

Voice of



Faith



MAY 2019

One in Faith Parish

Hope 8:30 a.m.
St. Paul 10:30 a.m.

St. John 8:30 a.m.
St. Sebald 10:30 a.m.

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"An Open Door Policy"

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you....later Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." John 20: 19 and 21

Let's be honest, brothers and sisters in faith, this passage speaks right to our hearts as much as it did to those first disciples! We are witnesses to the newly and continuously resurrected Jesus as well.

Even holding that miraculous bit of information in our hearts and minds, it's still so easy for us to hide behind the metaphorically locked doors of our homes and our churches for fear. We're afraid...of the Jews, of Muslims, of the "Nones" (those who profess no religious connection). We're even afraid of other Christians. We can find refuge sometimes in our places of worship – shut out the world – stick with the familiar and the well-known because it's scary to do something new. You just don't know for sure what others will say or how they'll react if you open up the doors!

We can surely invite others in to our houses of worship, make our spaces more hospitable and our services more accessible but another reality we face in North America is declining numbers of people that are interested in organized religion. It's not that

they're not spiritual. They're just not interested in the institution of the church. And so we have an



interesting challenge – one that our Creative God stands ready to help us with.

God, in the person of Jesus says, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." "Hey You" Jesus is saying, "I'm here. I still have the memory of what it feels like to be made fun of for your faith. I've been there, where you don't want to go, where you're afraid to go, beyond those doors and I'm still there now. Hey you! Peace be with you. I love you. Now I want you to love others just as deeply. Know that with my peace – you don't have to fear or be anxious!"

This is going to mean taking our faith out beyond our doors. We continue to worship in deep and meaningful ways and invite others in, but we also take our faith to the streets. We can be brave and creative, as you've already been with little free food pantries and Vacation Bible School and Shepherd of the Hills Ministry and so many other things, finding

new and amazing ways to be Jesus' disciples in our world.

One of my favorite hymns is "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" (ELW 332), especially verse 3: "I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'I am this dark world's light; look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your days be bright.' I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun; and in that light of life I'll walk till



traveling days are done."

Living in the light of the resurrection, having faith in a God who defied the powers of death itself, knowing that we walk with the peace of Jesus around and in us – let us live as children of the light, out in the light, with a big "open door policy."

Peace be with you, Pastor Margaret

Classes on Honoring Our Neighbor's Faith

Bethany Lutheran Church, Elkader, is hosting a 7-week class on a variety of faiths and Christian denominations practiced in the area. Learning more about each other's faith is an important way to strengthen respectful relationships. In many cases, leaders from each faith will be presenting information. The classes will be held on Thursdays, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Bethany Lutheran Church, 307 3rd St NE in Elkader. The schedule follows:

May 2 Islam,
May 9 United Church of Christ
May 16 Jehovah's Witnesses
May 23 Congregational Church
June 6 Roman Catholic Church
June 13 Evangelical Free Church
June 20 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

The book *Honoring Our Neighbor's Faith*, published by Augsburg Fortress, will be used. There is no charge for the class, which will be held in Bethany's upper level in the narthex fellowship area. Come to one class or all – one may fully participate in

any session without having come to others. All are welcome.

ASCENSION DAY SERVICE

Ascension Day Service will be held on May 30 at Ceres Pioneer Rock Church beginning at 5:30 pm. Potluck following at St. Peter, Garnavillo. All are welcome. Pastor Erika Kielstrup, St. Paul, Monona will be presiding, with Pastor Josh Schunk, Zion Oelwein preaching.



St. John Council

The regular meeting of the St. John Lutheran Church Council was held Tuesday, April 9, 2019.

Those present were Marcia Rueber, Doug Nus, Dennis Nus, Bonnie Wescott, Larry Fliehler, Mark Schnell, Chris Boehm, and Pastor Margaret. Joyce Knickerbocker was absent. Judy Meisner was also, present.

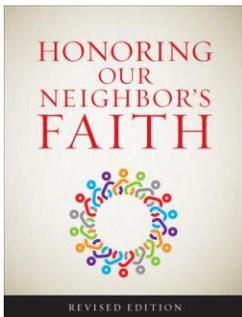
President Marcia Rueber called the meeting to order. Pastor Margaret gave devotions from Luke, chapter 5, and brought an olive wood carving of fishermen in a boat. The meeting opened with a prayer.

