



The Arising News



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*“The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone”*

Isaiah 9:2

Worship Times: In-Person ~ Sunday 9:00am

Adult Bible Study - Sunday 10:30am

Live Streaming via Facebook - Sundays 9:00am

All services are transmitted in the parking lot on FM 98.3

Communion is celebrated every Sunday @ 9:00am

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Office hours:

Mon-Fri 9:00am-3:00pm

Pastor Licht is off Mondays



February - Dates to Remember

02/01 Thurs..	6:30pm	LWML Bible Study
	6:30pm	Elder Meeting
02/03 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
	7:30am	Men's Bible Breakfast
02/04 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Sunday School
02/06 Tues.	6:00pm	LBDC Board Meeting
02/07 Weds.	9:00am	LifeLight Class
	5:30pm	Congregational Life
	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
	6:30pm	Ed Board Meeting
	7:00pm	LifeLight Class
02/08 Thurs.	6:30pm	Council
02/10 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
02/11 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Sunday School
02/12 Mon.	3:30pm	Quilt Assembly Group
	6:30pm	Future Planning Meeting
02/13 Tues.	7:00pm	LifeLight Class— <i>New Day</i>
02/14 Weds.	9:00am	LifeLight Class
Ash Wednesday	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
Valentines Day	12pm & 7pm	Ash Wednesday Services
02/17 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
02/18 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/ Youth Sunday School
02/20 Tues.	7:00pm	LifeLight Class— <i>New Day</i>
02/21 Weds.	9:00am	LifeLight Class
	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
	6:00pm	Lenten Supper
02/22 Thurs.	5:30pm	Christian Care Meal Prep/Serve
02/23 Fri.	12pm	Fellowship Friday
	5:30pm	Cookie Bake/Freeze
02/24 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
02/25 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
Potluck	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/ Youth Sunday School



The Gospel for February



February 4th Mark 1:29-39

Jesus Preaches in Galilee

³⁸ And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." ³⁹ And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

February 11th Mark 9:2-9

The Transfiguration

² And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³ and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one^[a] on earth could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus.

February 14th Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Lay Up Treasures in Heaven

¹⁹ "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust^[a] destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰ but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

February 18th Mark 1:9-15

Jesus Begins His Ministry

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand;^[b] repent and believe in the gospel."

February 25th Mark 8:27-38

Peter Confesses Jesus as the Christ

²⁷ And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸ And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." ²⁹ And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." ³⁰ And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

Mark 8:31-38

³¹ And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³² And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

³⁴ And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever would save his life^[c] will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶ For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? ³⁷ For what can a man give in return for his soul? ³⁸ For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Drop Your Ugly Accusation!

Satan is the great accuser. He accuses you of being unworthy of God's mercy. He wants to hold your sins in front of you, convince you they are so terrible that God could never forgive you, and leave you despairing of your salvation. Satan wants to fix your eyes on your sin. But God says, "Fix your eyes on Jesus" (Heb 12:2). With your eyes on Jesus, you will know that no matter the depth of your sin, there is "no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus" (Rom 8:1).

Which is what makes the gift of confessing our sins to God so great. As King David so elegantly put it: "I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,' and you forgave the iniquity of my sin" (Ps 32:5). David rejoiced in the gift of confessing his sins and receiving God's forgiveness.

Martin Luther spoke boldly of the confidence we have even when the devil tries to convict us of our sins. Luther suggests we "Spit at the devil and say: If I have sinned, well, then I have sinned, and I am sorry about it; but Christ has taken away all the sins of all the world... Therefore this sin of mine is certainly also taken away. Depart from me, devil. I am absolved."

Apply that same confidence to your meditation on the Second Commandment this month with the catechism explanation and questions to guide your meditation printed below. Confess your sins and then tell the devil to get lost with these words from the third verse of *God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It* (LSB 594):

*Satan, hear this proclamation:
I am baptized into Christ!
Drop your ugly accusation,
I am not so soon enticed.*

*Now that to the font I've traveled,
All your might has come unraveled,
And, against your tyranny,
God, my Lord, unites with me!*

God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.
Amen.



