

# Lutheran Church By The Lake

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## *Sharing the GOOD NEWS*

*Welcome to the New Year*

**February 2024**



### ***I Love To Tell The Story*** **LCBTL Newsletter Stories**

***Something NEW on the Horizon!*** We would like to “tell our story” through the eyes of our many ministries at LCBTL. Our congregation is so faithful to so many community needs, and this is a perfect opportunity to plant a seed in the hearts of folks who are looking for an opportunity to volunteer, for those who already assist with these programs and would appreciate sharing the work that they do, and even for others who could benefit from one or more of the ministries we provide both within the church and also in the community.

Each month we will highlight one of our ministries – and be ready to see that we include some that seem like everyday occurrences at Lutheran Church By The Lake! Some examples:

**Choir and Musicians**  
**Property Team**  
**Blessing Bags**

**Office Staff**  
**ARK Angels**  
**Worship Assistants**  
**Sexton**

**Worship Committee**

**Grief Share**

**Prime Timers**

**Caregivers Group**

**Quilt Group**

**Prayer Shawl**

**Food Pantry**

**Backpack Ministry**

**First Steps**

**Council**

**LWM**

**LMM**

**Welcome Ambassadors**

**Audio/Visual Team**

**Meals From Heart**

**Cards From Heart**

**Education/Bible Studies**

**Camp Grand**

**Columbarium Services**

**Fellowship Team**

**Lake Service**

**Stewardship**

**Financial Team**

**We have likely omitted some of our ministries, and for that we apologize. Be sure to send in a note to tell us!**

**So... on your mark, get set, GO! We need you to write a piece for your ministry – a little history, a purpose, a touching experience, a goal, a need.....anything you would like so that your ministry can be highlighted for our members and friends! If you want to add a photo- all the better!**

**This is a broad appeal and we hope you will send in your 200-500 word piece (short or long is just fine!) Please email [www.lcbtl.worship@wctel.net](mailto:www.lcbtl.worship@wctel.net) and we will add one per month. The December Newsletter is just around the corner- who will be first? Don't wait! We will put all of the articles in a queue, ready for our office team to use each month! If we don't hear from you, and we are in need of an article, we will contact you! 😊**



**This month's article for our monthly newsletter comes from Denise Uitto who is the Chairperson of LCBTL Evangelism.**

## Discipleship of Evangelism

The focus of the Lutheran Church By The Lake is on our loving relationship with God and our neighbors. The Discipleship of Evangelism follows the Christ-Centered Core Value of Fellowship from John 13: 34-35. "We believe this congregation becomes an extended family for all who gather here."

### **What is Evangelism?**

Evangelism is the spreading of the Christian gospel by public preaching or personal witness. Each day the members of the Lutheran Church By The Lake are personal witnesses to the Christian gospel as they live out their lives.

Evangelism is a ministry, and the core component is hospitality. Hospitality is at the core of the Gospel message. We honor Christ in everyone, and God seeks to be in relationship with all persons. We are His disciples and through our daily lives, we spread the Christian gospel.

How do we individually and collectively demonstrate evangelism at the Lutheran Church By The Lake? We have three major components of the Discipleship of Evangelism. We are united by all the ministries at LCBTL in our hospitality toward all. The three major components are Welcome Ambassadors, Neighborhood Lay Leaders, and Community Outreach programs. If you are interested in serving, please contact Denise Uitto at [edconnectlearning@gmail.com](mailto:edconnectlearning@gmail.com).

**Welcome Ambassadors** – Individuals with the gift of "hospitality" serving as greeters. We welcome first-time visitors to our worship services each week. Cards are sent after the service as a follow-up contact. Name tags are made for everyone to remember names and invitations are sent for fellowship activities, ministry opportunities, Bible studies, and information luncheons about LCBTL.