Secretary's Report: Two corrections were made to the March 12, 2019 minutes. A Yeti cooler was not purchased for the auction and money was not taken from benevolence for QSS as money had already been designated for QSS. Motion by Doug to accept the March 12, 2019 minutes with the two corrections, seconded by Larry, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: QSS has a balance of \$446.23. There is a balance of \$27,697.37 as of March 31, 2019. Motion by Larry to accept the treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Mark, motion carried. Lenten offerings were tabled to the May council meeting.

Pastor's Report: A Blessing of Seeds, Soil, and Farm Implements will be on Sunday, April 28, 2019 throughout the parish. Please bring these items that day to be blessed. We are in need of monetary donations to buy more yarn and supplies for our prayer shawl ministry. Donations can be given to Pastor Margaret or Shiloy Baldwin. Pastors Mark and Margaret will have a presentation of their trip to Israel and Palestine on Sunday, April 14, 2019 at 1:30 pm at St. Paul in Volga. Pastor Margaret is the new First Call Theological Education group convener for the NE IA Synod beginning this summer. This will involve a monthly Thursday morning meeting with the group in Waverly.

Committee Reports: (Parish Education) We have four youth from St. John that are planning to go to EWALU this summer. Pastor Margaret will be meeting with a group from the UMC in Arlington and St. John to begin planning VBS in the Arlington community. (Worship) Ursula Cordes has picked out a Gold Chalice to be used for communion and wants the council to order it. (Building and Grounds) Doug reports that the garbage truck got stuck in the back parking lot so there are now red flags marking the soft areas. Doug will look into installing a shut off valve for the toilet in the bathroom off of the large dining room. The walls in the lounge were checked and are in need of mortar and paint. Paul Seedorff will be contacted concerning mowing of the church



lawn. (Social Concerns) The Little Food Pantry continues to do well, but is in need of canned meat and fruit. It's important to keep in mind, however, that we need to continue to support our other food shelves as well--Clayton County, Fayette County, and Strawberry Point (at St. Mary's Catholic Church). The needs have increased.

Old Business: The Thrivent Cards were used to purchase food for the lasagna meal and the deck chairs and the Weber grill. Judy Meisner presented policies for weddings and funeral guidelines to be used at all congregations in the parish and will keep us updated.

New Business: Discussion was held on making flood buckets. Motion by Doug to make five flood buckets, with WELCA paying for one, seconded by Mark, motion carried. The lasagna meal brought in \$888.00. Auction deposit was \$15,042.00. Motion by Larry to put \$10,000.00 from the auction into the savings account and the rest into the general account, seconded by Doug, motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, May 14, 2019. Motion by Larry to adjourn, seconded by Dennis, motion carried. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Wescott, Council Secretary

St. Sebald Council

St. Sebald Council met April 9, 2019 at 7:30 pm. Present: Jerry Harvey, Bill Hunt, Wayne Yelden, Nancy Yelden, Randy Johnson, Pastor Margaret, Kris Morarend, and Tracy Yelden. The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm and Pastor led devotions. The council minutes from March were reviewed, Nancy motioned to approve, 2nd by Randy; motion carried. The treasurer's report showed a year to date balance of \$1,801.40 in the quarterly report; Jerry motioned to approve with amendment correction, 2nd by Bill, motion carried. The quarterly Life Fund Report was also provided with six disbursements noted; Tracy motioned to approve the report, 2nd by Nancy; motion carried. The St. Sebald Church Cemetery Association provided a report for review; Wayne motioned to approve the report, 2nd by Randy, motion carried. Pastor provided a report with an overview of past, present, and upcoming events throughout the parish. Kids' Night is scheduled for April 24th. The council discussed the lawn mowing bid which was requested. The council indicated a verbal agreement if the amount is the same as last year.

In old business, the installation of officers will take place on Palm Sunday. The council reviewed the wedding and funeral guidelines and made minimal revisions/suggestions for the Parish Board. Jerry will work on contacting a contractor for the tree removal around the cemetery.

In new business, the church grounds cleanup date is set for April 27th, with a backup date of May

4th. WELCA is also hosting a garage sale the first weekend in May (3,4) at Marjorie Lewis' home in Strawberry Point. Bill motioned to approve the purchase of items for two Flood Buckets on behalf of the church, 2nd by Jerry; motion carried. The mission statement in the church entryway is fading; Kris will follow-up to have it redone. The council also reviewed a draft of a letter for the members highlighting 2018 and requesting feedback for the church.

