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## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Do you know someone who is sad or hurting or grieving and might like to know that God is near, that others are praying for them, and that there is hope for healing and peace? Please take a shawl and give it to them. Your visit alone will be a gift, and an assurance that others care and are praying for them.

## Coming Up at LCDR

- 4/3 High 5!, Soup Supper, Route 67, Confirmation, Chancel Choir, Grief Share
- 4/7 Worship at 8:30 and 10:45 am, Elder Connection Event
- 4/10 High 5!, Soup Supper, Route 67, Confirmation, Chancel Choir, Grief Share
- 4/14 Worship at 8:30 and 10:45 am, Nursery-Kindergarten Sing @ 10:45 am  
Youth Sunday Part 1 at 10:45, Sunday School, Baskets & Bidding Closes,  
Spring Fling / Talent Show
- 4/16 Elder Connection, 150th Anniversary Planning Meeting
- 4/17 High 5!, Soup Supper, Route 67, Chancel Choir, Council Meeting, Grief Share
- 4/18 Young at Heart
- 4/21 Worship at 8:30 and 10:45 am, Sunday School, Youth Sunday Part 2 at  
the 10:45 service, Sunday School
- 4/24 Gather Bible Study, High 5!, Soup Supper, Route 67, Confirmation, Chancel  
Choir, Grief Share
- 4/28 Worship at 8:30 am and 10:45 am with the Praise Band, Nursery - 5th  
grade sing at 8:30, Teacher appreciation at both services, Sunday School,  
Muffins with Mom
- 4/30 Council Retreat, Assemble Newsletter

April 2024



# The Shepherd's Staff

Chosen to Serve † Sharing the Journey † Making Christ Known

## Congratulations to our Youth who celebrated their First Communion On Maundy Thursday, March 28, 2024



It was a memorable night and many thanks to all who helped make it happen! ~ Darcie



Back row: Arien Anderson, Gavin Sittig, Gavin Lebahn  
Middle row: Logan Hubers, Dawson Ronfedt, Tate Veltkamp, Miles Hendrickson, Tyson Roth, Quintin Howardson, Owen Ronshaugen, McKinley Peirson, Maddox Amundson, Easton Stadem-Heinemann  
Front row: Parker Matzke, Paislee, Burgraff, Mara Hauglid, Makenzie Anderson, Myelle Evans, Gabriella Carstensen



## LCDR Roof Repair Appeal Update

The fund raising appeal for the fellowship hall roof replacement and air conditioning upgrade will be delayed until the end of April. At that time there will be more information regarding projected scope and costs of the project to share with the congregation.

-The Stewardship committee.

## LCDR COMMEMORATIVE PORTRAIT



Rendering created by John Green as part of the 150th Anniversary Celebration. For more information see Pastor Jeff's article inside.

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 Rachel Pierson, Amber Pollmann

**Choir Director:** Nancy Kelm

**2024 Council Members**

Shanna Moke, President  
 Alyssa Zweifel, President Elect  
 Lee Weidauer, Past President  
 Kathy Bongers, Secretary  
 Tom Morris, Treasurer  
 Sue Bredlow, Kayla Carstensen, Bob Harms, Dawson Hohn, Steve Munk, Karen Nielsen, Bev Rieck, Scott Zellmer

**General Fund Financial Snapshot for Feb. 2024**

Monthly Total Income Goal: \$37,559.58  
 February Total Regular Income: \$52,511.00  
 February Expenses: \$34,187.00

**YTD through February:**

General Fund Income \$78,922.25  
 General Fund Expenses \$66,578.52  
**\$12,343.73**

7.5% of Offering is paid to Synod monthly

*From the Senior Pastor:*



Dear people of LDCR,

What a lovely rendering of our beautiful church, the Lutheran Church of Dell Rapids, that artist John Green has created for us!

For our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to be celebrated September 28-29, 2024, we commissioned John Green, renowned portrait and wildlife artist from Madison, SD to paint an original commemorative portrait of our LCDR campus. He has chosen this view which highlights the development over time of our building, beginning with the original sanctuary completed in 1902, to our current worship space completed in 2003.

The original, to be framed and arrive yet this month, will remain prominently on display here in our church. It will be a highlight and centering point for us in our Anniversary celebrations.

