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LETTER FROM THE PASTOR...

Dear Friends,

One of the favorite places of the summer is at the lake. It is beautiful to sit and watch sunrises and rainstorms come across the lake. Occasionally a fisherman will try to capture the fish that Bert, my son-in-law, can't catch off the dock. It's a wonderful place and time!

One of the things we do is take the boat over to the campgrounds and visit friends. We drop anchor so we don't drift away and make sure that the boat stays properly anchored. There are too many rocks to bring it up to shore so we have to set the anchor and tie up the boat so that the wind or current would not take the boat across the lake.

Someone wrote a book about a person's parents. They wrote, "One thing they had that we don't seem to want anymore was a solid anchor to which they had attached their lives." The author was speaking about his parent's ethics and values - about their morals and scruples. He was speaking about the fact that they had adopted certain rules and expectations that were inviolate. Because they were Christians, they believed they were called upon to live their lives by the highest codes of ethics and morals.

The solid anchor to which they had attached their lives was Jesus Christ. For them he was not a person who had lived thousands of years ago. Instead, they took advantage of the fact that he was a living Lord and a God who was ever present in their daily lives.

What this translated into was a family that openly had conversations with Jesus. Boldly they prayed together - asking for safety for their loved ones as well as guidance in the important decisions the children and their parents would be called to make. It was a family that realized that Jesus was not an ancient character confined to the pages of the Bible, but a vibrant Lord who was present and active in every moment of their lives - a living anchor that gave them more hope and promise than they could have ever hoped or imagined.

The fact of the matter is that you and I need to have our lives anchored in Christ. To do anything less would be to allow the currents of life to simply carry us away to places we shouldn't go. To refuse to attach our lives to Jesus is to allow our lives to be influenced and seduced by any sweet breeze that comes along - breezes that could very easily send us into raging rapids from which there is no escape.

God continue to bless us!

Pastor Ralph

LUCK LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES JANUARY 18, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Brian Paulsen.

Members present: Pastor Thompson, Bryan Allen, Brian Paulsen, Spike Maiden Müller, Mike Broten, Steve McCormack, Al Tomlinson and Paul Hawkins. Absent: Amy Dueholm, Carol Giller.

Pastor Thompson provided an opening prayer.

The Council Meeting Minutes from December 21, 2011 were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Al Tomlinson and seconded by Mike Broten. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for December 2011 was reviewed. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Brian Paulsen and seconded by Bryan Allen. Motion carried.

Pastor Thompson had no report.

Committee Reports:

Education/Youth (Bryan Allen): Committee met January 17. Discussed asking OFJ Shepherds to sing with OFJ kids on Palm Sunday and the late Easter service. Impact 365 is scheduled to lead a lock-in for Middle High Youth and lead the weekend church service. Date is under discussion.

Vacation Bible School will be held at North Valley Church the first week of August. Senior High Youth participated in *Feed My Starving Children* this past weekend. They will once again be hosting Lenten Soup & Sandwich Suppers. Council voted to donate the first \$200 raised to the Senior High Youth, and 25% each of remaining funds to Hope House, Loaves and Fishes, Habitat for Humanity, and Feed My Starving Children. The Middle High Youth gathering will be at WAPO this year. Men's groups are now meeting regularly on Monday evenings and Saturday mornings. Carol Thompson will resume the monthly Women's Bible Study on Monday nights. Women of the Bible will be discussed, beginning with Ruth.

Evangelism (Mike Broten): New members Russell & Lori Aherns, Gene Cooper, Scott Leveen, Kendall Petersen, Rachel & Brooklyn Petersen, Janice Russell, Pastor Ralph, Carol & Erik Thompson have been added to the roll.

CCC/Fellowship (Carol Giller): no report

Property (Paul & Al): The ridge cap and new covering for steel support beams will complete the roof work. Waterworks Plumbing fixed the sink in the preschool room and brought the kitchen drain up to code. Cost \$156. This should complete modifications to bring the kitchen in line with codes. Requests have been received for brighter lighting in the sanctuary. Mark Babcock will be gradually replacing old CFL lamps with CFL flood-lamps. Moore Power estimates a cost of \$1000 to add electrical outlets to the fellowship hall and kitchen and a timer to the lights outside under the eaves. Steve McCormack moved that work be approved, with a second from Brian Paulsen. Motion carried.