Wayne motioned to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Randy, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm. Next council meeting is May 9th at 7:30 pm.

St. Paul Council

St. Paul held their regular council meeting on April 16, 2019, beginning at 6:30 pm. Members present were Joyce Erickson, Mike Knipper, Tracy Follon, Phyllis Glawe, Shelly Bushkofsky, Roger Bushkofsky, Carol Leonard, Patty Klingman, Vicar Clark, and Pastor Margaret. Pastor Margaret led devotions.

The Secretary's report was read and approved. Tracy presented the Treasurer's report. General fund balance is \$11,578.74, Sunday school has a balance of \$1,209.35, and Memorial fund balance is \$6,310.26. Motion by Carol Leonard, second by Patty Klingman, to donate the Lenten offering of \$195.10 to the Clayton Co. Food Shelf. Motion carried.

Pastor's report: Blessing of Seeds, Soil, and Flood Buckets will be held on Sunday, April 28th. The postponed Pastor's slide show has been rescheduled for April 28th at 3:30 at St Paul. Parish could use monetary donations for yarn for Prayer shawls. BYOB will be on April 25th at Pastor's home.

Old business: We plan to lock the inside door to the fellowship hall so we can offer food shelf items to the community. Roger will contact Earl's Locksmith for an estimate. A sign will be put up outside about the free food items. We discussed the Wedding and Funeral guidelines for "One in Faith" Parish. Motion by Shelly Bushkofsky, second by Mike Knipper to approve the guidelines with corrections for a Wedding. Motion carried. Motion by Shelly, second by Carol Leonard to approve the guidelines with corrections for a funeral. Motion carried. We discussed the parking lot repairs and Roger has talked to Volga Mayor, Pete Duff, that if the town does street repair, we would like a quote for our parking lot. We discussed getting "splash" packets for baptized infants. Shelly volunteered to send these to the parents until the child is older. Thank you!!

New business: There have been 5 flood buckets made up from St. Paul with all the supplies being paid for by WELCA. These will be blessed on April 28th. Mike told us we are in need of a new vacuum cleaner. We will price one in the near future.

Our next meeting will be held on May 21st at 6:30 pm. We closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Erickson, Secretary

St. Paul Council Continued

A short meeting was held following church on April 21. Roger has talked to Earl's Locksmith about replacing the door locks. Motion by Tracy Follon, second by Carol Leonard to approve this repair. Motion carried.

Hope Council

The Hope Council met March 26 at the home of Pastor Margaret. Attending were: Pastor Margaret, Richard Thurn, John Hunt, Jamie Burgin, Ron Kuehl, Joddy Roys, Lori Fannon and Joyce Thurn. President Richard called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Pastor Margaret read devotions from "God of the Ordinary" and led the group in prayer. Minutes of the Feb. meeting and treasurer's report were read and approved. Pastor Margaret presented her written report: All congregations in the parish are working at adapting funeral and wedding policies that can be used at every church. All congregations in the parish may skip one payment to One in Faith in March, as there was a surplus in the account. Tucker Bolsinger and Brandon Koth have participated in communion classes and will celebrate their first communion on Easter Sunday. Three kids from the youth group traveled to Cannon Falls, MN to help with a Habitat for Humanity Project in Red Wing.

OLD BUSINESS: There was a recap of the auction which had been very successful. Some of the auction funds were shared with the following: Kids to Camp EWALU, youth mission trip, scholarship fund for Wartburg Seminary, and work to be done on the south entrance to the fellowship room.

Lenten offerings will be distributed to EWALU and the food shelf.

John reported on the Parish Board meeting. Payment of Internet and phone bills will be made from the Parish fund. The 5th Sunday worship in June will be held at Hunt's barn. Each church will hold its own worship for the remainder of the 5th Sundays. Ron Kuehl will serve on the parish audit committee along with the other treasurers from the parish.

NEW BUSINESS: Ben Putz will be asked to prune the shrubs.

Pastor Mark reported on the Conference Assembly. The crisis fund and general fund are good. An endowment fund has been established. John reported on the EWALU annual meeting.

Blessing of Seeds, Tractors, Soil, etc. was set for April. 28. It was noted that Ray Peterson had distributed sand in the parking lot during the icy weather.

The lawn mower needs to be serviced. There will be a sign-up sheet for volunteers to mow the church lawn.

