

MAY 2018

# Light *of* Life



LAST SERVICE IN CURRENT LOCATION-  
SUNDAY, MAY 13, 9:00AM



## WELCOME STALBAUM FAMILY

SUNDAY, MAY 6, 9:00AM

Please join us as we officially welcome new members Rebecca, Abigail (Abby), Margret (Maggie) Stalbaum and Emily Taylor at a special new member affirmation service. Abby will also be making her faith statement as part of a confirmation service.

## SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, May 20  
10:00am

Burke's semi-annual congregational meeting will be held immediately following the 9:00am Worship Service on May 20. The meeting will address Board and Officer vacancies, as well as voting on a change to the constitution. The change is posted in the Narthex.

The following Board and Officer positions will be open: Council President, Council Secretary, two people for the Preach Board, two people for the Teach Board, two people for the Reach Board, two people for the Property Board, and two people for Foundation. Watch for a posting soon from the Nominating Committee of candidates.

### OUR STAFF

#### Pastor

Robert Neubert,  
240-215-5176  
[gumby523@yahoo.com](mailto:gumby523@yahoo.com)

#### Administrative Secretary

Peri Beal, 608-244-8486  
[burkelutheran@att.net](mailto:burkelutheran@att.net)

#### Maintenance Engineer

Dave Wisner

#### Nursery Supervisor

A Volunteer

#### BURKE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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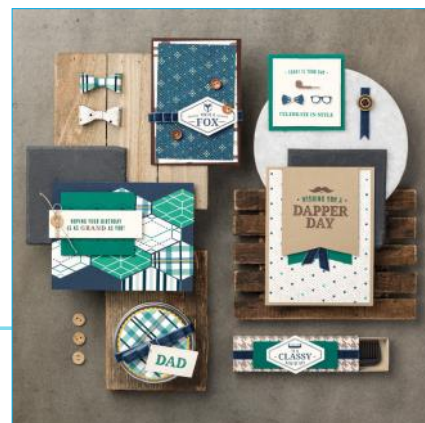
### NEED A LIFT?

Our chair lift is now installed on the back staircase leading to the basement, all set for our temporary location services, which begin May 20.



### CARDMAKING

Join Barb on Wednesday, May 9 at 1:00pm, for some creative fellowship, no experience necessary. All supplies and directions provided. Our theme this month is Father's Day, along with general greetings and birthdays. Please RSVP to Barb at [bjhennings@aol.com](mailto:bjhennings@aol.com) or 608-445-0566.



# A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ROBERT.....

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Never rely on what you think you know. Remember the Lord in everything you do, and the Lord will show you the right way." Proverbs 3:5-6*

Near the end of the 19th century a group of Norwegian families, who had immigrated to the American frontier state of Wisconsin to etch out a new life, decided to undertake an ambitious building project. Many of them were still settling into a part of the world that they did not yet understand, yet it had called to them from across the sea. Every one of them toiled day and night to care for their families, homes, livestock, and crops all while battling the harsh unforgiving elements that have always played a major role in how one survived and attempted to thrive in Wisconsin, especially in those years just before the dawn of industrialization. These families were driven by a deep and lasting faith. A faith that had brought them across the sea, a faith that helped them establish the Burke township, and a faith that inspired them to tear down their old wooden church building and replace it with a building that would be a monument to God's love in their lives, a building we still worship in today.

Almost 120 years after our beloved sanctuary was dedicated, our community is once again undertaking another massive building project centered upon our deep love of God, and the community that we have built here at Burke Lutheran Church. Instead of tearing down the old in order to make room for the new, we are embarking upon a project that blends the old

and the new. This is fitting since we are now a community that is a blending of old Norwegian families who have been worshiping here for generations and the many non-Norwegian families that have flooded the area over the past 120 years. The new building we hope to have completed sometime this fall will be a blending of who we are as a community who embraces our past while simultaneously embracing the ever changing world around us.

Over the next few months things are going to look very different around here as construction begins and we are forced into temporarily moving our worship space into the basement. Meanwhile pieces of our beloved sanctuary will need to be disassembled, demolished, and gutted as it gets ready to be moved. As this is going on a new foundation will start to be formed in our new location, yet even when the building is ready to be moved we must still be patient while our new addition is being built.

In the meantime church must continue, our ministries must carry on. God has called us to be the hands, and feet of God in our community so let us never forget what our true calling is. While it would be nice for our community to grow, that is not the primary purpose of our building project, the primary purpose is for it to help us serve the Madison, Sun Prairie, and Deforest communities that we so love.

*The Lord will lead you and be with you. The Lord will not fail you or abandon you, so do not lose courage or be afraid. Deuteronomy 31:8*

Peace and Blessings,  
Pastor Robert Neubert

## PRAYER CONCERNS

During the month of April, we have remembered the following individuals in our Sunday prayers:

David Vincent	Bill Schmidt	Tina Bauman	Jeanne Satori
Chris McFarlin	Louise Kraemer	Lisa Thompson	
Pearl Kvalheim	Owen Storlie	Diane O'Toole	

Our condolences to the family and friends of Dorothy Schwochert (friend of Sharon Hughes) and Amy Barbic (friend of the Wisner's).

