THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MAHOMET

WEEKLY E-MAIL NEWSLETTER August 21, 2013

LCM Website: Icofm.org Phone: 217-586-4786

<u>Pastor's Hours:</u> Pastor Vic Baderschneider will be in the office this week, Tuesday, August 20 and Thursday, August 22.

Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

<u>Missing Scissors</u>: Please return the office scissors to the office. As I sit here trying to cut out a hymn to scan and paste into Sunday's bulletin using children's scissor, I really miss having a pair of adult size scissors to use. Thank you, Randa

<u>Daily Devotionals</u>: Daily Devotional Booklets for the months of July, August and September are available in the Narthex.

New Parish Nurse: We are happy to announce that Barb Buchanan has volunteered to serve as LCM Parish Nurse! Barb is an RN at Aetna Insurance. She will be doing her parish nurse training at Carle during September. Barb DeReus has offered to assist Barb in any way possible as she assumes her role. We are thankful for Barb's service and look forward to working with her as our Parish Nurse. Thanks Barb!!!

<u>Thank You</u>: Larry and Georgia Isaacs wish to thank everyone who has brought meals in to the Kelly and Jason Painter Family! It made such a difference in their lives while Kelly was recovering. Also, anyone who sent cards, emails, etc. We so appreciate your kindness! In God's Peace, *Larry & Georgia* georiscs@aol.com

<u>Confirmation Class Orientation Meeting</u>: will be Wednesday, August 28 in the Adult Classroom at 6:30PM. All parents who have an unconfirmed youth in grades seven through nine please come to this special meeting along with your youth.

<u>E-Mail Address Updates Requested</u>: If you know of someone who hasn't been receiving the weekly e-mail newsletters and e-mail special alerts (and would like to), please send their email address to the church office at lcmoffice@lcofm.org with the subject "Add e-mail" or ask them to send it or to phone 217-586-4786. We are working hard to get the membership information updated and with Larry Gibson's cooperation, we hope to update our e-mail mailing list as well.

Adult Education -- Faith and Love in Action: While vacation time is almost over, memories of Random Acts of Kindness linger in our minds. Do you have a special memory of a Kindness done for or by you during your summer activities? Would you share it in two or three minutes during Fellowship after Worship, on Sunday, August 25th? Please alert co-chairs Margaret and Gene Rinkel by email (gkrinkel21@msn.com) or phone (586-2117). You are also welcome to share an experience you remember after you arrive for Fellowship! "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation." Psa. 68:19.

<u>Call Committee Mid-August Update</u>: The Call Committee has received the name and Rostered Leader Profile of a new potential pastor candidate. An initial interview with the candidate has been scheduled. The process remains open and additional candidate profiles will be provided by the Synod Office as they become available. Please continue to keep the call process and call committee members in your daily prayers. As a family, we seek God's continued guidance and discernment as we hold firm to our faith and trust in God's plans for LCM.

Susie Johnston, Call Committee Chair

<u>A Fall Enrichment Weekend for Married Couples!</u> The greatest gift you can give each other is the gift of your time and attention when you attend the October 11 - 13 Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend in Peoria, IL. You'll communicate on a deeper level, rekindle your romance, and renew your commitment to each other. For more information or to apply, visit GodLovesMarriage.org, or contact Dan & Charlotte Ricks at dcrlme1094@comcast.net or 309-682-7273. Apply before September 11 to ensure your reservation - it's a Weekend you won't forget! See Attachment for more information.

<u>LCM Booth at Sangamon River Music Festival</u>: The Lutheran Church of Mahomet will have a booth in the vendor area at the Sangamon River Music Festival August 23rd and 24th in addition to volunteering at the Big Daddy Weave Concert. We will need volunteers for both. There will be a sign up sheet posted in the Narthex for our vendor booth. We have some LCM T-shirts left for volunteers to wear. We will also be handing out Flyers and Pens and inviting the community to join us for Worship and Fellowship at "The Church On The Hill." We will also have face painting and a bean bag toss at our booth. For more information or to sign up contact Pete Farm at 217-202-1199 or petertfarm@yahoo.com. See attached flyer for Big Daddy Weave Concert

<u>Celebrating 50 years of Ministry</u>: September 1, 2013 is the 50th anniversary of Pastor Emil Blobaum's ordination into the ministry. We will have a reception for Pastor Emil after the service on September 1st. We have been so blessed with Pastor Emil's guidance and ministry as our Interim Pastor this past year. Thank you Pastor Emil.

<u>Ice Cream Social at St. Thomas in Philo</u>: Join us for our annual ice cream Social on Sunday, August 25th, serving from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM at St. Thomas School, 311 E. Madison in Philo. Serving BBQ Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, Chips and Drinks and Homemade Ice Cream with all the Special Toppings for a minimal price.

