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ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH - ELCA

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We, a diverse Christian family, faithful in word and sacrament strive to share in God's unconditional love through prayer, worship and outreach.



Weekly Worship at All Saints

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS (KINGA'S)
MONDAY – THURSDAY 8:30am – 1:30pm

Saturday:	5:00 pm	Liturgy I (White Book)
Sunday:	8:45 am	SCS
	9:00 am	Pericope
	10:00 am	ELW Setting 8
	11:00 am	Adult Choir
Wednesday:	7:00 pm	Liturgy II (White Book)



Do you have an address, email, phone number or status change?

Please contact the church office to report any changes for the records.

This helps insure our files stay current.

THANK YOU



- 3-1 Natalie Steiner
- 3-2 Kathleen Grom, Kim Meddaugh
- 3-3 Shawn Runningen
- 3-4 Lisa Hochevar
- 3-6 Luke Meier
- 3-7 Jeffrey LaFond, Jacob Meier
- 3-8 Tim Allmann, Susan LaFond,
Wendy Osgood
- 3-10 Frederick Ruhl, Pat St. Louis,
Patricia Martinez, Carol Kocourek
- 3-11 Pat Hanson
- 3-12 Kayla Lang, Ben Welker
- 3-13 Suz Pitts, Blake Vander Molen
- 3-16 Jill Borchardt, Mike McIntosh
- 3-17 Ed Anderson
- 3-19 Sean Kingston
- 3-20 Rose Bushbacher, Rebecca Claus,
Richard Genke, Pam Kawczynski
- 3-24 Tyler Kingston, Andrew Koenig,
Bill Boyce
- 3-25 Janet Mittelstadt, Greg Polacheck,
Adam Zapata
- 3-26 Lukas Krajewski
- 3-28 Chris Windschanz
- 3-29 Maya Belmas
- 3-31 Jennifer St. Germaine, John Hochevar

- 3-1 Benny and Eva Brown
- 3-1 Gerald and Debra Pavlik
- 3-6 John and Sandy Montague
- 3-9 Matt and Kelly Susek
- 3-13 Robin and Christy Van Hoff
- 3-25 Daniel and Bonnie Dailey

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This helps ensure we have
coverage for Liturgies.
Thank you*

Comment Article: "The journey through Lent"

For Lent, the Church almost gives us a slogan- Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving- as the three things we need to work on during the season of Lent. If you IGNORE THIS-are you really on a Lenten Journey?

It's a time of prayer. Lent is essentially an act of prayer spread out over 40 whole days. As we pray, hopefully that brings us closer to Jesus and leaves us changed by the encounter with him and with prayer.

Not everybody fasts-I get that. What are you giving up for Lent? Hotdogs? Beer? Jelly Beans?+ It's almost a game for some of us, but fasting is actually a form of penance, which helps us turn away from stuff and toward Jesus.

The 40 days of Lent are also a good-set-time-to-work-on-%personal discipline+in general. Instead of giving something up, it can be doing something positive. %am going to exercise more. I'm going to pray more. I'm going to be nicer to my family, friends and coworkers.+ I am going to give more of ME.

The more serious side of Lenten discipline is that it's about self-control . it's about finding aspects of yourself that are less than Christ-like and doing something about them. Keep Lent simple and focused. We spend our %entire lives+growing closer to God. It was never meant to be jammed into one season of the church year.

Lent is a great time for remembering those who are hungry, suffering or otherwise in need. Lent is about reaching out to %others+and helping %hem.+

Lent is a journey to the foot of the cross on Good Friday, as we seek him out, ask his help and draw closer to him. Consider joining me on this journey.

See You in Worship!
Pr. Mortenson



St. Patrick's Day And St. Patrick



St. Patrick was a fifth-century Romano-British Christian missionary and bishop in Ireland.

Known as the "Apostle of Ireland", he is the primary patron saint of Ireland, the other patron saints being Brigit of Kildare and Columba.

He is venerated in the Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion, the Lutheran Churches, the Old Catholic Church, and in the Eastern Orthodox Church as equal-to-the-apostles and Enlightener of Ireland.

The dates of Patrick's life cannot be fixed with certainty, but there is broad agreement that he was active as a missionary in Ireland during the fifth century.

Did You Know?

- THAT LENT IS: A period of PREPARATION and FASTING and PRAYER and has likely been observed before the Easter festival SINCE APOSTOLIC TIMES, though the practice was NOT FORMALIZED until the First Council of Nicaea in 325 CE.
- THAT LENT IS a time of preparation of candidates FOR BAPTISM and as a time of PENANCE for sinners.
- THAT GOING WAY BACK - In the early centuries fasting rules were STRICT, (VERY STRICT) as they still are in Eastern churches.
- THAT DURING LENT ONE MEAL a day was ALLOWED in the evening, and meat, fish, eggs, and butter were always forbidden.
- DURING LENT The Eastern church also restricts the use of WINE, OIL, and DAIRY products.
- LENT AND THE PASSAGE OF TIME DICTATED In the WEST that these fasting rules have gradually been relaxed over time.
- THE CHURCH RULED - The strict law of FASTING among Roman Catholics be dispensed during WORLD WAR II, and only Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are now kept as Lenten fast days.
- HOWEVER, the emphasis on penitential practice and ALMSGIVING remains, and many Catholics also observe a meatless FAST on Fridays during Lent.
- Which is why Milwaukee and the surrounding areas are known for our fabulous FISH FRYS offered EVERY FRIDAY night around the calendar year.
- LENT PRACTICES: In addition, Catholics and other Christians often choose to give up SPECIFIC PLEASURES, such as sweets, alcohol, or social media, or, or, or, during the SEASON OF Lent as a way to foster simplicity and self-control; many use their CRAVINGS or DESIRES for these items as a reminder to PRAY and re-focus on MATTERS OF THE SPIRIT.
- DID YOU KNOW? That every season of the Church Year at ALL SAINTS is sunny, warm and bright!



