



The Pacific Hills Messenger

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A NEW DIRECTION FOR LIVING H₂O LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY

Last Spring, students from Living H₂O Lutheran Campus Ministry went on a servant mission trip to Costa Rica. There they taught Vacation Bible School, performed basic health screenings, and shared the love of Jesus Christ with residents of an impoverished community. That trip, however, led to discussions of the direction and focus of campus ministry in Omaha. The result of those discussions brings new dimensions to the mission of campus ministry, “Building Relationships and Sharing Christ.”

Over the summer and in preparation for the fall activity, four new student development teams are forming to accomplish various ministry goals. Each team is responsible for a specific facet of campus ministry.

The “Recruitment and On-Campus Presence Team” plans and organizes on-campus events such as student organization fairs, coffee and cookies during finals week, on-campus movies, games, and congregational presentations. Its goal is a minimum of six on-campus events per school year, largely at UNO.

The “Discipleship and Leadership Team” assumes responsibility for the Wednesday evening Bible study, including developing a calendar of study topics. It will explore the possibility for volunteer internships for Living H₂O student leaders to serve in local LCMS congregations.

The “Social/Fellowship Opportunities Team” organizes the Wednesday fellowship suppers and plans a monthly social event on the first Thursday of every month.

The “Outreach—Local Service and Foreign Mission Trips Team” plans and organizes monthly local service project in the metro on the third Thursday of the month. It will serve as the nucleus for planning an annual mission trip outside the metro area, as well.

College students attending any institution of higher learning in the metro area are invited to participate in any of the activities of Lutheran campus ministry in Omaha. The ministry operates out of a campus house, “The Gathering Place,” located at 1124 South 90th Street in Omaha.

Additionally, a Tuesday night Bible Class called “Sola Scriptura” provides an opportunity for post-college young adults in the metro, meeting at 8pm, studying God’s Word, and engage in service projects and other activities. Weekly suppers will begin August 22, at 7pm.

For more information on any of the activities of Living H₂O Lutheran Campus Ministry, contact Mr. Don Bader, the ministry coordinator at (402) 578-4177. Or check out the website at www.living-h2o.org or the Facebook page. Names and contact information of local college students can also be forwarded to Mr. Bader.

Living H₂O Lutheran Campus Ministry is a Registered Service Organization of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and has received 501(c)(3) status from the IRS. It is funded by grants and donations from individuals, congregations, foundations, LCMS Auxiliaries, and the Nebraska District. All contributions are tax deductible.

Church Events

Sunday	8:00am	Eucharist
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	Eucharist
Monday	8:00am	Staff Meeting
	6:30pm	Quilters
Tuesday	9:00am	Care Ministry Comm.
	9:00am	Tai Chi
	9:30am	Alanon
	10:30am	Missions and Social Min.
Wednesday	9:30am	Eucharist
	10:00am	Fellowship
	6:30pm	Women’s Bible Study
Thursday	6:30pm	Tai Chi
	7:00pm	Elders Board
	7:00pm	Gamblers-12 Step
Friday	7:30pm	Omaha Philatelic Soc.
Sunday	8:00am	Eucharist
	9:00am	Blood Pressure Checks
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	Eucharist
	11:30am	Worship & Music Comm.
	5:30pm	Cookout
7:00pm	Courtyard Jazz	

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Vernon and Elaine Pearson with praise and thanksgiving for all His gifts to us.

Senior Lunch Bunch, Tuesday, August 14, 11:30am. Join members of Pacific Hills at Fernando's (380 N. 114 St.– south of Dairy Queen) for food and fellowship. Good summer salads, gluten free items. All welcome. No RSVP needed.

Up-date on Minister of Music Position: We are happy to report that Professor Jeff Blersch from Seward Concordia has accepted our offer to become our new Minister of Music. Jeff will be assisted in the position by Barbara Gierke, wife of Pastor Tim Gierke. It is our plan that Professor Blersch will play for about 75% of the services and Barbara Gierke will play the remaining 25%. Our plan is for them to begin on or about August 26. We are blessed to have two musicians of this caliber working with us and we greatly look forward to continuing our tradition of great music at Pacific Hills. Thanks to both Jeff and Barbara for accepting our offers. We're all very excited about the future!
Bill Wagner, Chairman,
Board of Elders

CYF Activities:

- 1). **Youth Fundraiser:** Calling all families with youth to help serve and clean up at the hot dog and hamburger meal and Jazz Concert on August 12 at 5:30pm to 7pm. Would each family bring 2 doz. Cookies? Thanks!
- 2). **Youth fun activity:** Come and bowl on August 25 at 1 pm and have pizza and a drink on the CYF Board. Activity for 4th grade to senior high. Please call the church office if you plan to attend or talk to Sandra.
- 3). **Rally Day:** Celebrate the start of Sunday school between services in Acker hall. There will be a potluck breakfast, watch for a sign up sheet. Our 4th graders will receive a Bible. Questions? Contact Sandra Glissmann. #402-571-8407

BEVERAGE DRIVE for HOMELESS SHELTERS continues in August! On these hot summer days please remember the homeless when you are in the beverage isle at the grocery store. Items needed include bottled water, coffee, tea, powered drinks, lemonade, etc. etc.. Please place your donations in the marked bins in the narthex.