*We apologize if we have missed anyone, it was not intentional.*



## RECIPE CORNER

(from the pages of the BLC Cookbook)

### RUBY RED SALAD

- 1 large can crushed pineapple (drained)
- 1 can cherry pie filling
- 1 can Borden sweetened condensed milk
- 1 (8 oz) carton Cool Whip
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans

*In a large bowl, combine cherry pie filling, sweetened condensed milk and pineapple.*

*Fold in whipped topping.*

*Stir in pecans, reserve some for garnish.*

*Cover with plastic wrap and store in refrigerator for at least 1 hour before serving, overnight is fine.*



## DORCAS CIRCLE

MAY 26, 9:00AM

## FOOD PANTRY

May's focus is on "Household Supplies": paper towel, foil, plastic wrap, paper plates, baggies, plastic cups, toilet paper. Please place items in the designated basket in the Narthex and it will be delivered to the pantry.



## BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

High noon on Wednesday, May 23, at Monk's, 2832 Prairie Lakes Drive, Sun Prairie. Please join us!



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## DINNERS AT THE LAKE

Lutherdale Meals,  
N7891 US Hwy 12,  
Elkhorn, WI served  
4:30 – 7pm the last  
Friday of each month  
April – August. Each  
week has a new

theme and a new menu! Adults \$16, Children 10 and under \$8. Take a group of friends.

MAY 25TH 2018 — NORWEGIAN BAR

Baked White Fish w/ Fresh Dill, Authentic Meatballs, Sauteed Carrots, Mashed Potatoes, Potato Soup, Fresh Bread, Dessert

## FIRESIDE FELLOWS

2ND AND 4TH MONDAYS

6:30—8:00PM



Men of all ages are invited for fellowship and discussion May 14 and May 28 from 6:30 to 8:00pm at a location determined prior to each meeting. Each topic is independent—there is no page turning, preparation or study time, so join in any time. Newcomers are always welcome. Call Paul Beckman (241-2346) for more information.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast is Wednesday, May 9 at Gus' Diner, Hwy 19, Sun Prairie, at 9:00am sharp.

## LIGHT OF LIFE & SUNDAY BULLETIN ARTICLES

If you have news you'd like to see in the Sunday bulletin announcements and/or Light of Life newsletter:

1. Email your submissions to [burkelutheran@att.net](mailto:burkelutheran@att.net) (please indicate in the subject line whether it is for the bulletin, LOL or both), or
2. Mail to church, 5720 Portage Rd, Madison, WI 53718, or 3. Turn it into the church office with Attn: Peri

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Wednesdays

LIGHT OF LIFE DEADLINE: 15th of the month

# Youth & Kids Corner

## CONFIRMATION CLASSES LAST DAY

The current session of Confirmation Classes will end May 2.



## SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOOP

Serving on your Teach Board:

*Chairperson:* Diane Johnson-Hung

*Council Representative:* David Hanson

*Treasurer:* Rudy Nielsen

*Secretary:* Sonja Nielsen

## SUNDAY SCHOOL RECOGNITION SUNDAY

We will honor our Sunday school teachers and students during worship on May 6th. The teachers have worked long and hard, preparing lessons and leading classes. Thanks to these dedicated teachers and helpers, our students have moved forward in their Christian faith.

Bruce Bosben

John Bosben

Paul Beckman

Shaney O'Toole

Janeen Otis

David Hanson

Laura Hung

Kim Hanson

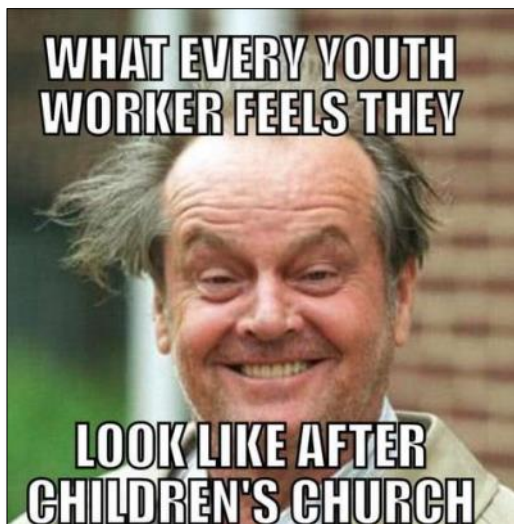
Charley Hanson

Emily Patzer

Diane Johnson-Hung

Charlie Hung

*NOTE: The last day of Sunday School will be May 13.*



## ATTENTION SENIOR HIGH GRADUATES!

We will be celebrating your success on May 20 at the 9am service. Following the service there will be a cake during the coffee hour. Please let the church office know if you will be able to attend—and Congratulations!



## PORCHLIGHT HOME MISSION FUND

The Home Mission Fund is run by Porchlight to administer locally donated funds to help families in Sun Prairie with rent and utility assistance when they experience difficulties. Last year's program included an average grant of \$98/household.

The Sun Prairie Home Mission Fund is currently out of funds so is unable to help anyone at this time. If you would like to donate to help your neighbors, you can make checks payable to Porchlight, with "Home Mission Fund" in the memo.