Stewardship (Spike Maiden Müller): The use of quarter folders versus envelopes for Lenten offerings was discussed. The consensus was to use envelopes.

Worship (Steve McCormack): Christmas services seem to have been well received and attended. Plans for next year call for retaining the 4 and 10 pm services as well as the musical prelude preceding the 4 pm service. Lenten services, soup dinners, and Maundy Thursday meal will proceed with the same schedule as last year. Good Friday will be a Tenebrae service. Easter services will be at 6:30 and 9 am with breakfast served after the early service. Summer services will be Sundays at 9 am and Mondays at 6:30 pm.

Quilts for graduating high school students will be presented at the Baccalaureate service. The congregation's willingness to have Lay Leaders lead services occasionally (when substitute clergy are not available) was discussed. There will be Communion at Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Easter services. The need to have someone assigned to make notifications to newsletter, bulletins, newspapers, and signs was discussed.

New business:

Chris from Thrivent Financial spoke to the council on the advantages and process of setting up an endowment for the church.

Recognition of Janet Holdt's donation of her time to provide music at the 8 am services was discussed.

There was a consensus to pay for youth attendance at *Feed My Starving Children* from the Youth Events budget account. The nominating committee currently has four candidates for openings on the church council: Kathy Babcock, Jake Jensen, Donna Johnson, and Laurie Nelson. Brian Paulsen, as outgoing president of the church council, will speak at the annual meeting about the congregation's accomplishments in the past year. Al mentioned meeting with faculty at Luck School to discuss the formation of a chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, possibly in conjunction with one or more other local schools.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 8:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Spike Maiden Müller, secretary pro tempore



OUR FAITH JOURNEY (SUNDAY SCHOOL)

Thank you to Session 4: "Joseph & His Brothers" disciples: Donna Johnson, Lois Skow, Kyle Johansen, Jake Jensen, Josh & Jennifer Hetfeld and our shepherds; Bryan Allen, Glenn Haylock, Noah Mortel, Jenni Holdt, Maddie Doolittle, Marley Doolittle, Reilly Giller, Kerrigan Ekholm, and Steven Holdt.

SESSION 5

February 12 - March 4: "Joseph & Pharaoh"

Drama: Amy Dueholm (class shepherd: Lance Lindvall)

Art: Hunter & Dawn Ward (class shepherd: Reilly Giller)

*Bible Skills & Games: Kyle Johansen & Jake Jensen
(class shepherd: Parker Steen)*

Workshop Lab: Jay & Jennifer Gilhoi (class shepherd: Sydney Paulson)

Grade Level Shepherds: PreK-K: Maddie Doolittle; Grades 1-2: Ava Ruhn-Pouliot; Grades 3-4: Emma Moore & Glenn Haylock; Grades 5-6: Marley Doolittle & Bryan Allen

Thank you to all of you who have willingly signed up to be disciples, shepherds & helpers for our OFJ Ministry. We still have openings for Session 6 & 7. Copies of the curriculum are available to read over before you commit to a certain class. Please call the church office if you are willing to help or contact one of the OFJ Coordinators: Sonja Jensen, Paula Hischer, Courtney Hawkins, Jean Giller & Jeni Arjes.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

The OFJ Sunday School will be singing during the 10:30 worship service on the following Sundays:

*February 12 - March 11 - Palm Sunday, April 1
Easter Sunday, April 8 - May 13*

Luther Point Bible Camp will be coming to Luck Lutheran on Sunday, March 4th to lead our 10:30 a.m. worship. Please plan to attend!!

Luther Point Bible Camp campership deadline is March 30th. Brochures & registration forms are available in the narthex on the literature rack.

