## THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MAHOMET WEEKLY E-MAIL NEWSLETTER April 16, 2014 LCM Website: lcofm.org Phone: 217-586-4786

<u>Office Hours</u>: Tuesday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. **This Week only**: Randa will be out of the office Wednesday and Friday due to her husband's surgical procedures at Carle Hospital.

**Notice:** Church entrance doors are locked while the Pre-School is in session. Please ring the door bell at the North Entrance for admittance.

**Reminder**: May Newsletter Articles must be in the Church Office no later than Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.

## LCM "Virtual" Quad Board now available

A new feature has been added to the LCM Website called "LCM Virtual Quad Board". http://lcofm.org/lcm-virtual-quad-board.html

This is a place for all committees/groups discussion boards related to a specific topic in real time. You would use this discussion board similar to anything you would want to put on the existing "physical" Quad Board in the Narthex. Each LCM Committee has a discussion board where anyone can post comments/discussion. To view the comments on a board, click on the title of the board. If you have something you want to post to one of the existing boards, simply click on the "Add Comment" under the existing board. Other boards/categories can be created upon request via the "Request a Discussion Board" link in the right column. The LCM Virtual Quad Board is also compatible with RSS readers for your Smartphone or tablet such that you can get real-time posts sent directly to your device. For more information, contact Larry Gibson via email at <u>lpgibson.gcs@gmail.com</u>

<u>Christian Sympathy and Prayers</u> are extended to Mark Yeakel and his family on the death of his father, William Yeakel.

<u>Thank You:</u> "Thank you for the various forms of condolences extended to me and my family at the death and loss of my brother, Melvin Blobaum. The visits, flowers, personal comforting words, cards, memorials, etc, have been greatly appreciated. In God's Peace, Pastor Emil and Mrs. Carolyn Blobaum

**Daily Devotional Booklets** for April – June, 2014 are available at the Greeter's Station in the Narthex.

Ladies Nite Out: The April Ladies Nite Out will be at 6:00 on April 28 at Bucca Di Beppo, 2000 N. Neil, Champaign.

<u>Guideline Change for Prayer List and Prayer Chain</u>: In an effort to keep the prayer list more current, the guidelines for the prayer chain and prayer list have been updated. This information will be provided in the newsletters and bulletins for the next several weeks.

The <u>prayer chain</u> is an email list and a phone call chain, for those members who don't have email. Please continue to contact Linda Vogel at <u>lindasv101@gmail.com</u> or 217-590-0093 for all prayer chain requests.

The <u>prayer list</u> guidelines are written on top of the "Congregational Intercessions." If you want someone to be added to the prayer list and prayed for during our church service, please ask to have them added to the prayer list Please contact the Church Office at 217-586-4786 or by e-mail to <u>lcmoffice@lcofm.org</u> for requests for additions, changes, continuation or removal prior to end of two weeks of names. **Beginning this Week, names which have been on the published list for more than two weeks will be removed unless a request to continue them is received**. All requests will be forwarded to the Pastor for approval.

Please be considerate of confidentiality issues. Before adding someone to email, the written list or spoken prayer, please ask to be sure you have their permission.

<u>Assistance Needed</u>: The Nuesmeyers need meals twice a week for the immediate future while Dennis is recovering from surgery. If you would like to bring a meal, please contact Brenda Lindsey <u>htslindsey@mchsi.com</u>.

**Needed—Meal Assistance Coordinator:** Our church family needs a caring volunteer to serve on the Congregational Life committee as meal assistance coordinator on an ongoing basis. In this role, you would field periodic member requests for meals, talk with families about their needs, set up the meal plan, and recruit additional members to prepare and deliver the meals. You would not have to cook and deliver the meals, just coordinate the effort. This is a very important care giving ministry for our congregation. This could be a great service opportunity for a home-bound member. If you are interested, please call Laura Bottorff at 217-778-7351 or Bill Moehring at 312-560-7044.

<u>**Crisis Nursery Volunteers Needed</u></u>: Volunteers are needed for the Crisis Nursery Ministry Team. Our team covers volunteer shifts at Crisis Nursery every Saturday from 4-8 pm. We have had difficulty covering all our shifts and a few more volunteers would give us flexibility to respond to the needs each week. Volunteering at the Nursery is fun and rewarding. Please consider serving God in this way. For more information, contact Brenda Lindsey at <u>htslindsey@mchsi.com</u>.</u>** 

<u>Care Notes</u>: The Care Notes on the display rack have been changed. They are currently located on a table right outside the entry doors to the sanctuary, to the left as you enter. Please take any you are interested in.

Other Care Notes are also displayed on the bulletin board near the main office, to the right of the church mailboxes. If you see one that interests you that is not in the display case, please take it from the bulletin board and write the number of the Care Note (which is on the bottom of the Care Note) on the pink pad in the parish nurse mailbox. A parish nurse will replace what has been taken from the bulletin board. It is not necessary to return any Care Notes—they are yours!