Pastor Licht

The Second Commandment

You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

Questions for Self-Reflection:

Is the Lord's Word evident in my daily speech and conduct, or do I curse, speak carelessly, or misuse God's name?

Do I keep all the vows I have made in the Lord's name, such as confirmation, marriage, or legal vows, etc.?

Am I diligent and sincere in my prayers, or have I been lazy, bored, or distracted? Do I trust that the

Lord God will answer them according to His good and gracious will?

(From *Lutheran Service Book, Pastoral Care Companion*, CPH, 2007)

Have you used the name of God to swear or curse others?

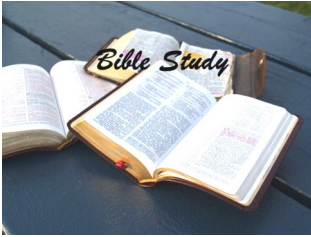
Have you been involved in satanic arts or activities?

Have you failed to pray regularly?

Have you failed to thank and bless God, in good times and in bad?

Have you brought dishonor to the Name into which you were baptized?

(From *Preparation through Reflective and Introspective Examination*, Emmanuelpress.us)



Bible Study Sunday mornings @ 10:30am

ENDURING FAITH

A lifetime of spiritual growth is what we've been called into from the day of our baptism.

Join us on Sunday mornings for that purpose as we study the same Bible lessons as our youth so that we might grow together with them and model for them a lifetime of growing in God's Word.

Our present unit is titled, "Jesus Teaches His Church." The lessons highlight much of Jesus' earthly ministry as well as His ongoing work through the Church in the book of Acts and conclude with a look at the promised new heaven and new earth on the day of His return.

New Member Class

If you or someone you know is interested in joining our church, please contact Pastor Licht or call the church office, 563-386-2342.



Sunday School

**Meets every Sunday
At 10:30am**

All Children Are Welcome!

"...with full
courage now
as always
Christ will be
honored in my
body, whether by
life or by death.
For to me to
LIVE IS CHRIST,
and to die
is gain."

~St. Paul
Philippians

Friends are
welcome at
all of our
events.
Please
invite
them!

Calling all Middle school and High School students!

Middle schoolers will join Mr. Rich Emory in the library & High Schoolers will join Mr. Stephen Smith in his office for Bible class every Sunday at 10:30am.

Study where it all started in Genesis and we'll make our way through the Old Testament.

Look for "Read through the Bible" plans for the coming year on the fellowship table.

You won't want to miss it!!

Dates to Remember:

February 14th Ash Wednesday—
Divine Worship @ 12pm & 7pm.

February 21st (and for the next 5 Wednesdays) Serve Lenten meals @ 6pm.

Lenten Worship @ 7pm.

February 25th—Snow Star

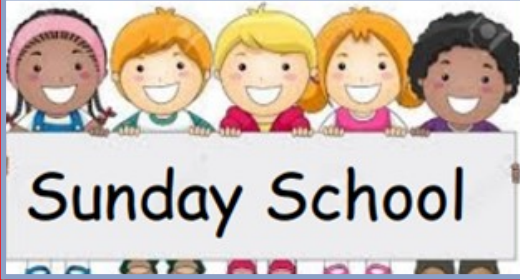
March 24th—Sunday 10:30am Stuff Easter Eggs

March 30th—Saturday 7:30am Hide Easter Eggs

March 31st—Easter Sunday-Cook Easter Breakfast

Join us and bring your friends!





Calling all 3 year old's - 5th graders!!!

Join us upstairs on Sunday mornings at 10:30am. We'll start by learning some new (and old) songs then divide into our classrooms.

If you have a heart for showing children the love of Jesus and would like to serve in Children's Ministry, Please contact Leslie McCoy—leslie@rclcqc.org

Call/text (309)230-4860

Dates to Remember:

Sunday school children sing - February 18
Ash Wednesday - February 14—Divine
Worship @ 12pm & 7pm

Lenten Dinners Wednesdays @ 6pm starting
February 21. Lenten Worship @ 7pm.
Come join us!