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THANK YOU OFJ FAMILIES for giving to our "God's Global Barnyard" part of the ELCA World Hunger program. We are trying to reach our goal of \$250 to buy a fish farm for the hungry and when we reach our goal Pastor Ralph promised us that he would kiss a live fish. We started this offering in September and the children have donated \$213.97 (we need \$36.03 more to reach our goal).

Notes from the Senior High Youth:

Senior High Youth continue to meet every Wednesday for dinner and fellowship beginning at 5:30. Saturday January 14th the Senior High participated in the Feed My Starving Children Event in St. Croix Falls. Everyone agreed it was a FANTASTIC experience to be a part of.

Senior High Youth served Brunch on Sunday, January 29th before and after the Annual Meeting. Donations collected were donated to prevent hunger in our community and around the globe by donating to Feed My Starving Children and Loaves & Fishes Food Shelf.

The Luck Lions Club will be holding their annual fund raising pancake breakfast at the Luck School on Saturday, February 11th from 7am-11am. We will be serving pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, and ham.

The profits we make from this breakfast will be used to benefit a number of local projects such as the Luck Boy Scouts, Loaves and Fishes Food Shelf, Luck Cancer Walk, Luck High School Scholarships, Luck Library, and eyeglasses and hearing aids for local residents.



BIBLE CAMP

Bible Camp brochures are available in the church narthex on the literature rack. We plan to attend Confirmation Camp on June 10-15. ***Please note that congregation and early bird discounts are available if postmarked before March 30.*** Please don't let the deadline sneak up on you and miss these discounts.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA Spring Day of Renewal will be held at First Lutheran Church, Cushing on Saturday, March 31. Registration is at 8:30 am and lunch will be served. Please contact JoAnne Christiansen at 715-472-2527 if you are planning to attend. All women are invited to this Renewal.

UPCOMING WELCA EVENT: NW Synod Convention will be at the Plaza Hotel in Eau Claire on April 27-28. Watch more information in upcoming newsletters.

LOAVES & FISHES MONTHLY REPORT - DECEMBER 2011

Households Served	120	Luck 62	Unity 58	Adults 190	Children 68	Total 258
New Families		Luck 6	Unity 7			
USDA Food Received		23 Cases				
Non USDA (donations)		3006#				
Groceries purchased		670#				
Volunteer Hours		66				

Items needed: oatmeal, other cereals, baked beans, saltines, canned carrots, canned mixed fruit, and bar soap.

Thank you for the financial support and the commodity donations that were given to Loaves & Fishes this past year. Without your prayers and support we could not continue our mission. May God continue to bless you and your families.



Pat Williams Coordinator

MISSION ACTION—February

Please join us at the two per month quilting workdays at church during the months of February and March (first and third Wednesdays). We plan to set up a couple sewing machines for those who might want to sew during that time. Feel free to choose which task you might want to work on during the time together—cut fabric, sew quilt tops or backings, assemble or tie quilts. There are always jobs for everyone! We were happy to have a couple “newcomers” in January! Feel free to ask friends (even if non-members) to join us for workdays. There is an extra incentive to come on February 15—Pastor Ralph will again cook a noon meal for us! Don't miss it!

A severe tropical storm struck the southern Philippines on December 16, causing landslides and massive flooding on the island of Mindanao, where Lutheran World Relief is implementing a number of sustainable development projects. LWR helped flood victims by distributing quilts, School Kits, Personal Care Kits, & Baby Care Kits.

To learn more about LWR's work, check their website at www.lwr.org. Luck Lutheran members are helping people worldwide through participation in LWR projects.

“When GOD solves your problems, you have faith in HIS ability; when GOD doesn't solve your problems, HE has faith in your abilities.”

BASKETS OF PROMISE

On Easter, we celebrate the joy and hope of Christ's resurrection. Yet around the world “the least of these” - those Christ calls us to serve-continue to suffer.

Luck Lutheran will be reaching out to our brothers and sisters in need by joining LWR's “Baskets of Promise” Lenten Appeal.