All donations can be sent to: Porchlight, Inc., 306 N Brooks Street, Madison, WI 53715. Information about 2017's program is in the Narthex.

## PHOTO DIRECTORY UPDATE

Watch for upcoming announcements of dates to have your individual and/or family photos taken. We plan to issue a new Burke Lutheran Church Directory complete with photos upon the opening of our new building.



# MAY CALENDAR

The staff at Burke Lutheran meets most Thursday mornings at 9:00am. We will return phone calls after our meeting. Thank you for your consideration.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Last Confirmation Class, 6:30pm	<b>3</b> Bible Study, 12:30pm Book Study, 6:30pm	<b>21</b> Star Wars Day  <i>May the 4th be with you!</i>	<b>5</b>  Synod Assembly
<b>6</b> Worship, 9am Sunday School, 9am Choir Practice, 10:30am Synod Assembly	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Council Meeting 6:30pm	<b>9</b> Men's Breakfast, 9am Quilting, 9:00am Cardmaking, 1:00pm	<b>10</b> Bible Study, 12:30pm	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> Mother's Day Worship, 9am Sunday School, 9am Choir Practice, 10:30am	<b>14</b> Fireside Fellows, 6:30-8pm	<b>15</b> Foundation Mtg, 7pm	<b>16</b> Quilting, 9:00am	<b>17</b> Bible Study, 12:30pm	<b>18</b> River Food Pantry, 5-8pm	<b>19</b> Ruth Circle, 10am
<b>20</b> Pentecost Worship, 9am Kids In Service, 9am Choir Practice, 10:30am  Wear Red!	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Quilting, 9:00am Birthday Luncheon, noon	<b>24</b> Bible Study, 12:30pm	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Dorcas Circle, 9am
<b>27</b> Holy Trinity Worship, 9am Choir Practice, 10:30am	<b>28</b> Memorial Day Fireside Fellows, 6:30-8pm	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Quilting, 9:00am	<b>31</b> Bible Study, 12:30pm		

Save the Dates: June 9 Steeple to Steeple Bike Ride  
June 13 Birthday Luncheon, Olive Garden



**Happy Birthday!**

**Have a birthday in May? Hope your birthday is totally cool, really fantastic, wonderful, exciting, majorly awesome, rocking and HAPPY!**



**Happy Anniversary!**

**To all who said "I do" in the month of May!**

## MAY WORSHIP LEADERS...



Wear Red for  
Pentecost!

	<b>May 6 9:00am Service</b>	<b>May 13 9:00am Service</b>	<b>May 20 9:00am Service</b>	<b>May 27 9:00am Service</b>
<b>Organist/Pianist</b>	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore	Jamie Falk	Susie Kittel Moore
<b>Music Leader</b>	Beni Hupf	Gloria Lundquist		Beni Hupf
<b>Music Leader</b>	Dave Wisner	Dave Wisner	Darrell Foss	Bob Rittmann
<b>Communion Assist</b>	Jeannette Gehrke	Dave Weinberger	Students	Barb Hennings
<b>Communion Assist</b>	Sharon Hughes	Joelle Frye	Students	Phyllis Svoboda
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Gloria Lundquist	Jeannette Gehrke	Mary TeWinkel	Jean Schnick
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Beni Hupf	Barb Hennings	Students	Linda Schramer
<b>Prayer Readers</b>	Joelle Frye Julie Clark	Joann Foss Jean Schnick	Students	Sue Rittmann Nancy Blum
<b>Acolyte</b>	Emma Dobbs	Danielle Ludwig	Olivia Otis	Kaitlyn Schramer
<b>Ushers</b>	Al Klinger Bob Lenzendorf	Roger Kittleson Dave Weinberger	Karl & Emily Patzer And students	Tim Wachs Nancy Blum
<b>Greeters</b>	Judy and Roger Martin	Phyllis & Stuart Svoboda	Students	Mary Brantmeyer Kay Gritzmacher
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Ruth Circle	Coffee Hour Committee	Preach Board	Teach Board
<b>Counters</b>	Gloria Lundquist	Linda Hughes Mary TeWinkel	Julie Clark Nancy Blum	Sharon Hughes Joelle Frye
<b>Sunday School Pre-K-K</b>	Emily Patzer	Charley Hanson		
<b>1st-2nd grades</b>	Laura Hung	Kim Hanson	Kids in Service	No Sunday School
<b>3rd-4th grades</b>	David Hanson	Janeen Otis	No Sunday School	
<b>5th-6th grades</b>	Paul Beckman	Shaney Iturbide		

## WHY DO WE WEAR RED ON PENTECOST?

Wearing red for Pentecost symbolizes the joy, transforming energy and the fire of the Holy Spirit. Celebrate with us on May 20.



## BURKE LUTHERAN CHURCH CHOIR



Our choir has three performances this month — May 6, May 13 and May 27. Be there or be square.

## RUTH CIRCLE MAY 19

Ladies — join us the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10:00am at the



church. Please contact our co-chairs, Jean Schnick (608-206-7181) or Joelle Frye (608-225-4328) with any questions.