Limited edition PRINTS of this original painting will be available for purchase. Whether for display in your home, or as gifts for family for whom the roots of their faith are in this place, what a meaningful gift! When the original arrives and is displayed, we will begin to take orders for the prints.

NEXT month our Anniversary celebrations will kick off in earnest on Sunday, May 19 with an old-fashioned worship service in the chapel/ old sanctuary. There will be an old-fashioned church picnic and games. The local newspaper may even write, "A good time was had by all."

I'm looking forward to the great fun that we will have in our Anniversary celebrations. I'm looking forward to sharing the memories of our long and fruitful history. I'm looking forward to gathering with the so many people whose lives and faith have been shaped, together, here at the Lutheran Church of Dell Rapids.

Join us, please!  
 P Jeff Sorenson

**April 2024**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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15	16	17	18	19	20	
22	23	24	25	26	27	
29	30					

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 7:00 pm Council Meeting

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**9** 7 am - 7 pm  
 School Board  
 Election @ LCDR

**16** 3:45 pm Staff Meeting  
 4:00 pm Elder Connections  
 Meeting  
 7:00 pm 150th Anniversary  
 Planning Meeting

**23**

**30** 5:00 pm Council Retreat

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**8** 8:30 am Worship Service  
 9:30 am Coffee/treats  
 Sunday School  
 10:45 am Worship Service  
 12 - 3 pm Elder Connection Event

**15** 8:30 am Worship Service  
 9:30 am Coffee/treats  
 Sunday School  
 10:45 am Worship Service / N-K  
 Youth Sunday / N-K sing  
 Baskets & Bidding Closes  
 Spring Fling / talent show

**22** 8:30 am Worship Service  
 9:30 am Coffee / treats  
 Sunday School  
 10:45 am Worship Service / Grades 1-4  
 Youth Sunday

**29** 8:30 am Worship Service / Praise Band /  
 N-5 Sing / Teacher Appreciation  
 9:30 am Coffee/treats  
 Sunday School - Last Day  
 Muffins with Mom

**LCDR CONGREGATION COUNCIL MINUTES  
March 20, 2024 (abbreviated)**

**Consent Agenda:** All reports have previously been made available to members. Consent agenda (committee reports and February minutes) approved.

**Committee Reports:** **Education** - The committee worked on the Sunday school schedule for next season. Blessing of Backpacks and Rally Day will be August 25; the first day of Sunday school will be September 8 with the last day being April 27, 2025. Baccalaureate will be May 4, 2025. Seder Supper is coming up. Easter decorations will go up after Good Friday. VBS work nights will be May 13 to 16. We will serve a meal for VBS on Monday, July 15. Doves will be decorated with names for each child in Sunday school, including 2 year olds who received Prayer Pillows this past year. These will go up on April 28 and stay up through fall. **Fellowship/Community Outreach** - The Spring Fling is scheduled for April 14. A flyer has been prepared and will be distributed. **Property** - Committee members and Scott Zellmer are working on getting an accurate cost for the fellowship roof project. There was a leaking problem with the Bunn coffee machine which was corrected. A folding display rack was secured for the prayer shawls. The organ has been partially shutting down and that is being looked into. There will be a request to the Council to use some of the designated dollars for the fellowship hall project for testing and evaluation expenses. **Stewardship** - The committee did not meet in person but did email among members to complete the Appeal brochure draft. A plan and concept has been developed for the special appeal. Bob Harms attended the Property committee meeting on Monday, March 17. The bids for the project will be reviewed shortly before the April council meeting. The committee wishes to delay the special fund appeal effort for one month, so that the most current information for the project can be messaged with the appeal. **Technology** - No report. **Worship** - The baptismal wall project is up. Plans are ongoing with the old time worship event. The Easter worship schedule is set. **Youth/Family Ministry** - The fleece blankets to be given to graduating seniors at Baccalaureate on May 5 were discussed. Bev will purchase the fabric and square it up. Members of the committee will cut and tie the edges to have them ready to be embroidered by the middle of April. The youth will lead both services on March 17. Baskets and bidding will begin on March 17 and end on April 14. The Seder Supper for the fifth graders and their families will be held on March 28. Confirmation camp will be June 9 to 14 at Ne So Dak with 23 expected to attend. We will have 4 students and 2 adults attending the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this summer. Additional funds are needed for this trip. Funds from the soup suppers and baskets for bidding will go towards the trip. The individuals who are attending will be asking for sponsorships. Lindsey Ronfeldt is a new committee member and Jessica Strobel has agreed to an additional term. Dawson Hohn is also a committee member due to his position of youth representative for the church council.