**Flower Chart for 2014**: The flower chart for 2014 has been posted on the quadboard. If you wish to have flowers placed on the altar, please print the name and requested dedication on the chart.

**<u>Thank You</u>** A special thank you is extended to Nancy Boma, Sherri Reifsteck, Alex Paul and Susie Johnston for graciously volunteering their time and talents for the Hymn Selection Committee. The congregation appreciates the effort it takes to provide the songs that will uplift our services.

<u>New Church Directories</u>: The long awaited new Church Directories are available in the Narthex. They have been placed in envelopes with your names on them. Please pick yours up at your earliest convenience.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY COMING UP IN JUNE! The 27th Annual Central/Southern Illinois Synod Assembly is scheduled for June 5-7 in Springfield. Our theme this year is: "Promise, Prayer, and Pentecost!" The Assembly allows us to take time from our busy lives to assess how our faith fills our days and gives guidance and meaning to our actions. It is a time for reflection, for discussion, for learning---a mix of learning and living. Additional information has been posted on our quad-board.

As in the past, LCM will send delegates to the Assembly. We are entitled to send three lay voting members; two adults (one male and one female) and one youth or young adult (age 21 or below). LCM pays your expenses while at the Assembly. If you are interested in attending the Assembly as an LCM delegate, please contact Bill Moehring at 586-7036 or by email at: billmoehring@yahoo.com. Please let Bill know by April 30 if you are interested in serving as a delegate. If more than the allowed number of delegates wish to attend, we will pull names from a hat.

Bill Moehring (312) 560-7044

<u>Adult Sunday School</u>--Adult Sunday School Schedule for Men and Women: The women will not meet on Sunday, March 30th because of other schedules during the Easter season. Neither class will meet on Easter Sunday (April 20). At this time the women plan to complete their study on Sunday, May 4, prior to the summer recess. See Karen Ickstadt for further details. The Men's class will continue to meet in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 10:30 a.m. under their name, "The Second Cup." Alex Paul is leader of this group. Both classes continue to be discussion, issue-related and Bible-centered.

Adult Inquirer's Class: An adult inquirer's class will begin soon. This class is open to all adults who want to know more about the Christian Faith and what it is that Lutheran Christians teach and believe. There is no obligation other than to come and participate. If after one has completed the class, he/she desires to become a member of the congregation, they are most welcome. Attendees may be persons who want to better understand their spouse's faith; persons who desire baptism; those who want a refresher course of the catechism; spouses who accompany a class attendee; etc. There are usually 6 sessions and the meeting time and dates are arranged to fit the schedules of those who register. Pastor Baderschneider and Pastor Blobaum, who will be teaching the class, welcome your questions. Sign-up forms are available in the Narthex and one is attached to this email.

## Small Groups:

The Adult Education and Revitalizing Your Church committees joined to organize the eight Small Group courses described in the attractive brochure which was presented at our kickoff Sunday, February 9. These courses are open to both congregational and community members. Be sure to take with you the blue brochure, filled with course descriptions, group leaders and other information. Each group will determine frequency and times of meetings that best fit their schedules.

**Booklet/Video Course**: The study of **Worship: Our Highest Calling** is a booklet/video course that emphasizes the Biblical model of worship and aids in a deeper understanding of the worship experience. The what, why and how of worship point to the attributes of God, direct attention anew to His love and sacrifice for humanity, and require the involvement of every Christian. Thoughtful questions and practical helps are features that will resonate with Christians of any denomination. This five-week course, prepared by nationally recognized Bible teacher, Tom Kraeuter, will be taught by Group leader Kat Downs. The group will meet at 7:00 PM in the Adult Education Room on Mondays, April 21, May 5, May 19, June 2, June 16 and June 23. Contact **Kat Downs** at 586-4786 or <u>musikat00@hotmail.com</u>

**Small Group Sign-up**--See the RALLY ROUND SMALL GROUPS poster in the Narthex. Pick up a BROCHURE that describes course content. Decide on one or more groups and sign the sheet. The group leader will contact you and others on the group's list about a meeting time and place. These lists will not reflect all of the signers since others may have signed up on the February 9 Kickoff Sunday. Meet people, serve the Lord, grow spiritually and have fun! Margaret Rinkel--Adult Ed/Small Groups

<u>The Military Family Prayer Support Group</u> meets the first Tuesday of each month from 6:30-8 pm at in the Adult Sunday School Room at the Lutheran Church of Mahomet. This group is open to anyone who is a family member or friend of a soldier serving in the military. Soldiers are expected to serve our country in long and dangerous missions. The impact on families can be stressful. The goal of this group is to create a caring community that can walk alongside you. For more information, contact the Lutheran Church of Mahomet <u>http://lcofm.org/</u> or call (217) 586-4786

**Sharing The Faith With Friends**: The Tuesday, April 22 meeting will be held in LuAnn and Dave Robberstad's home at 501 North Shore Drive in Mahomet. Thanks to LuAnn, for graciously offering to host while Barb is again doing grandma duties in Chicago the month of April. We had a fascinating discussion in March and will continue with Chapter 5 "Dying to Live" in Rob Bell's book Love Wins. Time is 6:30-8:00. Please let LuAnn know if you are unable to come (586-4936) or <u>drobberstad@mchsi.com</u>. Newcomers are always welcome!

