Monthly Newsletter

April 2024

Community Lutheran Church

Jesus said,
"Whoever
believes in me,
streams of living water will flow from with-

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Pastor Tim Eighmy



OFFICE HOURS:

Tues. - Fri., 9 am to 1 pm;

SUNDAY WORSHIP:

*Sunday, 9 & 11 am Last Sunday of every month: 10:00 am

*10:00 am only during summer months starting May 5th Thru Oct 27th

Mission Statement of Community Lutheran Church: Living Christ's love in all we do.

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR TIM



"Newness of Life in Christ Jesus"

Easter Sunday was on March 31st, but the Easter Season continues. You can see Easter in the air as people are being busy with the newness of life in spring. Our winter residents are making plans to move back north. People are planning summer vacations that are coming up.

And on the first three Sundays of Easter, we have Easter stories. We have the story of the women finding Jesus' tomb empty and an angel telling them that Christ is risen. We have the story of Thomas doubting the amazing story of the risen Jesus appearing to the disciples in the Upper Room. And we have the story of disciples encountering a stranger on their way to Emmaus who explained the Scriptures to them.

And this is the time of year that makes me think of other stories. Like the one about the Lutheran pastor from Nebraska who went to Kenya to learn about Lutheran ministry there. For three months, he stayed with a Kenyan Lutheran pastor and followed him as he did his ministry. One day the two of them decided to travel fifty miles on dirt roads out into the isolated countryside to visit members of the church. As they traveled a rain storm poured down upon the dirt road. Soon the road turned into soupy mud and the car soon got stuck. They knew they had to wait for help and it would be hours before anyone would come by. As they waited, the pastor from Nebraska saw the cheerful disposition of the Kenyan pastor turn into an outright grin. The Nebraskan asked the pastor how he could be so cheerful in a terrible situation like that. The pastor said, "Oh, I am just waiting to see what God is going to do this time."

There is a newness of life around us. God is opening new doors for us when we think we are stuck or our road is coming to an end. God is always renewing our lives in Christ's resurrection.

My prayer is for all Christians to embrace hope as a lifestyle and always pray for God to open new doors for us.

And by the way, I ask that you will keep Holy Spirit Episcopal Church in Bullhead City in your prayers. They are now beginning a new life as their priest for 14 years has ended his ministry there. And please keep me in your prayers as I help them on their new journey as Christ's ministry.

Let us all live in the hope of Christ's resurrection together.

Pastor Tim



Council Corner by Dave Brusby

March marches on... Lent services, Palm Sunday and Easter burst upon us in rapid succession. We hardly had time to take a breath.

If we think this comes on too fast, just imagine what Jesus felt as these events unfolded rapidly. It's impossible to imagine or understand what was going through his mind during these trying times.

But, he faithfully completed his mission so that we may have our sins forgiven and look forward to eternal life.

Your church board will be dark in the month of April, there will be no meeting. However, should you need to contact a member with a request or suggestion, we are all available through the church office and our information is available in the online church directory.

Blessings to all.

Dave Brusby, Council President



CHURCH CHOIR Notes

The choir rehearsals are on Wednesday are at 6 pm on April 10th & 17th. The last time the choir will sing will be April 28th. Then they are off for the summer.

They are always looking for people to join. They will be practicing for regular church sessions. You are welcome to join. If interested, let Shawn Bristle know or just show up on Wednesday night.



Rumor has it, they have a lot of fun. Come make a joyful noise!!



The Easter Cantata on March 24th had about 100 people attending and collected \$285 in donations.

The Cantata on March 29 had about 109 people attending and collected \$1,076 in donations.



Thank God for our food

God said [to Adam and Eve], 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. **-Genesis 1:29**

There's a joke about the first-grade teacher who asks, "Where do apples come from?" Little Sydney speaks up: "From the supermarket!"

We laugh, but the truth is, many of us forget that our food comes only from life, through the plants and animals that God alone created.

As stewards and disciples, we can develop a deep appreciation for all that God provides us, particularly our food. With every mouthful, we can thank God for our daily bread, and for the soil, air and water that sustains life.

Easter and springtime are perfect occasions to celebrate God's miracle of life that gives us fruit, vegetables, grains, meat, fish and dairy foods. Here are some ideas:

At mealtime grace, thank God not only for food, but also for the cycles of seedtime, growth and harvest. Thank God for life-nourishing soil, water and air.

While eating, think about how and from where the plants are grown or animals raised? How do they get to your kitchen?

As a church or family, celebrate Earth Day (April 22) by learning about food production and our food supply, and how environmental problems affect it.

Celebrate Earth Day by planting a garden.

Learn about nutrition -- what foods are the best and worst for us. Promote healthy eating.