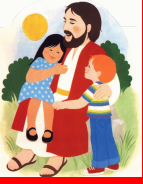
The Sunday school children will be singing in the service on February 18th. Please plan to have your children here to practice at 8:40am in the Library. It is such a blessing to hear their sweet voices lifted in praise to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!



February 4 Heidi Iltis
February 11 Naomi McCloud
February 18 Leslie McCoy
February 25 Janey Zirpel

Nursery is located upstairs in the Youth room.
Thank you all for serving!

When the parents brought the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying: "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."
Luke 2:27-32



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Little Blessings – “Proclaiming the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to children and their parents through a high quality child care program.”

The weather made January very interesting for the daycare. A couple late starts and a couple days we closed for weather. Life is so much easier not having to change the schedules around, but using Brightwheel all parents received notifications immediately of the change in schedule and was much easier this year.

January we were able to get our parent handbook updated. The state has added many new mandates that needed to be added to our parent handbook. If anyone would like to look at our parent handbook, please stop in the daycare and we can give you a copy. Next project is to update our staff handbook. Once again state has added several new policies that need to be included in our handbook.

This is February’s project. The preschool children will be having a special “event” for the congregation that is involved with Lifelight this month on Valentine’s day. Make sure you show up if you’re in the class that day. We are starting up our reading to preschoolers again this month. A new sign up chart will be in the fellowship hall. If you’re interested in reading to the children, pick a day that works best for you and we will have the children ready to be good listeners. The children love it when someone new is reading to them and this is a wonderful way of showing God’s love to the children and the children showing God’s love back.

Check out the pictures on the daycare bulletin board in the hallway. Who says one year old’s can’t pray during the Lord’s prayer and before they are served meals each day. They are so precious and show they are God’s children. During a zoom meeting with Jan Doellinger (IDE Assistant to the President - Schools) she shared an article written by Drew Gerdes about God Loves You. In the article it talks about how many times and ways to tell children “God Loves You” in a day and how powerful those words are. “God loves you” can be said, read and written to children depending on ages. Look at your own family and friends that you are with everyday. How many times can you say, read or write those words to family and friends?

February is a great month to work on telling family and friends that God loves them. During the month of February the children will be working and learning about:

- The color blue and Jesus calming the storm. When someone is described as “true blue” it means that he/she is completely trustworthy. It is important that the children know whom they can trust. Letter w, number 3 color blue shape triangle little boy blue nursery rhyme and the bible verse is: Quiet Be still Mark 4:39
- Valentine’s day and the good Samaritan. Encourage the children to show appreciation and affection to others. The focus of this theme is not only about loving family and friends but also about being a good neighbor to everyone we meet. Letter x number 4 color red shape heart Jesus loves me nursery rhyme and bible verse: who is my neighbor?
- This theme is about celebrating President’s day and discussing important leaders of the Bible. Children can understand the presidential position as one of authority. They can begin to appreciate the characteristics of a godly leader.

Letter y number 5 color red/while/blue shape rectangle and old king cole for nursery rhyme. Bible verse is: give us a king to lead us The center is still looking to hire one to two more staff members. If anyone knows of someone that loves children that would like to work in a daycare setting, please send them. Know someone that is looking for free college in the childcare/teaching field? Send them our way, we can offer free college along with many other benefits. We are looking for some old phone and remotes. If anyone has old cell phones or remotes laying around in the junk draw and would like to donate them to the center. It would be greatly appreciated. Batteries are removed and backs are glued tight. They are for play purposes only. If anyone knows of a family looking for infant care in March, we will have one opening.