Remember you are a special greeter to our guests and visitors. When meeting someone new or if you don't know if they are a visitor or member, introduce yourself by saying, "I don't think we've met before, I am ....." Share your joy about worshipping at LCBTL and participating in activities and ministries. Pose a question about coming to SLV. Remember to thank them for coming to worship services and invite them to return.

**Neighborhood Lay Leaders** – Individuals who visit newcomers to our area and specifically to Savannah Lakes Village. We welcome them to SLV and invite them to worship and fellowship activities and share information about the LCBTL.

**Community Outreach Programs** – We are working with community leaders and the McCormick County Chamber of Commerce to promote programs and offer services that are important in the lives of our congregation and this community. Upcoming programs are being planned such as CPR training, medical screenings, and information about physical health/wellness. Watch for these programs in the next few months.

***All ministries at LCBTL are actively engaged with evangelism efforts. Let's look briefly at other ways we are showing evangelism.***

**Worship** – We come to worship God, the Grace offered through His Son, Jesus Christ. In our announcements, we extend a welcome to all visitors and guests. During our worship services, we exchange God's peace which invites hospitality to everyone. We offer our prayers and encourage all to request a prayer in our prayer vessel. Our church

bulletins are printed to assist everyone in understanding the content and when to sit/stand. We sing hymns of praise with musicians leading us through the music.

**Fellowship** – Guests and visitors are invited to our fellowship activities and special ministries. Remember to join us at Coffee Mingles before the second service and after the first service to mingle, greet, and share fellowship with others. Members bring a friend to events including Caroling, LWM luncheons, LMM activities, Green Jackets game, and church decorating.

**Property** – Did you realize that the care we give to our building and grounds is a way of honoring all who attend LCBTL and honor God? The well-cared-for building shows our commitment to excellence and communicates that what this church does is important. All who prepare for events and clean-up after events, arrange information in the pews, pick up trash, and decorate for activities are caring for our church property.

**Stewardship of Life** – We thank God for our many Blessings within our personal lives and with gratitude for the abundance of Blessings at LCBTL. Individuals participate in God's Work through Our Hands in service to our church ministries and the outward ministries through this church.

**Servant Leadership** – We serve others in multiple ways as we witness to others in our daily lives. We give generously to support Blessing Bags, Helping Hands Thanksgiving Bags, Caregivers program, Prime Timers program, Kairos ministry, Backpack ministries.

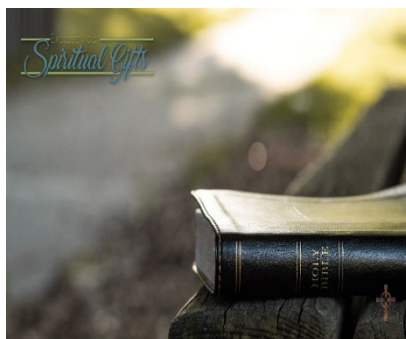
**Discipleship of Education** – We have many opportunities to learn more about God, His Son and His ministry. Weekly Bible studies, Camp Grand, the McCormick Christmas Parade are a few of the many options to grow in our faith and learn how to share our faith with others.

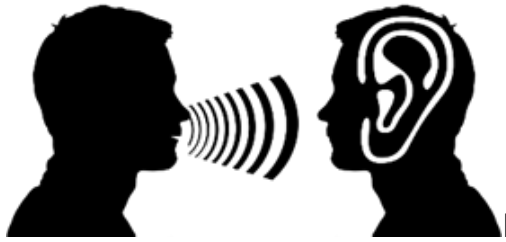
THANK YOU for being a host or hostess to others as we welcome ALL to God's House at Lutheran Church By The Lake. THANK YOU for inviting others into a loving relationship with God and neighbors.

God's Peace to each of you,

Denise Uitto

Discipleship of Evangelism Chairperson





From the Desk of the VP

**LISTEN!!!!**

*Everywhere!!!!*

In the upcoming weeks and months, you will likely be hearing the words, “**Listen Everywhere!**” and this month, I would like to help you understand not only what this means to our congregation, but how it came about. In fact, let’s go back to the beginning and learn about how this all got started.