Vacation Bible school will be held in August this year.

Utoni Ruff was thanked for presenting a mission moment on the work of the Food Shelf.

Joddy Roys, who is serving on a parish subcommittee to develop guidelines for weddings and funerals, distributed questionnaires.

Council members volunteered to provide the necessary items to complete a flood bucket for flood victims.

Lori Fannon will be retiring from being in charge of the roadside clean-up committee. A volunteer is needed to take her place. Thanks to Lori for her work.

The next meeting will be April 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Thurn, secretary

Hope WELCA

The Hope WELCA met April 4. President Annette Dahling called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. Pastor Margaret led the Bible study on More Meetings with Jesus from the Gospel of John.

OLD BUSINESS: The summer women's retreat has been postponed until next year.

NEW BUSINESS: The WELCA, along with the Sunday school will hold a bake sale on Palm Sunday. The WELCA will provide food for fellowship April 28. Clayton Co. Food shelf work day is scheduled for Tues., May 7 from 9 to noon.

The WELCA provided funds for a flood bucket for the NE IA Synod flood relief. Annette will purchase the necessary items. The buckets will be dedicated April 28.

Floor mats in the fellowship room need replacing. WELCA will purchase the mats. A date will be set for church cleaning (inside and out.)

A check will be given to the Sunday school to help defray Campership fees.

Graduation recognition Sunday was set for May 5

Graduate: Elizabeth Meisner from Ed-Co

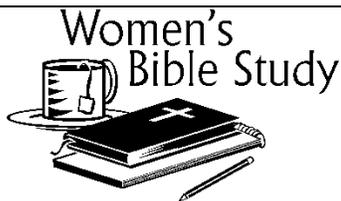
The next meeting will be May 2 at 9:30 am. There will be no potluck meal so that those who wish may attend the salad luncheon at the Methodist Church in Edgewood.

Flowers in May

St. John is giving you the opportunity to share **hanging baskets** for worship during the month of May.

Hanging baskets, filled with a variety of flowers, will be delivered to the church for you for the May 19th and May 26th worship services. (You will have the choice to designate if you want your basket in church for May 19th, May 26th, or both Sundays.) You may take them home after worship to enjoy at home or in time to take to cemeteries for Memorial Day. Cost of hanging baskets will be \$12.50 for a three-wire basket and \$18.50 for four-wire baskets. They may be designated in memory of someone and the list will be put in the bulletin. Orders need to be turned in by May 12th. (Order blanks are in the narthex.)





Hope WELCA

Thursday, May 2nd at 9:30 am

Lesson Leader: Pastor Margaret

Salad Luncheon at Methodist Church in Edgewood

Parish WELCA Gathering

Thursday, May 2nd at 1:30 pm

Hosted by St. Sebald WELCA at St. Sebald

Pastor Margaret will lead the Bible Study.

St. John WELCA

On April 10th, four St. John WELCA members: Sherri Seedorff, Karen Hamlett, Patty Alshouse, and Bonnie Nus went to Maple Crest Nursing Home in Fayette for fun and food. Special thanks to Sherri Seedorff for leading the crafts, and to Karen, Patty and Bonnie for bringing cakes. Approximately 20 residents made an Easter Rabbit for their door or wall, and a small bunny to decorate the tables. The visit ended with the birthday song for the residents with April birthdays and cakes and drinks.

St. Sebald WELCA

St. Sebald Hannah Circle members met at the Gernand Center Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 1:30 pm. Refreshments were served by Barb Brown and enjoyed during the meeting. Present: Marjorie Lewis, Nancy Klingman, Kris Morarend, Barb Brown, and Dorthy Lucas. All reports were given. A review was given of the soups to be provided for the Wednesday, April 10, soup supper at St. Sebald that the Youth Group will be serving.

The Quarterly Parish WELCA Meeting will be at St. Sebald on May 2 at 1:30 p.m. Snacks are requested from members to be served as refreshments. Pastor Margaret will lead the Bible Study.

Our WELCA will hold a garage sale at Marjorie's home on Friday and Saturday, May 3 and 4th. Please bring your items to the garage below the cemetery at St. Sebald by the end of the month. Tagging them with a price would be very helpful.

Nancy will purchase items for a Flood Bucket with WELCA funds

A \$25 offering was approved for the Spring Fling Cluster Gathering which will be at Bethany in Elkader, April 27, at 9:30 am.