Happy Valentine Day to everyone and remember “God Loves You”
Terrie



2/01 *Anna Esbaum*
 2/01 *Mary Ruhnke*
 2/04 *Tonia Dirksen*
 2/04 *Reynold Waech*
 2/06 *Meagan Buckley*
 2/06 *Joyce Koenig*
 2/06 *Cooper Roehm*
 2/08 *Karter Dittmer*
 2/09 *Joy Wayt-Guthmiller*
 2/10 *Elise Johnson*
 2/10 *Julie Lewis*
 2/10 *Alyssa Martens*
 2/11 *Molly Emmert*
 2/12 *Keith Inghram*
 2/14 *Brianna Bosco*
 2/15 *Sherrí Johnson*
 2/15 *Addison Rasler*

2/16 *Edven Carr*
 2/16 *Eric Carr*
 2/16 *Alexa Wakeland*
 2/17 *Natalie Bosco*
 2/18 *Heidi Iltis*
 2/20 *Kari Atkins*
 2/20 *Lucy Reller*
 2/20 *Riley Reller*
 2/21 *Tena Biddle*
 2/22 *Richard Schrage*
 2/27 *Angie Franzenburg*
 2/27 *Tyler Inghram*



“One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism.”
Ephesians 4:5

2/02 Becky Oswald
2/03 Molly Ruhnke
2/04 Amber Atkins
2/04 Ashley Atkins
2/05 Sara Flynn
2/05 Kayla Reller
2/05 Cody Weih
2/07 Tyler Inghram
2/07 Trevor Miller
2/07 Asher Ross
2/09 Edward Lesch
2/09 Austin Seibert
2/10 Eric Carr
2/10 Juli Charley
2/10 Sam Hartwig



2/11 David Rowland
2/14 Blake Ferris
2/14 Kellie Petersen
2/15 Tim Curtiss
2/23 Isabella York
2/24 Liz Johnson
2/26 Riggins Repp
2/27 Barbara Stichter
2/29 John Simons

Numbers 6:26

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You; the Lord
Make His Face to shine Upon You and be
Gracious to You; the Lord lift up his
Countenance upon You and give You Peace.”

Happy Valentines Day!



"I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine."

Song of Solomon 6:3

Membership Changes

If you have changed address, or know of another member who did but may not have informed us, please either remind that person to get us the new information or supply it yourself. Thank you for helping us keep in touch with our treasured members.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Rev. Bob Bartel—Undergoing Cancer Treatment
Jeremy Luden (Co-worker of Leslie McCoy)—Recovering from a Stroke

Kali Gruenhagen—Ongoing Treatment at Home

Paulette Waech—Recovering at Home

Elaine Gordon—Undergoing Cancer Treatment

Dave Duncan—Recovering from Surgery Following an Accident

Rose Allison—Undergoing Cancer Treatment

Holly Meyer—Medical Treatment

Ken Kruse—Heart Procedure

Kay Johnson—Hip Surgery



HOSPITALIZED? If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital or will be an outpatient at any medical facility and you desire Pastor Licht to visit, please notify the church office at 386-2342. Also, if you are a home-bound member and would like a visit, feel free to request a visit by notifying the church office.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Submitted by Grace Schrage

Mission Statement

As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

Equipping women through God's Word: Come and learn more about our awesome God: Bible study at 6:30 p.m. on February 1st. Bible studies are from national LWML and are independent from one month to the next.

Serving others: February 12 at 3:30 p.m. Come and help assemble quilts to be shared through Orphan Grain Train or Lutheran World Relief. We meet on February 12 at 3:30 p.m. We pin or we tie – no quilting skills beyond pinning or pulling thread through the layers of the quilt. We have leaders who help in putting tops, middles and backing together!

Other opportunities to serve others (and have time for fellowship):

PIN AND TIE DAY: February 24 – we begin at 8:30 a.m. with a light breakfast, a devotion, and then work on quilts until about 11:00 or 11:30 a.m.

Mugs and Muffins – February 27 – 9:30 a.m. – we begin with a brief devotion/Bible study and then work on a project – perhaps finishing the flannel blankets!

Mission support: Our LWML at RCLC supports two seminary students – with a monthly check during the school year. We also support mission projects through our Iowa East District and through National LWML by collecting Mites for Missions. Look for the Large Mite Box on the first Sunday of the month (February 4). Also, check out the page about the highlighted Mission Grant for February – and this grant has been paid in full. For more information about LWML, check out lwml.org.

