

Lutheran Church By The Lake

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Sharing the GOOD NEWS

September 2023



*This is our chance to tell our own stories! Each month, we will feature one story brought to us by our favorite people – YOU! Each of us has a story about what our faith means to us, how we remember a kick-starter in our faith, what the church means to us today, what the church has meant to us in other stages of life, maybe what being part of a church family means to us, or perhaps how the church provides for our needs. Some of the stories might be funny, some might be sad, while all will share a good story of faith. We hope you will join us in this way of sharing and growth as we seek to strengthen our bonds of love and friendship at Lutheran Church By The Lake. You might be a member, a friend of the church, a charter member, a former member, or even a visitor! We love stories, and all are welcome! Please send your "I Love To Tell The Story" memories to lcbl.worship@wctel.net and we will share with others in our monthly newsletters. Keep humming the hymn..... **"I Love to Tell the Story of Unseen Things Above...Of Jesus and His Glory, of Jesus and His Love"** as you recall your own stories!*

This month Helene Rhodes-tells us her faith story



Our Mission Statement:

**We are a community...
Rooted in Grace,
Growing in Faith,
and
Reaching Out with God's Love.**

The Stephen Minister (SM) pulled out his pair of bronzed baby shoes, another displayed her colorful slipper sox while Pastor Jim, grinning, pointed down to his Doc Martens, explaining his latest shoes had been picked out of his daughter's trash. They wore the same size... As a Stephen Leader, I had created the program "Sole/Soul Journey" to accompany Pastor's 2016 Lenten series. We sat in a cramped circle in the former Lutheran Church By The Lake choir room sharing sacred stories of moments of transformation, of conversion experiences. We laughed. We cried. We listened compassionately to some painful stories of wounds which ended with the old Gospel hymn message, "Victory in Jesus." Like Isaiah in Isaiah 6:8, we SM's had heard and heeded the call to serve, answering "Here Am I, Lord. Send Me." Our training manual began with Jesus' words in Matthew 4:19, "Come, *follow me*, and I will make you fishers of men."

Back home I reflected on the amazing diversity of our Stephen Ministers, the variety of our beliefs and practices and of our willingness to learn to listen more deeply to God, self and the other. This is an ongoing practice for me. It invokes a quieting of the self, opening to the silence so that we may grow into the precious person God has created us to be. I also remembered my two-year training as a dream group facilitator and now my two year training in spiritual direction. We were encouraged to wonder when we did not understand how someone thought the way they did, to wonder how we came to react as we did, to suspend judgment for things that were really "both/and" rather than "either/or..." Life is full of paradoxes.

Today I remember our recent LCBTL congregational participation in the beautiful Installation of our Pastor Sue Johnson. I appreciate Pastor Maria's invitation for us to follow Pastor Sue as she leads us in ways which may be new to our own beliefs, traditions and practices as we grow in love together, following our Lord. It's a reciprocal relationship of growing in love as Christians with each other and sharing our story..

The Tree logo at the top of "my story" is the mission statement of the Pearl River United Methodist Church (PRUMC) in the hamlet of Pearl River, NY, located in the Lower Hudson River Valley. I grew up in "the country" just an hour's bus ride into "the City"- Manhattan and boroughs. This church along with my family and community provided my spiritual foundation. For me geography and "place"/"home" are paramount in my spiritual growth and development. I am the first born, more serious and responsible, than my brother three and half years younger who continues to make me laugh. This relationship undoubtedly propelled me to marry The Rev. Dr. John Rhodes (we celebrated our 56th anniversary) who also charmed me by making me laugh.

At age four we moved from Brooklyn to my mom's hometown of Pearl River where I had spent many summers and trips to my Russian grandparents' home. We lived with them that first year, so I understood Russian- and some Polish from my other grandparents. At age four I was mesmerized in my role of flower girl at my Aunt and Uncle's Russian Orthodox wedding which included their standing under elaborate crowns. Sort of like some of the fairy stories my parents read to me. I also remembered my first dream from that time. The paintings and crucifixes in my relatives' homes along with the cleansing and blessing of my Russian grandparents' home provided a sense of Mystery to me. I followed Father John, the Orthodox priest as he chanted, waving the incense burner around in each room. Afterwards Father John sat down with my grandfather John, a former teacher in Russia who loved to read Pushkin's poetry. The two of them enjoyed whiskey, cigars and conversation. My mother had taught me my first prayer in Russian which was followed by "Now I lay me down to sleep..."