A few years ago, Lutheran Church By The Lake was the church home of Bill and Ruth Paxton and this congregation was blessed to have them both in our midst. Bill was especially interested in anything that had to do with learning about the Word of God, and he was good at finding ways to include more people to learn and better ways to teach. By the time our then-member Jack Becker helped LCBTL launch an effort to include folks in our on-line streaming of church services by donating equipment for this purpose, the Paxton’s had retired to Florida. They were so pleased to be able to watch our church services, and appreciated all that Jack and our technology team did to make this possible. Not only could we live-stream, but we could also broadcast into our new fellowship hall, the ARK, and use the new video and sound capabilities to augment ZOOM meetings, Bible Studies, fellowship events, movie nights, and more! This proved to be especially helpful during the COVID-19 Pandemic and has proven to have a lasting impact on our outreach efforts.

In 2022 our dear friend Ruth Paxton lost her beloved husband Bill, but she and their children knew that somehow they wanted his memory to be kept alive in honor of his love for educating and serving. As an incredibly kind gesture, they offered to provide equipment to improve our technology capabilities at LCBTL through a generous memorial donation in Bill’s name! Their son Tim began a conversation with the Church Council over a year ago and made a suggestion that helping to enhance the sound in our Sanctuary and in the ARK would be a meaningful gift to so many. The research began, and we discovered a technology called **Listen Everywhere** that will allow people with hearing aids as well as those who simply do not hear well to “connect” with a wireless system in both buildings and enhance the volume of the current speakers! This can be done using their personal cell phones and hearing aids or with a loaner device provided by LCBTL and purchased for this purpose with personal ear buds or hearing aids.

Bill was always concerned about making sure that everyone had the opportunity to learn, and to hear the Word of God. This new ***Listen Everywhere*** system will be the fulfillment of that desire! In addition, Bill's family is providing funding for enhancing the technology for video in the ARK, as well as some smaller technology enhancements to better serve our folks worshiping and participating within the walls of LCBTL and from home.

We are blessed to also have funds from memorials made in Jack Becker's name to help in educating our volunteers in the use of this equipment. Both of these former members had a vision to help us in spreading the Good News in our community, and with technology, anywhere in the world. Their legacy is so meaningful in so many ways! Our congregation is indeed blessed to be the recipients of these gifts that will have such lasting impact.

Watch for more announcements about ***Listen Everywhere*** and be sure to reach out to our Technology Team (in the Sound Booth on Sunday mornings) or send an email to the church to let us know that you are interested in learning more about how we might be of assistance to you in your quest to hear things more clearly at Lutheran Church By The Lake.

**Sherri Kumle, Vice President  
Lutheran Church By The Lake**

## **2023 Financial Report of the Treasurer**

It pleases me to make this report to the congregation regarding the financial position and results of operations for the year 2023.

Before I get to the good news, I'd like to mention that 2023 was a challenge to us all on Council. We began the year still searching for a new pastor, whom we met and approved in April, I believe. Pastor Sue began her duties in May and we were on our way to what appeared to be a good year.

Well, as the saying goes, "all good things must come to an end". Maybe a more appropriate saying that applied to us was, "when you least expect it, something bad is going to happen". Pastor Sue decided to leave LCBTL and seek employment elsewhere. That was late September/early October.

At September 30<sup>th</sup>, we were looking at a loss of \$3,270 for the month, and a YTD loss of \$10,206. It was what we expected at that time of the year. With no pastor salary, housing allowance and health insurance and pension benefits to pay for half of October and going forward, we had a small net profit of \$677 for the month. November, we showed a larger net profit of \$6,386, and a net loss of \$3,143 for eleven months. December is usually a good month, especially when there are 5 Sundays, as was the case last year. Well, we didn't have a good month for December, it was a fantastic month! We budgeted a small profit of \$288, back when we didn't even have a pastor in mind yet, but our total offerings of \$44,625 exceeded our \$26,000 budgeted offerings! The YTD net loss at the end of November was eliminated with a December net profit of \$35,248! That put us at a net profit of \$32,105 for the year!! Unbelievable indeed. And that's the good news. Actually, it was great news! So that is why it pleases me to make this report to you all. In this case, when we least expected it, something fantastic was going to happen and it did!