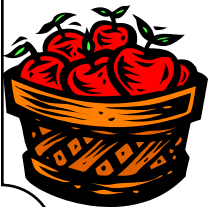
Donate items for Lutheran World Relief Kits to help people in need

Each week in Lent, we'll collect items to form LWR Personal Care kits that help impoverished people stay healthy in life's most challenging situations. Please place your items in the basket in the narthex.

Check the bulletin each week for the collection schedule. Please see below what items we will be collecting on Wednesday's and Sunday's during Lent. If you have questions, please contact Paula Hischer, 715-472-8207 or secretarypaula@msn.com

HERE'S OUR COLLECTION SCHEDULE:

- February 22 (Ash Wednesday) and February 26th—Bars of Soap (4 to 5 oz. any brand, original wrapping)
- February 29th and March 4th—Bath Towels (light weight, max 52”x27”, dark color recommended)
- March 7th and March 11th—Toothbrushes (adult size in original packaging)
- March 14th and March 18th—Combs
- March 21st and March 25th—Nail Clippers (metal, attached file optional)
- March 28th and April 1st (Palm Sunday) - Bars of Soap



REMEMBER THOSE SICK OR SHUT IN OR IN THE NURSING HOME

Key: (L) = Luck (*) = non-member friend/relative of the parish

UNITED PIONEER HOME: (623 South Second Street, Luck WI 54853)

(L) Lillian Christensen (L) Clyde Christensen (L) Jerome Horkey
(L) Ray Berklund (L) Joan Chaffe (L) Irene Rud
(*) Dorothy Ressel (L) Inez Hultner

PARTNERS IN PRAYER AND HEALING

(*) Sue Davis 662D 270th Avenue, Cty. Rd. O, Frederic, WI 54837

MAPLE VIEW APARTMENTS – 416 S. 1st Street, Luck, WI 54853

(L) Mavis Hutton

SUNRISE SENIOR LIVING—18605 Old Excelsior Blvdl, Minnetonka, MN 55345

(L) Florence Fredrickson

CARE PARTNERS ASSISTED LIVING—627 Kern Ave., Rice Lake, WI 54868

(L) Bernadine Kirk

GOOD SAMARITAN NURSING HOME—750 e. Louisiana St., SCF, WI 54024

(L) Eleanor Selvig
(L) Jessie Nordquist

(If any names have been inadvertently omitted from this list please contact the church office 715-472-2605)

LENT IS CLEANING TIME...

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, begins on February 22. Even so, we are beginning to notice the lengthening of the days. The word “Lent” comes from the ancient Anglo-Saxon word *lenct*, which survives in our word lengthen. The days are beginning to lengthen; spring is just around the corner. Lent is the spring season.

Suddenly in the spring sunshine we notice that windows are dirty and spattered. The floors show spots and stains from winter snow and mud. The grass is brown, the snow is grimy, and last fall’s leaves begin to show through in the wet, dirty piles where they blew in last fall.

Lent is the church’s season for spring cleaning. The people of Israel kept the feast of unleavened bread, and in preparation for Passover, they would discard the previous year’s yeast starter. To be sure that no spores of wild yeast or mildew remained, they would scrub the entire house.

Lent is a time for cleansing. Ash Wednesday gets its name from the ancient practice of marking foreheads with the baptismal sign of the cross. The cleansing agent lye is made from ashes. The filthy smudge on people’s foreheads showed the desire to come clean. More important than washing smudge from foreheads is the cleansing of our hearts.

Lent is a season of repentance when we confess our sin and are assured of God’s forgiveness. We clean up the mess we have made of our relationships with God, with others and ourselves. We get ready to wash in the baptismal waters, and renew our baptism in the new life of Easter. Lent is about baptism, returning to the source of living water that cleanses us and makes us children of God.

“Clean out the old yeast so that you may be a new batch, as you really are unleavened. For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed.” 1 Corinthians 5:7

WHAT DOES LOVE MEAN?

Love is in the air this February. This is the month of Valentine's Day, February 14, when all people in love speak words of endearment to one another! To encourage all of us to ponder our own definitions of what love means to us, I share with you these thoughts of a group of youngsters.