ZONE and DISTRICT ACTIVITIES:

The Spring Zone Rally will be on **March 23** – at Immanuel Lutheran – look for additional information about this in this newsletter.

Iowa East District Convention is in Cedar Rapids on **June 21 & June 22**. Registration begins at 8 a.m. on June 21 and opening worship (after a box lunch) is at 1 p.m.

For more information and for registration form – see table in the fellowship area.

Coming Activities:

February 1, 2024 –	6:30 p.m. Bible Study
February 4 -	Sunday Morning Mites collection
February 12 -	3:30 p.m. Quilting
February 24 -	8:30 a.m. – PIN and TIE Day
February 27 -	9:30 a.m. – Mugs and Muffins





LWML Davenport Zone Spring Rally

Servant Event ~

Pregnancy Resources and Women's Choice Center

I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. John 10:10b ESV

Saturday, March 23, 2024, 8:30 – 11:30 am

Immanuel Lutheran Church – Schember Hall
3834 Rockingham Rd, Davenport, IA 52802
Breakfast will be served.

Servant Activities:

Tying toddler blankets, packing diaper bags, sorting items

Bible Study: Pastor Peter Hoft

Reservations

by Tuesday, March 19, 2024
call Dorothy Jones at (563) 332-5542

Ingathering

Suggested items for both

Pregnancy Resources and Women's Choice Center:

diapers – any size, but most needed newborn, 1, 4, 5, and 6
baby wipes bottles pacifiers lotion
Shampoo booties and socks onesies
receiving blankets small quilts sippy cups outfits up to 6T

Come, bring a friend, enjoy fellowship, and support life!





**Little Blessings Daycare
Christmas Program
Tuesday, December 5th
Everyone Enjoyed Cake
Afterwards!**



2023–2025 LWML Mission Grant #5

Disaster Response Team

Trinity Lutheran Church, Tyler, TX — \$50,000

About This Mission Grant

Trinity Lutheran Church Disaster Response Team (TLC DRT) in Tyler, Texas, answers the call to serve our neighbors in need by ministering to the physical and spiritual needs of people affected by severe storms such as hurricanes, tornadoes, and floods. The team is comprised totally of volunteer workers who set up base camps in areas that have been affected by natural disasters. They listen compassionately to the stories of people who have been affected by storms and share Christ's love with them in Word and action.

TLC DRT's equipment and trailers are also used by volunteers from other teams, causing additional wear and tear on equipment. This grant will allow repair and replacement of necessary equipment so the team can continue to be Christ's hands and feet and share God's love to people affected by disasters.

Assessing safest way to remove tree from house



PRAYERS related to this Mission Grant :

Heavenly Father, You tell us: You shall love your neighbor as yourself (Galatians 5:14). We thank You for the Disaster Response Team from Trinity Lutheran Church, who are sent to respond to people who are suffering from the loss of loved ones, property damage, destruction, material losses, and lack of food and water. Strengthen them through Your Word, encourage them, and be their rock and fortress as they sit and listen to the victim's stories and respond to their needs. Help the victims to know and trust in You in their time of despair and discouragement. Amen

Lord, we thank You for the mission opportunities the Disaster Response Team has as they are called to respond in a moment's notice when disaster strikes. Bless them as they grow in Your Word. Help them encourage others as they work together. Help them to keep their equipment in a state of readiness as they wait for the call to serve whenever and wherever You send them. As they go Lord, may they remember that You are their refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble (Psalm 46:1). In Your holy name, we pray. Amen.

Dear Jesus, You know the challenges and needs of all the people affected by hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, earthquakes, and wildfires. Bless each one of them and their families. Keep them safe in dangerous and life-threatening conditions. Provide resources for body and soul. Send compassionate and caring disaster responders who have received special training to assess and intervene in times of disaster. Help the victims through this difficult, dangerous time to look to You and trust Your promise that You will never leave them or forsake them. In Your name we pray. Amen.