Thank you all very much for your continued support! May God bless you all!

Paul Klein, Treasurer

# LCBTL COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT

## January 2024 Council

### Meeting

**Contributions for**

12

Month(s) ending December 31, 2023  
(whole dollars)

MONTH	2023				
	Actual	Budget	2022	vs. Budget	vs. 2022
Total December	62,727		57,776		
Total December- General	45,080	26,000	51,546	73.4%	-12.5%
Weeks in December	5	5	4		
Weekly Average - Month (Total)	12,545	0	14,444		
<b>YTD</b>					
Total	350,320		323,077		
General	256,111	260,000	261,165	-1.5%	-1.9%
Weeks YTD	52	52	52		
Weekly Average - YTD (Total)	6,737	0	6,213		
Weekly Average - YTD (General)	4,925	5,000	5,022		
YTD Monthly Average - Total	29,193	0	26,923		
YTD Monthly Average - General	21,343	21,667	21,764		
<b>YTD Restricted</b>					
Columbarium	2,000		1,100		
Thrivent Contribution	264		1,267		
Endowment Fund	4,091		3,831		
Building Fund - Pledged	875		5,914		
Building Fund - Non Pledged	13,587		10,705		
Lenten	66		239		
Memorials	2,625		325		
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	600		1,850		
Other/Msc	70,101		36,681		
Total Restricted	94,209		61,912		
Total ( 2023 Actual) - Total (2022 Actual)	350,320		323,077		8.4%
General (2023 Actual) - General (2022 Actual)	256,111	260,000	261,165	-1.5%	-1.9%



**January 2024 Council Meeting**  
**Contributions for**                      12      Month(s) ending December 31, 2023

Other/Msc

Restricted Memorial Donations	37,000	Technology, Veterans, LWM
Rental Income	4,300	
Prime Timers Restricted Fund	3,800	
Loan Repayment	6,000	
Website Support	1,200	
Miscellaneous	<u>17,801</u>	Backpack Ministries, Camp Grand, Flowers, etc.
Total	<u>70,101</u>	

1/11/2024



**CHURCH COUNCIL NEWS**

The LCBTL Church Council has been asked to provide to the church membership more transparent information about the business conducted by the Council. The Council is of the belief that this is God’s Church- we are simply serving him in our ministries, and as members of this congregation, we all will be better informed by including the Financial Secretary’s Report and Highlight Notes from the Treasurer in the monthly newsletter. In addition, we will include any motions that were brought to the floor and the outcome of the vote for or against those motions. The full minutes of the Monthly, Semi-Annual and Annual Meetings of the Council will be available for review in the Narthex (see binder) after they have been approved at the meeting following the previous month. Example: The full minutes of the December meeting will be approved at the January 15th Council meeting and will be included in the February Newsletter, published near the 1st of each month. Please keep in mind that the Council meets on the third Monday of each month at 9:00 AM in the Conference Room and the meetings are open meetings. Those wishing to attend may contact President Eric Randall prior to the meeting only if they wish to speak, providing a time-slot on the agenda

## ***A Message From The Call Committee and the Church Council***

The Church Council will be interviewing a pastoral candidate on Friday, Feb. 2 and invites all of the congregation to participate.

We encourage all to come for the Meet and Greet on Friday, Feb. 2 from 4:00-6:00 PM when we will welcome Pastor Greg Van Dyke and his wife Linda.

Please know that you may come at whatever time you wish during those hours, but Pastor Greg and Linda will only be "greeting" for about 30 minutes- until 4:30. Most of the remaining time, he will be speaking to us all from the podium, and will have a time to ask us some questions as well as answer some of ours. IT is his feeling that this is the best way for us to really get to know him, which is the important part of this opportunity.