When the question "What does love mean?" was posed to a group of 4 to 8 year-olds, here are their responses:

Love is that first feeling you feel before all the bad stuff happens.

When my grandmother got arthritis, she couldn't bend over and paint her toenails anymore. So, my grandfather did it for her all the time, even when his hands got arthritis. That's love.

When someone loves you, the way they say your name is different. You know your name is safe in their mouth.

Love is when a girl puts on perfume and a boy puts on shaving cologne and they go out and smell each other.

Love is when you go out to eat and give somebody most of your french fries without making them give you any of theirs.

Love is when someone hurts you and you get so mad but you don't yell at them because you would know it hurts their feelings.

Love is what makes you smile when you are tired.

Love is when my mommy makes coffee for my daddy and she takes a sip before giving it to him, to make sure the taste is OK.

Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and listen.

My mommy loves me more than anybody. You don't see anyone else kissing me to sleep at night.

Love is when mommy gives daddy the best piece of chicken.

Love is when mommy sees daddy smelly and sweaty and still says he is more handsome than Robert Redford.

Love is when your puppy licks your face even after you have left him alone all day.

I know my older sister loves me because she gives me all her old clothes and has to go out and buy new ones.

I let my big sister pick on me because my mom says she only picks on me because she loves me. So I pick on my baby sister because I love her

Love cards like Valentine's cards say stuff on them that we would like to say ourselves, but we wouldn't be caught dead saying.

You really shouldn't say "I love you" unless you mean it. But if you mean it, you should say it a lot. People forget.



Don't forget to speak words of love to those around you! And remember that we are able to love because of the love that God has showered on us through Jesus Christ: "***For God so loved the world what he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.***" (John 3:16)

Happy Valentine's Day!

"The Sunshine Team"

We have been blessed to have received four medium sized prayer shawls and one fleece prayer shawl. Thank you so much for participating in our ministry. Also, one prayer shawl has been given away.

We have been notified that at least eight members have visited shut-ins—some bringing cookies to add to the visit.

Thanks to everyone for their "out reach" in these different ministries.

LENT 2012

The season of Lent is here. Ash Wednesday is February 22.

Luck Lutheran, I am told, has a wonderful and special quality of its observance of the season of Lent. A filled church at the evening service is the norm. Tables of food and conversation precede the service. We pray and expect no less this Lent. We hope that you will plan your schedule to join us for the soup and sandwich suppers that precede the service. The service will last about forty-five minutes. **We encourage you to attend and urge you to invite friends and families to join us.**

“JUST LIKE JESUS”

February 22 Ash Wednesday

Holy Communion and imposition of ashes at 6:30

“Mine!”

Supper host: Men’s Group and Mailing Team

February 29—6:30 worship

“Elisha Provides for a widow”

Supper host: Choir

March 7—6:30 worship

“God Marks His People”

Supper host: Council and Altar Team

March 14—6:30 worship

“Gideon’s Call”

Supper host: Sunshine Team...6-9th Grade Youth

March 21—6:30 worship

“Jeremiah Buys a Field in Wartime”

Supper host: OFJ Coordinators and Families (K-5th grade)

March 28—6:30 worship

“Solomon Can’t Finish What He Started”

Supper host: 10th-12th Grade Youth and Kitchen Cleaning Team

April 5 Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion at 6:30

“Refuge”

Supper host: Volunteers

April 6 Good Friday

Tenebrae Service—6:30

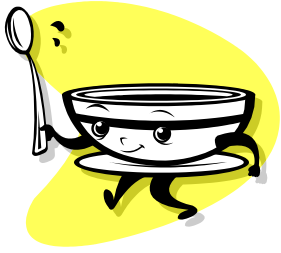
April 8 Easter Sunday

6:30 Sunrise Service

7:30 Easter Breakfast

9:00 Festival Worship with Holy Communion





2012 Lent Soup and Sandwich Schedule

For our 5th year we will again offer a soup and sandwich meal before each Wednesday evening Lent Service. The groups listed below will be responsible for the set-up, serving and clean-up of the soup, sandwich and dessert meal.