At five years old I sat in my Sunday School classroom, singing "Jesus loves me," and "Jesus loves all the children of the world" while looking at a huge oil painting in the front of the room. Jesus sits on a chair in a beautiful, flower-filled meadow, his arms outstretched as children run up to him from both sides. Since my husband and I spend part of every year in Pearl River, I decided to find that painting. I figured it was about the size of the flannel board we used for Bible stories. I was stunned to discover it takes up a large wall in the new church addition! I truly believe "more religion is caught than taught."

When Miss Charlotte said, "God is everywhere," my five-year old self looked out the window at the huge oak tree trying to decide which part of a literal God's body it was... As we got older, we received a beautiful leaflet with the Bible story we had just studied. The front of that pamphlet had the appropriate Bible painting by one of the world's great artists, Raphael, Titian, El Greco, etc. Music was also integral in my faith development-at home and at church. Many Methodist hymns, based in Scripture, were written by Charles Wesley, the brother to John Wesley, our Anglican founder who took communion every day of his life. At home we often pulled out the hymnal or the Cokesbury hymnal and sang. I remember that when we were about age ten and good readers, the church gave us our own Bible. So what did the church give us at age 12 when we made our first communion and were confirmed into the UMC? A Methodist Hymnal with our name engraved in gold!

I sang in the children's choir. My first hymn was "This is My Father's World" most appropriate for me as a lover of the skies, the seas, the earth. My family played several musical instruments- not me, so I started ballet at age five. This led to my interest in dance, taking ballet lessons in the various parishes Dusty served as well as choreographing and doing some sacred dance in the North GA Annual Conference of the UMC. When David Markle begins to play Sunday mornings, I want to slip out behind the glass doors and just dance, praising God with movement.

Our UMC associate pastor gave us our New Testaments, encouraging us to find a verse to guide our lives. Mine has engaged me my entire life: I Cor.14a: Make love your aim... That would be another "story..." In hindsight I realize that our minister Danny planned programs based on the Methodist Quadrilateral- making decisions based on Scripture, Tradition, Reason and Experience. We debated if God's power was finite, took a bus to Madison Square Garden to attend a Billy Graham Crusade, listened as the panel of the rabbi, the Roman Catholic priest and the Episcopal priest debated our questions. We spent time with orphaned children at Rockland State Hospital, attended several summer church camps at a college in PA. The list goes on! We went to CYO (Catholic) dances, EYF (Episcopal) meetings, Luther League, and invited friends to our church's youth activities. We attended both the bar mitzvah and bas mitzvah of our Jewish classmates. We even had religious instruction an hour a week in our public school the released time program which earned us a unit toward our high school graduation. Service and good sportsmanship were stressed from every outpost. Back at church, worship was sacred and essential. We entered the sanctuary quietly, preparing ourselves to participate as we opened ourselves to hear God's Word for our life. Multiple influences helped me sense God's Presence in my life. It started at home and in the PR UMC. It continues in the life of the LCBTL. Praise be to God!



Pastor's Report: August Review

We are called as a community of faith to preach the Word, administer the sacraments, and carry out God's mission to our neighbors and the world.

Activities for August:

Primary goals of ministry:

- Sunday Worship & Rites
- Technology

As a community of faith I have been preaching the Word, administering the sacraments and carrying out God's mission to our neighbors and the world in the following ways:

Sunday Worship & Rites Due to the park being closed, two Elijah Clark State Park worship services were cancelled. The last day of the By The Lake Service will be Labor Day with guest musicians on August 27th. The service has been well attended all summer averaging about 80 people and 7 pontoons. Blessing of the Boats was held on August 13th with 15 watercraft in attendance. Individual communion wine will be replaced with intinction at the end of the summer. In the church sanctuary, Dave and Linda will introduce new music and styles to the congregation, as well as, keep favorite hymns. Worship planning for the fall is a stewardship sermon series. My installation and one funeral was held in August.