Nancy Klingman will attend the Women's NE Iowa Synod Conference to be held in Waverly, June

22. Her registration will be paid from the WELCA treasury. An offering of \$50 was approved for the conference. Quilt tying is suspended until a later time. Nancy Klingman led the Bible Study.

The next quarterly parish meeting will be 1 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at St. Sebald. The June 11 meeting will be held at the Gernand Center at 1:30 pm instead of at the home of Kris Morarend.

St. Paul Sunday School

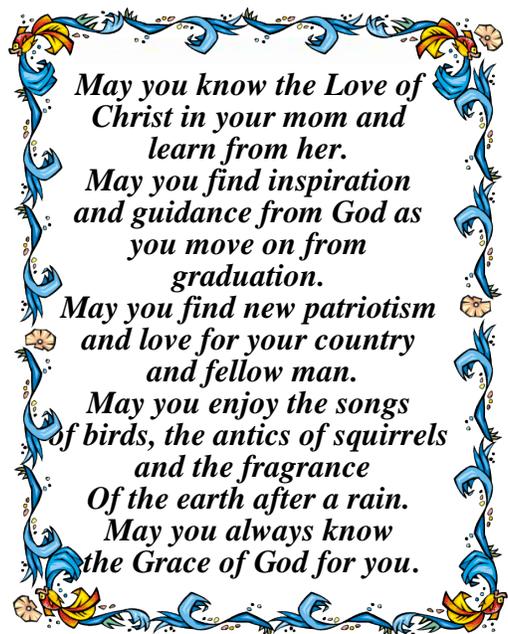
St. Paul's last day of Sunday School will be May 5.



St. Sebald Kids' Night

Christ Is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

We celebrated Easter at Kids' Night at St. Sebald Thursday, April 24. The Easter Story was read and we went into the sanctuary and looked at the white altar paraments and cross on the altar. Then we went down stairs and took off the black cloth covering the children's altar and replaced it with a white parament. The Crucifixion Cross and the Easter Cross were talked about. The children put away the Crucifixion Cross and placed the Easter Cross on the altar. They brought back "Alleluia" by singing "Allelu, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia, Praise Ye the Lord." They all received an Easter Bag with activity books and puzzles.



May you know the Love of Christ in your mom and learn from her.

May you find inspiration and guidance from God as you move on from graduation.

May you find new patriotism and love for your country and fellow man.

May you enjoy the songs of birds, the antics of squirrels and the fragrance Of the earth after a rain.

May you always know the Grace of God for you.

**RESTOCK THE LITTLE
FREE FOOD PANTRY**

The Little Free Food Pantry is doing just what it is supposed to do as part of our outreach ministry – providing food items and incidentals for anyone in need. The Pantry is short on some items, especially canned meats, canned fruits, soups and cereals. Your help is appreciated.



May Community Supper & Food Pantry

Everyone is welcome to enjoy a good meal May 15 at St. Mary’s Catholic Church, Strawberry Point from 5-6:30 p.m. There is no charge for the meal. Pork sandwiches, cheesy potatoes, baked beans, dessert and beverage will be served.

The April community meal served 63. The food pantry has served 19 households with 31 persons as of April 17. The pantry is open from 3-6:30 or by calling Deb Schloss([563 920 8263](tel:563-920-8263)), Sandy Burr([563 924 2729](tel:563-924-2729)), Delaine Gruman([563 920 2753](tel:563-920-2753)) or the parish office at [563-933-6166](tel:563-933-6166).



CommUnity Supper

Please call Kris Morarend, 933-4387 or 563-419-5329 for deliveries or rides for the community supper..

Items needed at the pantry: Canned fruits(peaches, pears, mandarin oranges, pineapple, fruit cocktail), 100% juice, cake mixes, frosting, Jello, frozen orange juice, pasta sauce, vegetable oil, pancake mix, Kleenex, household cleaners, bath soap, shampoo.

The Food Pantry and Community Supper have been meeting needs for five years. They are supported by all our community churches with willing workers and donations, both monetary and in kind.



**Fayette County
Food Shelf
Needs**

The Fayette Count Food Shelf is collecting all kids of shoes until the end of May, new or used.

SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS

May finds a variety of events happening in our area churches - confirmations, baccalaureate, graduations, Mother's Day, Memorial Day and Ascension Day this year!