Confirmation Class on Wednesday, February 7th



2023-2024 Confirmation Class
Welcome All Students to
Confirmation Instruction
with Pastor Licht
If you Have questions,
Contact Pastor Licht at:
pastorlicht@rclcqc.org



MEN'S
BIBLE BREAKFAST

SATURDAY
February 3rd
Starting @ 7:30am

Breakfast will
be served!



CHRISTIANCAREQC.ORG

Men's Shelter Meal Service

Where: 2209 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL

When: The fourth Thursday night of each month. Arrive at the shelter between 5:00- 5:30 pm, depending on meal prep time required.

What: We provide a meal for 50-60 people.

Details: Meal items can be prepared ahead of time and heated up at the shelter. They have 2 big ovens that we can use. They provide serving dishes, utensils, plates, drinks and clean-up. We provide a tasty nourishing meal (main dish, side dishes, dessert.).

Thrivent members can apply for Thrivent Action Team dollars for each date they help in order to defray the costs.

In a nutshell: sign up for a date, plan a meal, prepare it and serve it with love.

Contact Bryan Johnson or Sandy Sievert or sign up at the kiosk in the narthex if interested in helping prepare a meal.

This is a great family or small group activity!

Look for Sign up at the kiosk for all months in 2024.

Thank you to All of the Families that Contributed their time & resources to Help Feed Those in Need in Our Community. God Bless You!

2209 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL 61201
(309) 786-5734
www.christiancareqc.org

Council Inputs to Newsletter- Feb 2024*Submitted by Dave Luebbe*

The Risen Christ Church Council is elected as representatives of the congregation as the church follows its purpose in preaching the word of God, caring for its members, and serving in God's Kingdom.

Congregational Life Committee will have another Cookie Bake and Prep of Freezer Meals on **2/23/24**.

There will be a Church Potluck following service on **2/25/24**.

Christian Care meals re-commenced in January. Volunteers to prepare and serve the meals are always needed. **Sign up on the kiosk** if you can support future months.

New incoming council members were installed in the church service on 1/7/24.

President-	David Luebbe
Vice President-	Ron Gruenhagen
Treasurer-	Jessica Welch
Secretary-	Rachel Luebbe
Education and Children's Ministry-	Heidi Iltis
Elders-	Tim Welch
Evangelism-	Scott Sievert
Future Planning-	Ian McCloud
Little Blessings Day Care-	Patty Thomas
Stewardship-	Bryan Johnson
Trustees-	Myles Zirpel

Thanks to the following departing council members for their service-

- Michelle Warner
- Terry Warner
- Angie Franzenburg.

The Council is always looking for help in the many and various ways that Risen Christ supports the Pastor, Church Administrator, Staff, Members, and the Community. If you would like to get involved, or have questions, please see any Council member.

Your Servant in Christ,
Dave Luebbe



Mugs & Muffins



Mugs & Muffins Meeting
See You February 27th, 2024!



**LWML Bible Study
Next Meeting
Thursday, February 1st
At 6:30pm**

All Women are Welcome!

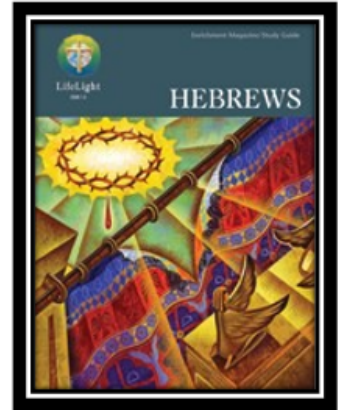


LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY

"The Book of Hebrews" – 7pm Class in February

The **7pm class** will meet – **Same Time - Different Day**, see below;

7pm Class	7pm Class	7pm Class
February 14 th	February 21 st	February 28 th
Will meet	Will meet	Will meet
Tues. February 13 th	Tues. February 20 th	Tues. February 27 th



Women's Bible Study Group!

Lady Like, Living Biblically

Join Us!

Classes Begin on Saturday,
February 3rd @ 8:30am

Working our way through the
Study Guide's

Weekly Study Questions

Please Sign Up by January 27th

Sign – up at the Ministry Table

Also, these classes are available on
Audiobooks on Amazon, Audible and Apple Books
for varying costs.