<u>Contest Entries Needed</u>: We kicked off our yard sign campaign (see below) two weeks ago, so we are hoping to start receiving your contest entries soon. We will be handing out additional entry forms at fellowship over the next several weeks. After you complete yours, just drop it into the collection plate, Bill Moehring mail box, or hand it to a Council member. You can also enter on the LCM website at LCofM.org. We hope everyone participates, including the children. Thanks. Bill Moehring 586-7036

<u>"I go to church because..." Yard Signs</u>: We are kicking off a yard sign campaign to create general awareness of LCM in the community through a series of thought-provoking, attention-grabbing messages. Besides being informational, we are striving for creative signs that jump out from the crowd and cause people to say--"*Hey, that church sounds interesting. Let's go check them out.*"

So here's where the fun comes in. Over the next month, we're going to have a contest to come up with the "Top 20" statements to complete this sentence: "I go to church because..."

The completion statements would hopefully be attention-getting, perhaps plays on words, and perhaps provocative. Examples might be:

- ...they don't talk about God like this on the radio.
- ... I found a place that accepts and affirms me.
- ...I get to sing in public.
- ...I need salvation now.
- ...to remember whose and who I am.

We're planning to purchase 20 **different** signs and rotate their location around town every two weeks. **We think we can really have some fun with this and also create additional awareness of LCM in the community.** It's a game the whole family can play, and you can submit as many entries as you want. So, get the conversation started with your friends and family and look for the official launch coming soon.

<u>Ladies Nite Out</u>: will be Monday, August 26, 6:30 PM at Denise Dalton's Please bring a lawn chair, **a side dish to share** and your own beverage!

Also, please bring your "senior" picture to share!!

Email Denise Dalton at dldalton86@gmail.com to let her know what side you are bringing and if you want a venison burger, hamburger, brat or hotdog by August 22nd please! Or call and leave a message at

217-841-7416. Hope you all can make it!

Directions: 2623 County Road 500 E; Mahomet, IL 61853

Route 47 North, travel on heading north, (you will pass Lake of the Woods Park) continue traveling on Rt. 47 for about 4 miles, then turn right (east) onto 2600. Travel east until you reach a 4-way stop (1 ½ miles east), which will be 500, turn left (north). Our house is the third house on the left (west) side of the road. Tan, ranch style house, green shutters, three-car garage with a detached tan/green Walters building and the big bear on the porch! See attached flyer.

<u>VA Illiana Health Care Training</u>: The VA Illiana Health Care System is offering training on ways our church can help to meet the needs of Veterans in our community. The training will include information on Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, Mental Health, Suicide Prevention, Substance Abuse, and other subjects. In addition to these topics, information will be provided on eligibility for benefits, job opportunities and other programs offered through the VA. The training is free and will be held September 19, 2013 from 8-3 at Parkland College. If you are interested in attending the training, please contact Brenda Lindsey at https://doi.org/10.1007/jhtml.com.

<u>Crisis Nursery Volunteers Needed</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 https://doi.org/10.1001/jhtml.com.

<u>Support Needed for Couple</u>: The Nuesmeyers need evening meals 2x a week on Mondays & Thursdays for the immediate future. Volunteers can sign up at www.carecalendar.org. Helper login is: 156935 password: 7693. For more information, please contact Brenda Lindsey at httslindsey@mchsi.com

25th Anniversary for ELCA: Sunday, September 8th marks the 25th Anniversary of ELCA. Please join us her at LCM during our regular service to celebrate.

Youth News

<u>Thrivent Members!</u> Did you know that each year you earn "Choice Dollars" to donate to participating organizations? Did you know that <u>Lutheran Church of Mahomet</u> is a participating organization that you can donate to? You have until March 31, 2014 to donate your 2013 Choice Dollars; visit **Thrivent.com/thriventchoice**, log in to see your Choice Dollars and "Direct Choice Dollars" to Lutheran Church of Mahomet (or another organization if you prefer). Need more information? Call Alicia Ekhoff at (217) 649-8472 or pick up a Thrivent card from the bulletin board outside the Fellowship Hall.

Stewart and Alicia Ekhoff are your Thrivent Congregational Advocates, and serve as Co-Youth Directors on the Champaign County Thrivent Board. For more information about Thrivent Financial, contact Stewart at 649-8474 / sekhoff@hotmail.com OR Alicia at 649-8472 / sekhoff@hotmail.com.