**Member Actions:** None at this time.

**Treasurer's Report:** Motion carried to approve the report.

**Pastor's Report:** Pat commented that the baptismal wall is beautiful and she thanked Sue for her part in that. She also spoke on how nice the Lenten services have been and how

meaningful and beautiful the youth-led worship on March 17th was. She reported that posters on the Grief Share series are up and the notice is in the paper. It starts on April 3. There will be a mini-retreat on April 7 focusing on Intergenerational Connections.

Pastor Jeff reported the Healthy Congregations series has been completed. There were about a dozen people who attended. First communion interviews are being completed. There will be 19 youth and their families attending the Seder meal. The history book group asked him to write up developments and changes in the years since he arrived. He provided that list and asked that everyone let him know if he may have missed anything.

**Unfinished Business:**

**150th Anniversary Task Force** - A new idea was introduced of having a "Living Memory Wall" where people can add a note, remembrance, or pictures to share. We are looking for the final version of the History Book to be at the publisher by July 1st. Plans are coming along for our kick-off event on May 19 with the old time worship and picnic. In April, the committee will be working on the venue, music, and menu. A contract has been signed with the Morton Center including a waiver of liability and reservation form. A new banner is being worked on.

**John Green print** - Pastor Jeff and John went to his studio in Madison and a final version was chosen for Council to review. This version of the print was approved.

**Fellowship Hall Roof Updates** - Steve and Scott reported on the progress. It appears it would be best to get an engineer to evaluate the current roof. Motion carried to use up to \$4500 of the designated money from the fellowship roofing project to hire an engineer to evaluate the fellowship hall roof. Motion carried to include asbestos testing of the ceiling material on both floors for an additional cost of up to \$2500. Any new information could affect the construction so the deadline for bids will be extended to April 12.

**Roof Repair Appeal** - Bob noted that it would be best to wait until we get the information from the evaluations before starting the appeal. There could be information that would change the goals of the appeal. Motion carried to delay the initiation of the special Appeal for the Fellowship Hall project from March 2024 until April 2024. There would have to be a special congregational meeting to change the goals.

**New Business:**

**Executive Session:** Council moved into executive session at 8:10 p.m. and ended at 8:44 p.m. Motion carried to approve the job share proposal of Deb Huska and Arrielle Scheibler for a trial period of up to 90 days beginning on April 1.

**Announcements:**

Council Retreat: The retreat from 5:00 to 9:00 on April 30.  
Next meeting: April 17 at 7:00 p.m.  
Committee reports are due by noon on Monday April 15  
Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by: Kathleen Bongers, Church Council Secretary

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**From the  
Record  
Books**

**80+ Birthdays:**  
April 8: Allen Brown

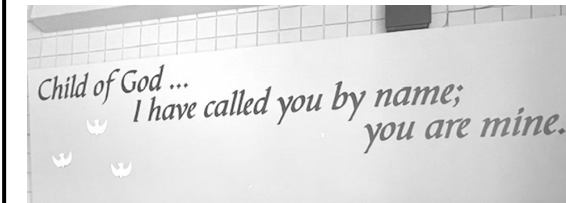
**April Coffee and Treats**

Service Group 6 will provide coffee and treats between services during April. Please contact Karen Nielsen, 605-940-2197 if you can serve, bring baked goods and/or make a monetary donation. Group members include:

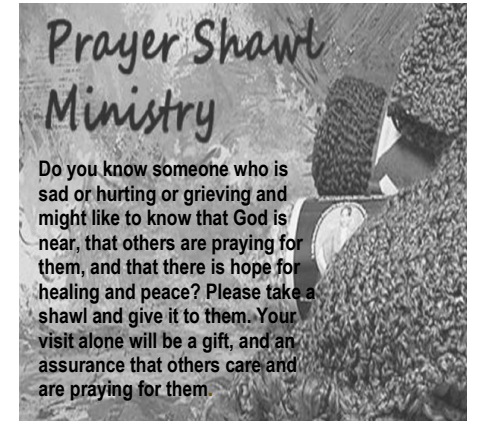
- Bokker, Theresa
- Borns, Josh & Jessica
- Burggraff, Melanie
- Campbell, Serena
- Carstensen, Brad & Anna
- Dulaney, Nicole & Garrett
- Dybedahl, Jake & Amy
- Earley, Connie
- Greenhagen, Cheryl
- Hancock, Peggy
- Hansen, Scott & Heather
- Hansen, Steve & Cinnamon
- Heidebrink, Rollie & LuAnn
- Hohn, Jared & Megan
- Holt, Sheri
- Johansen, Becky & Jared
- Jones, Nate & Andrea
- Klein, Barb
- Klein, Mitch & Carrie
- Konechne, Samantha & Andrew
- Larson, Lillian
- Luggar, Wade/Katie
- Mandel, Scott & Jan
- McKee, Katie
- Miller, Marc/Amy
- Moller, Sharryl
- Munk, Steven
- Olson, Grant & Kristi
- Peppel, Kurt & Becky
- Pollmann, John & Amber
- Prasek, Joe & Beth
- Randall, Becky
- Roth, Ryan & Amanda
- Rounds, Travis & Rachel
- Stone, Dane & Jody
- Zellmer, Scott & Carin

**Your help is greatly appreciated!**

**From the Associate in Ministry:**



**A BIG THANK YOU** to those who 'made' our new Baptism Wall: Sue Bredlow, Barb Kline, Zach Rogen, and Dan Ahlers. Be watching as the names of the newly baptized are added to doves on the wall!



Our Prayer Shawl Ministry has a new face and a new place! You will find them now in the church entrance area, where you will also find an invitation to take one to give to someone you know who may be ill, hurting, grieving, or in any other way needing to be wrapped in our prayers. A BIG THANK YOU to our knitters and crocheters for keeping an ongoing supply for us! (see photos on back page)

(From me...)

I just have a couple of reminders of things that I hope you will consider:

**GRIEF SHARE**, a new support group which will begin weekly meetings on Wednesday the 3rd of April. Our group is open to all people in the Dell Rapids area who are grieving the death of someone dear, whether that loss is recent or perhaps long ago. **GRIEF SHARE** is a national grief recovery support group filled with insight from grief experts. I will be leading our group, which will meet every Wednesday from 6 – 7:30 pm for 13 weeks, April 3rd through June 26th. If you or someone you know might benefit from this time of comfort and support, please call the church office, or me directly at 605-321-3713.

And – one more reminder! Our **Generation Connection Mini Retreat** will be from noon until 3:00 on Sunday, April 7th in the Fellowship Hall. We'll start with a Pizza Bar, Salad Bar, and Ice Cream Bar, and then fill our time with some fun, some learning about the generations, a movie for the kids, lots of conversation, and a short Bible study about our Intergenerational God. What will make this a special day is if you are here (!) and if various generations are here together. We have lots to learn about ourselves, about each other, and about God's hopes and dreams for all of us! There's a sign-up in the church entrance or you can call the church office to let us know you're coming.

~Pat

# Youth Ministry NEWS

## From the Youth & Worship Leader

On behalf of all the youth who take part in our activities here at LCDR, let me take this opportunity to simply say "thank you" for your continued support. With Easter now in the review mirror, we have completed one of the busiest times of the year for our youth and their families, and we could not have done any of it without those of you who attended the Lenten services, provided for Soup Suppers and so much more. Thank you.

As I mentioned in church on March 17, there is one large opportunity remaining this year, and that is to help send four of our youth and two adults to New Orleans in July for the ELCA National Youth Gathering. We are currently \$2,250 short of raising the funds needed to complete this goal. I have heard from a few congregation members already who are willing to help, and if you would like to join that group in helping close this gap, please let me know. Those who sponsor the trip will be provided with real-time updates from New Orleans and will also be treated to a "thank you" dinner when we return.

