MARCH **BIRTHDAYS** 2018

- 1 Melissa Schnabel
- 2 Marilyn Behn
- 4 Jackie Birdsell Gene Lampe Joan Berguist Vivian Hansen
- 6 Chuck Akers Jeremy Grefe
- 7 Jackie Fink Grant Subbert Cooper Hansen
- 8 Jacob Knipfel
- 9 Karen Wirtjes **Danielle Davison Sestina** Nate Hansen
- 11 Rev. Roy Berquist
- 13 Charles Flickinger
- 14 Rich Williams
- 15 Randy Oehlert
- 16 Delbert Berghoefer Tom Teggatz
- 17 Natalie Dent
- 21 Paula Schnabel
- 23 Gladys Baker
- 24 Jennie Dellinger Justin Schnabel **Emily Koenen** Taylor Hovenga **Tucker Schmitt**
- 29 Darrell Stratmann Rodger Schnabel Ryan Tripp

Happy Birthday!

March **Anniversaries**

- 13 Brandon & Patricia Heilskov
- 14 Bobby & Mary Gregory
- 23 Rev. David & Sandra Lingard

Happy Anniversary

GREETERS FOR MARCH

Paul & Joyce Hauser Bill & Sheree Holmstrom Gene & Sharon Miller

USHERS FOR MARCH

Bruce Behn Alan Brown Nate Hansen Troy Hansen Chris Oehlert

ACOLYTES

March

- 4 Grant Subbert 7 – Lent – Lauren Kurth
- 11 Avery Moore
- 14 Lent Emma Showalter
- 18 Tristan Kurth
- 21 Lent Kacie Eisentrager
- 25 Palm Sunday Eli Fink
- 29 Maundy Thursday -
 - Marshall Moats
- 30 Good Friday Tate

Schmitt



SPECIAL NEEDS COMMUNION

Wednesday, March 21, 1:00 P.M. This is for anv member that cannot come to the Lord's Supper on Sunday mornings. Fellowship and visiting afterwards with coffee. cookies, cheese & crackers.

LUTHERAN HOUR LENTEN DAILEY DEVOTIONS



On KLMJ. 104.9 FM at 7:23 AM every morning during Lent. The Evangelism Committee is

asking for help in defraying the cost of these devotions. You may put your offering in an envelope and mark it for LLM Lenten Devotions and put it in the offering plate.



LENTEN SCHEDULE 5:00 PM Confirmation 6:00-6:45 PM Lenten Meal 7:00 PM Lent Service - Holy Communion

Theme: Fear Not!

Lent III - March 7 "I Restore You" Lent IV - March 14 "I Chose You" Lent V – March 21 "I Love You"

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday – March 29 Good Friday – March 30 Easter Vigil - March 31-7:30 PM Easter - April 1 6:30 AM Sunrise Service 7:30 AM LYF Breakfast 9:00 AM Worship Service

Lenten Meals

LYF EASTER

March 7– Confirmation Class - Pancakes March 14 – Esther Circle – Casseroles, salad, bars-March 21 -Sunday School – Hot ham sandwiches



Sunrise Service. The LYF will be serving egg casserole, muffins, fruit, juice, milk and coffee. Freewill offering. Come and join us.

LYF MEETING March 4

BREAKFAST following the

LYF will need a new set of counselors in August. If you are interested, please contact Deb Vanness.

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LWML NEWS:



Our February mission gift is going to Bridge of Hope here in Hampton.

Please mark your calendars for the Spring Rally which will be held on Saturday, April 7th in Buckeye.

Any graduating seniors should get their applications in ASAP for the Anna Witthoft memorial scholarship. There is a March 15th deadline for applications, so don't miss it!! You can turn your application into Mary in the office or put them in Dorothy Brinkley's mailbox.

Our first quarterly LWML meeting will be held on Thursday, March 15th at 7:00 p.m. Please note that all ladies of Trinity are welcome and encouraged to attend. Mary Hadley will have our opening devotion and hostesses will be Mardell Jorgensen and Joyce Koch.

Ladies, please bring your booklets to the general meeting on March 15th. We continue to 'Serve the Lord with Gladness'.

