pastor.

Maureen will be on vacation from Sun. 2/14 – Tues. 3/1. Shirley Schliessmann will be filling in for her.



LENTEN WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 10

10:30am – Worship Service and Ashes at Deer Creek

5:30 – 7pm – Interactive Worship at LCR

Every Wednesday in Lent

10:30am – Worship Service at Deer Creek

5:30 – 7pm – Interactive Worship at LCR

Good Friday, March 25

5:30 – Worship Service at LCR

Easter, March 27

10:30am – Worship at LCR



MISSION OF THE MONTH: LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

Sharing Gifts of Extraordinary Love

“Pens and pencils, a toothbrush, a quilt ... ordinary items we take for granted become treasures in the hands of their recipients. The items you send will be cherished and used by people who take nothing for granted, for whom even a simple bar of new soap is special.” This is noted on the Lutheran World Relief web site, lwr.org.

February starts our LWR project at LCR. We need soap, soap and more soap, as soap is a luxury for cleanliness and is a necessity in reducing disease and infection. Any kind of soap is accepted but the regular bar soap is preferred. Other kits to prepare are Personal Care, School, Baby Care, and Fabric.

There will be instructions and list of items needed for each kit on the LWR table in the narthex. Take them with you when you are shopping. We continue this mission through March, and will then ship the kits to recipients in 35 countries.



Congratulations to Gayle and Ron Weir on Their 50th Wedding Anniversary

On Jan. 29th, Gayle and Ron Weir celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. The lovebirds went to Fredricksburg on a camping trip for the weekend.

Congratulations to Lynn and Ben Raska on Their Upcoming 30th Wedding Anniversary

On Feb. 15th, Lynn and Ben Raska will be celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary.



We continue to pray for all who are ill, recovering, receiving treatments or testing; and for Doris King, Beverly Ladzinski, Mitch and Estelle Hill, Tyler Proue, Ginny Bouzard, Kay Ann Stenson, Melinda Pace, Molly Trebus (friend of the Sogge family), Lora Hall, Lynn Kimrey, Richard Polk (friend of Whitney Cargill with cancer), Robert Sherman (bone cancer), and Lyla Miller (sister of Jo Anne Miller).

Please be in prayer for our family and friends who are serving our country either stateside or overseas.

Directory Updates

Updated directory pages will be distributed in February 2016. If you have changes or corrections for your own listing, please give them to Maureen in the office by January 31, 2016.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. – John 1:1-2

Thank You

WE CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH!

We want to thank Chris Weaver for facilitating the large donation we received from the estate of Louise Valuck!

We want to sincerely thank Mary Rodgers, Doris King, and Autry Burns for their dedication and service on the Church Council for the last council cycle. And thank you to Dianne Kilpatrick, Danny Hickman, and Patti Gibson for stepping up and taking on new roles with the Church Council.

Thank you to Ben Raska and Ron Weir for working on the roof and interior project and for keeping everybody informed about the progress they are making.

Thank you to Pastor Becky for facilitating the Caregivers Workshop at LCR. A total of 22 people were able to attend the workshop and learn from it.

Thank you to all who attended the Healthy Congregations Workshop #3. It is always hard to take a day out of your schedule to do this but we appreciate the sacrifice you've made for the congregation. And thank you to Dianne Kilpatrick for providing lunch to the attendees.

Thank you to the Weirs for planning and leading the Epiphany Service children's program.

Thank you to the Weir's, Kilpatrick's and Hickman's for providing snacks on Sundays in January. Thank you to the Kilpatrick's for the altar flowers this past month.

And finally, thank you to the youth program for Taco Sunday!

 HAPPY BIRTHDAY 				<i>Happy Anniversary</i>	
2-08	Vincent Gordin	2-23	Ben Raska, Jr.	2-15	Lynn & Ben Raska
2-10	Melinda Ellisor	2-24	Lynn Burttschell	2-26	Delayne & Chris Leonard
2-15	Nicolas Merkord	2-29	Pat Ehrhart		
			CONGRATULATIONS !	Note: If we missed your special day or printed it incorrectly, please notify the church office...	

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	Feb. 7	Feb. 14	Feb. 21	Feb. 28
Assistant Minister	Shirley Schliessmann	Lois Hickman	Chris Weaver	Blaine Nelson
Acolyte	Bella Raska	Claire Valentine	Abigail Burttschell	Aiden Boger
Reader	Angie Rose	Mikki Sogge	Autry Burns	Vincent Gordin
Ushers	Raska Family	Shirley Schliessmann	Don Isler	Travis/Colten Kilpatrick
Altar Guild	Shirley Schliessmann	Pat Ehrhart	Chris Weaver	Dianne Kilpatrick
Greeter	Lynn Raska	Enid Isler	Jo Anne Miller	Angie Rose
Counters	Joan Mohr/Jo Anne Miller	Jason Valentine	Tamela/Arturo Flores	Shirley S./Jo Anne Miller

NOTE TO READERS: The **Scripture readings** for the week you serve **will be in your box** at the beginning of the month. **We encourage you to take them home and read through them prior to your Sunday to share your gift** with the congregation.

Pronunciation Guides are available – one under the Lectern (where you read) and the other in the Church office. Feel free to take and use them whenever needed.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE: If you can't be present on the Sunday you are signed up to serve, please remember to **find your own replacement!! This is vital** to making sure all leadership roles are filled each week. Thanks! ☺

Schedule for bulletin folders

February 3 - Blaine Nelson
 February 10 – Shirley Schliessmann
 February 17 – Paula Johnson
 February 24 - Pat Ehrhart