



ST. LUCAS

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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PRESCRIPTION NOTES

FORWARD: OUR GREAT OPPORTUNITY

The Forward capital campaign giving season is off and running. It is our prayer that the Lord would bless our congregation with the resources to build a worship facility that will bring glory to God, provide for the needs of his people, and be inviting to the community we seek to serve with the gospel of Jesus.

Now is your opportunity to commit to working together to make the vision of a new church building a reality. If you have not done so already, please return a commitment card outlining your gift to the Lord for the purpose of building his house. That gift is one way of thanking the Lord for all he has given you. Commitment forms are available online, in the back of church, and outside the school office. They may be placed in the red box in the back of church or dropped off at the office during the week.

The giving season for the campaign has started and will continue through March 2025. Simply place your check in a church building fund envelope, or donate online through our website. We pray that the Lord blesses all of us with the joy of giving cheerfully. As of March 31, 2023, the Lord has blessed us to have a balance of \$1,918,364.43 in the church building fund (see attached treasurer's report). We praise God for the generous gifts over the years which have brought us to this point.

The Church Building Coordinating Task Force continues working on refining the conceptual plan that was presented to the congregation. Your input has been appreciated. In the back church are updated drawings which include a potential covered drive up for the entrance. Building the covered drive up requires a variance from the Village of Kewaskum to build closer than 25 feet from the street. We will pursue that variance at the proper time. Another suggestion for a family restroom, where a person with disabilities would be able to receive assistance, has been passed on to the architect and he is working on the best location for this type of restroom.

We are blessed to work with a team of professionals who have great experience working with churches, including several WELS churches in our area. Our capital campaign coordinator is Generis, based in Atlanta, Georgia. The architect is from Groth Design Group in Cedarburg. The building coordinator is from Catalyst Construction, whose founder and CEO is a fellow WELS member.

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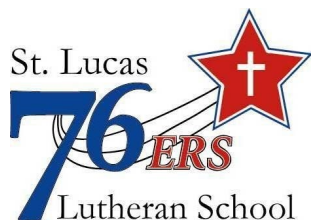
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Baptized into Christ

Finley Asher Eggert—April 16
Braxton Scott Egger—April 16
Walker Daniel Missall—April 23

Confirmation Class 2023

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Ranen Enright
Sienna Hatch
Jordyn Prochnow
Stuart Scheunemann
Jaxson Voit
Cassie Wolter



School News

Dear members of St. Lucas and St. John's St. James,
A few weeks ago, the members of St. Johns St. James extended a call to me to teach special education and principal release. After many conversations and prayers I have decided to return the call and remain at St. Lucas. I feel that there is still work for me to do here. The calling process seems to be made even more challenging in recent times where we seem to have less teachers than the needs that are seen. The Lord knows the plans he has for all of us and I will continue to keep St Johns St James in my prayers as you continue the search to fill your teaching needs.

In His Service, Jennifer Trimmer

Dear St. Lucas Family,

Thank you for all your prayers and encouragement as I deliberated between my calls at Memorial and St. Lucas. I am humbled by the opportunity to serve the Lord, let alone two good opportunities. However, at this time it is clear that I am still needed at St. Lucas, so after prayer and deliberation, I have decided to decline this call to Memorial Lutheran Church and School.

Join me in praying that God continues to bless and keep the congregation of Memorial as they carry out his work in Williamston, MI. I look forward to the blessings God has in store for St. Lucas and the continued work we can do together. "May [the Lord] give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed," (Psalm 20:4).

In Christ, Mark A. Hesse

We give thanks to the Lord for blessing us with the service of Mrs. Lynnea Zabell. May the Lord bless her and her husband as they move into the next phase of their family life.

Our congregation has requested an assignment for the new teacher through the Assignment Committee of the Wisconsin Synod. Assignments will be announced at the Martin Lutheran College Call Service on May 13 at 2:30 pm. You may stream the service live at mlc-wels.edu.

Classes are planning forms trips for the end of the year, and we are working on the production of "The Lion King" for Family Night. You are invited to join us to watch "The Lion King" on March 12 at 6:00 PM.

The close of the school year and graduation service will be held on the last day of school, Thursday, May 25, at 6:30 pm.

BIBLE STUDY SAMPLER

Tuesdays, May 9 & 16 at 6:30 pm, and Thursdays May 11 & 18 at 10:00 am, we will conduct as two session "Bible Study Sampler" to discuss the topic "Heaven: Truths and Myths." This is a great opportunity to give group Bible Study a try without a long term commitment. Beyond that, the topic will be encouraging for all as we consider the goal of our faith.

TASTE OF MISSIONS

Register today for Taste of Missions, a hybrid event that will be held on Saturday, June 10, 2023, at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon, Wis. Join us in person OR online to get a "taste of missions" no matter where you might be around the world.

The event kicks off with a special worship service where we will commission new home and world missionaries. Sample ethnic cuisine from some of our mission fields while enjoying fellowship and presentations from home and world missionaries alike. View displays, participate in outdoor family-friendly activities, and ask questions about the ups and downs of mission work during panel discussions.

Registration is \$15 per person, with children 13 and under attending for free. Those attending in person will receive food tickets to sample ethnic food and will have the ability to purchase additional food from the food trucks. Or attend virtually for free and watch all events via livestream, view additional video updates from missionaries, and try your hand at making one of the many ethnic recipes shared on the website.

Sign up today at tasteofmissions.com/register!

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy May birthdays to...

Jen Kertscher	1
Sandy Shambeau	1
Rosa Rudzitis	2
Jean Vorpahl	3
Matthew Kempf	4
Megan Dreher	5
Virginia Backhaus	8
Shane Dreher	9
Heather Hanson	9
Marvin Marquardt	9
Taylor Toth	9
Abby Backhaus	10
Andrew Otto	11
Tim Belger	12
David Butzke	13
Violet Hesse	13
Silas Schill	17
David Stern	17
Pat Moye	19
Angel Ruhnke	20
Jaxson Voit	20
Norman Kempf	21
Chad Krueger	22
Parker Belger	23
Olivia Zagorski	24
Wallace Hennig	26
Kevin Scheunemann	28
John Bielaga	29
Cindy Butzke	29
Erin Thoennes	30
Jason Kerscher	30
Kathryn Kertscher	30
Bonnie Stoltzmann	30

Happy May Anniversary to:

Steven and Susan Backhaus	3
Richard and Sue Laubach	9
Dennis and Lynn Garvey	21
Norman and Rosemary Kempf	24
Ronald and Bernice Stange	26
Daniel and Phyllis Schmidt	29

If your birthday or anniversary is missing from the list above or is incorrect please contact the office so we can correct our records.
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