

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MAHOMET

WEEKLY E-MAIL NEWSLETTER

February 5, 2014

LCM Website: lcofm.org

Phone: 217-586-4786

Pastor's Hours: Pastor Vic Baderschneider will be in the office Tuesday, February 4 and Thursday, February 6.

Office Hours: 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.

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.

"Revitalizing Your Congregation:" Participants in the Webinar which met at our church during April 2013 have been meeting this fall to organize Small Groups as a priority in our revitalization efforts. Other members are invited to join this group and/or volunteer to lead one of several groups to be formed. Groups may include Bible study groups, Dinner groups, Book discussion, Prayer Groups, Crafts and Service projects. The "Kickoff" for this initiative is **February 9, 2014** during the Sunday Fellowship Hour. For more information or to volunteer to lead a group, contact: Cindy Erickson, erickson.cindy@gmail.com, Ph. 586-3142 or Gene and Margaret Rinkel, gkrinkel21@msn.com, Ph. 586-2117.

Small Groups Leader Training: will be held Thursday, February 6 at 6:00 PM in the Adult Sunday School Room. Please see Cindy Erickson at the contact information listed above if you need more information.

Sharing The Faith with Friends: Please join us on Tuesday, February 25 from 6:30-8 pm in the DeReus home at 1701 Whisper Meadow Lane, Mahomet for a rousing discussion on Pastor Rob Bell's book Love Wins. We are on Chapter 3, entitled "Hell." Regular attendees, please call or email (barbdereus@mchsi.com or 778-6546) if you are unable to come. Newcomers, please let me know if you would like to join us. Thank you. Barb and Steve DeReus

Community Events at Christ Lutheran Church: Youth Encounter Ministry Team "Kids Against Hunger" Meal Packaging Event will be held from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM with a Youth Encounter Ministry Team Family Friendly Concert at 7:00 PM featuring Captive Free, a relational music ministry team sponsored by Youth Encounter, February 22 at Christ Lutheran Church, 779 E. Old Rte. 47 Monticello, IL. All ages are welcome to attend an inspiring time of Christian music, games, skits and personal sharing. Please see the notice on the Quadboard for more information.

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.

Member Hospitalized: Dennis Nuesmeyer was admitted to the hospital February 6.

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.

Volunteers Needed for Mahomet Helping Hands (MHH): A few volunteers are needed for collecting and sorting clothing donations to MHH on Saturday, February 8th from 9 AM – 1 Noon and/or food distribution at MHH on Saturday, February 15th from 9 AM – 12 Noon. Please call or text Amy McDonald at 217-586-3944, Thank you

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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.

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IT Workshops at LCofM

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 starting Monday, February 3rd, 2014 at 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 lpigibson@gibtech.net with your suggestions. Thanks, Larry Gibson

Men's Night Out: Will be Tuesday, February 25, 2014 @ 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM at Larry Gibson's House 498 CR 2675 N Mahomet, IL 61853 See Map posted on the website.

Ladies Night Out: Will be February 24 at Los Zarapes in Mahomet at 6:00 PM.

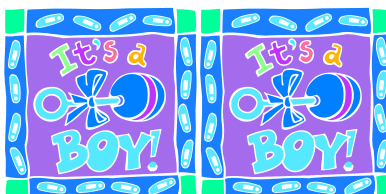
Lutheran Marriage Encounters BEAT THE LAST MINUTE VALENTINE RUSH! Surprise your spouse with a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekend is scheduled in Peoria, IL on April 4-6, 2014. Apply now at GodLovesMarriage.org or contact Norm and Deb Lopez at ndlopez@frontiernet.net or 815-796-2248 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.

New Church Directories: 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.

All God's Children Thanks YOU!!! Just over \$1,200 was raised for the preschool program from the annual garage sale. Thank you so much for your assistance with our fundraiser. It was very well received by the community. Many people commented on the nice quality of donations and families were SO APPRECIATIVE. Many people were given much needed items in the pure cold of winter. Thank you again for your support and kindness. I am happy to report everyone was blessed by this event! In Christ~ Wendy Tomashek, All God's Children Preschool Director

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JOYOUS EVENTS



Heather (Dennis' daughter) and Pete Pintz' twin baby boys were born the morning of Monday, February 3. Heather was just shy of 29 weeks so they are definitely preemies! Andrew Ryan was born at 8:21 and weighed 2 lbs. 5oz. and Kevin Joseph was born at 8:22 and weighed 2 lbs. 11.7 oz. They were born by C section. Heather is doing well and we are still waiting for medical info on the babies. They are getting excellent care in a NICU unit. Please join us in praising and thanking our Lord for this miracle of birth and please pray for continued good development of the babies.

Thank you VERY MUCH!!