John Pollmann



## Baskets and Bidding Now - April 14

"Baskets and Bidding" is a silent auction fundraiser that features baskets of items donated by the families of LCDR. The baskets and bidding sheets are located in the Fellowship Hall. Bidding will close at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 14.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>April 3</b>	3:30 pm High Five 5:30 pm Soup Supper 6:15 pm Route 67/Confirmation
<b>April 10</b>	3:30 pm High Five 5:30 pm Soup Supper 6:15 pm Route 67/Confirmation
<b>April 14</b>	12:00 pm Baskets and Bidding Closes
<b>April 17</b>	3:30 pm High Five 5:30 pm Soup Supper 6:15 pm Route 67/No Confirmation
<b>April 24</b>	1:30 pm High Five early release activity 5:30 pm Soup Supper 6:15 pm Route 67/Confirmation
<b>May 1</b>	3:30 pm High Five 5:30 pm Soup Supper 6:15 pm Route 67/Confirmation
<b>May 8</b>	3:30 pm High Five 5:30 pm Soup Supper 6:15 pm Route 67/Confirmation
<b>May 12</b>	10:45 am Baccalaureate
<b>May 15</b>	3:30 pm High Five 5:30 pm Soup Supper 6:15 pm Route 67/ No Confirmation

If you have any questions, please contact John at 605-370-8092 or [lcdryouth@siouxvalley.net](mailto:lcdryouth@siouxvalley.net)

## Early Release Activity for 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Wednesday, April 24 at 1:30 pm

April 24 is an early release day for 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Activity TBD based on the weather – more details to come! Watch the youth bulletin board for sign-up.



## Gather Bible Study

Wednesday, April 24  
1:30 pm at Friendship Village

The Bible Study this month will be at Friendship Village. The study will be "Scripture and Nature: Teachers of Faith: Lesson 4" from the March/April *Gather* Magazine. All are welcome.

No preparation necessary. Just come.

## 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Column Lutheran Church of Dell Rapids 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration September 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Website: [www.lcdr\\_sd.org](http://www.lcdr_sd.org)

### Anniversary Themes

**Main Theme:** 1 Samuel 2:2 "There is no Rock like our God." **Additional Theme:** Isaiah 51:1 combined with 1 Corinthians 10:4 "Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug ... and the rock was Christ."

**Theme Song:** "Blessed Be The Rock"

### Anniversary Celebration Kick-Off

**"Old Time Worship and Picnic":** This fun event is planned for May 19<sup>th</sup>. Come join us for our church service at 9:30 in the Chapel. This will be the kick-off event for our upcoming Anniversary this year. We are promoting the wearing of old-time clothing and all that goes with that, so use your imagination! Following the service there will be a picnic lunch.

### Anniversary Venue

**Saturday Event** - held at Hefty's Morton Center.

Fellowship Time (4:00 – 6:00 PM)

Catered Banquet (6:00 – 7:00 PM)

Program (8:00-9:00 PM)

**Sunday Event** - held at LCDR.

Special Worship Service (9:30 – 11:00 AM)

Lunch Celebration following the Service

### Things to Know

**"Save the Date" Magnets/"Get the Word Out":**

If you did not receive this mailing, please call the church office 605-428-3197. If you know someone, who was at LCDR, who is no longer here and/or has moved away, we would like to get in touch with them, please call the church office with any/all information.

**"Sharing of Memories" Project:** If you would like to share some of your "favorite" LCDR memories, we

## Women of the ELCA

### April WELCA Events:

April 3 - Quilting, 1:30 pm

April 4 - Prayer Shawl Ministry, 2:00 pm

April 10 - WELCA, 1:30 pm

April 18 - Prayer Shawl Ministry, 2:00 pm

April 20 - Crossroads Conference

April 24 - *Gather* Bible Study, 1:30 pm

would love to capture them! We can meet with you, record, or tape these for you or you can also send them in an email or word document. Please contact Deb at the church office 605-428-3197 to set up or email [lcdr@siouxvalley.net](mailto:lcdr@siouxvalley.net). In addition, we will soon be introducing a "Living Memory Wall" where you can add a note, or remembrance, or pics to share.

**"LCDR Cookbook" Project:** The cookbooks are here. The cost of this heirloom cookbook is only \$15 and can be purchased at the church office.

**"History Book" Project:** We are currently working on a History Book to capture and commemorate LCDR's "150 Years of Faith". If you have anything historical that you think might be of interest to include, please contact Deb at the church office 605-428-3197 or email the information to [lcdr@siouxvalley.net](mailto:lcdr@siouxvalley.net).

**"John Green" Project:** The artist, John Green has been commissioned to do a special painting of LCDR. Prints will be available for purchase later this year.

**"150<sup>th</sup> Church Banner" Project:** A commemorative Banner is in the works for our anniversary event.

**"Sunday School Pentecost Decorations" Project:** Be on the lookout for some very special Pentecost Doves that will be decorating the Sanctuary very soon!