- Youth Sunday School for ages 3 years 12th grade begins Sunday, September 8th. <u>Volunteers are needed to lead music, Bible lessons and activities.</u> Please join us for a Youth Sunday School informational meeting in the Youth Room, located on the West end of the church, on <u>Sunday, August 11th</u> immediately following the 9am service.
- If you have any questions about Youth Programs and Activities, call, text or email Alicia Ekhoff: (217) 649-8472 / ekhoffal@gmail.com

LOGOS: Will begin on Wednesday, September 11 for Grades K - 6. See attached flyer for more information.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 21

Sunday, August 25 9:00 AM Celebration Worship Service

10:00 AM Fellowship

Monday, August 26 WELCA Sew Day

6:00 PM Lion's Club

6:30 PM Ladies Nite Out at Denise Dalton's

Tuesday, August 27 10:30 AM LCM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, August 28 3:00 PM AGC Open House

6:30 PM Confirmation Orientation Meeting

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

August 25 September 1

ACOLYTES: Seth Buchanan Kylie Fuoss

BREADMAKER: Leslie Knicl Amy McDonald

ALTAR GUILD Nancy Rosenbery Patti Sapp

Elsbeth Hixon Ruth Studley

<u>ASSISTING MINISTER</u> - Youth -

<u>CELEBRATION LEADER</u> Brenda Lindsey

COMMUNION ASST: Alicia Ekhoff Barb LeGrant

GREETERS: Nancy Rosenbery Youth

READER: Cindy Erickson Youth

USHERS: Stewart Ekhoff Family Youth

SUNDAY SHEPHERD Kelly Strode Sharon Yeakel

OFFERING COUNTERS: David Alderks Stewart and Alicia Ekhoff

Scott Kingry Dan and Cindy Erickson

Jon and Barb LeGrant

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS: Congregational Life Congregational Life

<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 or lindasv101@gmail.com 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 www.lcofm.org. Thank you for your assistance in performing these tasks by serving our Church.

LADIES NIGHT OUT



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The Lutheran Church of Mahomet



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Exploring LOGOS

Wednesday, September 11th

6:00-7:30 pm

- Come explore and experience LOGOS
- Learn how this weekly generational encounter can help energize and grow your child's faith
- All family members are welcome to join us for an evening filled with activities for all ages
- One parent, guardian, or adult relative must be present with each family of children
- Questions? Contact Kat Downs, LOGOS Director 586-4786



Dinner will be served at 6:00



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Rekindle your romance

Renew your commitment to each other

Rediscover intimacy and joy

et more information or register online at GodLovesMarriage.org







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refresh re-energize & reconnect

on a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend!

Who can attend?

- Christian beliefs A man and woman who are married to each is no attempt to encourage anyone to adopt other, regardless of their religious beliefs. There
- Being married at least 2 years will help you receive the maximum benefit.

What happens?

A Marriage Encounter Weekend consists of:

- A series of talks focused on various aspects couples, including a clergy person and spouse conference room by Weekend leadership of a marriage relationship presented in a
- The program progresses from 8:00 pm Friday benefit. to attend the entire Weekend to receive its full through 4:30 pm Sunday, so it's important

What about our privacy?

- attending the Weekend. You will listen to talks along with other couples
- After each talk, the two of you will return to thoughts and feelings about each topic. your hotel room alone to privately share your
- group. You are never required to openly share with the





How do we apply?

Weekend in two convenient ways: You can apply for a Lutheran Marriage Encounter

- Online application at GodLovesMarriage.org
- Complete the application at right and mail it with your payment to the address below.

When your application and \$45.00 fee are received and accepted, you will:

- Be notified that you are registered for the requested Weekend
- Receive additional information, including the location and what to bring to your Weekend.

What's the cost?

- An application fee of \$45.00 per couple is required when you submit your application.
- Weekend if you are unable to attend the This fee can be transferred to a different Weekend you originally request.
- through the Lutheran Expression. contribution of whatever amount you wish an opportunity to make a confidential Toward the end of your Weekend, you are given toward the continuation of Marriage Encounter



Apply now!

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| | Her Name (First/Last) |
| | Mailing Address |
| | City/State or Province Zip or Postal Coc |
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| | His Cell Phone & Email |
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| | Wedding Date/Year |
| - | His Church Name/City |
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| - | How did you hear about Lutheran Marriage Encounter? Are you clergy? |
| | Method of Payment (\$45 Application Fee) |
| | Check payable to "Lutheran Marriage Encounter" VISA MasterCard |
| | Exp Date 3-Digit Code |
| | Credit Card No. |
| | Print your name as it appears on credit card |
| | Signature |

weekends fill early, so apply TODAY to

Peoria IL 61604

1220 W. Gift Ave

309-682-7273

Dan & Charlotte Ricks

Mail this form with your payment to:



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AUGUST 24, 12PM

Sangamon River Music Festival



Cost: FREE!

Main Street
Mahomet II.

Visit our website at www.lcofm.org