Technology The narthex monitor returns to its usefulness viewing This Week At The Lake announcements. **Next Up:** Hearing enhancement technology will be introduced to the congregation this fall. *'a Listen EVERYWHERE system streams the most advanced high-quality audio via Wi-Fi directly to any compatible mobile phone or tablet in real-time, for FREE.'*

Church business morning in-office hours M-Th 8:30am-12:30pm. Organized inherited office and computer files.

Meetings consist of attending the Alzheimer's Association presentation, Prime Timers, mutual ministry, Stephen's Ministry, technology, benevolence, stewardship, new members, worship team, bible study, music, Yoder family, pastoral care visits, endowment.

God's peace,

Pastor Sue

From The Desk of Sherri Kumle, VP

Calling All **SUPERHEROES** ... (or “Wanna-be” Superheroes) !!



We used to say that “love makes the world go ‘round”, and I, for one, like the idea of that world; however, we are in the here-and-now, and folks, TECHNOLOGY makes the world go ‘round! Think about it- how many things do you “plug-in” to charge every day? Phones, watches, tablets, medical devices, hearing aids, earbuds – my goodness, some people even charge their *cars* nowadays! If you are thinking this is just a fad- think again, my friends!

Have you looked on “YouTube” or Googled something to learn more? Have you connected with old friends using any kind of social media or consulted with a virtual customer service rep via a “chat room”? Have you programmed a thermostat or remotely turned on the lights in your home? This is not the future- it is NOW!

Even in McCormick in our oasis away from the hustle and bustle of city-life, we are surrounded by technology. It appears that we have two choices- go with the flow and learn as much as we can to keep up, or, sadly, be left behind in the dark ages of yester-year. Now for the BIG NEWS: At LCBTL, we will not be left behind! Due to the encouragement of Pastor Sue and the generous donations of the families of previous members like Jack Becker and Bill Paxton, who saw the light and the need long before we did, we are gently launching some new technology to help LCBTL and our congregation benefit from some of the marvels that technology offers to assist us in hearing the Word, music, and sermons better, participating in worship and other events more fully, visually enjoying multi-media presentations to a greater degree, staying connected to each other in a more meaningful way, and so much more! The opportunities have literally been **given** to us -by the grace of God and by the hand and generosity of some very special people, otherwise known as *Angels*.



Here is where **YOU** come in. We need people to come on board our technology team to learn with us and be ready to implement these amazing gifts as soon as they are installed. We promise- it will not be scary!!!! We will learn together and this ministry will serve our church in ways that we did not even imagine just a few short years ago!

Come be part of our future as we strive to serve God – jump on board and learn with us!

We would like to talk with you about serving on the LCBTL Technology Team in the following areas:

- Sound booth technicians
- Live-streaming assistants
- NEW! Narthex TV-Monitor Announcements Slide Show Operator
- Coming Soon:

- ❖ * “Listen Everywhere” Bluetooth Technology for the hearing impaired
 - ❖ * An all-new “short- throw projector” and remote controlled retractable large screen in the ARK for greater visibility from all areas of the large ARK Fellowship Hall.
- *Bill Paxton Bequest**

Now we need *YOU* to help us show appreciation to those who have so graciously provided all of this technology and the means to teach us how to best use it. All training is step-by step, and working with an experienced person until you are comfortable is part of the hands-on experience. *No previous experience required.....come learn with us!*

Call Nena DeArment or Pastor Sue to ask questions and learn more about this awesome opportunity to serve! Superhero Capes will be ordered soon!



Discipleship of Evangelism

Christ-Centered Core Value of Fellowship – John 13:34-35

We believe this congregation becomes an extended family for all who gather here.



What is the "Exchange of Peace?"

"The peace of the Lord be with you always." The congregation responds, "And also with you."