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#### Attendance in April 2014:

April 2 – 24 April 6 – 109 April 9 – 19 April 13 -- 98

#### Youth News



**WANT AD**: Are you looking for a rewarding volunteer position? Do you enjoy spending time with youth and planning activities and special events for them? Do you enjoy sharing God's love and grace with young people? If you said yes to those questions, the position of Youth Chairperson might be just what you have been looking for! Duties include planning programs and education for all youth, working with and supervising the LOGOS team, and working with the church council in this two-year position. If you feel called to serve the youth of our congregation in this way, please contact President Bill Moehring at <u>billmoehring@yahoo.com</u> or Secretary Sherri Reifsteck at <u>mrsr1974@mchsi.com</u>.

**EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF April 16 2014** 

LOGOS will meet not meet Wednesday, April 16

#### Confirmation Class will meet Wednesday, April 16 at 5:45 PM

HOLY WEEK						
<u>Wednesday, April 16</u>	5:45 PM Confirmation					
<u>Thursday, April 17</u> Maundy Thursday	4:30 PM Champaign Co. LaCrosse Team Practice 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service					
<u>Friday, April 18</u> Good Friday	7:00 PM Good Friday Tenebrae Service					
<u>Sunday, April 20</u> Easter Sunday	7:30 AM Youth Sponsored Easter Breakfast 9:00 AM Resurrection of Our Lord Worship Service 2:00 PM Services at Glenwood					
<u>Monday, April 21</u>	Monday Morning Sewing Day 4:30 PM Champaign County LaCrosse Team Practice 7:00 PM Worship Small Group 7:15 PM Bible Study at Hilda Pfiester's					
<u>Tuesday, April 22</u>	10:30 AM LCM Staff Meeting 4:30 PM Champaign Co. LaCrosse Team Practice 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 6:30 PM Sharing the Faith with Friends					

#### WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

	April 20	April 27				
<u>GREETERS</u>	Scott Kingry Family	Judy Ferdinandsen Donna Lea				
<u>USHERS:</u>	John Paul Family	Marty Vogel Family				
READER	Sheila Kingry	Theresa Edmonds				
COMMUNION ASST	Sherri Reifsteck	Fran Koller				
ASSISTING MINISTER CELEBRATION LEADER	Mark Reifsteck	 Nancy Rosenbery				
SUNDAY SHEPHERD	Sherri Riefsteck	Chris Edmonds				
FELLOWSHIP HOSTS:	Easter Sunday Youth Breakfast	Koller Family Petro Family				
BREADMAKER:	Karen Kibler	Karen Kibler				
ALTAR GUILD	Barb LeGrant Nancy Rosenbery	Barb LeGrant Nancy Rosenbery				
OFFERING COUNTERS	Scott Kingry Chris and Theresa Edmonds	David Alderks Scott Kingry Jon and Barb LeGrant				
ACCOLYTES	Isabelle Farm	Kylie Fuoss				

<u>Volunteer Guideline Revisions</u>: Please take a moment to make a note of the date you are assigned for the task of Greeter, Reader, Communion Assistant, Usher, Assisting Minister or Celebration Leader. An email reminder will be sent t weekly, along with a description of the volunteer task.

If you cannot perform your task on the designated time and date, please find a substitute and notify Linda or Marty Vogel at <u>lindasv101@gmail.com</u> or by phone at 590-0093 not the Church Office. A list of individuals who perform these specific tasks can be found on the Volunteer List located on the quad board in the Narthex, or on the Church website at <u>www.lcofm.org</u>. Thank you for your assistance in performing these tasks by serving our Church.

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Pastor Baderschneider and Pastor Blobaum, who will be teaching the class, welcome your questions.

# INQUIRER CLASS REGISTRATION

Please include (me) (us) in the Inquirer's Class. Following is (my) (our) contact information.

NameAddress	
Home Phone	Cell Phone
e-mail	

(Return this form to the church office; to either pastor; or send information by e-mail to the church office)

For referral									
Please contact (name)			 	and	invite	them	to	the	class
Phone	e-mail _		 						
		My name is _	 						

Phone