The Pre-Assembly Synod Meeting, which is a wonderful review for anyone new that will be attending the Synod Assembly in June, will be held on May 28, 2019, 6:30 pm at St Peter, 301 N Adams St. Pastor Erika Kielstrup will be leading the meeting.

Our Clothing Center has been busy with our families looking for the spring & summer items. Shorts, tank tops, capri's, flip flops, grilling out items, gardening, outdoor toys, etc. If there are ever any questions, please feel free to reach out to the office for current needs or such.



We thank everyone who participated in this year's St. John's Lasagna Meal and Auction. Whether you donated items, purchased items or prepared food for the meal, your contribution was greatly appreciated. This year's auction was one of the most successful auctions we have ever had, thanks to your support. I especially want to thank the Church Council for all of their help setting up for the auction, helping throughout the meal and auction, and cleaning up after the auction.

Marcia Rueber
St. John Council Chairperson



THANK YOU to all who supported the Hope WELCA/Sunday school bake sale with sale items and by purchasing items. It was a big success.



THANK YOU to the children for providing the Easter breakfast at Hope.



Thank you to everyone for your help, visits, prayers, and the prayer shawl. Thank you to Pastor Margaret and Vicar Clark for bringing Holy Communion.

Ruth Coonfare

Dear Prayer Shawl Chicks, How kind of you to knit a prayer shawl for me! Your thoughtfulness really touched me – literally. Thank you for spreading cheer to others. The tags on the shawl are beautiful, too, very professionally done.

Sincerely, Cathy Boyer



*In Our
Thoughts
and Prayers*

*We extend our deepest
sympathy and prayers
To the family of Ray
Williams and to
Nancy and Gary Thurn in
the loss of their grandson,
Carter Matousek. May they
feel Christ's deep and*

abiding love through us .

STRAWBERRY POINT LUTHERAN HOME ANNUAL MEETING

Larry and I, along with Jackie Meyer, attended the Annual Meeting of the Lutheran Home this year. In the past we have never felt the need to give an update on what was going on as this is our third year as representatives. However, this year, big changes are going to be taking place and we felt as we should give a brief update on what is happening.

The Lutheran Home has 16 Memory Care beds. They are consistently full and, in the past year, they have had to turn down 150 requests for Memory Care. They feel the time has come to take the next step in making it possible to accommodate the need for more Memory Care Units. With the help of a family leaving a very large trust (over 6 million) to the Lutheran Home, they have announced that they are looking to build two new 18 bed Memory Care Units, adding two hospice rooms, one in each unit and the current Memory Care Unit will become their traditional nursing home beds.

Along with the construction of the new Memory Care Units, they will move STAR Physical Therapy to the Gernand Center on the first level. The move should have very little impact on the residents there.

To ensure that they are on a firm financial footing, they have engaged the Renaissance Group of Windsor Heights, Iowa, and they are confident that the project can be completed. They are also working with Ahts Architects of Waterloo who specialize in designing and constructing Senior Housing. Ahts Architects have given them an estimated construction cost from beginning to end of 7.5

million dollars. Completion would be in approximately 18 months and would begin this fall. Therefore, additional funding will be needed. They are looking into financing and fund raising to help meet their goal.

Pebler Point is an old building and the cost of renovating the building would not be good stewardship and it would be best to remove it. Should an agency or group take interest in using it, that would be considered. As far as the Swales Assisted Living Building, they plan to continue as they are. They recognize that there are more appealing opportunities in the area and, that at any given time, the units have never been full. They may seek to repurpose the Swales Building. They are still discussing its future.

If anyone has any questions, we were asked to have them call on any of the board members for an accurate account of what is taking place. Pastor Gary Hatcher is the President and Pastor Marshall Hahn is Vice President. I am sure they can help you with any of your questions.

Larry & Karen Glass

Happy Mother's Day! From LSI



Mother's Day is a time to celebrate the strong, loving women in your life. At Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI), we see thousands of Iowa moms through

their journey to build the brightest future for their children.

We see moms turning to LSI's Mental Health or Behavioral Health Intervention Services to ensure their child is receiving the coping skills and behavioral supports they need to thrive. In our Early Childhood Services, we see first-time moms who are eager to join our parenting education classes and support groups. In 2018, LSI's Early Childhood programs provided support to 1,158 parents of young children. We are so inspired to hear their stories and see their hard work pay off as they raise our next generation.

