

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MAHOMET

WEEKLY E-MAIL NEWSLETTER

January 8, 2014

LCM Website: lcofm.org

Phone: 217-586-4786

Pastor's Hours: Pastor Vic Baderschneider will be in the office Tuesday, January 7 and Thursday, January 9, 2014

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.

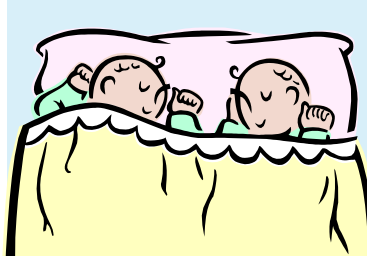
Assistance Needed: The Nuesmeyers need meals twice a week for the immediate future while Dennis is recovering from surgery. If you would like to bring a meal, please contact Brenda Lindsey htslindsey@mchsi.com.

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.

Winter Address: Jean and Rolf Vogen will be in Florida this Winter Season. Starting January 1, 2014 their address will be 731 Lakeview Way, Oldsman, FL 34677, phone Jean: 815-954-6131 or Rolf: 815-735-7237.



Welcome

Roshan Kannan and Ravi Kannan

Please join us in extending prayers of thanksgiving for the greatest gift from God. Our two precious grand-sons were born January 6, 2014 to our daughter Molly Kannan and her husband, T K Kannan Roshan Kannan, weighing 5 lbs., 10 oz and 19 ½ inches arrived at 2:38 AM.. Ravi Kannan weighing 5 lbs, 15 oz. and 19 in arrived at 2:39 AM. We are so grateful to God for these special blessings.

~~Barb and Steve DeReus

ELCA Malaria Campaign Reaches \$10 million: To date, the ELCA members have contributed \$10 million in support of the ELCA Malaria Campaign. Initiated at the 2011 ELCA Church wide Assembly, the campaign provides mosquito nets, insecticides, medication, health care, education and more to 13 African countries in an effort to prevent and treat malaria, and to educate communities about the disease. There is \$5 million remaining on the original goal of raising \$15 million by the end of 2015.

New Bible Study For Ladies Only (Sorry Guys) A few years ago I had the privilege of leading a Bible Study during Sunday School especially for the ladies of our congregation. I have a new Bible Study that I would like to share with you. It is called No Other Gods by Kelly Minter. It is a practical, eight week study about the modern-day idols that clutter and claim our hearts. I would like to order books this week, so please let me know if you would me to order one for you. We will start as soon as the books arrive. I'm hoping for January 19th. You may call or e-mail me at: 649-7109 or lckstadt@mchsi.com. I'm looking forward to hearing from you. Karen Ickstadt

Pancake and Sausage Breakfast at St. Thomas in Philo: Join us for the 47th Annual St. Thomas Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, January 19th, serving from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM in at St. Thomas School, 311 E. Madison St., Philo, IL. All-you-can eat pancakes, our own whole hog sausage, and coffee/juice/milk. Exciting raffles and lots of family fun. Mark your calendars now! Suggested donation \$7.00/adult; \$4.00/child; Children 5 and under-Free.

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. The AGC Staff will begin accepting donations of children's clothing, toys and house wares after the beginning of the New Year. We cannot accept electronics, exercise equipment, computers and monitors. If you have questions about an item for donation, please contact: Wendy Tomashak, 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.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 8 2014

Wednesday, January 8, 2014

5:15 PM LOGOs
5:45 PM Confirmation

Thursday, January 9

5:30 PM MSHS Basketball Dinner
6:30 PM Suite Inspirations
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Sunday, January 12

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

Monday, January 13

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

Tuesday, January 14

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

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

	<u>January 12</u>	<u>January 19</u>
<u>ACOLYTES:</u>	Isabelle Farm	Kylie Fuoss
<u>BREADMAKER:</u>	Linda Hanslow	Linda Hanslow
<u>ALTAR GUILD</u>	Alicia Ekhoﬀ Kathy Tuggle	Alicia Ekhoﬀ Kathy Tuggle
<u>ASSISTING MINISTER CELEBRATION LEADER</u>	Mark Reifsteck	Alex Paul
<u>COMMUNION ASST:</u>	Marty Vogel	Sherri Reifsteck
<u>READER</u>	Brenda Lindsey	
<u>GREETERS</u>	Chris Edmonds Family	Pete Farm Family
<u>USHERS:</u>	Dave Robberstad Family	Marty Vogel Family
<u>SUNDAY SHEPHERD</u>	Chris Edmonds	Stewart Ekhoﬀ
<u>OFFERING COUNTERS</u>	Sherri Reifsteck Sharon Yeakel Susie Johnston	Scott Kingry Chris and Theresa Edmonds
<u>FELLOWSHIP HOSTS:</u>	Atwood Family Carsten Family	Moehring Family Paula Burwell

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
Patricia Crowe (Mother of Mandy Shelmadine)	Guidance for physicians and prayers for family
Pastor Melvin Blobaum (Brother of Pastor Emil Blobaum)	Guidance for physicians and prayers for family

Blessed Events

Roshan Kannan and Ravi Kannan (Sons of Molly and T.K. Kannan and Grand-sons of Steve and Barb DeReus)	Prayers of Thanksgiving for this Greatest Gift from God
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Long-Term Prayer Concerns

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

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ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**Notice is hereby given of the Annual Congregational Meeting
on Sunday, January 26, 2014,
immediately following the service at approximately 10:00am**

The annual report will be available for pickup at the church a week prior to the meeting. Minutes of 2013 congregational meetings, council position mid-year appointments, and the proposed 2014 budget will be presented for approval. These issues require 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 or Barb LeGrant.

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, January 19, 2014. Also, in accordance with the constitution, voting by proxy or absentee ballot shall not be permitted.