

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER — PACIFIC HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH — JUNE 1, 2018 — VOLUME 3 NUMBER 22

### Time for a Makeover

Pacific Hills Lutheran Church is showing its age. I know the feeling.

Look closely and you can see the signs – not at me, Pacific Hills. The paint is chipping away in the church. The narthex is cluttered and I'm not sure whether the sliding doors could be closed even if we tried. The kitchen is dated. The lights throughout the education wing seem to be on their last leg. Our doors are weathered. Our bathrooms are in accessible and some folks have difficulty getting up to the choir loft. And the office could use some rearranging.

It's time Pacific Hills had a makeover.

Several months ago, your Board of Directors decided it was time to address some overdue challenges our aging facilities are presenting. We decided to move forward with a capital campaign, in conjunction with a campaign the LCMS Nebraska District is spearheading to address some long overdue renovations to its offices in Seward and to University Chapel in Lincoln. I've recently visiting both places and, I can assure you, the renovations are needed.

This Sunday, you will have an opportunity to decide what projects we undertake. I've made references to the seven projects up for consideration. At the special congregational meeting that starts after second service (after a light lunch is served), we will discuss what projects should move forward and what projects may have to wait. Your vote, with all other PHLC members in attendance, will decide. Those projects that receive majority support will be included in our coming campaign.

Here's the deal: It would be easy to head out right after second service and enjoy the rest of the day. But this meeting is too important to miss. It's like voting – it's our obligation as members of this congregation to help set our path.

I know where I will be this Sunday afternoon. I hope you will also be there.

Kevin Warneke, President
Pacific Hills Lutheran Church

## **Church Events**

Sunday	9:30am 10:30am	Eucharist Education Hour Eucharist Meal/Special Congregation Meeting
Monday		Staff Meeting Preschl, Summer Cami

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	9:00am	Preschl. Summer Camp		
	6:30pm	Quilters		

Tuesday	9:00am	Care Ministry Meeting		
	9:00am	Preschl. Summer Camp		

9:00am Tai Chi 9:30am Alanon

10:30am Missions & Social Min.

Wednesday	9:00am	Preschl.	Summer	Camp
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9:30am **Eucharist** 10:00am Fellowship

6:00pm Women's Bible Study

Thursday 9:00am Preschl. Summer Camp

6:30pm Tai Chi 7:00pm Gamblers

Friday 9:00am Preschl. Summer Camp

7:30pm Omaha Philatelic

Society

Sunday 8:00am **Eucharist** 

9:00am Blood Pressure Checks 9:30am Education Hour 10:30am Eucharist

7:00pm Courtyard Jazz

**Today's altar flowers** are given to the glory of God by Catherine Cook in memory of her brothers Alan and Warren Cook who were Vietnam veterans who willingly served their country.

**Side altar flowers** are given to the glory of God by Douglas and Barbara Heikel in honor of today's baptism of their grandson Reid Jackman.

**High School Graduate Recognition:** This coming Sunday (6/3) we will recognize two high school graduates at our 10:30am service: *Chris Kiihne and Luke McCoy!* Please join us as we congratulate our graduates.

Special Congregation Meeting, June 3, immediately following the 10:30am service! The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss our partnership in the capital funding drive of the Nebraska District and the various capital improvement items that have been suggested by members, our Board of Trustees and our Board of Directors. Lunch will be provided. Plan now to attend this important meeting of our congregation.

Military Bible Sticks -- Faith Comes by Hearing Update:
A request was made and you answered. \$500 was raised for this project and the matching dollars have been applied, making our total gift \$1000 which will again be matched by a donor through the Faith Comes by Hearing organization.

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC NEWS:** PHLC is making progress in our search for a new Minister of Music. A search committee consisting of Bill Wagner, Kevin Warneke, Tom Zorko, Dan Irvin, and Pastor Drebes are collecting names and interviewing candidates. There are currently three candidates in the interview process and there may be more in the future. The candidates now being interviewed are Jeffrey Blersch, a Music Professor at Concordia Seward, Barbara Gierke, a skilled and experienced LCMS Church Organist from Fremont, Nebraska, and Michael Kesar an experienced and well known LCMS Organist from here in Omaha. We are very fortunate to have these three fine candidates to interview. more could be considered depending on how the candidate availability and interview process unfolds. The Search Committee welcomes input, suggestions, and comments from all congregants and encourages you to contact any of us with your thoughts. Regular updates will be provided as the process continues. Barbara Gierke will play on June 7 at 8:30pm and Michael Kessar will play on June 13 at 8:30pm. All congregants are invited.

Bill Wagner, Chairman of Board of Elders

**Preschool Summer Camp** Lamb of God Preschool will be holding a construction themed summer camp June 4-8. The camp will be every morning from 9am to 12pm for children ages 3-5. Cost for the week is \$75. If you are interested, you can download registration forms from the preschool website <a href="https://www.LambofGodpreschool.org">www.LambofGodpreschool.org</a> or talk with Kay Storck.

# BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK Mark 2:27a

"The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath."

COURTYARD JAZZ -- the first concert in the 2018 Courtyard Jazz Three Concert Series will be Sunday, June 10, 7pm. The one-hour concert is free and will be held in the Moorhead Courtyard adjacent to the south parking lot entered from 90th. We thank our donors who have underwritten the concert series to allow it to be free to our members and the public.

**Vacation Bible School** will be the week of July 22-26. Our theme is "Time Lab". It will be an evening program (6pm to 8pm) and will kick off with a congregation potluck on Sunday, July 22 at 5:30pm.

