THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MAHOMET

WEEKLY E-MAIL NEWSLETTER

February 26, 2014 LCM Website: Icofm.org Phone: 217-586-4786

<u>Pastor's Hours</u>: Pastor Emil Blobaum will be in the office Tuesday, February 25 and Thursday, February 27.

<u>Office Hours</u>: Tuesday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. In the case of bad weather the office may be closed, please leave a message or send an e-mail and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

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

<u>Daily Devotional Booklets</u> for January – March 2014 and for April – June, 2014 are available at the Greeter's Station in the Narthex.

<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 <a href="https://https:

<u>empty tomb, inc.'s Mega Work-A-Thon</u>: Saturday, March 1, 2014, is empty tomb, inc.'s Mega Work-A-Thon Fundraising Event. Church people are still needed to help empty tomb and local people in need in Jesus' name. You can register for Reading with area children; help build clothing cupboards for area children; deliver furniture, or do home repair. Sign up today to get your first choice! To obtain a registration form, email <<u>coor@emptytomb.org</u>>, stop by the empty tomb office at 301 N. Fourth, C., or go to <<u>www.emptytomb.org</u>> (Only the Reading form is available online).

Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago Hosts Seminary Sampler

The Seminary Sampler is a three-day visit event being held March 2-4 and designed to give prospective students a taste of LSTC life. Here they will have the opportunity to discern with other prospective students a call to ministry and how LSTC might be the place for them. Information given will include meeting students, faculty and staff, an introduction to our programs, a tour of LSTC and the surrounding neighborhood, discussion of financial aid and scholarships and much more. Housing and meals are covered, and travel reimbursement are available.

Here is a link to more information on our website: http://www.lstc.edu/prospective-students/visit/sampler/

St. Mark to host

Annual Schaaf Memorial Lecture

St. Mark Lutheran Church, Belleville, Illinois is pleased to invite all to the seventh annual Schaaf Memorial Lecture on Saturday, March 8, at 2:00 p.m. in the church. This year's speaker is the Rev. Dr. Mark Wegener, who will lecture on the topic, "Jesus and Justice: A Question of Values." Admission is free. A brief reception will be held in the church immediately following the lecture. St. Mark (105 East "D" Street) is located at the corner of East "D" Street and North High Street in

Belleville, one block east of Illinois Highway 15. For more information please contact the church office at 618-233-9809, or email worship@stmarkbelleville.org.

Cindy Koonce

Office Manager Central-Southern Illinois Synod



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work, Our hands.

<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 htslindsey@mchsi.com.

<u>Flower Chart for 2014</u>: 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>All God's Children Pre-school Registration</u>: Registration for Church Members and past enrolled students is now open. Please contact pre-school director, Wendy Tomashek for more information at 217-586-6147 or by e-mail to <u>Tomashek@gmail.com</u>. Public enrollment begins March 1.

<u>Parish Nurse Bulletin Board</u>: There is an updated Parish Nurse bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you to Barb DeReus for creating it for us.



IT Workshops at LCM

I have been asked by many people in our congregation to provide some IT training sessions for those who are "technically challenged". I have found that the **First** Monday of the month seems to be the best open times for me and participants to attend. So, I will be starting a series of 1 hour IT workshops 7:00 PM. For now, there will be NO charge for workshops.

Here is a list of what is planned so far:

Click on Sign-up link to register: Sign-up

March 3rd - Revitalizing Your Church Website

- This will be a chance to see what I will be presenting in April at the Healthier Church Revitalizing Your Congregation Conference.
- We will also be looking at our church website and discuss what things we can use it for.

April 7th - Computers for the "Technically Challenged"

- Overview of your computer/laptop components
- Computer terminology

- Browsers and search engines.

If you have a workshop you wish to see presented, email me at lpgibson@gibtech.net with your suggestions. Thanks, Larry Gibson

<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.

Adult Sunday School--Note meeting areas with the women in the Adult class room and the men at a corner table in the Fellowship Hall. The classes begin at 10:30 a.m. for approximately 45 minutes. Each class is centered on Biblical application to issues common to women and men respectively. Both groups have sparked interest in their subject matters, the women are led by Karen Ickstadt, the men are led by Alex Paul. You will not want to miss these lively discussions. --Margaret Rinkel, Adult Ed co-chair

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 e-mail.

<u>The Craft Card Ministry group</u> will be creating birthday cards to send to the From the Hearts project during the Scrapbook/Craft Day. We will be making cards from 9 am-12 pm, Saturday, March 1. Come join us as we make cards to be shipped to service men and women in Afghanistan and Iraq. Materials will be provided, but feel free to bring any supplies you would like to donate or use. If questions, please contact Denise Dalton, dldalton86@gmail.com or Leslie Knicl, lknicl@gmail.com

<u>WANT AD</u>: 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 billmoehring@yahoo.com or Secretary Sherri Reifsteck at mrsr1974@mchsi.com.