Thank you so much! Mission & Social Board

We have Pacific Hills coffee mugs! The 14 oz. mugs will be on sale for \$5 each in the narthex after each service Sunday. The money will go into the Outreach Board's account for future outreach efforts, such as the mailing Pastor Drebes sent out earlier this year to the neighborhood around the church. We'll also give some to visitors. Check them out!

Bible Verse of the Week

Ephesians 4:3

“Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.”

Two New Ways to Support Lamb of God Preschool

Lamb of God Preschool is now enrolled in the Baker's Community Rewards program and TAGG (Together a Greater Good). Both these programs donate a percent of purchases back to our preschool. The only thing you have to do is sign up and do the shopping you normally do! If you have any questions about either of these programs, please contact preschool director, Kay Storck.

1. Baker's Community Rewards

- To sign up for the Baker's Community Rewards you must first have a Baker's Plus card.
- Members must visit the website www.bakersplus.com/communityrewards
- Sign in with your Baker's Plus account information
- Click on "Enroll Now"
- Enter the 5-digit NPO 38382
- Select Lamb of God Preschool and click on "Enroll"
- Once you are enrolled, use your Baker's Plus card as you normally do, and preschool will automatically receive a percentage of the sale.

2. Together a Greater Good

- To sign up for TAGG (Together a Greater Good) download the free app on your iPhone or android device.
- Any time you visit a participating TAGG business submit a photo of the receipt within 7 days.
- Choose Lamb of God Preschool as the organization to support.
- The business will donate usually 5% of the purchase to preschool at no additional cost to you!

Events of Other Congregations and Agencies

Concordia Academy is looking for caring individuals to serve K-5 students in Learning Center before and after school. Adult caregivers must be at least 19 years of age. High school assistants also exist for those 16-18 years. Email torri.merten@concordiaomaha.org, or call 402-672-8945, or apply in person, Monday through Friday, 9am to noon, at Concordia Academy (1821 N. 90 St.) To learn more about Concordia go to concordiaomaha.org.

St. Paul Lutheran School is in need of a part time aide, primarily preschool, for the upcoming school year. The hours would be 7:30am to 12:30pm. If interested, please contact Mrs. Linda Tripp at 402-451-2865 or lindat2@hotmail.com for more information.

PRAYER LIST

August 3, 2018

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

Readings for Sunday, August 12: 1 Kings 19:1-8; Psalm 34:1-8; Ephesians 4:17, 5:2; John 6:35-51

Anniversaries

Kermit & Kathy Brashear 8/7
Dan & Lil Bredfeldt 8/8
Ken & Kay Barjenbruch 8/10
Brian & Kristin Nelson 8/10

Birthdays

Larry Larson 8/5
Dot Cornish 8/5
Mary Lou Chastain 8/8
Sandra Glissmann 8/9
Carol Priest 8/9
Ryan Karl 8/10
Patrick Karl 8/10
Barbara Nelson 8/11

PHLC Members: Anita Bladt, Frank Bladt, Grady Chastain, Mary Lou Chastain, Pastor Bryan Drebes, Duane Fieck, Paul Gladman, Helen Glanzer, Tim Haar, Don Hafsaas, Freda Harris, Mike Horton, Christopher Kiihne, James Koun, Mike Lessmann, Bob Loeck, Harriet Moore, Carol Priest, 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 (great grand-daughter of Mary Lou Chastain)
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)
Troy Broussard (friend of Randy and Joan Workman)
Claire Cabianca (grand-daughter of Dorothy Storek)
Brent, Angel, Paul Dale & Wendy (family of Esther Scarpello)
Patty Dyer (niece of Leon Siedlyk)
Dawn Evans (friend of Randy and Joan Workman)
Dan Eveans (grandson of Duane and Dorothy Fieck)
Mary Alice Fisher (sister of Sara Young)\Ted Gray (friend of Randy and Joan Workman)
Rod Grindle (brother of Dennis Grindle)
Sharlene Grindle (sister-in-law of Dennis Grindle)
Marie Harper (mother of Ellen Wilson)

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)
Both Nyun (family of Peter Chol)
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