A \$15 donation is appreciated to offset
the cost of the study guide

Contact Leslie McCoy, at; leslie@rclqc.org

REBEKAH CURTIS and ROSE ADLE



LIVING BIBLICALLY

If you have any questions, Contact Michelle Warner



“Every
tittle of
the land,
whether
of the
seed of
the land
or of the
fruit of
the trees,
it is the
Lord’s; it
is holy to
the Lord.”
Leviticus

27:30



Ash Wednesday Service
Wednesday, February 14th
12:00pm & 7:00pm



Lenten Suppers Begin at **6pm**
Wednesday, February 21st ~ Wednesday, March 20th

Lent

Lenten

delicious
DINNERS

Sign-up to Cook a Meal for Lenten Suppers- See the Sheet on the Corkboard. *Thank you!*



Lenten Vespers

At Risen Christ Lutheran Church

**Wednesday, February 21st at 7pm, through
Wednesday, March 20th at 7pm**

**Bring Family, Friends and Enjoy
Lenten Suppers before Vespers.
We Welcome You!**

Lenten Vespers



Homebound Members of our Risen Christ Family:



**Dorothy Bargmann
Donna Cook
Kristi Manley
David Perry
Gary Stichter**

**Dan and Trish Speth
Paulette Waech
Doralee Rock
Joe Speer**

Keep these members in your prayers and don't forget to reach out to them as you are able (e.g.: cards, phone calls, text messages) and remind them that although they are not able to regularly gather together with us, they remain part of our family. Thank you.



CHRIST'S HANDS IN ACTION - Do you have tasks or small jobs around the house with which you need help? Risen Christ is looking to establish a "Service Group" at the church to assist church members (and others) with tasks/small jobs around the house. These small jobs could range from changing light bulbs to raking leaves, to small landscaping projects. As such, we are looking for inputs on service/assistance needs of members. After we formulate a list of projects, we will be seeking participation of members to assist with performance of these service tasks. **Please submit ideas/requests to Myles Zirpel, or write them on the sheet in the Narthex**, with sufficient contact information to allow follow-up on your suggestions. Thanks in advance for your inputs to jump start this new service opportunity.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

Are you looking for ways to serve your neighbor? Consider taking part in one of our service options:

Christ's Hands In Action is a service group created to meet the needs of members of our church and community with small jobs or household tasks which they may not be able to do on their own. Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex.

Service Videos: Volunteers are wanted to help with video livestreams and editing for network airings. This is a great opportunity for adults and youth alike! Training is available by request.

Board of Trustees is always looking for new members! If hands-on skills are more your area of expertise, consider joining the Board of Trustees. Trustees help maintain the church building and grounds.

Members of all skill levels are needed, so if you have any interest in serving with one of these areas then please contact Myles Zirpel to take part!

News!

Myles Zirpel is the Chair of the Trustees—If you have any questions, Contact Myles at: myles_zirpel@hotmail.com



Parish Nursing, Congregational Health, Caring Alongside: The Essence of Parish Nursing and Congregational Health Ministries. The 32nd Annual Parish Nurse and Congregational Health Ministries National Conference is May 15th–16th 2024. You Need to Register by May 15th. If you register earlier there are no refunds after May 1st. **The cost is \$250 for the 2 day event. Scholarships are available. Email Marcy Schorr for an application: marcyschorr2009@gmail.com** You may attend at a 1 day rate of \$90 for May15th and \$90 for May 16th. Send your apps/checks to Dr. Carol Lueders Bolwerk, Concordia University Wisconsin 12800 North Lakeshore Drive, Mequon, WI 53097

LWML Thank you Letter

Dear Risen Christ LWML, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Thank You so much for your Christmas card and for your continuing financial support. We are so grateful for your encouragement and prayers during our vicarage year. We look forward to the remainder of our time at St. Lorenz and wish you all a blessed New Year. Peace, the Tegatzes, Joshua, Rachel & Lily ...be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord. 1 Cor 15