Dorothy Brinkley President

CIRCLES

Esther Circle - March 1 - 7:00 p.m. Devotion & Bible Study: Dorothy Brinkley Hostess: Mary Hadley

Martha Circle - March 7 – 1:30 p.m.

General Meeting – 7:00 PM Thursday, March 15 Devotions: Mary Hadley Hostesses: Mardell Jorgensen & Joyce Koch.



Easter Lilies-Watch the bulletin for information.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Hello, my name is Alli Arndt. I am a senior at West Fork High School. My parents are Jason and Audrey Arndt. I have two older brothers, Cody and Collin Arndt.

Throughout High School I have participated in track, basketball, football, cheer and competition cheer for 4 years. I have really enjoyed competition cheer, and my team has gotten runner-up placements two of my years, only losing the championship by half a point both times.

At my previous church I was very involved with community service. My favorite memory was spending the weekend in Minneapolis, Minnesota at Mary's Place playing with the kids and truly realizing how grateful I am for everything. After my trip to Mary's Place it helped me really decide my career path.

Next year I will be attending the University of Northern Iowa before transferring to Allen College of Nursing. I hope to someday reach my goal of becoming a Nurse Practitioner in either a pediatric cancer unit or psychiatric mental health.



ST. PAUL'S NEWS St. Paul's Lutheran School Latimer, Iowa "A Mighty Fortress is Our God "

92 years of Service to God 2017-2018 THEME: "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

CALENDAR – March 2018

Mar. 6: - Early Dismissal 1:50 pm Parent/Teacher Conferences 2:30-7:00 pm Mar. 7: - Early Dismissal -- 12:50 p.m. **Teacher Professional Development** Mar. 8: - Early Dismissal 1:50 pm Parent/Teacher Conferences 2:30-7:00 pm Mar. 9: - NO SCHOOL Mar. 13 - Hoops For Heart - Jump Rope Event Mar. 12-16:- National Lutheran Schools Week Mar. 21: - Early Dismissal - 12:50 pm Teacher P.D. Mar. 23: - End of 3rd Quarter Mar. 29 : - Easter Parties (1-1:45pm); Early Dismissal 1:50 pm Mar. 30-Apr. 2: NO SCHOOL - Easter Break

In the children's book <u>Charlotte's Web</u>, Charlotte the spider weaves the word "humble" into her web to convince people that Wilbur is a special pig and thus saving him from becoming bacon. In real life, being humble is more than a flattering word – it is an attitude that Christ demonstrated perfectly when He humbled Himself to be born of a virgin, grow up, suffer, and die for us sinners- the Lenten message! Jesus saved us from eternal punishment when He rose and defeated the devil's power over us. Because of Jesus' great love and sacrifice, we too can live in humble service to Him!

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

Proverbs 22:6

Dear Members of Trinity,



I pray that all of you are doing well! This month, we will be discussing the sixth Commandment:

You shall not commit adultery.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

The world that we live in hates and despises God and all that He has created as very good. In an attempt to rebel against God's command and institution of holy matrimony, the world has twisted and redefined what marriage is and isn't. But as Christians, we cling to the Word as our anchor and solid foundation, for it is through His Holy Word that we learn what is evil and what is pleasing to God.

In the Garden of Eden, God instituted marriage as a lifelong union between one man and one woman; so that, a husband and his wife may love, honor, and hold fast to the other as a precious treasure given to them from God. Our Lord honors and praises this divine and blessed walk of life so much, that He endorses and protects it with this commandment. Because God takes marriage seriously, we are not to despise marriage or make light of it as something trivial. For it is through this monogamous lifelong union, God desires husbands and wives to become fathers and mothers, so that they may bring up and raise children in the Christian faith.

And it is for this reason, that we are to "**lead** a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do." In leading a sexually pure and decent life, we fight to overcome all impure thoughts and desires with God's Word and prayer, as we flee and avoid every opportunity for unchasteness. Not only that, but because God forbids divorce, except in cases of marital unfaithfulness (adultery or desertion), we are to remain faithful and married to our spouse until we return home to our Lord.

