THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF MAHOMET WEEKLY E-MAIL NEWSLETTER March 27, 2013 LCM Website: Icofm.org Phone: 217-586-4786

Pastor's Hours: Pastor Vic Baderschneider will be in the office this week, Tuesday, March 26th and Thursday, March 28th.

<u>Office Hours</u>: Tuesday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. This week only – The church office will be closed Friday, March 29 for Good Friday.

<u>New Daily Devotional Booklets Available</u>: New daily devotional booklet for April – June, 2013, are available in the Narthex.

<u>Call Committee Late March Update</u>: Members of the Call Committee have been actively conducting interviews with three potential pastoral candidates. The process has been going smoothly and as quickly as schedules with individual candidates allow. Committee members have been equally impressed with each candidate in varying ways and the task of committee members on behalf of LCM is rewarding, exciting, and daunting all at the same time. Please continue to keep this process, as well as the candidates, in your daily prayers. It is important to keep in our hearts and minds that this is God's House and God will guide us towards what is ultimately right for Him and His servants here within The Lutheran Church of Mahomet. In His Service, LCM Call Committee Members

<u>"Revitalizing Your Congregation" Webinar</u>: is coming to LCM April 11-13, and you are invited! The webinar includes four interactive sessions featuring excellent presenters. The sessions will highlight four approaches: Engaging the Uninvolved, Energizing the Unclaimed, Enlisting the Unafraid, and Empowering the Unknown. You may participate in some or all of the sessions, as your interests and time allow. Our LCM website (lcofm.org) has more details and an online sign-up. A sign-up sheet will also be posted on the quadboard in the narthex. This special event is FREE to attend. Refreshments will be available, but meals will be on your own.

The "live" conference, presented by Healthier Church, will be held at Edison Park Lutheran Church in Chicago and broadcast via webinar. LCM will be one of many sites around the country to host the webinar. We have invited Christ Lutheran in Monticello to join us, as well as the other churches in our synod conference.

This event can contribute so much to bringing us together and moving us forward as a congregation! Each LCM member should prayerfully consider participating. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Erickson <u>Erickson.cindy@gmail.com</u> or Larry Gibson <u>lpgibson.gcs@gmail.com</u>

SYNOD ASSEMBLY COMING UP IN JUNE!

The 26th Annual Central/Southern Illinois Synod Assembly is scheduled for June 6-8 in Springfield. Our theme this year is: "Blessed to be a Blessing!" There you have it! The core of our faith...the heart of our lives as Lutheran Christians. The Assembly allows us to take time from our busy lives to assess how this critical belief fills our days and gives guidance and meaning to our actions. It is a time for reflection, for discussion, for learning---a mix of learning and living. Additional information has been posted on our quad-board.

As in the past, LCM will send delegates to the Assembly. We are entitled to send three lay voting members; two adults (one male and one female) and one youth or young adult (age 21 or

below). LCM pays your expenses while at the Assembly. If you are interested in attending the Assembly as an LCM delegate, please contact Bill Moehring at 586-7036 or by email at: billmoehring@yahoo.com. Please let Bill know by April 30 if you are interested in serving as a delegate. If more than the allowed number of delegates wish to attend, we will pull names from a hat.

<u>Big Thank You</u> to Mark Reifsteck, Mark Dalton and Aron Hanslow for the snow removal at the church on Monday! That was a big job! Well Done!

To all the Ladies of The Lutheran Church of Mahomet: F.A.I.T.H. Jewelry Open House from 6:30 – 9:00 pm at Denise Dalton's home on Friday, April 5th. Appetizers and beverages will be served. Bring a guest! Email for addition information: dldalton86@gmail.com

Hospitalized: Rick Auteberry has been admitted to Carle Hospital. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Sunday School: There will be no Sunday school on March 31 (Easter Sunday).

Holy Week Services:

Maundy Thursday Worship: March 28th 6:30 PM

A service of Holy Communion will be held on Maundy Thursday, March 28th at 6:30 PM. On Maundy Thursday we remember the Lord who came to us as a humble servant. He gives us His life so that we may live a new life, and gives us a new commandment: that we love one another as He has loved us.

Good Friday Tenebrae Service: March 29th 6:30 PM

On Good Friday we will share in a Tenebrae ("shadows") service in remembrance of our Lord's complete sacrifice for us on his cross. This solemn service reminds us of the reality of sin and evil in the world. However, we face these realities as confident believers...as people who see beyond the cross to the Easter victory.

Youth News

<u>Easter Sunday Breakfast</u> will be served by the Confirmation class at 8 AM Sunday, March 31. Students should be at the church no later than 7:15 AM to help make pancakes, eggs and sausage. This year's breakfast will feature fresh eggs from the Buchannan family! There is no charge for the breakfast; donations will go toward the Youth Fund. Please call Alicia Ekhoff at 217-649-8472 or <u>ekhoffal@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions

Confirmation Sunday: Will be Sunday, May 19th

Sunday School Now Begins at 10:30 AM:

K-5th grades meet in the double classroom for Hands On lessons with BUZZ by Group

6th-12th grades meet in the Youth Room for weekly liturgy based ELCA Faith Lens discussions

Vacation Bible School: Kingdom Rock, Where Kids Stand for God will be August 4 – 8, 5:30 – 7:30 PM for Ages 3 -5 and students entering Grades K-5th . Mark Your Calendars! More Information Coming Soon!

<u>Mission Trip</u>: Plans are underway for a Summer Youth Mission Trip. Watch the Youth Board outside the Church Office for more information. Questions? Call or e-mail Alicia Ekhoff 217-649-8472 or ekhoffal@gmail.com

LENT/EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

<u>Thursday, March 28</u> Maundy Thursday	6:30 PM Communion Service
<u>Friday, March 29</u> Good Friday	6:30 PM Tenebrae Service
<u>Sunday, March 31</u> Easter Sunday	8:00 AM Easter Breakfast 9:00 AM Easter Celebration Service Resurrection of our Lord Reception of New Members by Baptism, Transfer or Confession of Faith Fellowship Reception for New Members Following Service

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<u>Monday, April 1</u>	WELCA Sew Day 6:00 PM Lions Club 7:15 PM Bible Study
<u>Tuesday, April 2</u>	10:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scouts

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

	March 31	<u>April 7</u>
ACOLYTES:	Chatman Edmonds	
BREADMAKER:	Amy McDonald	Karen Kibler
<u>BREADWAREIN</u> .	Arriy McDonaid	Raien Riblei
ALTAR GUILD	Patti Sapp Ruth Studley	Barb LeGrant Laverne Shafer
ASSISTING MINISTER	Dia Nuesmeyer	Dia Nuesmeyer
CELEBRATION LEADER	-	-
COMMUNION ASST:	Mark Reifsteck	Laura Bottorf
GREETERS:	Jon LeGrant Family	Bill Moehring Family
READER:	Pam Atwood	Cindy Erickson
USHERS:	Tim Koller Family	Dave Robberstad Family
OFFERING COUNTERS:	Alicia and Stewart Ekhoff Dan and Cindy Erickson	Stewart and Alicia Ekhoff Dan and Cindy Erickson
FELLOWSHIP HOSTS:	Easter Sunday Breakfast – Youth	Fellowship

<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 Scott Kingry (SDKingry@gmail.com), 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, in the monthly newsletter, or on the Church website at <u>www.lcofm.org</u>. Thank you for your assistance in performing these tasks by serving our Church. Visit our website at www.lcofm.org