President's Article

It has been suggested that I use this month's news article to introduce myself to the congregation. So, even though I do not like to talk about myself, I will do so, briefly, now.

I am the granddaughter of a Lutheran minister who moved from his home state of North Dakota to Wisconsin in 1928 to establish a new congregation in Green Bay.

My mother grew up in the house next to the church and was involved in church activities. Everyone knew and liked her. As a result, everyone knew me as Irene's (Mom's) child from the time I was a preschooler. I always felt accepted when I was at church. I suspect that is why I have gotten so involved in events, here, at All Saints.

I have a similar feeling of friendship with many members of the congregation.

One of my memories from childhood is that Mom was always taking care of other people.

That is just how she was. I grew up with that caring as my example.

As a result, I am most content when helping and supporting someone else.

Leading is relatively new role for me. It started with leading craft fairs, then committees and, now, the council.

I am more comfortable working quietly behind the scenes, but circumstances have thrust me into this leadership role, so I will try to do what has been asked of me.

Please, join in making our congregation the strongest that we can be.

We can do a lot if we work together.

Blessings,

Helen Haworth
Council President.





Council Capsules

Council approved the following matters at the February 17th regular meeting:

- The Youth will be selling water at the Oak Creek Farmers Market.
- Three Youth accounts will be merged into one account
- Annual Meetings now will be held on the second week of February of each year.
- Large John Deere lawnmower will be repaired.
- Three Temple talks be done by Suz Pitts.
- Offering boxes be ordered by February 29th
- Easter Liturgies will be held at 7:00 am and 10:00 am
- Easter Breakfast this year will be headed by Jenny and James St. Germaine.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Montague
Council Secretary



Congratulations

*to Kayden Cole Tyszko
on His Baptism.*

*May he grow in wisdom and stature
and in favor with God and all humankind.*

AS YOU KNOW:

At the Annual Meeting, no elections were held. No one in the congregation would place their name in nomination for a three-year position. We had four to elect. Many heads were facing downward. People would not look up.

The positions were consequently filled out for a one-year period-of-time or until such time as the congregation meets again by appointment of the Chair.

We are indeed thankful that individuals stepped forward. Thank you!

The position of YOUTH MINISTRY remains open. Is there anyone who will step forward to meet with the young people of our church family until next February?

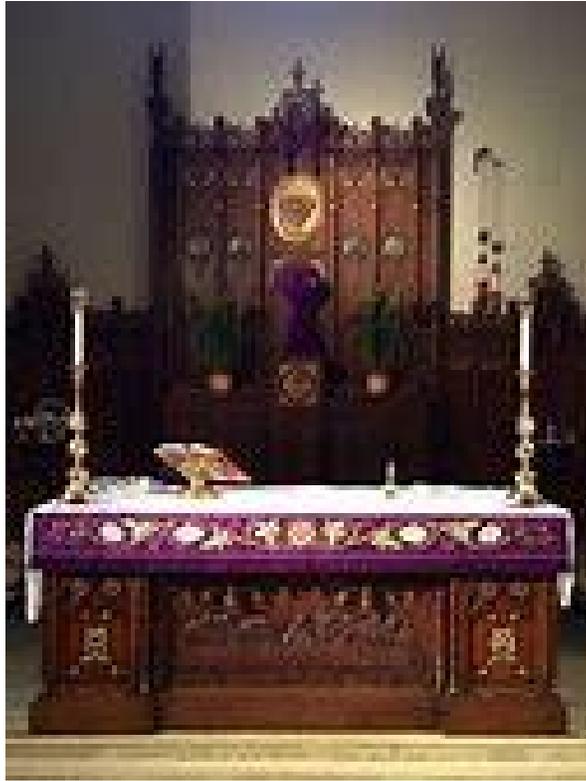
Council works at its best when everyone is present. When everyone is engaged. When everyone voices their opinion. This is presently not the case and we are working at a disadvantage. Our Youth will suffer.

PLEASE CONSIDER OUR YOUTH! (Just an FYI) At our Annual Meeting next February, we will have 6 to elect, what then? Who will step forward?



NEEDED: An ADULT member interested in working with our YOUTH and their PARENTS, offering various activities for our YOUNG People.

**Might
That
Be
YOU?**



Ah, the Season of Lent!

Lent is a solemn religious observance in the Christian liturgical calendar that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends approximately six weeks later on Holy Saturday, the day before Easter Sunday. The purpose of Lent is the “preparation of the believer” for Easter through prayer, doing penance, mortifying the flesh, repentance of sins, almsgiving, and denial of ego.

This event is observed in the Anglican, Eastern Orthodox, Lutheran, Methodist, Moravian, Oriental Orthodox, Reformed, and Roman Catholic Churches. Some Anabaptist and evangelical churches also observe the Lenten season. Will YOU make the Lenten Journey with US?



Evangelism

I am very honored to be elected as Evangelism Chair again for the 2020 church year! This year, we plan to create fellowship opportunities among All Saints members and also reach out to the community to add new members. If this sounds like something you would be interested in, please join my committee!!

We will be making and serving a meal to the guests at Fisher House on Saturday, March 7. If you are interested in attending and bringing a food item for our Taco Bar, please sign up on the bulletin board. We will meet at All Saints at 11:15am to carpool. We serve from 12-1:30pm.

This summer we will be looking for youth volunteers to sell water at the Oak Creek Farmers Market. Dates are TBD. Stay tuned for more details!

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10 at 6:30pm at Panera on Howell. I hope you will consider joining us. We are always looking for new and exciting ideas!

Blessings,
Jenny St Germaine
Evangelism
414-345-7877
jjsaint0502@gmail.com



A Note from the Choir director...



Adult Choir meets every Sunday after the morning Liturgy. Join us! We are currently working on the special music for the Holy Week and Easter.

Please consider adding your voice to our group.
We need you!!! See you there!

Respectfully submitted,
Kinga Vnuk



I'm Looking Over...

The four-leaf clover is a rare variation of the common three-leaf clover. According to traditional superstition, such clovers bring good luck, though it is not clear when or how this superstition began.

The earliest mention of "Flower-leaved or purple grasse" is from 1640 and simply says that it was kept in gardens because it was "good for the purples in children or others."

A description from 1869 says that four-leaf clovers were "gathered at night-time during the full moon by sorceresses, who mixed it with vervain and other ingredients, while young girls in search of a token of perfect happiness made quest of the plant by day."

The first reference to luck might be from an 11-year-old girl, who wrote in an 1877 letter to *St. Nicholas Magazine*, "Did the fairies ever whisper in your ear, that a four-leaf clover brought good luck to the finder?"

So, do you have a four-leafed clover pressed in some book that you yourself found? If so, you are lucky, indeed!



Senior Village

You don't want to miss our next Senior Luncheon on Thursday, March 26th, at 1:00 pm. We're having guest speakers from the Oak Creek Police and Health Department on keeping safe. This is especially important for us seniors (we sure don't like being taken advantage of). So . . . even if you haven't ever attended a senior luncheon . . . or . . . even if you're not quite a %senior+yet and you're able to attend, please come to hear this valuable information.

It's going to be %not luck+so start cooking. We always have great cooks and bakers here at All Saints so try to join us for this important luncheon. Even if you learn only one thing about how to keep safe, it will be well worth your time.



Financial: A rough start to the year.

We are not starting out the year on the right foot. Our expenses exceeded our income by over \$1,400. As we discussed during the annual meeting, we are expecting our expenses to increase this year and it is important that we see an increase in giving to offset these increase expenses.

As we start the year, I ask that you please reflect and pray on how you might be able to give more to the church with your time, talent, and resources. Our expenses increase year on year, but we have not seen giving increase year on year.

Please consider using Simply Giving to be consistent with your gift to the church. If you have any questions about how to use Simply Giving or to order gift cards on-line, please contact me.

If you have any questions about the finances of the church or if you would like to participate in the finance committee, please feel free to contact me either by phone or my e-mail listed in the Revealer. We meet at 7:00 pm on the Thursday prior to the church council meeting every month, and we would love to have you join us. Thanks to Barb Schrubey, Denise Kalski, and Leanne Buttke for their help on the finance committee.

Sincerely,
Sean P. Kingston, Finance Chair

	MONTH	YTD - ACTUAL	YTD - BUDGET	% VARIANCE	2020 Budget
CURRENT INCOME/EXPENSE SUMMARY					
Total Current Income Designated for Expenses	\$ 12,483.04	\$ 12,483.04	\$ 15,118.37	83%	\$ 226,720.00
Total Current Expenses	\$ 13,889.13	\$ 13,889.13	\$ 17,494.15	79%	\$ 226,720.00
GAIN / (LOSS)	\$ (1,406.09)	\$ (1,406.09)	\$ (2,375.78)		\$ -00



MONEY COUNTERS' ANNUAL MEETING

The annual Money Counters meeting will be held on Sunday, March 22nd, at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Please remember this is not a life-long commitment on your part so if you'd like to continue on as a money counter, or if you'd like to take a break from money counting, now would be your time to let me know. I'll be contacting each veteran counter individually so you can let me know at that time whether or not you'd like to continue one. And for anyone out there who would like to be a counter, please e-mail Barbara Schrubey (bschrubey@yahoo.com) to let me know. A light lunch will be served. Thanks

Thrivent “Action Teams”



All Saints Lutheran Church has been the recipient of many “Thrivent Action Teams” in the past.

What does that mean?

Thrivent Financial provides each “action team” with a \$250.00 credit card, T- Shirts, Banner, Thank you cards and Name tags.

In order to apply for an “Action Team” you need to be a Thrivent Member.

If you are a member of Thrivent and would be interested in helping out our church by hosting an “Action Team” please contact Kathy Mack at (414) 460-9006 for more information! Your help is appreciated!

Some of the teams have “sponsored events” such as: The Spring and Fall Craft Fairs, The Youth Easter Breakfast, Blood Drives, The Postal Worker’s Drive to Stamp Out Hunger, The Spring Clean Up of our Church Grounds and the Annual Christmas Cookie Sale.

Even though several events have been sponsored by these Thrivent Action Teams, there is always more to do at All Saints...for instance, we need sponsors for the Sunday Church School, The Hat and Mitten and Toy Tree, The Harley Tree, the Fall Clean Up, Fall Flower Sale, Back Packs for Kids and on and on the list can go... Are you a Thrivent Member? Call me, I’d love to converse with you!

Please contact Kathy Mack at (414) 460-9006



It's Lent!



And wouldn't you know it? I gave up Mice! How long does this season of the church year last, anyway?

Next year I think I will give up being, nice, cuddly and warm and be my old arrogant self!

And wouldn't you know it – it is Lent Day One!

Property
Committee



Property

After our annual meeting we had to reorganize the committee structure to match the folks elected to serve. I've (somewhat sadly) left Worship and Music and taken the Property committee from Dick Kahle. It's a big job with a small committee so anyone who would like to help keep our building in good shape is invited to stop at our next meeting March 11th after service.

Mike Steiner is also going to be putting together a sign-up sheet for lawn mowing this year (spring is coming!) so look for that on the bulletin board to get first dibs on your favorite times.

I look forward to serving with you and welcome any suggestions you might have as to improving our church.

Respectfully submitted,
Randy Meier
The Property Chair

Agape

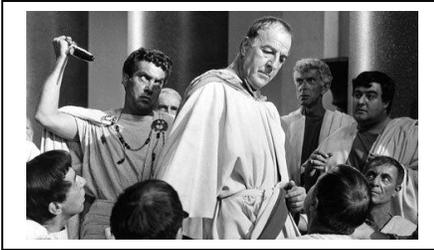
LUNCHEON

I wish to thank ALL the people who came out to enjoy our Agape Dinner on Sunday February 23. It was fun to sample recipes from our cookbooks that were submitted by our beloved saints. Peggy shared her musical talent as we were able to play Name That Tune. There were 5 songs played and 5 winners. It was a test to our listening in church. We all passed. The Eucharist was also celebrated by all.

I would like to thank ALL of our donors for their items donated to help make our Agape a success. Our donors were, Dena Olsen, Jenny St.Germaine, Randy Meier, Sandy Montague, Kinga Vnuk, Kathy Bandstra, Dawn Case, Dick Kahle, Carol Frechette, Pat St. Louis, Debbie Krajnak, Helen Haworth, Margaret Coonan and the Sweet Sunday Quilters.

I would also like to thank Pat Bruss-Horswill, Carol Frechette, Helen Haworth, Stacy Kingston, Sandy Montague, Pat and Brian St. Louis, and Michael Steiner for being on the committee. Without all of their help, events like this could not happen. It is with their help that we were able to raise \$940.00.

Respectfully submitted, Debbie Krajnak



THE IDES OF MARCH!

(Is that a “thing” I didn’t know that was really a thing!)
 I Thought it was something that Bill made up!
 Bill Who?
 William Shakespeare, of course!

The Ides of March was a day in the Roman calendar that corresponds to 15 March.

It was marked by several religious observances and was notable for the Romans as a deadline for settling debts. In 44 BC, it became notorious as the date of the assassination of Julius Caesar which made the Ides of March a turning point in Roman history.

The Romans did not number days of a month from the first to the last day. Instead, they counted back from three fixed points of the month: the Nones (the 5th or 7th, nine days *inclusive* before the Ides), the Ides (the 13th for most months, but the 15th in March, May, July, and October), and the Kalends (1st of the following month).

Originally the Ides were supposed to be determined by the full moon, reflecting the lunar origin of the Roman calendar. In the earliest calendar, the Ides of March would have been the first full moon of the new year.

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The expression 'Beware the Ides of March' is first found in Shakespeare's Julius Caesar, 1601.

The line is the soothsayer's message to Julius Caesar, warning of his death.

The Ides of March didn't signify anything special in itself - this was just the usual way of saying "March 15th".

Thanks to the AGAPE Committee:

There are always so many people to thank. The Agape this year was very nice.

The recipes of deceased members from past cookbooks was awesome.

Posting their pictures was a wonderful idea!

Having Peggy play also worked out well.

To all those who made dishes, thank you. To those who joined us, thank you!

To the committee that put it all together, thank you!

Thanks to those who donated items for the silent auction.

To those that signed up for Silent Auction items, thank you, as well!

Communion celebrated in the midst of the meal with everyone participating is always heartwarming. Just so you know the actual committee that put it all

together for us included: Pat and Brian St. Louis, Pat Bruss-Horswill,

Stacy Kingston, Sandy Montague, Helen Haworth, Michael Steiner

and Debbie Krajnak! Just so you know, you guys, rocked it!





Stewardship – “Chocolate Chip Giving”

Hi, I'm Suz Pitts, and have recently been appointed to serve on council this year on Stewardship! As I write this, I'm starting to create my committee, and get things rolling. I would love to hear your ideas, so watch the Revealer for my committee Meetings, or the church bulletin. I plan to have a meeting that lasts only 30 minutes maybe 45 at the most every month.

So now for Chocolate Chips Giving ð

For those of you who know me, you know that I'm a "Chocoholic", not for everything chocolate but especially for Chocolate chips. Yes, the teeny tiny semi sweet choc chips. Every single week I always purchase a bag and throw it into my freezer, where I open them and grab a few every time I pass by the Fridge! That comes out to be \$2.79 for Hershey's mini choc chips. What has that got to do with Stewardship you ask?

Well I will be denying myself this little indulgence this Lent (along with a few other things), however that extra money that I now have, is going to go into my Lenten Envelope each week. (Along with my regular giving!) Thus for me, it's Chocolate Chip Giving! This will not damage my personal budget, since it's just switching where that money will be allocated! If we all do something like this, it can make a huge difference in supporting OUR church.

Another example could be you buy yourself a regular coffee instead of that fancy Mochachino at Starbucks, which saves you a couple dollars each day. If you save \$2 a day on that self denial for a work week, you could donate \$10 to the church each week in addition to your regular generous giving during Lent and it will not affect your personal budget!

Everyone has those Lenten envelopes in your box of envelopes, and if you do Simply Giving you should have received a box of special envelopes. If not let me know, I'll make sure you get them! You can always use the Lenten giving boxes located at the Usher station as well.

Think about it.... pray on it. God has given us so many blessings. May He bless you!

Kindly,

Suz Pitts
Stewardship Chair.



Easter Liturgies

(Please Note#)

There will be

Two

Liturgies

Only

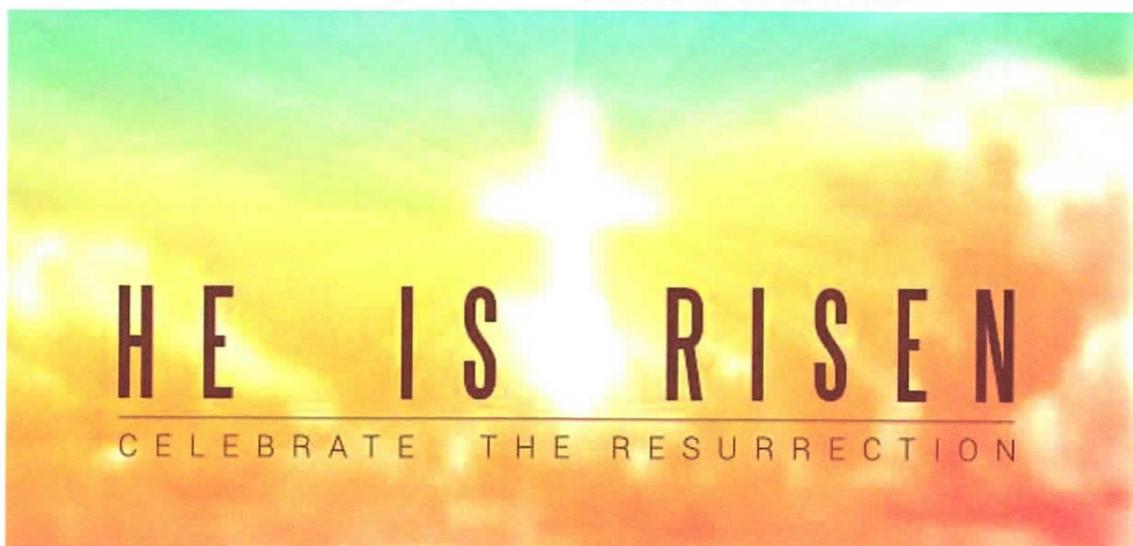
7:00 A.M.

AND

10:00 A.M.

With

Breakfast served in between!





Worship and Music – “A case of butterflies...”

Greetings everyone, I am the new chairperson for the Worship and Music committee and the first thing that I want to say is that I have the most awesome committee members. I attended the first meeting with the outgoing committee chairperson, Randy Meier (who is continuing his commitment to council as the Property chairperson) and got my first taste of the planning and preparation that goes into the liturgies at our church. And, while I knew all the committee members who are involved with worship and music, I gained a deeper appreciation for them as I began to understand the involvement that they have in ensuring that the liturgies are both correct and meaningful.

So, I want to start my tenure by saying thank you to all the members of worship and music who have been working so hard week in and week out for the sake of our worship. And we have a lot of work in front of us. Perhaps the biggest challenge of the entire year . the season of Lent and then Easter. So many parament changes, so much special music and additional liturgies to schedule. And then there is theme. What to make the theme of Lent. And then the theme for the miracle of Easter. What about butterflies? Groan... Apparently, the theme of the renewal of butterflies is questionable. All of it makes me nervous. It needs to be good. It needs to be uplifting.

But, I do know that with the commitment of the wonderful people that I have on Worship and Music, we will make it wonderful. We will make it meaningful for everyone who attends one of the Lenten liturgies or worships with us on Easter Sunday. And if you are a creative person interested in getting more involved in our congregation and think that you would like to help plan the liturgies in our church, please consider joining our committee. Our next meeting is March 7th at 9 am.

See you in church,

Lisa Wytrykus Kleppek

Worship and Music Committee Chairperson



Many Hands Make LIGHT Work
Council Meeting – Monday, March, 16th at 6:30 pm
Check the Calendar for the dates and times
of the various Committee Meetings



Moriah Joy Sez...

See “My Rawhide?” It is “MINE!”

I know they are supposed to be “horrible for dogs!” There are all kinds of stories about them causing blockages. Expensive surgeries...lots of recovery time... “the cone of shame”...and even death.

Here’s what the research says: “Rawhide bones and other edible chews can pose a “choking” and a “blockage risk.” In fact, this is a “much bigger risk” than “contamination” or “digestive irritation.” If your dog swallows large pieces of rawhide, the rawhide can get stuck in the “esophagus” or other parts of the digestive tract.”

And of course, they all swallow them...they love them...of course, they do...

SO, we asked the following question: Does Rawhide break down in a dog's stomach?

Does Rawhide Dissolve in the Stomach? And the answer is a resounding “NO,” rawhide does not dissolve in the dog's stomach.

In fact, the opposite is true — the rawhide “swells up.” Far from being broken down, rawhide forces your dog to pass the pieces they swallow, making for a risk of “bowel blockage...or damage.”

How many dogs have died from Rawhide? Moriah wanted you to know the truth...**RAWHIDE CHEWS** unwittingly contribute towards 22 million, brutal dog-deaths per year.

Now you have the research on it!



SPRING CRAFT FAIR MARCH 28th, 2020

Many hands are needed to have a successful event!!! [Sign-up sheets are posted on the front door of church. Please help as you can, with your donations and time.](#)

RAFFLE DONATIONS NEEDED:

- We are looking for these new items for the raffle baskets:
 - Brewer items . a pair of tickets
 - Scrip cards . any amount, any type
 - Bucks Basketball items . a pair of tickets
 - Weekend getaway . hotel or Bed and Breakfast
 - Wine and Chocolate basket
 - Garden hand tools, and plant seeds
 - Dog basket items (toys, treats, bath soap)

BAKERS NEEDED! We need pies, pies, and more pies! Many flavors needed: Apple, cherry, blueberry, peach, strawberry, rhubarb, raspberry, or mixed berry!



- Please no refrigeration needed+baked goods - as refrigerator space is *very* limited.
- We also need cake (especially pineapple upside down cake), cupcakes, cookies, breads, fudge, muffins, Rice Krispy bars, candy, and especially full-sized pies!

Help is needed (Mark your calendars):

Wednesday, March 25th from 8:00-8:30 PM -

- **Help needed to move chairs, books, and tables! Please help if you can!! We need lots of help but should only take 30-40 minutes if we have 10+ people. Youth we need you!**
- ❖ Breakdown of the Sanctuary. Move chairs, remove chair holders, move altar, and hymnals to make room for craft tables and chairs.



Thursday, March 26th – Craft Fair preparations



- Decorate Raffle baskets from 12:30-3PM
- Make pies (we will teach) and wrap potato candy 1 PM . 4:30 PM



Friday, March 27th from 2:00-6:30 PM

- ❖ Bring in baked goods and food donations. We will price the baked goods for you. ***Plastic containers will be available after March 7th in the counting room.***
- ❖ Clean and Set-up kitchen for luncheon starts at 11 am.
NEED FOOD DONATIONS BY NOON on Friday! Its okay to drop off a day or 2 prior!

**Saturday, March 28th from 8:00 AM until 2:30 PM**

- ❖ Help needed in many areas, kitchen, runners, greeters and door prize area, raffle table and baked goods table. Please sign up on the church door sign-up sheets. Take a 2-hour shift if you are able.
- ❖ Come to the Craft Fair! Greg Millard (outside art) is back! With cranes, pigs, bunnies, flowers, turkeys and more. We also have handmade baskets, Easter baskets, wood pictures, unique clocks, sewn items, candles, jewelry, door wreathes, and much more!
- ❖ We have a great lunch:
 - Corned Beef, cabbage, carrots, potato, and rye bread plate
 - Hot turkey sandwiches, hot dogs, or the best BBQ sandwiches in town
 - PJ& famous beans all for very reasonable prices
- ❖ Amazing baked goods, door prizes, and a fabulous Raffle too!
- ❖ Come to the craft fair, and shop for unique Easter gifts, birthday gifts, for others or for yourself! Better yet bring a friend, sister, husband, or neighbor with you! Support your church!
- ❖ **Saturday, March 28th from 2:30-3:30 PM - Many hands and strong bodies needed** to put the Sanctuary back together in time for our 5:00 pm Liturgy.

Committee Meeting times:

- Wed March 18th 8-9 pm (planning)
- Wed March 25th 8-9 PM (set-up for Craft Fair)
- Wed April 1st 8-9 pm (Post craft fair meeting)

The craft fair proceeds are a good part of our annual budget, so we need all the help you are able to give. THANK YOU and God Bless you!!!
 Mary Jo Meier, Craft Fair Coordinator

Please help the Craft Fair Raffle by donating a scrip card. The church receives all the profits from the craft fair raffle (and luncheon, bake sale, and crafter table rentals). Your donation will be added to your church statement. Church gets donation for scrip and for raffle tickets! Double donations! Purchase Scrip of your choice and give this form and the scrip gifts to PJ. He will ensure the Craft Fair committee receives them.

Print your name _____ Address _

SCRIP CARD	AMOUNT	RETURN	QUANTITY	TOTAL \$
Kohls	\$10	5%		
TJ Maxx	\$25	7%		
Pick and Save	\$25	4%		
Pick and Save	\$100	4%		
Sendik's	\$50	5%		
Woodman's	\$50	5%		
Kwik Trip	\$50	10%		
Speedway	\$25	5%		
Marcus Theater	\$25	9%		
Any scrip card	\$			



Calling All Bakers

Your baked goods are needed for the Spring Craft Fair Bake Sale. We had an awesome turn out for Fall. We had over 30 bakers. You are all greatly appreciated. Let's see if we can do it again!

Popular items include but are not limited to:

Pies: pumpkin, pecan, mincemeat, apple, peach, lemon, blueberry, and cherry are all frequently requested baked goods.

Cakes: white, yellow, chocolate, carrot, spiced, and pineapple upside down cakes are popular.

Breads: white, whole wheat, banana, zucchini, pumpkin or any fall flavor you can think of.

Cookies, cookie bars, brownies, homemade candy, fudge, rice krispie treats, puppy chow (muddie buddies), or homemade jams are often requested.

IMPORTANT: Please mark what you baked (i.e. chocolate cupcake, banana bread with walnuts, or peanut butter cookies). Please include if your item includes nuts (i.e. peanut, walnut, pecan, etc).

Please drop off your baked goods on Friday, March 27th between 3:00 pm - 6:30 pm so we can get them priced. Please no refrigerated items. Refrigerator space is VERY limited. Plastic containers will be available in the sacristy hallway ONE week prior to the Craft Fair for your use.

We will be making potato candy again on Tuesday, March 24th starting at 1:00pm. We will also be making pies on Thursday, March 26th starting at 1:00pm. All are welcome to help.

I had a few people ask if we had gluten-free items for loved ones who are allergic to gluten. If you are able to make a gluten-free item or have a good recipe for gluten-free please let me know.

If you have any questions please call or text Sara Jolitz at (414) 380-4189.



Swap & Helping Hands Board

Are you looking for a used item of some kind or have something that is too good to toss and would like to pass on to someone else? Or, do you have a need for some helping hands or would like to offer your services if needed??? Give me your %Needs+and/or %Give aways+and it will be listed in the %Revealer+every month. Do not call the church office.

I, Margaret Coonan, will be organizing these services. No monies will be exchanged. I can be reached at 414-764-3197.

- Give-AWAY: Vintage Cable Piano Necchi sewing machine with attachments

The Agape Supper? Luncheon? Brunch?

(Whatever you want to call it!)

Sunday, February 23rd

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

(Also Known as being the last Sunday in Epiphany!)

It is our ANNUAL “LAST SHINDIG” before Lent begins...Agape meaning “unconditional love” or the Love of God...the awesome thing...the truly unique thing...this year...is that we had dishes made in memory of former members who are now deceased. We had dishes that were shared by:

Marion Doctor
Esther Johnson
Ruth Mortenson
Darlene Mielke
Jody Salewski
Pat Kron
Gail Osgood
Lois Arsand
Betty Wittke
Eleanore Hoppe
Marvin Breul
And
Shari Ford.

This is what set this year apart. This is what made this year so awesome. We were surrounded with some of the “Blessed Saints of Yesterday.” Some of the recipes recreated included: Chocolate Cake, Dump Cake, Hamburger Soup, Reuben Casserole and Rye Bread, Apple Crisps, Sloppy Joes, Pineapple Fluff, Tuna Popover, Corn casserole, Danish Chicken Salad, Caramel Apple Cheese Cake, Barbequed Meatballs, German Potato Salad, Chicken Ala’ King, Summer Salad, Broccoli-Rice Quiche, Sweet & Sour Potato Salad and Raspberry Cream Pie...and there was “other food” besides these special dishes! Is your mouth watering yet? It should be. The food WAS WONDERFUL!

Raffles and Games aside is always a good time and always a good way to welcome in the solemnity that is Lent. If you did not attend, why not consider joining us next year? There is always room for one more...our table is big enough...to INCLUDE YOU!



Agape

“Sweet Sunday” Thursday Quilters’ Corner



Attention all you sewers who would like to put your skills to a very good use!!

We are looking for those who would like to join us on the third Wednesday of each month in the Fellowship Hall to make quilts for those in need.

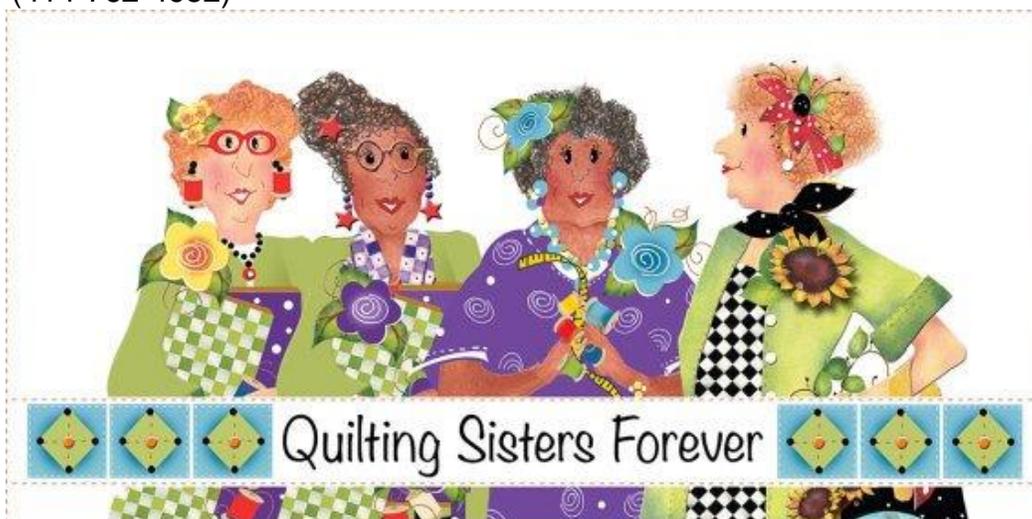
We have decided to meet on a certain day each month to enhance the possibility of getting more done on a regular basis. We need any and all skill levels of sewers or people who can handle pins, scissors, irons or yarn. We have great fun and see wonderful results.

Our next gathering will be on March 18th, 2020 at 11:00 am.

So please join us if you can. Another great way to stay WARM .

Respectfully Submitted,

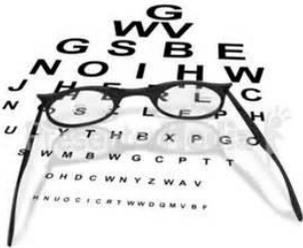
Judy Salchow (414-762-4952)



Information for your reference.....

Note on Hospitalizations...

Federal Law restricts the disclosure of patient information by hospitals. Therefore, if you are hospitalized and want the Pastor to know, it is important for you or the family to give us a call, as soon as possible. Church Office at 762-5111, P.J.'s private line at 762-6101 or his cell at 414-276-2788.



Eyeglasses and Hearing Aids Wanted

All Saints is working with the Lion's Club to collect eyeglasses and hearing aids, which can be recycled for those in need. Pass the word to friends and relatives, too. A drop box is located in the entryway.

Lions Club of Oak Creek extends a Thank You to all who have been contributing to their cause. The response has been great and much appreciated.

Can I or A Family Member Have a Church Funeral?

This is a question that arises quite frequently by non-members or Members with non-member family. The answer is not always an easy one but, the only people eligible for a funeral held at All Saints are Members of All Saints. P.J. will only do immediate family funerals for Members of All Saints at his discretion and only at the Funeral Home and not the Church.



Wine or Grape Juice, Gluten free wafers?

Are you aware that both wine and grape juice are available on each communion tray? The grape juice is always in the center glasses. If you wish to have grape juice all you need to do is ask the communion assistant and it will be given.

We also have gluten free wafers available but you need to let Pj know before the liturgy if you wish them available for communion.

MARCH 2020

March was originally the first month of the year in older versions of the Roman calendar because of its association with the first day of spring. The vernal or March equinox occurs during this month, falling on the 19th, 20th, or 21st day. March also marked a time when war would resume after the winter months.

The name March comes from the Roman god of war, Mars. For many years, March, being the start of spring, was also the start of the New Year. Much of Europe used March as the start of the year. Britain used March 25th as the beginning of the New Year until 1752.

Why Is March a good month?

It's spring break, baby!

You still need a break from life, and March is the perfect time to take a vacation, thanks to all the great spring break deals. ... Research has shown that thinking about a vacation, even if it's just daydreaming, lowers stress levels and increases happiness.

March symbols

March's birthstones are aquamarine and bloodstone. These stones symbolize courage. Its birth flower is the daffodil. The zodiac signs for the month of March are Pisces (until March 20) and Aries (March 21 onwards).

Where is the NCAA Final Four 2020?

Mercedes-Benz Stadium

Where is the 2020 Final Four? The 2020 NCAA Final Four will be played at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta, Georgia with the National Semifinals being played April 4 and the National Championship tipping off on April 6.

Why is it called March Madness?

March Madness refers to the excitement of the final few weeks of the college basketball tournament in the United States that features many major schools. It is called madness simply because there are so many games going on throughout the country, usually during the same time, in rapid succession during the month of March.



World Concerns

I am the new World Concerns committee chairperson. I hope to be able to continue the wonderful work Helen Haworth has begun with the committee.

I would like to take a moment to thank Pat Bruss-Horswill and Ken Horswill for doing such an exceptional job organizing and keeping the food pantry ready for those in need.

We are finding our shelves short of some particular items and I am asking the congregation for your help. If you could please contribute the following items, peanut butter and dry foods such as potatoes, rice, macaroni, hamburger helper boxed meals, it would be greatly appreciated by those we serve. (The pantry does not need meats or canned vegetables at this time.) We will be receiving several grocery carts worth of food from the Craft Fair, however that is several weeks away.