As you celebrate Mother's Day this year, remember how many Iowa moms are being empowered because of your support. If you are looking for a way to honor your mother this year, please consider giving a gift in her name at LSIowa.org.

Serving in May at Hope

AcolytesIsabelle Groth, Hunter Thompson,
Zander Purman

Ushers:
 May 5 & 19 Brenda & Samantha Wiedner,
 Lori, Jim & Morgan Fannon
 May 12 & 26. Terry, Marlene & Wes Lee Gould
 Communion Assistant.....Gary Thurn
 Altar Comm. Verna Lenth, Jamie Burgin,
 Marlene Gould
 Church CleaningEverybody
 Special Offering Lutheran Home

Serving in May at St. Sebald

Acolyte Confirmation Student/Usher

Ushers:
 May 5Randy & Haleisa Johnson
 May 12Dave Otdoerfer
 May 19Bill Hunt
 May 26 Dave & Kris Morarend

Reader(s):
 May 5Randy & Haleisa Johnson
 May 12Dave Otdoerfer
 May 19Bill Hunt
 May 26Marjorie Lewis

Church Cleaning Week of:
 May 5Tracy Yelden
 May 12Randy & Haleisa Johnson
 May 19Harveys & Morarends
 May 26Morarends & Harveys

Flowers:
 May 5 Lilies
 May 12 Kris Morarend
 May 19 Kristin Klingman
 May 26Jennifer Druecker

Serving in May at St. Paul

AcolyteJordan Everitt
 UshersMike & Carol Leonard

Serving in May at St. John

AcolyteAddi Munger
 Ushers Doug & Cindy Nus
 Altar Guild Brian & Becky Meisgeier
 Flowers..... Penny Handke
 Communion Assistant..... Doug Nus
 Readers:
 May 5 Kenna Meisgeier
 May 12 Sharon Reed
 May 19Addi Munger
 May 26 Dorothy Eckheart



Prayer requests may be phoned (563-633-3885) or e-mailed to the One in Faith office - oneinfaith@windstream.net

In our prayers: Cheryl Scott, Brenda Landis, Margaret Harvey, Mike McDonough, Becky Meisgeier, Robert Blue, Bernice Fletcher, Cathy Boyer, Carol Thomas, Leila Minger, Kent Klingman, Elaine Peterson, Roger Knehans, June Blue, Joe Knipper, Amanda Peterson, Charley Daisy, David Turner, Adeline Andreae, Lucas Baker, Barbara Garms, Marsha Thomas, Gary Northrop, Bonnie Hayes, Dorothy Bushkofsky, Pastor Martin Osterloh, Jim Miller, Wayne Coonfare.

Service people: Justin Minger, Patrick Pryer, Justin Pryer, Jesse Gossett, Tabitha Lambert, and other service men and women.



One In Faith Parish congratulates all of the graduates! Whether you are graduating from high school or college, we pray God will bless your future.

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

Jeremiah 29:11



St. John Birthdays

- May 1 Casey Wessels, Jenal Fekkether
- May 3 Erin Hamlett
- May 4 Brody Lenth
- May 5 Kenna Meisgeier
- May 6 Fred Hilsenbeck
- May 7 Diane Bond, Ron Rummel
- May 8 Taylor Brewer, Terry Henderson,
Trae Berry
- May 10 Austin Hamlett
- May 12 Willow Schuchmann
- May 13 Derek Becker, Duane Eckheart,
Alexia Hamlett
- May 14 Dustin Schott
- May 15 Madden McDowell
- May 18 Jacen Gruman
- May 20 Kim Klocke
- May 21 Ryan Shaffer
- May 25 LouAnn Shaffer, Janaan Bachtell
John Pleis
- May 27 Jeanna Spence
- May 31 Tia Shaffer

St. Sebald & St. Paul Birthdays

- May 1 Heather Schuler
- May 4 Lorna Christeleit
- May 6 Bill Hunt
- May 8 Bryant Baker, Sandy Howard
- May 12 Dennis Christeleit, Dakota Howard
- May 15 Tyler Kenkel
- May 16 Amanda Knipper
- May 19 Ingrid Olson
- May 20 Erich Olson
- May 23 Roger Erickson, Mimi Shea
- May 26 Kimberly Buckley
- May 29 Emily Haynes

