

SEPTEMBER 2019

Light *of* Life

POLKA WORSHIP & RALLY SUNDAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

9:00AM POLKA WORSHIP
POTLUCK IMMEDIATELY AFTER
SILENT AUCTION/QUILT RAFFLE

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PUBLIC INVITED TO JOIN US FOR FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, FUN AND FESTIVITIES

POLKA WORSHIP & RALLY SUNDAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 9:00AM

Rally Sunday kicks off our fall session of Sunday School with a Polka worship service, potluck, silent auction, and a quilt raffle.

Bid on beautiful themed gift baskets (no one will tell if you gift it to yourself!) such as "The Five Senses of Fall". Enter to win a gorgeous fall-colored quilt—tickets are \$5 for one, or three for \$10 (see Linda Klinger or Gloria Lundquist to purchase your tickets). Bring a dish (as you are able) for the potluck.

This event is family-friendly and open to the public. So plan on joining us for the food, fellowship, fun and festivities!

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OLDE TIME HYMN SING

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

While Pastor's away, the congregation will play! Please join us for an Olde Time Hymn Sing at 9:00am on Sunday, September 15 for a musical history.

Olde Time Hymn Sing

INTERESTED IN HOW THE ELCA ENGAGES THE WORLD?

SEPTEMBER 30, 6:30PM

Join Pastor Robert for an introductory meeting on the ELCA's social statements. We will be having a bible study focusing on each of the social statements adopted by the ELCA. Each session we will focus on an individual social statement and through polite conversation discover the ways we may disagree and agree with the ELCA on these topics. Sign up sheet is located in the Narthex.

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ROBERT.....

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

I am excited to announce that this fall we are going to be trying something new here during worship. Typically we follow what is known as the Revised Common Lectionary. The way that it works is that each Sunday we are presented with a reading from the Hebrew Scriptures (also known as the Old Testament), a Psalm, a reading from the Greek scriptures (also known as the New Testament) and a Gospel reading. This lectionary is set up on a three year cycle A, B, and C where each year focuses on a different Gospel, Matthew, Mark, and Luke respectively with John thrown in at various points throughout each year. There are many strengths and there are many weaknesses regarding the Revised Common Lectionary. One of the many strengths of the Revised Common Lectionary is that if you don't like one of the texts then you can just choose to ignore it and focus on one of the others instead. This often provides the preacher with a wide range of topics and ideas to look into each week. The idea is that each Sunday you get a variety of passages found throughout the Bible that are at least marginally connected to the Gospel text. This often results with the focus being very Gospel centered and people then not paying much attention to the other scriptures. Being Gospel focused is not necessarily a bad thing since Jesus is the central figure in our religion but when you are pushed into only looking at Hebrew scriptures only in light of how they relate to Jesus you can lose something in the richness these texts have to offer.

In order to mix things up we have decided to test out the Narrative Lectionary in worship and in our Sunday School program. The first thing that you will probably notice is that instead of four readings there is only one central reading that we focus on

each week. This is because the narrative lectionary is set up so that as we progress through the liturgical year we also progress through the Bible so that the congregation and Sunday school class will experience a more complete picture of the bible that is not so focused on the Gospels with other texts only chosen due to how they relate to the Gospel texts. This means that while we will definitely hit many familiar stories through out the Bible we will also come across several texts that are not used in the Revised Common Lectionary. This also means that we will be forced to look at texts that might be passed over and ignored even if they do come up in the Revised Common Lectionary because there is no alternative text to focus on. It is my hope that by using the Narrative Lectionary we will be able to explore the Bible more fully as a congregation thus sparking conversations that we may not have been able to have if we just stayed with the familiar texts that many of us already know by heart. Hopefully by digging into the Narrative Lectionary it will spark a renewed interest in the Bible and its many stories and themes amongst not only the adults but also the children in our congregation as they get to experience a new and exciting Sunday school program.

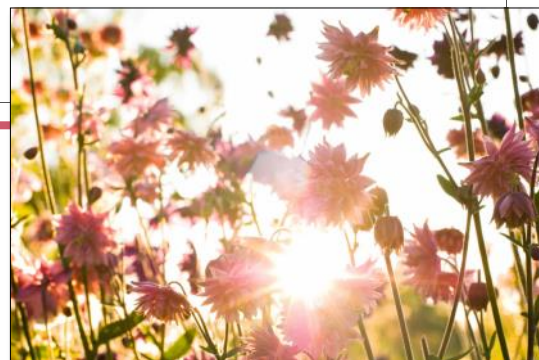
Peace and Blessings,
Pastor Robert

PRAYER CONCERNS

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

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| Tina Bauman | Lisa Thompson | Mary Skinvik |
| Bev Lowe | Harper DeBauche | Fred Sandridge |
| Helen Knuteson | Heather Gehrke | Jane Ford Bennett |
| Cheri Krisher | Rudy Nielsen | Cody Royston |
| Friends and family of Susan Gall, Roger Olson, and Phil Kucher. | | |

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



FOOD PANTRY

September's focus is on "Lunch Box": peanut butter, jellies, juice boxes, single serve packaged items, etc. Please place items in the designated basket in the Narthex and it will be delivered to the pantry.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast is Wednesday, September 11 at Gus' Diner, Hwy 19, Sun Prairie, at 9:00am. Stop in for a cup of joe, a hearty breakfast and connect with brothers in Christ.