However, this commandment not only requires us to live chastely in thought, word, and deed, but "**husbands and wives** [are to] **love and honor each other.**" As Luther perfectly explains,

Wherever marital chastity is to be maintained, above all it is essential that husband and wife

live together in love and harmony, cherishing each other wholeheartedly and with perfect fidelity. This is one of the chief ways to make chastity attractive and desirable. Under such conditions chastity always follows spontaneously without any command. This is why St. Paul so urgently admonishes married couples to love and honor each other (Eph 5:22, 25; Col 3:18-19) (LC I.219-220).

Yours In Christ, Vicar Rob Ricard

"Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her." - Ephesians 5:22, 25

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Country View Nursing Facility

1724 Central Ave East Mavis Claypool Dorothy Fink Lillian Green Duane Schmitt Wendell Schmitt Evelyn Stratmann

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LABORS FOR CHRIST What is Laborers For Christ?

More Laborers are needed! Laborers For Christ (LFC) is a service provided by Lutheran Church

Extension Fund to help Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod (LCMS) ministries save money on their building projects.

Consider serving as a Laborer for the glory of God. Currently, there is a tremendous need; LFC hopes to nearly double their Laborers by summer. Laborers, both men and women, learn by doing—what we call on-the-job training with fellowship.

Laborers are retired carpenters, handy people, farmers, school teachers and other willing workers. They are committed to working at minimum wage for LCMS ministries who desire to undertake the construction and improvement of their own facilities.

"I didn't know how to do a lot of the jobs, and used equipment I'd never used before. They were always so patient and helped me learn," said Laborer Bob Femovich, Concordia Lutheran Church, Macungie, Penn.

Join Laborers For Christ today! To view future projects or fill out an application, visit lcef.org or call 314-885-6444.



Creation Museum & Ark Encounter

Two bus trips are planned for 2018. The trips are identical and are scheduled

for June 4-8 and August 6-10. The 56 passenger Windstar bus leaves from the Waverly Wal-Mart parking lot on Monday morning at 6 AM. The bus ride is an edutainment experience to help you understand what you will be seeing. We spend Tuesday and Wednesday at the Creation Museum and on Thursday travel 40 miles south to the Ark Encounter. Friday is a travel day home. There are still a few seats available for the June trip. Cost is \$1040 for single, \$695 double, \$580 Triple, and \$525 Quad. These are per person Prices. We ask for \$100 deposit to hold the set on the bus For more information contact Roger and Ellen Bauer at 319-352-5435 or by email at ellen.bauer@mchsi.com. A \$100 deposit per person is required to reserve your seat on the bus.

THRIVENT NEWS:

Since 2010, over \$370 million has been distributed to thousands of churches, schools, and other



nonprofits just like yours through Thrivent Choice®. Through this program, eligible members can recommend where Thrivent donates millions of charitable outreach dollars each year.

We are excited to share, based on member recommendations, Trinity Lutheran Church received \$5,386 in charitable outreach funding in 2017. We hope this gift helped to further support your incredible work.

Thrivent Members: If you have not yet chosen a church or organization to receive your 2017 Choice Dollars and would like help doing so, please phone 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" at the prompt or call the lowa Falls office in Iowa Falls at 641-648-2067. Please have your Member ID available. The deadline for directing 2017 Choice Dollars is **March 29, 2018**. Thank you.



Orphan Grain Train

Greeting in the name of our Lord Jesus from Orphan Grain Train, Central Iowa Branch 23, Clemons, Iowa.

As we begin this new year, 2018, we take time to reflect on 2017 and the MANY ways that God has blest our ministry here at Orphan Grain Train. (There is a letter on the bulletin board that lists what the Clemons Center has done.) Of course, all of this was only made possible by groups and individuals like you who have supported OGT materially, financially and prayerfully. We continue to depend on you to help us make 2018 another great year, and are thankful to have you as part of our OGT family. We also welcome visitors! We are here every Tuesday from 8:00 until 12:00. Coffee is at 10:00 sharp! We collect and sort for the needy on Tuesdays at Clemons. We quilt on Thursdays.

In His Love and Service, John L. Maddick (Roman's 12-13) Bonnie Berrey, Secretary