Hope Birthdays

- May 1 Meredith Groth, Gary Thurn
- May 2 Haley Amsden
- May 3 Linda Handke, Maxine Kruger
- May 4 Betty Kuehl
- May 5 Cecil Hankins Jr., Lesa Clinton
- May 6 John Smith
- May 7 Shirley Jentz, Elizabeth Meisner,
Lexia Clinton
- May 8 Eric Hansel
- May 9 Shiloy Baldwin, Nancy Thurn
- May 12 Annette Dahling, Damian Groth
- May 14 Mary Amling, Travis Groth,
Holly Purman
- May 15 Matt Herman, Brandon Brown
- May 16 Jennifer Lenth, Matt Winch
- May 18 Trevor Amsden
- May 20 Alyssa Purman, Kara Winch
- May 23 Kristen Groth
- May 24 Heather Eddy, Judy Koth
- May 25 Emma Lou Gull
- May 27 Randy Morarend, Jessica Ashline
- May 30 Alexzander Purman



St. John Anniversaries

- May 6 Duane & Margaret Landis
- May 9 Josh & Carrie Thomas
- May 12 Bryce & Jessica McMullen
- May 17 Torri & Patty Alshouse
- May 24 Allen & Sharon Reed
- May 25 Gary & Cheryl Northrop
- May 27 Jim & Jean Turner
- May 28 Cole & Kara Burrack
- May 29 Dennis & Bonnie Nus

Hope Anniversaries

- May 1 Douglas & Janet Vittitoe
- May 4 Loren & Bonnie Amsden
- May 25 Lawrence & Betty Kuehl

St. Paul Anniversaries

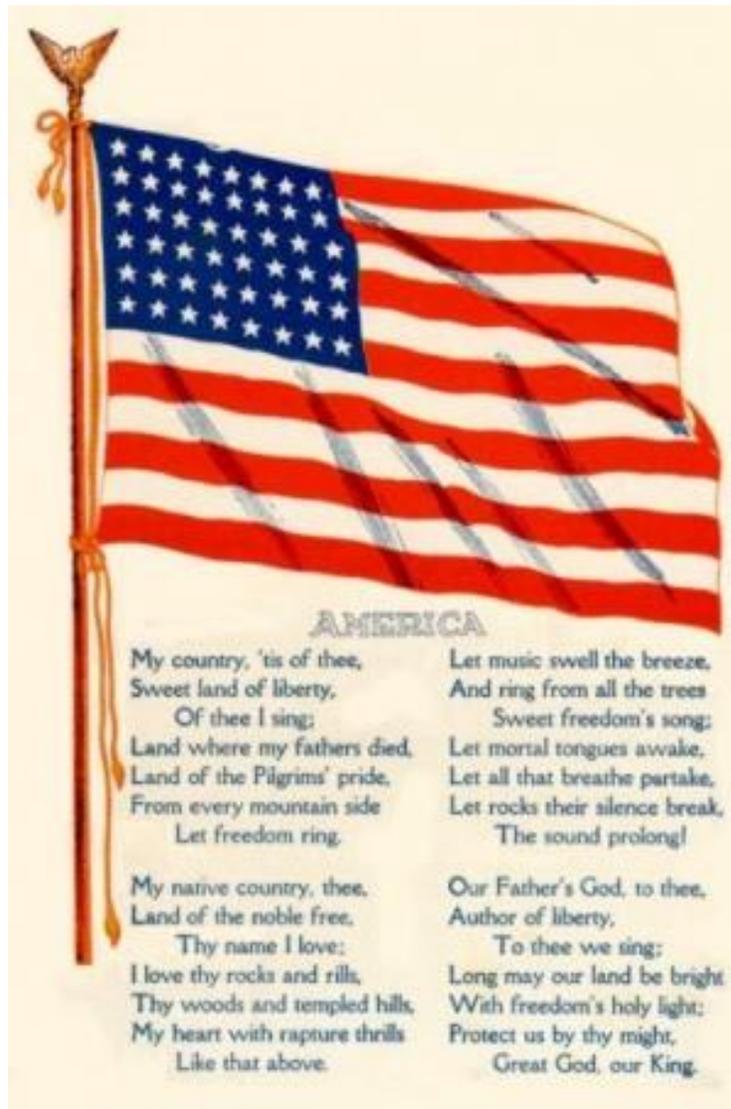
- May 14 Green & Sandy Howard
- May 17 Roger & Michelle Bushkofsky
- May 20 Roderick & Ruth Kamper

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