Nancy and Dennis Boma



Tessa and Justin Hunter are happy to announce the birth of their baby girl at 7:49 AM, February 4. Hadley Lynn Hunter is the granddaughter of Dave and LuAnn Robberstad. She weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Attendance in February 2014:

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EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5 2014

Thursday, February 6

6:00 PM Small Groups Leaders Training
6:30 PM Suite Inspirations
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Sunday, February 9

Small Group Kick-off

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

Monday, February 10

Monday Morning Ladies Sewing Day
6:00 PM Lion's Club
7:00 Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 11

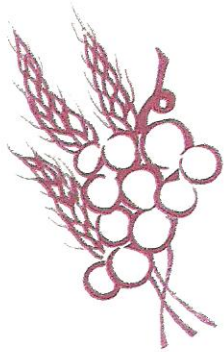
10:30 AM LCM Staff Meeting
6:30 PM Cub Scouts

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

	<u>February 9</u>	<u>February 16</u>
<u>ACOLYTES:</u>	Seth Buchanan	Callum Buchanan
<u>BREADMAKER:</u>	Leslie Knicl	Leslie Knicl
<u>ALTAR GUILD</u>	Pat Moehring Amy McDonald	Pat Moehring Amy McDonald
<u>ASSISTING MINISTER</u> <u>CELEBRATION LEADER</u>	Dia Nuesmeyer --	Mark Reifsteck --
<u>COMMUNION ASST:</u>	Theresa Edmonds	Jennifer Farm
<u>READER</u>	Alex Paul	Sherri Reifsteck
<u>GREETERS</u>	Jon LeGrant Family	Robert Witherell Family
<u>USHERS:</u>	Norm Knicl Family	Chris Edmonds Family
<u>SUNDAY SHEPHERD</u>	Barb LeGrant	Brenda Lindsey
<u>OFFERING COUNTERS</u>	Sherri Reifsteck Sharon Yeakel and Susie Johnston	Scott Kingry Chris and Theresa Edmonds
<u>FELLOWSHIP HOSTS:</u>	Mitchell Family Bottorff Family	Lindsey Family Bottorff 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.



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Living in God's Amazing Grace

LCM Call Process Update

"Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you"
I Corinthians 15:58

As a family at The Lutheran Church of Mahomet, we have faced trials and we have experienced struggles. Often these trials and struggles have come with stretching ourselves and trusting in God's ultimate plan. The process of extending a Call for the new Pastor of The Lutheran Church of Mahomet has been no different. There have been struggles. The good news is that God has been faithful and we remain a loving, giving, and caring family committed to knowing that God has a plan for LCM. In that light, God encourages us to stand firm and to let nothing move us. God asks us to continue to step out in faith and face our joys and struggles together. We can do this because of the love and power of God. It is not just what we believe; it is who we believe in. God is almighty. He is all loving. And he is for us.

The Call Committee has spent the last year actively conducting interviews with potential pastor candidates. To date, we have been in contact with six candidates. For various reasons unique to each candidate and to the members of the Committee, the process of issuing and accepting a Call did not move forward or ended. Call Committee members remain committed to seeking out potential candidates and finding the right person for our family. We continue to work with the Synod office, as they continue to work with us. The committee is also exploring recruiting options outside of normal "channels" and has begun the process of advertising on our own.

The Synod office has accepted our invitation to come to LCM and meet with our congregation to share how the process works, the current limitations of available candidates, and their continued efforts on our behalf. Assistant to the Bishop Pastor Ron Moorman will be at LCM on Sunday, February 23 for the 9:00 AM service. Pastor Moorman will deliver the message that day, as well as speak directly to the congregation following the worship services. LCM members are encouraged to attend that day to support Pastor Moorman's presence and hear what he has to share.

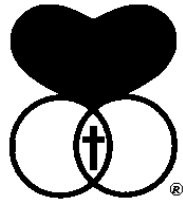
The Call Committee asks that everyone continue to trust and stand firm and to know that God will provide a pastor to love, comfort, and lead our family. God hears our prayers and knows our need. He knows our anxious and waiting hearts. As a family and as his servants, we remain faithful knowing that through God all things are possible.

In His Service,

Susie Johnston, Call Committee Chair

Call Committee Members: Nancy Boma, Laura Bottorff, Denise Dalton, Stuart Ekhoﬀ, Dan Erickson, John King, Barb LeGrant, Dia Nuesmeyer, Margaret Rinkel, Andy Scheele

Lutheran
Marriage



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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.

THE RHETORIC FORUM
"ASKING NEW QUESTIONS OF FAITH, SCIENCE, AND CULTURE"

Certe digne estis the late. Sicut per se ad asperum est the philosophical plume.

"Faith, Science, and Culture: Stories of Faithful Citizenship"
Brian Sauder  @briansauder www.faithinplace.org
An environmental scientist, seminarian, registered Illinois lobbyist, not-for-profit manager, and business savvy country boy
Tuesday, February 11th 7pm
St. Andrew's Lutheran Campus Center

909 South Wright Street Champaign | 217.344.1593 | www.lutherancampuscenter.org | fb: Saint Andrew's Lutheran Campus Center

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INQUIRER CLASS REGISTRATION

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

Name _____

Address _____

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 _____

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