### Message from the Task Force

We hope that all of you are as excited as we are! We would love to hear your ideas, and we can always use more help for this special milestone celebration! Please feel free to talk to anyone on the Task Force for more information or better yet, attend a meeting.

### Task Force Planning Members:



**Pastor Jeff, Steve Munk, Sue Bredlow, Jody Stone, Becky Randall, Regan Stone, Nicole O'Bryan, Karen Nielsen, Sandra Lamer**

Please join us for  
**Lutheran Church of  
 Dell Rapids**

# Spring Fling

Sunday  
**14th**  
 APRIL

Time: Noon  
 (after church)

Talent Show!!  
 Sign up Sheet in the  
 Church Office

**50/50 RAFFLE | POT LUCK-BRING  
 A DISH TO SHARE | PUTTING  
 CONTEST | TALENT SHOW**

PRE-COVERAGE OF THE MASTERS WILL BE ON THE BIG SCREEN FOR ALL THE GOLF FANS!!

**DESSERT CONTEST-ENTER A DESSERT DAY OF TO WIN!**

Questions? Please call or text to Kayla Carstensen @ 605-695-7909

The **Easter Lily** symbolizes life, purity and beauty. The inspiring trumpet-shaped blossoms joyfully announce the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Thank you to all who provided Easter lilies for our sanctuary.

## EASTER LILIES

### In Memory Of .....

Duane & Jane Bredlow,  
 Jesse & Margaret Godsk  
 Les Walters  
 Will Wirkus  
 Wayne Sorenson  
 Joan Pollmann  
 Gilbert & Myrtle Kringen,  
 Lynn & Celia Jorgenson  
 Caroline Heidebrink  
 Heather Klein  
 Francis & Minerva Morris  
 Dale Geraets  
 Dave Bunkers  
 Stevi & Joe Schuster  
 Phil Weisz & Sandra Wilber  
 Richard Holt  
 Logan Gaspar, Vernon Olson  
 Sandi Sittig  
 Barth O'Loughlen  
 Art & Dee Nebben  
 Family members  
 Harvey Ellefson, Don & Joyce Berg

### From .....

Dave & Sue Bredlow  
  
 Tim & Cheryl Bauman  
 Diane Wirkus  
 P. Jeff Sorenson  
 Saxon Family & Pollmann Family  
 Larry & Ada Jorgenson  
  
 Rollie & LuAnn Heidebrink & family  
 Dave & Barb Klein  
 Tom & Lori Morris  
 James & Autumn Meier  
 Susi Bunkers  
 Susi Bunkers  
 Brian, Lisa, Maddy & Makenna Wilber  
 Sheri Holt & family  
 Bill & Linda Nelson  
 The Pollmann Family  
 Marc, Joanne, Samantha & Dylan Mathis  
 Jan Dybvig  
 Delores Shefte  
 Delight Hansen



Thank you to all who provided an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one.

## Women of the ELCA

Crossroads Conference Spring Gathering 2024

April 20, 2024 • 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church, 2208 W LaQuinta St, Sioux Falls

Theme: **Let's Get Connected** : "When suddenly it was as though their eyes were opened and they recognized him" Luke 24:31

Featured Speakers: Pastor Kari Webb, Janet Kittams, Pastor Chris Matson, Pastor Sawyer Vanden Heuvel, Todd Smith

Love Gift Recipient: Children's Connection - a part of Family Connection

Suggestions: Crayons, Colored Markers, Colored Pencils, Reams of Printer Paper  
 RSVP to clundeen@midco.net or (605-201-3102) by April 15, 2024 **Cost** -\$10 (pay at door) **Ride sharing available** - call Eileen at 428-3443 or Connie at 428-5926.

**All Are Welcome!**

**April Altar Team:  
 Sue Bredlow and  
 Connie Earley**



Thank you for  
 your time and  
 dedication!

If you are interested in joining the Altar Committee Ministry, please contact Sue Bredlow at 605-321-1185 for more information.