February 22nd, Ash Wednesday—Men's Group and Mailing Team
February 29th—Choir
March 7th—Council and Altar Team
March 14th—Sunshine Team and 6th—9th Grade Youth
March 21st—OFJ Coordinators and OFJ Families (K-5th Grade)
March 28th—10th—12th Grade Youth and Cleaning Team
April 5th, Maundy Thursday—Volunteers Needed

Note: If you are in two of the groups listed above, and you don't want to serve or bring for both groups, please pick one of the groups with which you want to serve.

Soups will need to be cooked/started in the roasters at about 3:00 PM each Wednesday.
Supper will be served in the Fellowship Hall.
Coffee and lemonade prepared that afternoon by each group.
Serve Dinner from 5:30-6:15 PM. (Lent Service is at 6:30 PM.)

Food...Serving approximately 100 per night.

Soups: We will have two soups with cream and non-cream types prepared each night.
Sandwiches: Perhaps 250 slices of bread or more prepared as an open face sandwiches. All types of sandwiches can be made, but a child favorite is Peanut Butter and Jelly. Buns would be considered as a single slice sandwich.
Desserts: 7-9 pans of bars.
Drinks: Coffee (in ceramic cups), water and lemonade (in paper cups)
Paper Products: soup bowls, napkins and cups
Silverware, coffee cups and serving trays will need to be washed by each group as part of their clean-up.

Christian Community Coordinating (CCC) Team Members:

Jan Howie, Carol Giller, Sheila Brom, Lisa Anderson, Lisa Nick, Jean Giller,
Joanne Christiansen

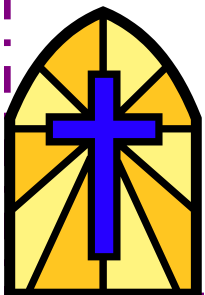
A CCC Team Member will contact each group to help coordinate your evening of food prep, serving and clean-up.



THERE WILL BE A SIGN-UP SHEET FOR FURNISHING AND SERVING THE MAUNDY THURSDAY SUPPER.

United Pioneer Home Lent Services

Pastor Ralph will be providing weekly Lent Services at the United Pioneer Home. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. and everyone is invited to attend. Join your loved one or friend to enjoy the worship service with them during this special time of year.



The Luck Lutheran Choir will also perform for the Residents of the UPH on Good Friday at 5:30 pm.

Dear Friends,

It's been so beautiful to see the community of Luck come together to build the Christensen Family's home along with Habitat and Thrivent. The Open House was held on January 14th with so many in attendance—the house was full!

Now we are on to our next endeavor! We are doing our first rehab in Milltown. Kickoff for the rehab project was held on January 7th. The project is a first of it's kind for Habitat in several ways. It's the first rehab and it's the first winter project. As with all Habitat Projects, the home owner, Neil Bracht will be working alongside volunteers on his home and Habitat's construction manager will oversee the job.

Volunteers are needed to work on the home on Thursdays and Saturdays. Please call the Habitat office at 715-483-2700 to learn more, to sign up for a day to help with the work or to volunteer to bring a lunch for the workers.

We're so grateful for the hard work and the many contributions from all of you in 2011 at the Habitat for Humanity ReStore! You have helped us to build a fun, successful store! If you haven't been in since the recent remodel, please stop in soon and check out the new look and organization.

Remember, proceeds from the ReStore support the Habitat Program. Isn't it wonderful to realize that the sale of unwanted, donated materials can provide funds to fight poverty housing? Together we are chipping away at that mountainous problem—while keeping useable goods out of our landfills. Doing this involves moving mountains of donations into the store and back out again when they sell—we need your help with that.

Spread the word—we are looking for volunteers. We can use help staffing the store, cashiering, helping in the Habitat office with data entry, and especially help loading, unloading and moving items around the store. If you aren't now scheduled in the store, would you consider coming in for a few hours? Could you invite a friend, a spouse, or a teenager to come along with you? Could you mention it at your church or at the local high school? Many confirmands and high school students have a community service requirement and this is a great place to do that.