During May and June the Missions and Social Ministry Board is collecting donations of personal care items that are greatly needed in the area homeless shelters. razors, shaving cream, deodorant, sunscreen, feminine care products, wash cloths, and bath towels. Items may be placed in the designated bin in the narthex. Thank you for your donations!



## Lutheran Night at Werner Park Tuesday, June 5, @ 7:05pm

We have **9 tickets left** in the Group Block. Tickets are \$11 and are available in the church office. First Come/First Serve Basis.

### **Events of Other Congregations and Agencies**

**Lord Of Life Family Fun Festival**, Sunday, June 3, 11:30am to 2:30pm. Enough food for 600, pony rides, games, inflatables at S. 208 Street/Bonanza Blvd., Elkhorn.

Living H2o Lutheran Campus Ministry "Adopt a Meal" program needs your help!! Here is how:

- Make a meal and bring it to "The Gathering Place by
   7pm on Wednesday evening for 10 to 15 students.
- Make a meal ahead of time, bring them by any time, and it will be heated up on Wednesday evening by the student leadership.
- Make a cash donation to help defray the costs of a meal. (Designate the donation as Campus Ministry Fellowship Meals.)

If you are interested in participating, please contact Don Bader at 402-578-4177 or email <a href="mailto:don@living-h2o.org">don@living-h2o.org</a>.

## PRAYER LIST

June 1, 2018

(Family and Friends: Please call the church office to add/remove names below.)

Readings for Sunday, June 10: Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35

#### **Anniversaries**

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Death: Alfred Simonsen,

PHLC Members: Doris Anderson, Anita Bladt, Frank Bladt, Grady Chastain, Mary Lou Chastain, Pastor Bryan Drebes, Dorothy Fieck, Duane Fieck, Paul Gladman, Helen Glanzer, Roger Graham, Tim Haar, Don Hafsaas, Freda Harris, Mike Horton, Christopher Kiihne, James Koun, Mike Lessmann, Bob Loeck, Harriet Moore, Jean Schmieding, Paul Shultz, Leon Siedlyk, Chris Stastny, Kae Stille, Dorothy Storek, Carolyn Vierck, Marilyn Walker, Judy Webster, JoAn Werblow, Sara Young

In Assisted Living Facilities: Charlotte Berkland, Mary Lou Chastain, Dorothy Ebener, Lois Eggers, Duane Fieck. Mike Lessmann, Norma Payne, Jean Schmieding, Leon Siedlyk, Marilyn Walker, Jan Bouc, Helene Stigge

#### Friends and Relatives:

Clementine (new great grand-daughter of Mary Lou Chastain)

Family of Ron Ethen (friend of Helen Glanzer and Kae Stille)

Tyler Adams (grandson of Don and Lorene Adams)

Luetta Beckman (mother of Linda Minor)

Sandy Botrell (cousin of Barbara Fremder)

Dorann Bosko (friend of Joann Thompson)

Claire Cabianca (granddaughter of Dorothy Storek)

Brent, Angel, Paul Dale & Wendy (family of Esther Scarpello)

Patty Dyer (niece of Leon Siedlyk)

Mary Alice Fisher (sister of Sara Young)

Jack Fraser (grandson of John and Debbie Fraser)

Wanda Glanzer (niece of Helen Glanzer)

Rod Grindle (brother of Dennis Grindle)

Sharlene Grindle (sister-in-law of Dennis Grindle)

Marie Harper (mother of Ellen Wilson)

Pastor Alan Harre (our former interim/vacancy pastor)

Delbert Johns (grandfather of Shannon Green)

Mary Johnson (friend of Carol Priest)

Philip Kander in Military (nephew of Alice Osborn)

Tom Krengel (brother of Barbara Fremder)

Vera Krengel (mother of Barbara Fremder)

Sharon Larson (cousin of Dennis Grindle)

Andrew McCoy (son of Lisa McCoy)

Alma Meseke (aunt of Barbara Fremder)

Dave Minor (husband of Linda Minor)

Bob Nelson (son of Barb and Lew Nelson)

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Jo Anna Perkins (friend of Dennis Grindle)

Mary Grace Reese (friend of Dennis Grindle)

Tammy Rogers (mother of Stacey Swan)

Chelsea Standley (daughter of Constance Ernstmeyer)

Jim Stokes (husband of Kathy Stokes)

Lony Stucki (mother of Andrea Shultz)

Virginia Syslo (friend of Carol Priest)

Charlotte Thompson (sister of Leon Siedlyk)

Gavin Webster (grandson of Larry and Judy Webster)

Andy Young (son John and Sara Young)

Marilyn Zimmermann (mother of Sharon Vacanti and Paul Zimmermann)

#### **Special Intercessions:**

Those who travel and those who protect us

All who lead us ecclesiastically and politically

Missions/Missionaries of the Church

Our Campus Ministry program

Our Lamb of God Preschool

All Lutheran Schools

The pastors, staff and members of our North Circuit

congregations, schools, and preschools

Ministry of Concordia Lutheran Schools of Omaha

Concordia University, Seward

Mentally ill, their caregivers, and PHLC Care Ministries

The ill, hospitalized, dying, and grieving

Health and protection of all children, including the unborn

Unemployed/financial difficulties

End to terrorism and justice and peace among all nations

The incarcerated

Pray for God's grace and mercy upon all who face trials, chronic illnesses, or addictions, and upon all who lack a saving faith in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior

Unrest in the U.S. and the world

Victims of fire and storms across the country

Good News Chaplain, Nsbiet Matthew, who serves prisons in Nigeria