RIVER FOOD PANTRY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20



Volunteering at The River gives people a feeling of satisfaction. A sense of fulfillment. It's about providing nutrition while nourishing a connected community. The River counts on neighbors to help neighbors in need.

We invite you to step inside and take a seat at the table. See who we serve. See how we serve. See why we serve. Burke Lutheran Church has committed to providing **three** servers once a month. Sign up on the sheet in the Narthex today.



BLCW MEETING

The next BLCW Meeting is Wednesday, September 10 at 10:00am in the church basement. All female members (and Dave too!) of Burke Lutheran Church are invited. Hope to see you there!

LEFSE—A ROLLING GOOD TIME

It's that time of year: summer vacations are over, kids are back-to-school, and the lefse gets rolling!

Each Wednesday and Friday for the next two months we'll be in the kitchen rolling out the Norwegian delicacy from 8:00am—11:00am.

Mark your calendars:

September 11, 13, 18, 20, 25 and 27
October 2, 4, 9, 11, 16 and 18

Directions for Rolling Lefse:

1. Flour board well
2. Roll lefse ball with hands until very round
3. Flatten ball on floured board—do not put any flour on top of lefse ball
4. Roll with rolling pin
5. Pick up lefse with stick, reflower board, turn lefse over and reroll until it is ten to twelve inches round
6. Pick up lefse with stick and take to baker



MEN'S RETREAT

SEPTEMBER 13-15, 2019

Are You More About Getting Your Way Than Finding His Way?

MacKenzie Environmental Education Center
W7303 County Road CS & Q - Poynette, WI



Find Jesus' Call for You at the Next One Year to Live Retreat for Men! This retreat has been life changing for many attendees! Join with men of all ages seeking to follow the guidance of Proverbs 27:17. For more info and to view participant testimonial videos; <http://www.lutheranmenmission.org>, or call Paul Beckman (608-241-2346).

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 (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

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

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| Sept 8 | Rally Sunday |
| Sept 15 | Orientation/Open House |
| Sept 22 | Kids in Service |
| Sept 29 | Class |
| October 6 | Class |
| October 13 | Class |
| October 20 | Kids in Service |
| October 27 | Class |
| November 3 | Class |
| November 10 | Class |
| November 17 | Kids in Service |
| November 24 | Pageant practice |
| December 1 | Pageant practice |
| December 8 | Pageant practice |
| December 15 | Pageant |
| December 22 | Winter break |
| December 29 | Winter break |
| Jan 5, 2020 | Classes resume |

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOOP

Serving on your Teach Board...

Chairperson: Open

Council Rep: David Hanson

Superintendent: Jean Schnick

Treasurer: Open

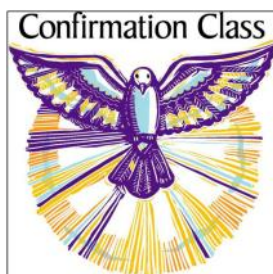
Secretary: Open

TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES

Teaching children can be a fun challenge, both exciting and satisfying. If you are interested, we have a place for you to serve. Please contact Sunday School Superintendent Jean Schnick, 608-206-7181 or floquijean@gmail.com.

TEACH BOARD LEADERSHIP

We need a chairperson, treasurer & a secretary for the Teach Board. This would give you a chance to do something interesting and creative for education here at Burke Lutheran. If interested, please contact the Teach Board Council Rep, David Hanson, at 608-279-3159.



CONFIRMATION CLASSES FORMING

Classes begin Wednesday, September 18 at 6:30pm. Registration for 7-8 graders will begin in August. To enroll a new student, please contact Pastor Rob.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS SEPTEMBER 15!

No registration needed! New curriculum! Nurture seeds of faith! Connect with God and each other!

SAY CHEESE!

As mentioned in last month's issue, we want to welcome all our members by getting to know names and faces. Starting September 15, Janeen Otis has graciously agreed to take family photos after church. Each family photo session should take about 10 minutes. A sign up sheet is in the Narthex for three slots each Sunday. Have a favorite family photo you'd like to use instead? Please send a digital copy to us at burkelutheranchurch@att.net, Subject: Photo Directory.

And, over the next few months the Reach Board will be gathering updated mailing addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses from everyone.