Please call 715-483-2700 or email office@wildrivershabitat.org to schedule a few hours.

Thank you and bless you!!!

Wild Rivers Habitat for Humanity

Random Thoughts...

Congratulations to Geoffrey MaidenMueller on his selection to the Luck National honor Society.

Congratulations to Avery Steen on achieving the 1000 point recognition in her basketball career.

Congratulations to Ted and Grace Anderson who have been chosen to be this year's Luck Winter Carnival Grand Marshals.

Thank you to Jay Gilhoi for his work in keeping our web page current. Jay has been working on a new calendar format that will be ready in March.

Thank you to everybody who worked so hard to make our Christmas so special:
the decorating committee that had the church looking its best

The choir for their cantata and all the beautiful music of the season that they shared with us

All who shared their gifts of music for the Christmas prelude and at other services

Margie and her daughter, Wendy, for the beautiful accompaniment they gave to our singing

The work group that made sure people were greeted, worshipers ushered, communion distributed, Scripture read and all the other things they did to make worship happen

Each of you who joined us for worship

Almighty God, for the gift of his Son

ANGEL TREE THANK YOU

We acknowledge, with thanks, the angels that were donated for our Christmas trees last month. If, we omitted your name, we apologize and ask that you please let us know so that your gift might be acknowledged in future newsletters.

In loving memory of:

Evelyn Carlson, Trudi Mellon's mother
Nancy McBrayer Elert by parents
Jon Ormson by parents
Grandparents by Butch and Lisa Nick
Loved Ones by Paul and Courtney Hawkins
Bud and Terry Lawson by Edna Lawson
Marvin and Francis Elmquist
Paul and Evelyn Ellefson
Melvin Carlson by Carol and Ralph Thompson
Phil Ottney by Carol and Ralph Thompson
Kristi Teigen by Carol and Ralph Thompson
Robert and Margaret Thompson by Carol and Ralph Thompson
Arvid Christiansen by Joanne
LaDonis Kreutzian by Dave, Robin and Lance Lindvall
Bruce Lindvall by Dave, Robin and Lance Lindvall
Melissa Mellgren by Dan and Paula Hischer
Don Pouliot by Ava Pouliot
John Scott by Mike and Deb Broten
Henry and Edna Broten by Mike and Deb Broten
Nancy Elert by Carol Giller



Brittany Kabrick by Jean Giller
Chauncy Weitz by Carol
Our parents by Bernie and Judy Sturgul
Drew Kirk Chivers by Larry and Lois Skow
Doris Hansen by Larry and Lois Skow
Herb Byl by Vivian
Greg Byl by Vivian
Ray and Harriett Hansen by Mark and Laurie Nelson

In Honor of:

Linda Olson by Hilda Trudeau
Lauren Hall by Hilda Trudeau
Joyce Carlson by Carol and Ralph Thompson

DIAL-A-DEVOTION

February 5

February 12

February 19 In Memory of Herb Byl by Vivian

February 26

NOTE: Sponsors are needed for Dial-A-Devotion. Please call the church office at 472-2605 if you would like to sponsor a week or weeks. Thank you. You can also listen to Dial-A-Devotion on the phone by calling 715-472-2345.

THANK YOU TO OUR LUCK LUTHERAN SPECIAL EVENTS TEAM

Our congregation is grateful for all the efforts of our team workers. Each of our six teams plays a vital role behind the scenes. This month we highlight the Special Events Team. Their responsibilities include:

- *Maundy Thursday Soup & Sandwich Supper (calling members to prepare the food, set up, clean up, supply bars and sandwiches)
- *Help set up with any other Special Events that are held at Luck Lutheran

We are always in need of new team workers. If you are willing to serve with this team, please contact Janet Howie at 715-472-8677.

Thank you to all present team members: Janet Howie, Harvey & Marilyn Nelson, Marsha Jensen, Mary Sanderson, Jean Giller, and Judy Sturgul.