We are still planning on food from the schools in stuff the bus, but a date has not been set. The postal drive is on Saturday, May 9.

Our first meeting will be on Sunday, March 8, 2019 11:00 am after church service.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Bauman

Security Update

The security committee has been working over the last couple of months to develop security protocols for our church. On March 8th at 11:00 am and March 12th at 6:30 pm, we will be conducting training of the security monitors. If you have not signed up to be a security monitor and would like to participate, please plan to join us for one of those sessions.

Following the training of the security monitors, several security temple talks will be scheduled in March and early April to update the congregation on the protocols that have been put into place in the event of an emergency.

While all these security measures will go far in keeping us safe, it is important to remember that ultimately, we are all responsible for keeping ourselves and our fellow congregation members safe. Please prayerfully watch out for each other!

See you in church,

Lisa Wytrykus Kleppek

Security Chairperson



Of Personal Concerns



KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN HOSPITALIZED



- Sharon Wiorek
 - Sara Jolitz
 - Bill Wishall
- Riley Grudzielanek
 - Debbie Maley
- Karen Delebeck
 - Sharon Gates
 - Joel Raison

Please remember them in your thoughts and in your prayers,
as they recover



Letters we receive: Correspondence



Dear PJ

Thank you so much for everything! Michelle and I, and my parents are very happy you were our marriage Officiant! You are a Great person, and know how to light up a room, and make people feel comfortable!

Thank you!

Derek and Michelle Thom



Dear Pastor Jas and Kinga,

Thank you for opening your doors for our community health screening in your community. It is because of your generosity that Life Line Screening continues to be able to bring these health screenings into your area and for that, we are very appreciative.

We look forward to working together again!

We appreciate all your help and support with hosting this community outreach event.

Sincerely,

Karen McGaffney

Life Line Screening



Dear PJ,

We want to thank you for the beautiful memorial service for our Dad. The church looked glorious! Your eulogy was heartfelt and meaningful to s! The ladies worked so hard on the delicious luncheon. We truly appreciate everything. And we know Dad des, too. He loved his All Saints family!

Love,

Coleen , David and Caroline Kangas



To my All Saints Valentines,

I'm still at awe in all you' have done to lighten my load. Yes, I miss seeing you all, too!

Pretty soon I'm scheduled to correct my medical issue so please keep those prayers coming.

My thanks and love to all my valentines. You are priceless. Hope to see you soon.

Your sister in Christ,

Sharon Gates. (P.S. Thanks for all the cards!!!)



Just for Laughs...

- A recently ordained priest, Father Henry, was to hold his first ever graveside burial service at a pauper's cemetery for a destitute man with no family or friends. Father Henry, not knowing where the cemetery was, made several wrong turns and got lost. He eventually arrived an hour late, the hearse was nowhere in sight, the spade was next to the open hole, and the workmen were sitting under a tree eating lunch. Father Henry, being a reliable young priest went to the open grave and found the vault lid already in place. Feeling guilty because of his lateness, he preached an impassioned and lengthy service, sending the deceased to the great beyond in considerable style. As the good Father returned to his car, he overheard one of the workmen say to the other, 'Do you know, fancy that, I've been putting in septic tanks for twenty five years and I ain't never seen anything like that.'
- 'There will be a meeting of the Board immediately after the service,' announced Reverend Morris. After the close of the service, the group gathered at the back of church for the announced meeting. However, there was a stranger in their midst. He was a visitor who had never attended their church before. 'My friend,' asked Reverend Morris, 'did you understand that this is a meeting of the Board?' 'Oh, yes,' came the response from the visitor, 'and after that sermon, I'm about as bored as you can get.'



LEPERS ... I HEAL LEPERS

Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! ~ Psalm 100:2

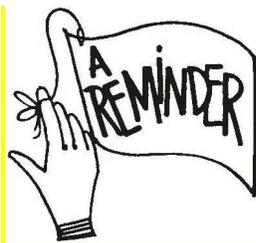
The donation folder is posted in the blue folder on the Bulletin Board. Select your dates for those special occasions or people in your lives and follow the instructions on the inside front cover.

Remember, by donating Altar Flowers, Sanctuary Candles and Bulletins you help the church budget and it is a great way to remember those special people and dates in your life. PLEASE PRINT



Donations:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Bulletins</u>	<u>Memorial Candle</u>	<u>Honor Candle</u>
Feb 29 to March 2	Mutual Ministry Comm.		Krajnak	Open	Krajnak
March 7 to 11	Cieszynski	Open	Friedman	Open	Bishop
March 14 to 18	Montague	Open	Krajnak	St. Germaine	Open
March 21 to 25	Cieszynski	Open	Bauman	Open	St. Louis
March 28 to April 1	Open	Open	Krajnak	Open	Heine



Revealer Articles are due on **Wednesday March 20th by Noon.**

With extending the deadline, to the Wednesday after Council meets - this is a firm deadline for all Revealer Articles. You are encouraged to send them to the church office in advance if possible. Please make sure to have them in on time. Thank you.



Ash Wednesday	1st Sunday in Lent	2nd Sunday in Lent
Joel 2:1-2, 12-17	Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7	Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalms 51:1-17	Psalms 32	Psalms 121
2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10	Romans 5:12-19	Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21	Matthew 4:1-11	John 3:1-17
3rd Sunday in Lent	4th Sunday in Lent	5th Sunday in Lent
Exodus 17:1-7	1 Samuel 16:1-13	Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalms 95	Psalms 23	Psalms 130
Romans 5:1-11	Ephesians 5:8-14	Romans 8:6-11
John 4:5-42	John 9:1-41	John 11:1-45

Numbers you should have at hand:

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World Concerns	Kathy Bandstra Bauman	262-902-6128		
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Choir Director	Kinga Vnuk	414-483-3144		
Funeral Luncheon Coordinator	Helen Haworth	414-762-3733		



All Saints ELCA

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Do you have an address, phone number or status change? Please contact the church office to report any changes for the records. This helps insure our files stay current. THANK YOU