Learn about food waste and take steps to reduce it in your home.

At church, celebrate creation or seedtime.

We live in a culture where food is all around us all the time. As steward-disciples, we want to be sure not to take even a mouthful for granted.

--Rob Blezard

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New Church Service Hours for Summer

It has been decided that the summer hours for church services starting on May 5th will be one service at 10:00 am. Be sure to make a note of this.





Outreach Committee

Their mission is to send cards to people who are ill, people who can't come to church for whatever reason and people who have not attended in a long time. So if you know someone in these categories, let Toni Wold or the office know.

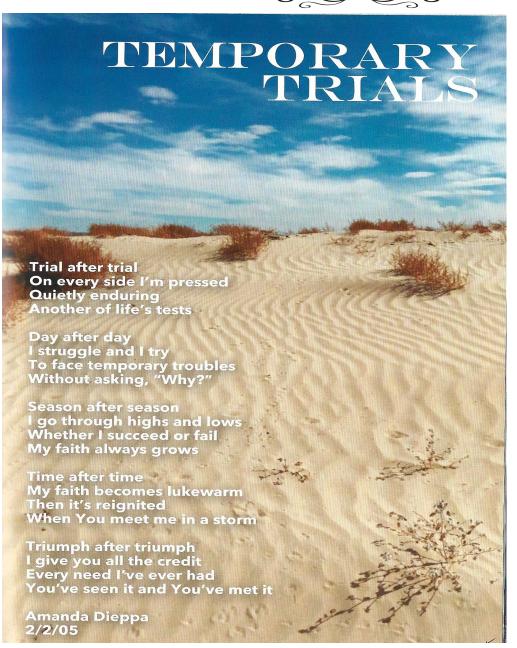




Women's Group

Women's Group Next Women's bible study is May 7th at 9:30 am. There will be a short business meeting at that time also. All women are invited and encouraged to attend. This will be the last meeting until the fall.





One more poem from Amanda.

Amanda's Poems

This poems was written by a girl who was diagnosed with cancer at age 16. Her father published a book of her poems that she wrote as she continued on in her journey. She passed away at age 23 in 2005.

April

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 April Fool's Day Office Closed	9:30 am Women's bible study	No Choir practice	2:00 pm Pastor's bible study	5	6
7 9:00 & 11:00 am worship service with communion	8 Office closed	9	10 6:00 pm Choir practice	11 2:00 pm Pastor's bible study No Council meeting	12	13
New Members 14 9:00 & 11:00 am worship service with communion <i>Choir</i>	15 Office closed	16	17 Barons 6:00 pm Choir practice	18 2:00 pm Pastor's bible study	19	20
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12 10:00 am worship service with communion Mother's Day	13 Office closed	14	15 Barons	16 9:00 am Pastor's bible study	17	18
19 10:00 am worship service with communion	20 Office closed	21	22	9:00 am Pastor's bible study	24	25
26 10:00 am worship service with communion Noisy offering	27 Office closed Memorial Day	28	29	9:00 am Pastor's bible study	31	

Birthdays & Anniversaries

April Birthdays

- 2—Altamae Byers
- 2—Chad Lelm
- 2—Carolyn Lorenz
- 3—Charles Schuh
- 5—Marilyn Simons
- 5—Jacob Werchau
- 6—Joann Hoffmeyer
- 9—Tom Shober
- 11—Constanze Bender
- 18-Steven Miller
- 22—Marlys Weyer
- 23-Rick Swiston
- 24—Aidan Bixenman
- 29—Cheryl Wilson
- 30—James Cumberland





April Anniversaries

4—Don & Chris Dueker (43) 21—Jared & Chelsea White (12) 25—Lowell & Sharyl Haas (60)

<u>Mark your Calendars!</u>

Next Women's Bible Study:

May 7th, 9:30 am

Wednesdays 6:00 pm

April 10th & 17th Choir Practice

Pastor's Bible Study

Thursdays at 2:00 pm

Council Meeting

No council meeting in April

New Member Installation

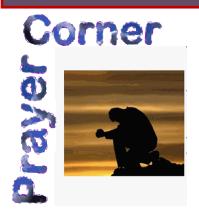
April 14th

Worship Committee Meeting

April 25th at 9:30

Potluck

April 28th beginning of summer potluck with Salads and Desserts following the 10:00 am service.





Please continue to pray for all the persons whose names have been offered up by members and friends of the congregation.

We pray for healing, comfort, guidance, strength, recovery, safe travel, and unrevealed needs, as well as for those with thankful hearts and for those who grieve.

Let us remember the ones God called home out of our midst, and keep their families and friends in our prayers.







If you know someone who would like to be included in the ongoing monthly prayer list, be it for prayer or thanksgiving, please let the office know!



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