Attendance in February 2014:

February 2 78 February 9 92 February 16 70 February 23

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Youth News

Confirmation: Meets Wednesday, February 26 at 5:45 PM

LOGOS meets Wednesday, February 26 at 5:15 PM. This week's theme is "Little Italy" and the meal will be spaghetti, salad and garlic bread.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 26 2014

Wednesday, February 26 5:15 PM LOGOS

5:45 PM Confirmation

Thursday, February 27 6:30 PM Suite Inspirations

7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Saturday, March 1 9:00 AM Scrapbook/Craft Ministry Group

Scrapbook/Craft Day

Sunday, March 2 9:00 AM Worship Service

Breanna Bone Baptism 10:00 AM Fellowship

10:30 AM Sunday School

Monday, March 3 Monday Morning Sewing Day

7:00 PM IT Workshop

7:15 PM Bible Study at Hilda Pfiester's

Tuesday, March 4 10:30 AM LCM Staff Meeting

6:30 PM Cub Scouts

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

	March 2	March 9
GREETERS	Pete Farm Family	Sharon Yeakel
<u>USHERS:</u>	Bill Studley Family	John Sapp Family
READER	Dia Nuesmeyer	Sheila Kingry
COMMUNION ASST	Barb Le Grant	Karen Riefsteck
ASSISTING MINISTER	Alex Paul	Chris Edmonds
CELEBRATION LEADER		
SUNDAY SHEPHERD	Pat Moehring	Sherri Reifsteck
FELLOWSHIP HOSTS:	Congregational Life Committee	Buchanan Family Sue Brockman
BREADMAKER:	Amy McDonald	Amy McDonald
ALTAR GUILD	Patti Sapp Ruth Studley	Patti Sapp Ruth Studley
OFFERING COUNTERS	Stewart and Alicia Ekhoff Dan and Cindy Erickson	Sherri Reifsteck Sharon Yeakel Susie Johnston
ACCOLYTES	Zach Schnepper	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 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.

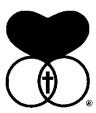
RECONVENING OF ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given of the Reconvening of the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, March 2, 2014, immediately following the service at approximately 10:00am

The proposed 2014 budget will be presented for approval. The proposed budget will be available for pickup at the church on February 23, 2014. This issue requires a majority vote of those members present and voting, and a current list of members eligible to vote will be available at the meeting. If you have any question about whether you are eligible to vote, please contact the church office at 217-586-4786 or by e-mail to lcmoffice@lcofm.org or Barb LeGrant at 217-840-5725 or by e-mail to legrant@uillinois.edu.

Please note, as constitutionally defined, "Voting members shall be confirmed members. Such confirmed members shall have communed and made a contribution of record during the current or preceding year." Therefore, voting members should have a record both of taking communion and making an individual contribution from January 1, 2013, forward. For the purpose of this congregational meeting, communion attendance must be recorded and contributions must be received no later than Sunday, February 23, 2014. Also, in accordance with the constitution, voting by proxy or absentee ballot shall not be permitted.

Lutheran Marriage





Place: Peoria, IL

To register, contact: Norm & Deb Lopez

210 N. Harrison St Flanagan, IL 61740

815-796-2248

ndlopez@frontiernet.net or

www.godlovesmarriage.org

Mission Statement

Lutheran Marriage Encounter is a ministry dedicated to assisting married couples to live fully intimate and responsible relationships by providing an encounter Weekend experience as well as on going community support.

<u>Lutheran Marriage Encounters</u> REDISCOVER THE ONE YOU LOVE on a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next Weekend is scheduled in Peoria, IL on April 4-6, 2014. Apply now at GodLovesMarriage.org or contact Norm and Deb Lopez at ndlopez@frontiernet.net or 815-796-2248 for more information. Preregistration is required – don't miss out! Registration deadline is March 5th. Registrations after that date will be on a space available basis.

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

	INQUIRER CLASS RE		
Please include (me) (us)	in the Inquirer's Class. Following	s (my) (our) contact information	1.
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Address			_
Home Phone	Cell	Phone	
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		and invite	them to the class
	e-mail		
	My name is		
	Phone		

SCRAPBOOK/ CRAFT DAY

Saturday, March 1st

Being held at the Lutheran Church of Mahomet on Andover Drive- Fellowship Hall 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

This is an open day, bring whatever you want to work on and enjoy fellowship and meet new crafters while you work on your project! Come for all day or for just a few hours!

Please bring your own beverages (no alcohol) we have a full kitchen for use, includes coffee.

Please bring a snack to share.

Lunch and dinner are on your own, we have several options in Mahomet for carry out/delivery – or if you need a break several sit down restaurants.

Email if you have any questions: dldalton86@gmail.com (Denise)

Please RSVP by Feb. 27, so a table can be reserved for you!

No fee!! - Limited space available

