

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MAHOMET

WEEKLY E-MAIL NEWSLETTER

December 11, 2013

LCM Website: lcofm.org

Phone: 217-586-4786

Pastor's Hours: Pastor Vic Baderschneider will be in the office Tuesday, December 10 and Thursday, December 12.

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

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

Daily Devotional Booklets for January – March 2014 are available at the Greeter's Station in the Narthex.

Assistance Needed: 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 htslindsey@mchsi.com.

Sharing the Faith With Friends: This book study group started meeting this past fall. You are still welcomed to join us as we discuss ideas in Love Wins, by Rob Bell and Erasing Hell, by Frances Chan and Preston Sprinkle. Contact Barb DeReus at 778-6546 or email at barbdereus@mchsi.com. The December gathering will be Tuesday, the 17th from 6:30-8:00 in the DeReus home located at 1701 Whisper Meadow Lane in Mahomet. January's gathering will be skipped due to Grandma Barb helping daughter Molly after the birth of twin boys due early January.

Stewardship Update Are you forgetting something?? It's not too late! If you haven't turned in your pledge card or Opportunities for Service booklet, please do so soon. You can place your pledge card in the Stewardship mailbox by the church office, and the Opportunities for Service booklet can be put in the box at the back of the sanctuary.

Online option! Another option for your Opportunities for Service booklet is to go online at www.LCofM.org. Under the heading: "Here I Am Lord" you can fill in your Opportunities for Service. Thanks go to Larry Gibson for setting this up! If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Erickson, Erickson.cindy@gmail.com or 217-586-3142.

Thanks to everyone who has already submitted their pledge cards and Opportunities for Service booklets. Having those in hand helps tremendously as the Council plans for the 2014 LCM budget, and staffs committees and worship participants.

Guy's Night Out: will be held at Scott Kingry's "Pool Hall." Monday, December 30th at 6:30PM. Guy's Night Out Theology, beer and Football will be the topics. All are welcome to join us. Please RSVP Pete Farm peterfarm@yahoo.com and Scott Kingry sdkingry@gmail.com

Schedule Change: Chancel Choir will practice Thursday, December 12 from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. There will be no Suite Inspirations Thursday.

All You Can Eat Pancakes: There will be an “All You Can Eat” for \$5 pancake fund-raiser at St. Andrew’s Lutheran Campus Center, 909 S. Wright St., on Thursday, December 12 from 3- 6 PM to raise money to help send Nicaraguan students to college.

Christmas Cookie Exchange: On Saturday, December 14 will be a Christmas Cookie Exchange and Coffee at LCM at 10:00 a.m. Bring 2--3 dozen of your favorite Christmas cookies to share, and everyone will exchange and take away cookies as well as enjoy coffee, tea, cookies, and friendly conversation about Christmas treats and memories. Please plan to come!

Annual Garage Sale: All God’s Children Preschool is hosting the annual garage sale January 25th 2014. Profits from this sale support classroom needs, the preschool scholarship fund and church playground improvements. We will begin accepting donations of children’s clothing, toys and house wares after Christmas this year. We cannot accept electronics, exercise equipment, computers and monitors. If you have questions about an item for donation, please contact: Wendy Tomashek, AGC Preschool Director agcdirector@lcofm.org

Crisis Nursery Volunteers Needed: 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 htslindsey@mchsi.com.

(SAM) Newsletter: The December 2013 newsletter for the C515 Synodically Authorized Ministry (SAM) is posted on the Quadboard. Please note that the course “Instructions to the New Testament” begins in January.

Call Committee Mid-November Update: I Corinthians 15:58, *“Therefore my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you”*.

In September and October, Call Committee members met with a pastor candidate that they were very excited about and were hoping to be able to make a recommendation to Council for a possible Call to The Lutheran Church of Mahomet. Unfortunately that candidate elected to join another church in another state. The candidate wanted us to know that she was very impressed with our church and the Mahomet area and felt a strong pull to the possibilities, however, felt that God was leading her ministry, and her, in a different direction. Committee members understood and supported where she was coming from and firmly believe that her decision was not a negative reflection of LCM in any way. Following that disappointing news, we were excited to learn that the Synod had another candidate for our immediate consideration. We are pleased to share that the Call Committee has initiated an initial conversation with the candidate and additional discussions and site visits are being arranged. We continue to trust in the plan that God has for LCM and we ask for everyone’s continued prayers and support. God knows our need and knows our anxious and waiting hearts. We ask that our family members continue to stand firm with that same trust; just as God stands firm with each one of us.

Youth News

Children's Christmas Program Practice: Will be held Wednesdays, December 11 and 18 at 5:00PM

Confirmation Class meets Wednesday, December 11 at 5:45 PM

LOGOS will not meet in December. It will start back up Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 5:45 PM. The December calendar incorrectly listed LOGOS meetings for Wednesdays in December, please accept our apologies for this oversight.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 11

Wednesday, December 11

5:00 PM Children's Christmas Program Practice
5:45 PM Confirmation
5:45 PM Soup Supper
6:30 PM Advent Service

Thursday, December 12

6:30 PM MSHS Basketball Dinner
6:30PM Chancel Choir

Sunday, December 15

Third Sunday of Advent
"All is Well" Chancel Choir

9:00 AM Worship Service
10:30 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Fellowship

Monday, December 16

Monday Morning Ladies Sewing Day
7:00 PM Council Meeting
7:15 PM Bible Study at Hilda Pfister's

Tuesday, December 17

10:30 AM LCM Staff Meeting
6:30 PM Cub Scouts
6:30 PM Book Study at the DeReus'