IN MEMORY OF DALE OTTO, MARCH 1, 1940–JANUARY 8, 2024

Our Brother Dale Otto has Entered Heaven Triumphant, on Monday, January 8th 2024.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date. A memorial may be made in his name to the Davenport Elks, you may share condolences at www.rungemortuary.com You may view The Obituary at dignitymemorial.com

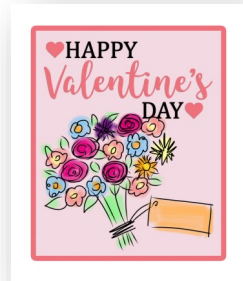


Beautify our Altar with flowers. Sign up at the kiosk bulletin board.

ALTAR

02/04 OPEN
02/11 OPEN
02/18 OPEN
02/25 OPEN

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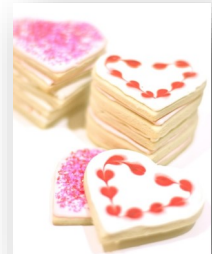
Find The 2024 Flower Chart at the Kiosk, Find Your Celebration Dates! They Go Fast!

When you have signed up to provide flowers for a certain date, please fill out the pink Altar Flower instruction sheet and turn it in to the office by the prior Sunday. The cost for a bouquet is \$43 (slightly more if you wish to add special flowers).

Please make checks payable to RCLC Altar Guild.

Sunday Cookies

02/04 9:00am McCloud Family
02/11 9:00am Trustee Committee*
02/18 9:00am LWML*
02/25 9:00am Congregational Life Committee*



***Committee responsible when member's haven't signed-up.**

Please sign up at the kiosk to provide or serve cookies or both. There are opportunity's for everyone to serve. Everyone enjoys treats & community building after Sunday morning services. Call the church office with any questions.

February Worship Servants

Elders

02/04 Mark Iltis

02/11 Ian McCloud

Ash Wednesday

02/14

12:00pm Rich Emory

7:00pm Scott Sievert

02/18 Tim Welch

02/21 12pm TBD

7:00pm Jason Franzenburg

02/25 Stephen Smith



Current Elder Assignments

Families with last names starting with:

A-B - Ian McCloud

C-F Stephen Smith

G-J Mark Iltis

K-L Scott Sievert

M-N Tim Welch

O-R Rich Emory

S Jason Franzenburg

T-V Rich Emory

W-Z Jason Franzenburg

Sound & Video

02/04 Steve McCoy

02/11 Dave Luebbe

02/18 Sam Ross

02/25 Dick Schrage

Altar Guild—February

OPEN

Join the Altar Guild!

Contact Margaret Miller, Dawn Curtiss or Pastor Licht if interested.



As for me and
my house, we will
serve the *Lord.*

Joshua 24:15

02/04 Eden Clark

02/11 Nathan McCoy & Maddie McCoy

02/18 Dalton Ferris & Hayley Ferris

02/25 Hayden Rasler



*"For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord,
from my youth."*

**02/04 James Luedtke, Rich Emory, Jason Lehman,
Scott Sievert, Steve McCoy, Mark Iltis**

Elder: Mark Iltis

**02/11 Bryan Johnson, Myles Zirpel, Sandy Sievert,
Scott Sievert, Dave Luebbe, Ian McCloud**

Elder: Ian McCloud

**02/14 Ash Wednesday
12:00pm TBD
Elder: Rich Emory
7:00pm TBD
Elder: Scott Sievert**



**02/18 Allan Elias, James Luedtke, Rich Emory,
Jason Lehman, Scott Sievert, Tim Welch**

Elder: Tim Welch

**02/25 Bryan Johnson, Myles Zirpel, Sandy Sievert,
Allan Elias, Scott Sievert, Stephen Smith**

Elder: Stephen Smith

GREETERS

9:00AM

02/04 Jean Wenndt & Jack Boley

02/11 Dick & Grace Schrage

02/18 Carol McAnelly & Sandy McLeod

02/25 Tim & Jessica Welch



February 2024



Song of Solomon 1:16

16 “Behold, you are beautiful, my beloved, truly delightful.”