The members of the congregation are then invited to "please greet each other with the peace of the Lord." What does this really mean? Sharing God's peace is not simply offering a friendly hello to those sitting around you. The exchange of peace is a ministry, an announcement of grace we make to each other, a summary of the gift given to us in the liturgy of the Word. This ministry we do to each other is far greater than a sociable handshake or a ritual of friendship or a moment of informality.

Because of the presence of Jesus Christ, we give to each other what we are saying: Christ's own peace.

Why is this an important part of evangelism?

Sharing God's peace invites hospitality to visitors. Peace is an outgrowth of our prayers for peace and the promise of Christ's peace for us always. We share this peace as a sign of our baptismal unity as children of God.

How is the peace exchanged?

Some enact this exchange with a handshake. Others may use an embrace, a hug, or a kiss or grasp both of the other person's lower arms, speaking the words "Peace of the Lord be with you always" or "God's Peace be with you."

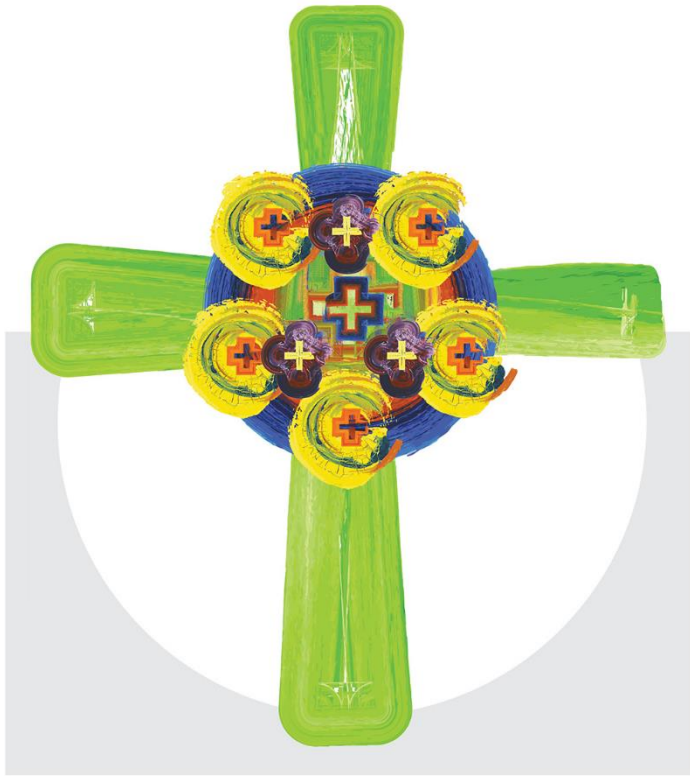
Christians are a people who seek reconciliation with one another. Making peace is a daily action in our lives. We do not need to wait to come to church on Sunday morning to make peace with our neighbors and our family members. Sharing God's peace is a daily opportunity.

***Thank you for speaking and living your Faith in your daily life and activities.
Thank you for sharing the Good News with others.***

God's Peace and Blessings to you.

Denise Uitto

Discipleship of Evangelism



The Generosity Project

Join us Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Conference Room for Pastor Sue's study on "The Generosity Project".

The vision behind the study includes:

- Being generous: An individual identity and daily decisions as a consumer shaped by God's Story in Jesus.
- Creating centers of generosity: A spirit of generosity developed that overflows from households to congregations to neighborhoods and into all the world.
- Living God's Story: A confidence and trust in God's grace and generosity created that fosters a belief – With God, all things are possible, "there is more than enough!"

Please join us beginning **September 13th** for this six-week study.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Be Still & Know: A Study of Rest and Refuge

Author: Deb Burma

On the Third Tuesday of every month, September through May, a women's Bible study will focus on **Psalms 46** and God's promises that in whatever kind of storm we find ourselves in, Jesus always comes to us.

When our Lord says, "Be still, and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10), what does He mean?

What storms of life have you gone through, and where have you taken shelter? God's Word promises that whatever storm we face, **He will be there.**

We will study **Psalms 46** in detail, examine stormy situations, and look to narratives in the Gospels that showcase how Jesus met women during their storms of life. Jesus provided rest, refuge, strength, and hope to women, who met Him with a cry and need.