We welcome all of you!! Please join Pastor Greg and Linda in the ARK on this Friday from 4-6 PM.





**Sunday, February 11**  
**SUPER BOWL SUNDAY**  
**LVXII**

**Bring lots of cans of soup to vote  
for your “SOUPER BOWL”  
team to win!**

**1 can = 1 vote**

**Who Will Win?**

***The McCormick County Food  
Pantry***





## Altar Flowers

Please remember to fill in your dates on the 2024 FLOWER CHART in the Narthex to provide altar flowers for Sunday Mornings in 2024! You may designate someone to honor, memorialize, or just celebrate something special, and then the flowers may be taken home after the 10:30 service or picked up any morning during the following week.

For those Sundays not selected by anyone, we have had an artificial arrangement prepared to be used instead. We realize that this is not ideal, but the church does depend upon you to fill this need each week, as this is not a budgeted item for the church.

Living flowers are a lovely way to give thanks to God for the gift of creation, add beauty to the worship space, and are a fitting way to commemorate an individual or event. We are thankful for those who support our congregation by contributing in this way.



If you like to host, eat, entertain and meet people, we have a suggestion for you! **Fellowship Dinners!** The idea is to have 6-8 people at someone's house for dinner. The host is responsible for drinks and the main course. Appetizers, salad, veggies and dessert will be provided by the other diners. The host will be rotated each month until each has had his/her turn. Once the rotation is completed then new groups will be formed to meet new people and continue the fun!! Single people are welcome! Deadline for sign up is February 25<sup>th</sup> and there are signup sheets in the Narthex.

Any questions please call Margo Kite 781-561-5863 or email

[billmargo.kite@gmail.com](mailto:billmargo.kite@gmail.com).

McCORMICK  
COUNTY



# FIRST STEPS

Getting children ready for school

January 02, 2024

Thank You

To: Lutheran Church By the Lake

Thank you so much for your generous contribution to McCormick County First Steps. Because of you, the youngest learners in our community are getting the best start in life!

You are helping First Steps reach more children with quality parenting, health, and daycare programs. Thank you for partnering with us and investing in our most valuable asset-our children. We couldn't do this without you!

NaToya Cartledge, Director  
McCormick County



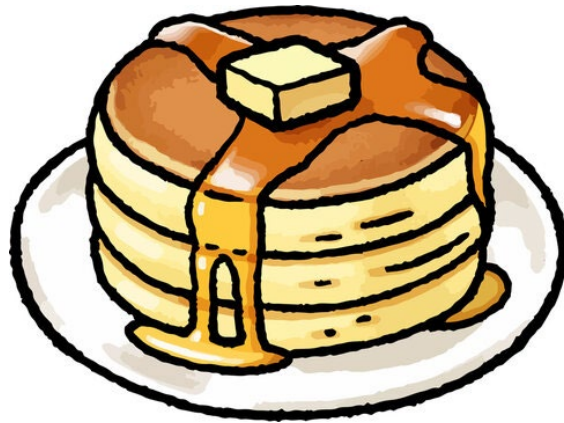
**McCormick County First Steps is a  
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**Community Quilting Bee** is returning on **Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>** from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the ARK. We have fabric ready for making quilt tops, along with tops ready to sew. If you can sew, bring your sewing machine, if not, we can still use your help in many areas. All supplies are provided. Bring a lunch and make a day of it. Contact Jean Randall 864-602-9563 or Karen Divita 240-687-4088 with any questions.



**Pancake Supper February 13<sup>th</sup> 5:00 -7:00 PM**

Please join us and support the Lutheran Men's Mission as they make us some delectable pancakes and all the fixin's. Come to the **ARK** on **February 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM**. Tickets are on sale now for \$7.00 each (kids under 12 are \$4.00). Tickets are available in the church office Monday-Friday from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Cash or checks (made payable to LBCTL and note LMM in the memo field).



## **Kairos Prison Ministry in McCormick**

[www.kairosprisonministry.org](http://www.kairosprisonministry.org)

**Kairos Prison Ministry** shares the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ to impact the hearts and lives of incarcerated men, women, and youth, as well as their families, to become loving and productive citizens of their communities.

The Kairos program brings a group of incarcerated men together for a 4-day program based on a series of talks, discussions, chapel meditations, and music led by a same gender team of volunteers. As the Kairos Christian community inside a prison grows and begins to gain influence, the incidence of violence decreases.

## **The next Kairos walk at McCormick County Correctional Institute (MCCI) is March 19-22, 2024.**

- **Cookies: One way that you can “visit” prisoners is by home-baking cookies to be shared at the walk as a sign of God’s unconditional love (or “Agape” in Greek).** MCCI houses 450 men and 24 will be invited to join the walk in March. We will need 1,000 dozen (12,000) cookies for the participants, the other prisoners, guards and prison staff.

The types of cookies that are generally acceptable are: oatmeal, peanut butter, molasses, chocolate chip, ginger, and sugar. Cookies should be between 2 inches and 2-1/2 inches in diameter and not more than 1/2 inch thick. It is very important not to use icing, sugar, or any other type of coating on the outside of the cookie. Do not add any kind of fruit or nuts to the cookies. For recipes, see

<https://mykairos.org/docs/kpmi/cookies.pdf>

**The Key Ingredient is prayer:** Pray individually or as a family over the ingredients before and during mixing, and as you drop them onto the cookie sheets and bake them. Ask God to use your cookies as a source of His love to shine on the prisoners and staff on the Kairos weekend.

**Packing the Cookies:** Bag thoroughly cooled cookies in a quart sized Zip Lock bag, a dozen cookies to a bag. Label each bag with the cookie type inside. Freeze all cookies if not using within 3 days.

We will collect cookies by Friday, March 15 at LCBTL in the narthex.

Please contact **Bill Freiberg** if you would like to donate cookies to the Kairos team.





## Soup's On!

For many years it has been a tradition here at Lutheran Church By The Lake to observe the season of Lent with soup and fellowship, Lenten Soup Suppers. Each of the five Wednesdays in Lent we will gather in the ARK to share a meal of soup and conversation before going into the sanctuary for a short but meaningful Lenten Service of Diminishing Light.

Join us and bring friends and neighbors. Please sign up to bring soup, bread or crackers or dessert on Wednesdays beginning February 21. The soup will be ladled out at 5:15 and followed by the service in the sanctuary. Sign up sheets are in the Narthex.



Lent is a season of meditation and renewal in preparation for a joyful Easter celebration.

Join us as we observe Lent with a Service of Diminishing Light and the music of the Holden Evening Prayer during the five Wednesdays of Lent following Ash Wednesday. This short but meaningful service is meant to help us contemplate, confess and renew our faith.

The service will begin at 6 pm In the sanctuary following the Soup Supper beginning February 21 and continuing each Wednesday in Lent.



## February Blessing Bags

This month we ask your support the **HELPING HANDS FOOD PANTRY**  
Items needed are Toilet Paper, Paper towels, dish detergent, laundry detergent.  
Food items, Cereal, Peanut Butter, Pasta, Anne's vegetables, etc



Thank you in advance for your support.

Jeanne Thayer



### **SAVE THE DATE TO LEARN ABOUT OUR TOWN**

On March 6, 2024 you are invited to attend a wonderful program by Mary Tobin. When you walk around McCormick or are shopping on Main Street, do you ever wonder about the history of our town? If so, please come to the Women's meeting at the Lutheran Church By The Lake on March 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm and learn more about the town of McCormick. Be watching for more information coming soon!!!!



### Lutheran Women in Mission

On January 18<sup>th</sup> the women of the church gathered in the sanctuary to hear from Dallas Shealy, of Camp Kinard where she gave us details as to all the things Camp Kinard that is located at the South Carolina Retreat Center located just outside of Columbia with many different programs. Following her discussion, we gathered in the Narthex for light snacks and birthday wishes for Sherri Kumle. Our new board members were inducted and we thanked our outgoing board members. Watch this space for upcoming information about LWM at the Lutheran Church By The Lake!

## **A Special Thank You from Ikuko**

I want to say "Thank You" to whoever attended Clarence's Funeral Service. I want to thank the people who prepared the delicious meal afterward and the kitchen crew who worked so hard getting everything ready and cleaning up. I am very proud and honored to be a member of this church.

Thank you,  
IKUKO Booknight

## **Adam Hamilton's - Christianity and World Religions**

*Lutheran Church By the Lake*

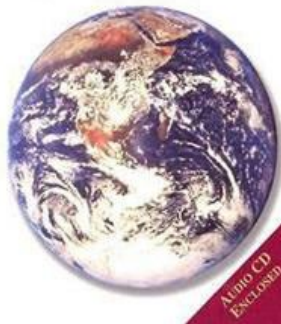
**John M. "Dusty" Rhodes – Facilitator**

### **Schedule**

<b>First Session</b>	<b>February 06, 2024</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>The Wise Men</b>
<b>Second Session</b>	<b>February 13, 2024</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Hinduism</b>
<i>Women's Bible Study February 20, 2024</i>			
<b>Third Session</b>	<b>February 27, 2024</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Buddhism</b>
<b>Fourth Session</b>	<b>March 04, 2024</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Judaism</b>
<b>Fifth Session</b>	<b>March 12, 2024</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Islam</b>
<i>Women's Bible Study March 19, 2024</i>			
<i>Tuesday of Holy Week March 26, 2024</i>			
<b>Sixth Session</b>	<b>April 02, 2024</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Christianity</b>

**Pastor John M. "Dusty" Rhodes** will be facilitating the study of **Christianity and World Religions** as found in **Adam Hamilton's book and DVD, Christianity and World Religions**. **Pastor Rhodes** is a Georgian by choice but hails from Oklahoma where he earned his BA. from Oklahoma City University and went on to Emory University in Atlanta to earn his Masters of Divinity from the Candler School of Theology. Later he earned his doctorate in Adult Education from the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia. Pastor Rhodes will guide the study out of Hamilton's book and DVD. The following world's religions that will be examined are Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Islam, and Christianity. **Pastor Rhodes supports Rev. Hamilton's** heartfelt conviction of seeking to understand these major religions and the beliefs of their followers, as a way of building bridges with others so that we might grow in our faith, promote peace in our world, love our neighbor and find positive ways to share the gospel.

ADAM HAMILTON  
**Christianity  
AND  
World Religions**  
*Wrestling With Questions People Ask*



[Christianity & World Religions:... book by Adam Hamilton \(thriftbooks.com\)](https://www.thriftbooks.com/p/Christianity-World-Religions-Book-Adam-Hamilton/148888811/)

Book cost less than \$6 per copy.

## ***Save the Date for the Next Sundays at Four Concert***

The second concert in the Sundays at Four series features Dawn Landes at 4:00 PM on February 18th at the Lutheran Church by the Lake. Tickets are available at the Artisans Guild at 218 S. Main St in McCormick or at the concert. Single tickets are \$25.00. A season subscription includes 6 tickets for \$100.00.

Dawn Landes is a North Carolina based singer-songwriter whose music you might have heard if you watch *The Good Wife*, *House*, or *Gossip Girl*. She has released 6 albums since 2005 (and an EP inspired by ye'-ye'-ye', '60s French pop music). She has toured internationally and appeared as a guest artist with the NYC Ballet and on the TED main stage. She wrote the lyrics and music for *ROW*, a new musical that premiered in 2021 and is available on Audible.com as an audible original. [www.dawnlandes.com](http://www.dawnlandes.com).

For those not familiar with Sundays at Four, it is a successful concert series in its 23<sup>rd</sup> season. It is a self-sustaining non-profit MACK program presenting professional musician concerts across a spectrum of music genres.



**Tickets will be available to purchase between Services in  
the Bridge**





**Our Christian Caring Team** is available for support during challenging times. If you desire prayer, a visit or a phone call, please contact the office at 864-391-3000 and ask for a team member to contact you. All requests are confidential. Team members are trained Stephen Ministers.

*"The first service that one owes to others in the fellowship consists in listening to them. Just as love to God begins with listening to His Word, so the beginning of love for the brethren is learning to listen to them."*  
*Dietrich Bonhoeffer Life Together*



We would like to invite anyone that is a caregiver to a loved one to attend our group. Experience from others helps. Everyone has different situations, however it always comes down to we want to do the best we can and it becomes a 24/7 position.

We meet the last Monday of the month at 2:00 pm in the Conference room. It is over at 3:00.

Jeanne Thayer  
Facilitator for Caregivers



## **Plastic film recycling is a wonderful way to be a steward of our environment –**

Don't forget our bin in The Bridge to accept your clean grocery bags, produce bags, plastic wrappings from water, toilet paper, paper towels, and those little air pillows that come to protect items shipped to you. Please check out the display in The Bridge for the list of acceptable items. The goal for this six-month project, sponsored by the McCormick Garden Club and Trex, is 500 pounds. The rewards include keeping all these materials out of the landfill and a wonderful green bench, courtesy of Trex, for McCormick High School.



Deadline for the March Newsletter

is February 19<sup>th</sup>

Please send articles by email to [lcctl@wctel.net](mailto:lcctl@wctel.net)



# February BIRTHDAYS

**5<sup>th</sup>**

Fran Castle  
Roger Stielow

**6<sup>th</sup>**

Harry Klug

**9<sup>th</sup>**

Bob Oust

**10<sup>th</sup>**

Marjorie Phillips

**13<sup>th</sup>**

Denny Steele

**15<sup>th</sup>**

Ada Rousseau

**25<sup>th</sup>**

Jim Emerich

Garry Kline

Jim Lane

**26<sup>th</sup>**

Mae Hafer

Gary Hannah

**29<sup>th</sup>**

Norm Francavilla



**1<sup>st</sup>**

Fran and Bill Castle

**12<sup>th</sup>**

Gail and Bob Oust

**20<sup>th</sup>**

Darlene and Jerry Bailey  
Maryanne and Robert Linsenmayer





## Communion Sundays

February 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>

## Communion Assistants

Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Early Service  
Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Late Service  
Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Early Service  
Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Late Service

Chuck Gresham & Gerry Wasserman  
Ann Snyder & Debbie Frederickson  
Gloria Bramble & Jeanne Thayer  
Margo & Bill Kite

### **Lectors 9:00 am**

Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Chuck Gresham  
Feb 11<sup>th</sup> Gerry Wasserman  
Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Joanna Feloni  
Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Gerry Wasserman

### **Ushers 9:00 am**

Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Chuck Gresham & Gerry Wasserman  
Feb 11<sup>th</sup> Tammy & James Morgan  
Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Gloria Bramble & Jeanne Thayer  
Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Mary & Tom Westgate

### **Lectors 10:30 am**

Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Judy Grieger  
Feb 11<sup>th</sup> Linda Wakefield  
Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Ann Snyder  
Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Dale Nixon

### **Ushers 10:30 am**

Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Gloria Bramble & Eelaine Beggs  
Feb 11<sup>th</sup> Sherri & Bill Kumle  
Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Lynn Flom & Maureen Mooney  
Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Peggy & Mike Thomas



Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Bill and Fran Castle in honor of their Anniversary  
Feb 11<sup>th</sup> Ed and Denise Brailsford  
Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Diane Nelson in honor of her son Mark Noble  
Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Bob and Vickie Leonard to the Glory of God



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