OPENING THE BOOK OF FAITH

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and light to my path"

You are invited to join with one another in the monthly discussion of the Gospel text for the coming Sunday. This 45 minute Bible Study will be held at Luck Lutheran on Wednesday, February 1 at 6:00 pm. Leadership for this "Opening the Book of Faith," exploring Mark 1:29-39, will be given by Pastor Chuck Arndt. Come and be renewed, enlivened, inspired and empowered

Luck Lutheran Members

To make the job of our offering counters easier we ask everyone to please use their offering envelopes. This saves them a lot of time. If you didn't receive your offering envelopes in the mail, please call or stop by the church office. Thank you!!!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AT LUCK LUTHERAN

Wednesday,
February 8, 2012
2:00—3:00 p.m.

PASTORAL ACTS

Baptisms

Jens Henry Valdemar Johansen
December 24, 2011
Calvin Howard Langeness
December 24, 2011

The new American Flag and stand in the Sanctuary have been donated in Honor of Wilmer Pautsch.

Thank you!

Men's Group Breakfast At Luck Lutheran Fellowship Hall

Saturday,
February 11, 2012

Coffee: 7:00 a.m.
Breakfast: 7:30 a.m.

**Come for food and
fellowship!!!**

Salvation Army/Serenity House

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to provide a supper for the Salvation Army "Serenity House" in Balsam Lake the 2nd Monday of each month at 5:30 pm Food expenses for meal preparation will be reimbursed by Luck Lutheran in the amount of \$50.00 If you have questions, please contact Jean Giller

WE ARE IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO PERPARE THE FOOD FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH.

LUCK LUTHERAN CHURCH

Communion Worship 8:00 am
 Worship 10:30 (Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays)
 Non-Perishable Food Donations for
 Loaves & Fishes accepted every week.

February 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
OFJ Sunday School 9:00-10:15			1 Quilting 10:00-2:00 Youth Supper 5:30 Confirmation 6:00 Sr. High 6:00 "Opening the Book of Faith" Bible Study 6:00 Choir 7:00	2 ABC Express Preschool 8:00-12:00	3	4
5 5th Sun. after the Epiphany (green) Cinnamon Roll Sunday	6 Men's Bible Study 5:30 pm ++++++ Adult Bell Chime Practice 6:30	7 ABC Express Preschool 8:00-12:00 ++++++ Jr. Youth 3:45-4:30	8 Women's Bible Study 2:00 Youth Supper 5:30 Confirmation 6:00 Sr. High 6:00 Choir 7:00	9 ABC Express Preschool 8:00-12:00	10	11 Men's Group Breakfast 7:00
12 6th Sun. after the Epiphany (green)	13 Men's Bible Study 5:30 pm ++++++ Adult Bell Chime Practice 6:30	14 ABC Express Preschool 8:00-12:00 ++++++ Jr. Youth 3:45-4:30 ++++++ Youth/Educ Meeting 7:00	15 Quilting 10-2:00 (meal provided) Youth Supper 5:30 Confirmation 6:00 Sr. High 6:00 Property Committee Meeting 6:00 Choir 7:00 Council Mtg. 8:00	16 ABC Express Preschool 8:00-12:00 ++++++ Conference Pastors at Luck Lutheran	17	18
19 Transfiguration of Our Lord (White) Installation of Church Council & OFJ Sings 10:30	20 Men's Bible Study 5:30 pm Adult Bell Chime Practice 6:30 March Newsletter Deadline	21 ABC Express Preschool 8:00-12:00 ++++++ Jr. Youth 3:45-4:30	22 Lent Service at UPH 10:30 am Soup/Sandwich Supper 5:30-6:15 Ash Wednesday 6:30 Choir following service	23 ABC Express Preschool 8:00-12:00	24	25
26 1st Sunday in Lent (purple)	27 Men's Bible Study 5:30 pm Women's Bible Study 5:30 Adult Bell Chime Practice 6:30	28 ABC Express Preschool 8:00-12:00 Jr. Youth 3:45-4:30 Habitat Mtg 7:00	29 Lent Service at UPH 10:30 am Soup/Sandwich Supper 5:30-6:15 Lent Service 6:30 Choir following service			