Come join us in prayer, small group discussions, and connections with women of faith as we study Psalms 46 together and continue our faith formation.

Who: All women are welcome to join us. Bring a friend!

What: Bible study on the book: *Be Still & Know: A Study of Rest and Refuge*

When: Third Tuesday every month September through May from 10:00- 11:30am

Where: ARK at the Lutheran Church By The Lake

Cost: \$14.00 for the book Contact Donna Irmis at blueyes628@wctel.net or 864-602-9578 to request a book.

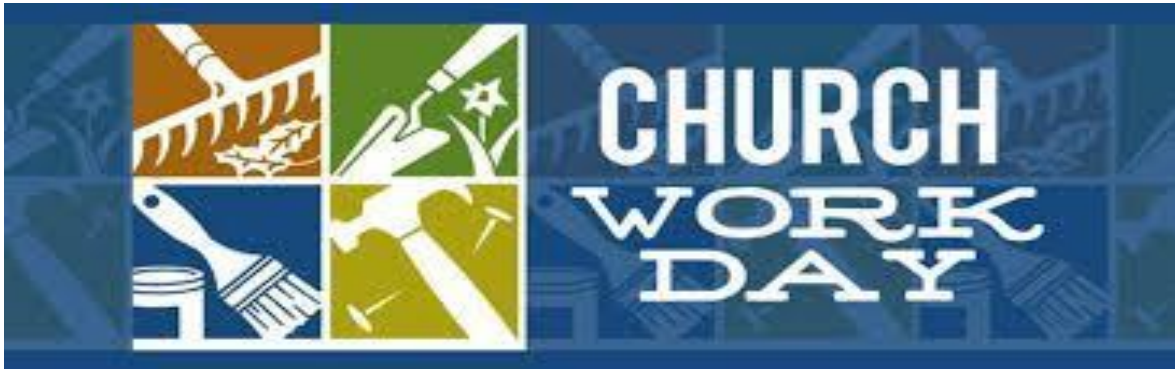
For a brief introduction, check out the video:
<https://vimeo.com/ondemand/bestillandknow>

Our faith is a way of life formed in communities through finding God in the midst of our daily life experiences. Come & join us. We look forward to seeing you in September!

God's Peace and Blessings,

Denise Uitto
Donna Irmis
Nancy Spinner

Property Committee – Newsletter



Workday scheduled for Saturday October 21 from 10am - 2pm. Lunch will be provided by the ladies of LWM. Come join us for a Fall clean-up around our beautiful church grounds. Bring your own tools or we will provide some but we will need a power washer or two. Sign up in the Narthex – your help will be greatly appreciated. Call Bill Kumle at 937-313-6636 for more information. Hope to see you there – the more the merrier!



www.LCBTL.org

Lutheran Church By The Lake Website is for EVERYONE!



- Every Month there are pages on our website about upcoming events or recaps of things we have been doing in our ministries.
- There are pages about our history, our worship practices, our beliefs as Christians and Lutherans.
- There are special pages for those thinking about visiting, or newcomers in the community who would like to know what to expect on Sunday mornings.
- From our website, you can Click and find out about our funeral and wedding planning as well as find the rental document for our facilities.
- Learn more about our staff and our pastor – they have special pages, too!
- There is a directory of our church council and one of all of the lay leaders in our church
- Need to give someone directions? Send them to our webpage and they can connect to Google Maps right there!
- You can link to the current worship bulletin and also find a link to tune in to our Live-Stream for the 10:30 service.
- There is a special icon on each page of the website to allow you to “Click” and make a donation or provide your weekly offering on-line.
- Do you enjoy and use Facebook? If so- click on from the webpage and see what we have added to our LCBTL Facebook page!
- Looking for some ideas for devotional guides? We will soon be adding some links to help you select resources for Bible Studies and daily devotions

All of this and so much more!

Make www.LCBTL.org a *favorite* and visit our website often! There is always something new and lots to explore! Giving friends, family, and neighbors our link will help them understand what we find so special about Lutheran Church By The Lake!

September Blessing Bags



Blessing Bags for September is the Kinard Manor

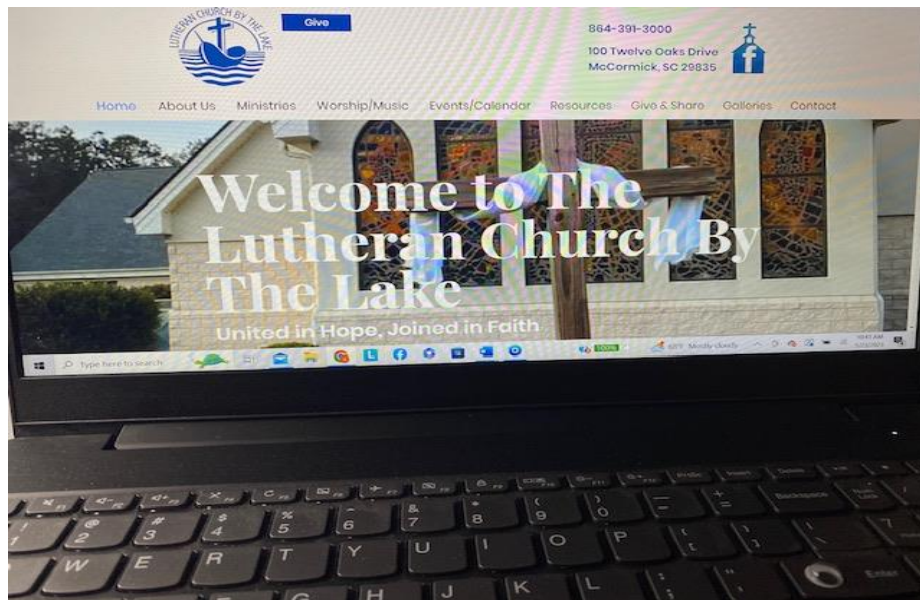
The items are gifts to the incoming "class" at Kinard Recovery Center in Greenwood. This is the home for young women who are transitioning from drug rehabilitation facilities into the mainstream of local area communities including McCormick. The young ladies get assistance in continuing their education, training to find employment, and managing resources for themselves and their families. Every gift is much appreciated

Toiletries for Blessing Bags can include the following:

- Bath towels
- Washcloths
- Shampoo (Dove, Pantene, creamy styles)
- Conditioner (no sprays, any liquid)
- Body wash (Dove is alcohol free)
- Individually wrapped bar Soaps (Dove or others)
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpastes
- Sanitary pads
- Body lotions or creams (alcohol free)
- Safety razors (no single blades)
- Q-Tips or store brands (paper sticks, no wooden sticks)
- Hair brushes and combs
- Tweezers, nail clippers, emery boards
- Shower caddies
- Shower caps

NO Hand sanitizer. NO mouth wash.

We have some cellophane and ribbons to wrap the gifts, but more is welcomed if anyone is cleaning out Thanks again!



Go to LCBTL.org on your laptop, computer, tablet, or phone and click on the tabs to see stories, pictures, and so much about our church that will make you proud! We continue to add new content regularly so check back often! You can also scan the code below and it will take you directly to the website:



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! Any questions please call Margo Kite 781-561-5863 or email at billmargo.kite@gmail.com.

Coffee Mingle Returns!

Back by Popular Demand!

September 10, 2023 Between Services!

Come have a cup of coffee and a mid-morning treat as we come together in fellowship and friendship! This is a perfect opportunity to see people who attend the “other” service and to greet and become better acquainted with newer members and visitors!

Please contact JoAnn McEvoy to offer your help for set-up, clean-up, and for bringing in a treat to share!

This year we will place a donation jar on the table and ask that you help us with the cost of coffee and supplies.





Kairos Prison Ministry in McCormick

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 September 19-22, 2023.

- **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 600 men and 30 will be invited to join the walk in September. We will need 2,000 dozen (24,000) 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.

Please contact **YOUR NAME, PHONE NUMBER AND EMAIL ADDRESS** if you would like to donate cookies to the Kairos team.

For additional questions, please contact **Bill Freiberg**, McCormick Kairos Institutional Coordinator,

(636) 649-9334, bill.frei.b727@gmail.com. ***Cookies will be collected at the church the week of September 11 during normal office hours.***



Tuesday Morning (10am) Bible Study – “The Chosen” Season Three

On **Tuesday, September 12 at 10am**, we will resume Bible Study in the ARK at LCBTL with “The Chosen” video series Season Three. We will meet **every Tuesday except the third Tuesday of each month** (Women’s Bible Study will use the day and time). Season Three has 8 lessons:

1. **FORGIVE** as Jesus forgives (Sept 12)
2. **GO** as Jesus sends you (Sept 26)
3. **GRIEVE** as Jesus grieves (Oct 3)
4. **STAND** where Jesus stands (Oct 10)
5. **DELIGHT** in what Jesus delights in (Oct 24)
6. **ASK** because Jesus tells you (Oct 31)
7. **WELCOME** who Jesus Welcomes (Nov 7)
8. **TRUST JESUS** all the time (Nov 14)

Come as you are, we will introduce the video each day and have discussion after viewing.



CAREGIVERS

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

Pitch In!!!!

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.





Ladies Luncheon to Welcome New Members

Please come join the Lutheran Women In Mission (LWM) for a Ladies Luncheon to welcome new members! The Luncheon will be held on **September 14th, at 11:30 a.m.** in the ARK. Pastor Sue will provide a devotion and tell us what lead her to the Lutheran Church by the Lake. LWM will provide sandwiches and drinks. We are requesting volunteers to provide some side dishes and dessert. We will provide some activities to help us all become better acquainted. If you are interested in attending, please side up in the narthex. We look forward to getting together after a busy summer!



Deadline for the October Newsletter

is September 19th

Please send articles by email to lcbitl@wctel.net



Save the Date for the Ladies Christmas Luncheon

The Lutheran Church By the Lake Lutheran Women in Mission (LWM) will be hosting a Ladies Christmas luncheon at Hickory Knob on **December 14th**. Lunch will be \$12.00 a plate to be paid in advance and RSVP will be required. Menu details will be forthcoming. Holiday fun, music, gifts, table competitions, and other activities. Bring your family, friends, and neighbors and let's have a good time. There are only 78 slots open and the sign up sheet will be available in mid-September.



Lutheran Women In Mission are Seeking New Board Members

Lutheran Church By The Lake Lutheran Women In Mission (LWM) are seeking volunteers to become Board Members for the LWM Women's Group Beginning in January 2023 for a two year period. The following positions are open: President, two Vice President positions, Treasurer and Secretary. This is an exciting opportunity to help lead the women's group in retreats, social activities, and other events. Please contact any one of the current board members if you have an interest: Karen Flynn at 706-284-1427, Karen Spilker at 360-915-3183 and Christie Ziebell at 850-723-5370. This is a great opportunity to meet new people, provide church leadership, and just have fun.