Please come to our Christmas Play

"The Most Wonderful Day", Sunday, December 22 during worship service

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

	<u>December 15</u>	<u>December 22</u>
<u>ACOLYTES:</u>	Gretchen Scheele	Chatman Edmonds
<u>BREADMAKER:</u>	Alicia Ekhoﬀ	Alicia Ekhoﬀ
<u>ALTAR GUILD</u>	Elsbeth Hixon Nancy Rosenbery	Elsbeth Hixon Nancy Rosenbery
<u>ASSISTING MINISTER</u> <u>CELEBRATION LEADER</u>	Alex Paul --	Kendyl Cummins --
<u>COMMUNION ASST:</u>	Laura Bottorﬀ	Jon LeGrant
<u>READER</u>	--	John Bottorﬀ
<u>GREETERS</u>	Shannon Cheek Family	Charlotte Hitchins
<u>USHERS:</u>	Rolf VogenFamily	Pete Farm Family
<u>SUNDAY SHEPHERD</u>	Sharon Yeakel	Laura Bottorﬀ
<u>OFFERING COUNTERS</u>	Scott Kingry Chris and Theresa Edmonds	David Alderks Scott Kingry Jon and Barb LeGrant
<u>FELLOWSHIP HOSTS:</u>	Yeakel Family Middendorf Family	Bottorﬀ Family Robberstad Family

Volunteer Guideline Revisions: 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.

CONGREGATIONAL INTERCESSIONS

Prayer List Guidelines: A prayer list's purpose is to rally special attention to particular people in need of prayer. The list will be divided into acute (immediate) or long term concerns.

Because this is a public list, you must ask permission before placing someone's name on the list (privacy law compliance). To be added, removed, or moved from one list to the other, contact the church office at 586-4786.

· Please provide first and last names.

· Death and birth announcements and praises of thanksgiving will be removed after 2 weeks.

Notices on the acute list will be removed after 4 weeks unless there is a request to continue.

Prayer lists are updated on Wednesdays, sent in the Wednesday email newsletters and posted on the quad board.

Acute Prayer Needs

Linda Vogel

Comfort and healing while recovering at home

Dennis Nuesmeyer

Successful treatment, guidance for physicians and relief from pain

Richard Johnson

Prayers for Healing and Recovery

Linda Buchanan

Health and Healing and Guidance for Physicians

Paul Reynolds

Comfort and healing while recovering at home

Mary Jean "Jeannie" Edmonds (Grandmother of Chris Edmonds)

Comfort and strength for her caregivers and family recovery

Abigail Corrine Taylor (Daughter of Mandy and Ben Taylor and grand- daughter of Holmes Kimble and Great Grand-daughter of Hilda Pfiester)

Guidance for physicians and prayers for parents and family

Patricia Crowe (Mother of Mandy Shelmadine)

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Called to Heaven

George Murphy (Father of Pat Moehring)

Christian Sympathy is extended to Pat and her family on the loss of their loved one

Long-Term Prayer Concerns

Kelly Painter (Daughter of Georgia and Larry Isaacs)

Prayers for safe removal of steroids, and return to normal duties as wife and mother

Barb DeReus

Prayers for successful surgery and complete return to function after the 3+ months of physical therapy and freedom from pain

Connie Kaiser (relative of Tim & Brenda Lindsey)

Healing and awareness of the presence of God for Ms. Kaiser and her family

Bonnie Thompson (Wife of Don Thompson/ mother of Karen Kibler)

for comfort and healing

Jennifer Sweeney (Cousin of Karen Kibler)

for healing, strength, and peace.

David Brandenburg (Nephew of Nancy King)

for correct and successful treatment.

Ann Sanchse (Wife of Cousin of Dennis Nuesmeyer)

prayers for comfort and peace

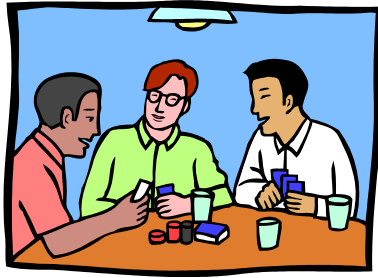
The Lutheran Church of Mahomet *invites you to join us this Christmas season.*



- Sunday, Dec 1: "Hanging of the Greens" Worship Service with *Mahomet-Seymour High School Madrigals* 9am
Wednesday, Dec 4: Chili Cook-off 5:45 pm, Advent Service 6:30 pm
Sunday, Dec 8: Live Nativity 4-7 pm ("Our Christmas Card to the Community")
Wednesday, Dec 11: Soup Supper 5:45 pm, Advent Service 6:30 pm
Sunday, Dec 15: "All is Well" Christmas Cantata program presented by the Chancel Choir 9 am
Wednesday, Dec 18: Soup Supper 5:45 pm, Advent Service 6:30 pm
Sunday, Dec 22: Children's Christmas Program, "The Most Wonderfulest Day" 9 am
Tuesday, Dec 24: Christmas Eve Services 6 pm and 10:30 pm
Wednesday, Dec 25: Christmas Day Worship 10 am
Tuesday, Dec 31: New Year's Eve Worship 6 pm, and Family Night following

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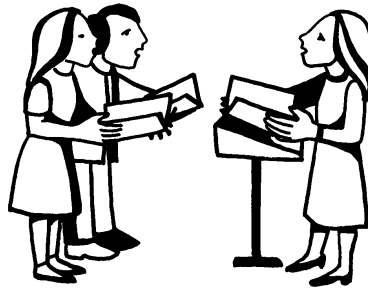


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