Let's see those pearly whites :)



SEPTEMBER 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 |
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| 1 Worship, 9am w/quilt blessing | 2  | 3 | 4 Quilting, 9am | 5  Bible Study, 12:30pm | 6 | 7 |
| 8 Traveling Salvation Show & Rally Sunday, 9am | 9 Fireside Fellows, 6:30-8pm | 10 Quilting, 9am BLCW, 10am Council, 6:30pm | 11 Lefse Rolling, 8am Men's Breakfast, 9am | 12 Bible Study, 12:30pm | 13 Lefse Rolling, 8am Choir Party, 6pm at Gloria's | 14 LWR Train Loading |
| 15  Olde Time Hymn Sing, 9am | 16 | 17 Quilting, 9am Foundation, 7pm | 18 Lefse Rolling, 8am Confirmation Class, 6:30pm | 19 Dorcas Circle, 9am at Gloria's Bible Study, 12:30pm | 20 Lefse Rolling, 8am River Food Pantry, 5-8pm | 21 |
| Men's Retreat | Pastor Rob gone | | | | | |
| 22  Worship, 9am Photos, 10am | 23 Preach Board, 9am Fireside Fellows, 6:30-8pm | 24 Quilting, 9am | 25 Lefse Rolling, 8am Confirmation Class, 6:30pm | 26  Bible Study, 12:30pm | 27 Lefse Rolling, 8am | 28 |
| 29 Worship, 9am Photos, 10am Potluck Coffee Hour | 30 ELCA Bible Study, 6:30pm | | | | | |

Save the Dates:

October 17
October 27
October 31
November 9

Dorcas Circle at Lucy's
Trunk or Treat, 5-8pm
Happy Halloween!
Craft/Quilt/Lefse Sale



Happy Birthday!

**Have a birthday in Septembet?
Hope your birthday is spectacular,
totally cool, really fantastic, wonderful,
exciting, majorly awesome, fun-filled,
rocking and HAPPY!**

Happy Anniversary!

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



SEPTEMBER WORSHIP LEADERS...

| | Sept 1 9:00am Service | Sept 8 9:00am Service | Sept 15 9:00am Service | Sept 22 9:00am Service | Sept 29 9:00am Service |
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| Organist/Pianist | Gloria Lundquist | Susie Kittel Moore | Gloria Lundquist | Susie Kittel Moore | Susie Kittel Moore |
| Music Leader | Dave Wisner | Gary Beal Band | Dave Wisner | Bob Rittmann | Dave Wisner |
| Music Leader | Linda Truitt | Gary Beal Band | Linda Truitt | | Linda Truitt |
| Communion | Jean Schnick | Gloria Lundquist | | Jean Schnick | Julie Clark |
| Communion | Dave Weinberger | Dave Weinberger | | Sue Rittmann | Barb Hennings |
| Communion Prep | Jean Schnick | Gloria Lundquist | | Jeannette Gehrke | Mary TeWinkel |
| Lay Reader | Jean Schnick | Jean Schnick | Sue Rittmann | Sharon Hughes | Barb Hennings |
| Prayer Readers | Pastor Rob | Bob Boettcher Julie Clark | Sharon Hughes Gloria Lundquist | Tim Wachs Peri Beal | Dave Wisner Lucy Wisner |
| Acolyte | Carter Truitt | Danni Queiser | | Abbey Harris | Clara Neubert |
| Ushers | Al Klinger Bob Lenzendorf | Roger Kittleson Rick Brandon | Tim Wachs Chris Otis | Karl & Shari Patzer | Roger Kittleson Dave Weinberger |
| Greeters | | Mary TeWinkel Linda Hughes | Kay Gritzmacher Val Sandmire | Virgina Steward Jay Olson | Dianne & Randy Copenhefer |
| Coffee Hour | | Potluck | Reach Board | Quilters | Potluck |
| Counters | Gloria Lundquist | Linda Hughes Mary TeWinkel | Patrice Neubert Julie Clark | Sharon Hughes | Linda Hughes Mary TeWinkel |

BURKE CONCESSION STAND— NEW COORDINATOR NEEDED!

Since 2012, Burke Lutheran members have been volunteering at events in the Madison area raising funds for various ministries. These have included UW Football games, Shake the Lake, hockey games, BratFest and many more. Funds have been raised for the Building Fund, Habitat for Humanity, River Food Pantry, Sunshine Place and Road Home.



As many of you know, Lon Buss has moved to MN and we need a new Concession Stand Team Coordinator. This person will communicate with Ken Hoffman for events at The Alliant Energy Center and Coliseum and recruit volunteers. They would also work with Peri, our secretary, for promoting opportunities. This effort will not involve UW Football, as it has been decided that we will not be doing UW Football this year.

If you are interested, or have questions, please feel free to contact Lon Buss (608) 516-7875, or Karl Patzer (608) 770-7325. Lon is willing to help with some orientation and provide the team email list.