Happy Birthday



3rd

LuAnn Freiberg
Bruce Bryant

4th

Darlene Rand

5th

Kay Potter

9th

Sandi Atols

15th

Jenny Beggs
Anne Wasserman

19th

Faye Ertle

22nd

Lea Shaw

25th

Connie Schavilje

27th

Betty Wyse
Candy Zimmerman

28th

Rita Danna
Karen Spilker

29th

Guinn Lane
Doug Bauer



9th

DeeAnn and Doug Bauer

23rd

Darlene and Lary Rand





Communion Sundays

September 3rd and 17th

Communion Assistants

Sept. 3rd **Late Service** – Donna Irmis and Lynn Flom

Sept. 17th **Early Service** – Raylene Emrich and Jeanne Thayer

Sept. 17th **Late Service** – Candy Zimmerman and Debbie Frederickson

Lectors 9:00 am

Sept. 10th – Joanna Feloni

Sept. 17th – Ruth Detrick

Sept. 24th – Ruth Detrick

Ushers 9:00 am

Sept. 10th – Marvin Decker, Gloria Bramble

Sept. 17th – Raylene Emerich, Jeanne Thayer

Sept. 24th – Ruth and Steve Detrick

Lectors 10:30 am

Sept. 3rd – Walt Smith

Sept. 10th – Diane Nelson

Sept. 17th – Linda Wakefield

Sept. 24th – Walt Smith

Ushers 10:30 am

Sept. 3rd – Maureen Mooney, Paul Klein

Sept. 10th – Elaine Beggs, Sherri Kumle

Sept. 17th – Lynn Flom, Paul Klein

Sept. 24th – Mike and Peggy Thomas



September 3rd – Erika Kolb

September 10th – Paul Klein

September 17th – Diane Berry

September 24th – Sandy and Chuck Gresham



Lutheran Church By The Lake

Ministries and Contacts

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Ark Angels	Coordination and assistance with kitchen events	Pat Bryant: pbryant50@wctel.net
Audio Visual Services	Technology based assistance for worship services	Nena DeArment: nena.dearment@gmail.com
Backpack Ministry	Weekend Food for Children	Roseanne Selby: rmselby@wctel.net
Bible Studies and Education	Various Bible Studies and Series	Bill Freiberg: bill.frei.b727@gmail.com
Bob White Memorial Golf Tourn.	Benefits community & church ministries	Bill Kumle:BillKumle@yahoo.com
Camp Grand	Vacation Bible School	Doug Chalifour: dchali4@gmail.com
Cards From The Heart	Cards for the ill, hospitalized, etc.	Lynn Flom: igwpatience@gmail.com
Church Christmas Decorating	Chrismon Trees, Christmas décor	Donna Irmis:blueyes628@wctel.net
Endowment Committee	Directs Endowment Fund	Jan Weisenborn thymeout@weisenborn.com
Fellowship Activities	Planning and Execution of Fellowship	JoAnn McAvoy:dmac2@wctel.net
Finance	Direction of Financial Affairs	Paul Klein:pklein109@gmail.com
Funeral & Columbarium Services	Funeral Service Planning Interment of Ashes	Debbie Fredrickson:lcbtl@wctel.net Jeanne Thayer: jeanneblanchek@yahoo.com
First Steps	McCormick Pre-School Ministry	Ann Snyder:akadunkin@gmail.com
Grief Share and Caregivers	Support for those grieving and those providing care	Jeanne Thayer: jeanneblanchek@yahoo.com
Kairos Prison Ministry	Christian retreat for inmates at McCormick Correctional	Bill Freiberg: bill.frei.b727@gmail.com
Lutheran Men in Mission	Men's fellowship and service	Bill Freiberg: bill.frei.b727@gmail.com
Lutheran Women in Mission	Women's fellowship and service	Karen Flynn: klflynn1938@gmail.net
Lydia Project Circle	Sewing bags for Cancer Patients	Jean Randall:grandmajeanr@gmail.com
Meals From The Heart	Meals for those recently hospitalized	Jean Randall: grandmajeanr@gmail.com
Music Ministry	Choir	Linda Wakefield: swake@wctel.net

Prayer Shawl Circle	Knitting and Crocheting	Jean Randall: grandmajeandr@gmail.com
Prime Timers	Adult Respite Care	Jeanne Thayer: jeanneblanchek@yahoo.com
Property Committee	Property oversight	Bill Kumle: billkumle@yahoo.com
Red Cross Blood Drive	Community Blood Drive	Candy Zimmerman: candyzim@aol.com
Quilting Circle	Quilts for outreach	Karen Divita: karendiv10@gmail.com
Stephen Ministry	One-to-one lay support ministry	Jeanne Thayer: jeanneblanchek@yahoo.com Candy Zimmerman:candyzim@aol.com
Ushers	Provide ushering service for Sunday worship	Gloria Bramble: wbramble@wctel.net
Welcome Ambassadors	Greeters at Worship Services	Denise Uitto: edconnectlearning@gmail.com Gloria Bramble: wbramble@wctel.net Margo Kite: billmargo.kite@gmail.com
Worship Assistants	Lectors, Altar Guild, Ushers	Donna Irmis: blueyes628@wctel.net
Yard Sale	Fundraiser for Lutheran Women In Mission and other Ministries	Karen Flynn: klflynn1938@gmail.net

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