# Our Children's Ministry



- April 7**  
9:30 am Sunday School
- April 14 Youth Sunday (Part 1)**  
10:45 am Nursery - Kindergarten will recite their memory work / N - K sing
- April 21 Youth Sunday (Part 2)**  
10:45 am 1st - 4th grade youth will recite their memory work
- April 28 Last Day of Sunday School**  
8:30 am Nursery - 5th sing  
9:30 am Muffins with Mom  
Teacher Appreciation at both services

**Muffins with Mom**

On Sunday, April 28, during the Sunday School music time (9:30-9:50), we invite the mothers or special guest of the Sunday school children to come downstairs and enjoy some muffins, juice and coffee. Along with enjoying the goodies, the children will be singing. The kids will start the morning off with singing at the 8:30 service.

## VBS Save the Date July 14 - July 17



**Ages: entering Kindergarten – entering 5<sup>th</sup> grade**  
**Meal at 5:30; VBS programming 6:00 – 8:30 pm**

### From the Director of Sunday School:

Our Seder Supper for the 5<sup>th</sup> graders and youth was held the end of March, and there are so many people who played a part in making this such an awesome experience for the kids. There are a few “key” people who I am especially thankful for. Ada Jorgensen – who I asked to help line up people to help in the kitchen and she didn’t skip a beat with making that happen, plus the fact that she was there leading the way in the kitchen the entire day. John Pollmann – who I asked to make the lamb, and so glad I did as his idea of making lamb meatballs was the best idea! Again, a lot of work and time on his part to make that such a huge success. Sue Bredlow – who took care of ordering the wine and grape juice, then pouring it all into the decanters, and taking care of the candles on every table.

The Education Committee, which consists of Karen Nielsen, Lindsey Peters, Nicole Dulaney, Kate Van Wyhe, Megan Hohn, Carrie Addengast and Jacque Weidauer, who helped with setup on Wednesday night and Thursday in the kitchen and who are always willing to help with whatever is needed from me on our education events.

The awesome people who made the other food items (radish mixture, apple mixture and potatoes) were Ada Jorgensen, Lorna Reif, Jeanine Schnieders, Jacque Wallin, Ruth Coffa, Becky Randall. And also, a special thanks to these people who said yes to helping in the kitchen with this event – John and Kathy Peterson, Gloria Brown, Barb Klein, Etta Borns, and even to those attendees who stayed to help clean tables after the Seder Supper – thank you!!

Now, I hope I didn’t forget anybody! But for the people who stayed even longer than what they were expecting due to the dishwasher breaking down 1 hour before the event...all those dishes were washed by hand! Bill Evans said at the end, “well, my hands are all clean now!” We even ran out of hot water.

Also thanks to Steven Munk for coming in to try and fix the dishwasher at the last minute. But even with that wrench thrown into the evening, there was lots of conversation with the helpers, and I think they all got to know each other a little better. I was walking around at the end when everyone had left, locking up, etc. and just kept thinking “God is Good...All the Time...God is Good! I am so grateful for my church family and blessed to be a part of such a loving family!

Darcie

**Memory Work**  
*(all can be found on our church website)*

**Nursery & Pre-K:** Table Prayer & Bedtime Prayer  
**K-Prep and Kindergarten:** Golden Rule & Lord’s Prayer  
**1<sup>st</sup> grade:** Ten Commandments  
**2<sup>nd</sup> grade:** Apostles Creed  
**3<sup>rd</sup> grade:** Books of the Bible  
**4<sup>th</sup> grade:** Psalm 23

**Youth Sunday Part 1**  
**Sunday, April 14 at 10:45**  
Please join us for Nursery - Kindergarten Youth Sunday on April 14 at the 10:45 am service. Our Nursery-Kindergarten children will recite memory work and sing during the service.

**Youth Sunday Part 2**  
**Sunday, April 21 at 10:45**  
Please join us for Grades 1 - 4 Youth Sunday on April 21 at the 10:45 am service. Our youth in grades 1 - 4 will recite memory work during the service.

**Thursday, April 18**  
**12:00 PM**

The Young at Heart will gather together at noon in the Fellowship Hall for a potluck and fellowship.  
Young at Heart is for those 60 year & older for ideas, food and fellowship.

**150th Task Force Meeting**  
**April 16 at 7:00 pm**  
**Fellowship Hall**

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**  
If you, a family member or friend would like a Prayer Shawl, please contact the office at: 428-3197.  
Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 2:00 pm.

**A huge shout out to all of our Sunday school teachers and classroom helpers!**

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**Also a big THANK YOU to our confirmation helpers:**  
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**THANK YOU TO OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS**