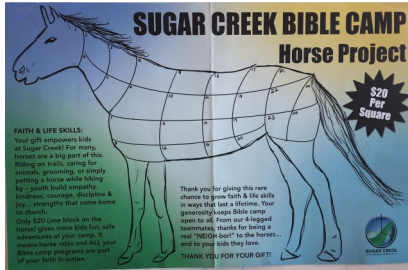




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At Sugar Creek, horses are a big part of the camping experience. Christian values are taught in lasting ways through the uniquely powerful, hands-on experience of trust, empathy, humility, courage, self-discipline, leadership, and fun.

The "Horse Project" Fundraiser makes this possible.

Trail rides, wagon tours, horse camping on the bluff, or even petting our friendly horses at the fence—these are awesome traditions.

On the horse poster in the Narthex, write your name in a square for each \$20 donation. Please mark your donation "Horse Project."

The 2024 Summer Camp brochures
are here!

They are on the table in the Narthex.

There are adventures not only for students, but for individuals, parents, grandparents, and families - Family Camp, Crafting Retreats, Adult Bus Trips, Recently Retired Retreats, and so much more.

March

15-16 Confirmation Youth Retreat

30 Easter Brunch

April

8 Yesterday's Youth
20 ES Youth Retreat

May

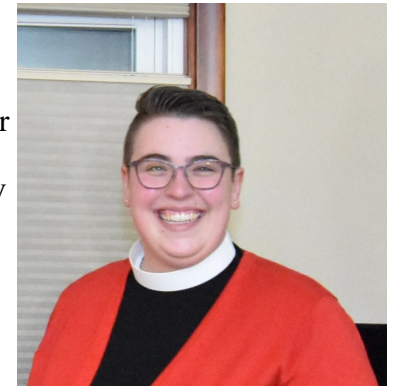
3-5 Volunteer Work Weekend



PASTOR'S PAGE

MARCH 2024

Christian Theologian N.T. Wright says this about the season of Lent: “Lent is a time for discipline, for confession, for honesty, not because God is mean or fault-finding or finger-pointing but because God wants us to know the joy of being cleaned out, ready for all the good things now in store.”

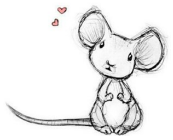


On Ash Wednesday we reflected on our mortality, that we are dust and to dust we shall return. We remembered that it was God who breathed life into dust, creating the first human being and that eventually we will each return to the ground when our life is over. So here we are, between our birth and our death: what will we do with this time we've been given? N.T. Wright invites us to view Lent as an intentional time to look at our lives and see what there is room to get rid of.

What things are taking up space in the shelves of our hearts that need to be cleaned out? I wonder what it would be like for us to clean out the hatred, resentment, selfishness, envy, and greed that we carry around? What might that cleaning out make room for? I wonder if it might make more room for love?

Not surface level love, but the kind of love spoken about in 1 Corinthians 13:4-7: “Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.” This is the kind of love that we see exemplified in Jesus’s ministry, it is the kind of love we are called to live out, and it is the kind of love our world needs.

-Pastor Emma



Pastoral Care

Pastor Emma Grinde
Phone number: 515-203-1915
Email: pastoremmagrinde@gmail.com

Pastor Emma's hours in her church office are:
Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, 9:00am –3:00pm
Tuesdays, Noon - 3:00pm
Fridays are Pastor Emma's day off.

Please call Mona to set up a time and/or to make sure Pastor Emma isn't out visiting another member.

LOOSE OFFERING AND WEDNESDAY SUPPER FREE-WILL OFFERING

In February, these offerings went to the Synod's Peru trip.
In March, these offerings will go to MLC's Little Food Pantry.
These are the same locations our Noisy Offering went and will go in February and March, respectively.

Maundy Thursday

Joint Mindoro & Lewis Valley Maundy Thursday service
Thursday 3/29 at 6:30pm at Lewis Valley Fellowship hall
We will hear the story of Jesus's last supper with his disciples, share communion with one another, have handwashing as we remember Jesus washing the feet of the disciples, and enjoy some middle eastern snacks.

Good Friday

Holmen Community Good Friday Mid-Day Services

Join Pastor Emma and other area ELCA pastors and church members for a Good Friday walking service and a service at Holmen Lutheran for the 7 Last Words of Jesus

Walk the Way of the Cross

Friday 3/29 at 12pm - meet at Halfway Creek Park, 300 W. Roberts St. in Holmen

We will tell the story of Jesus's way to the cross as we walk from the park to Holmen Lutheran.

Seven Last Words of Jesus

Friday 3/29 at 1pm - Holmen Lutheran Church, 228 Morris St, Holmen
We will hear the last 7 words of Jesus and sing hymns.

Joint Mindoro and Lewis Valley Good Friday Evening Service

Friday 3/29 at 6:30pm at Mindoro Lutheran Church
Sights and Sounds of Good Friday service.

CAUSEWAY CAREGIVERS' "BEFORE THE AFTER"

"Before the After" is a planning tool to be used by anyone, any age, to outline their wishes, prepare and organize pertinent documents, and eliminate possible tough decisions by their loved ones.

The next planning session is Monday, March 4, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Register to attend online, by phone at 608-775-9999, or on the day of event at 9:30 a.m.

CAUSEWAY CAREGIVERS



WINONA AVENUE CONCERT

Sunday, 03/10/2024

at the Westby Performing Arts Center; tickets are \$10 with proceeds supporting travel to the Youth Gathering.

Sponsored by Westby Coon Prairie and Immanuel Lutheran.

From Indianapolis, Indiana, Winona Avenue is a two-piece band featuring brothers Daniel Deputy and David Deputy. Inspired by 2000s pop punk and 2010s pop rock. "I choose to write music that can encourage the listener," says Daniel. "If I didn't write lyrics that could make a positive difference in the listener's life, then I'd feel as if I was doing a disservice to the listener. I believe in building others up instead of tearing others down, and music is a tool that can serve this purpose."



QUILT-A-THON AT LIVING HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Wednesday & Thursday, 03/13/24 & 03/14/24, 9:00am-4:00pm

Lunch, snacks, and materials will be furnished - just bring your own needles & scissors

RSVP by 03/04/2024 to 608-792-1203 or 608-484-3266

FARMINGTON FIRST RESPONDER'S ANNUAL CHILI DINNER

Sunday, 03/17/2024, 10:00am-4:00pm

at the Melrose-Mindoro School Campus

\$10 for ages 13 and over

\$7 for ages 6-12

Free for ages 5 and under

Price includes all the chili & fixings you care to eat!

Plus, one piece of pie & ice cream (while supplies last) and cheese bread, coffee, water, or milk.

Call 608-790-3970 to place your carry out/delivery order.

MINDORO LIONS PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

Sunday, 03/24/2024, 7:00am-11:00am

at the Melrose-Mindoro School Campus

Ages 13 and over: \$7.00; Ages 3-12: \$5.00; Under age 3: \$1.00

The Melrose-Mindoro Schools Community Cares Team is working to clothe students for the winter weather (there is winter weather still coming, right?).

If you have any gently used **boots, snow pants**, or waterproof gloves/mittens that you would like to get rid of - or your shopping and find a really good deal, please consider donating them to Mel-Min. All donations can be brought to the elementary office (or to LV or MLC and Mona will take them to the school). Mel-Min is still very much in need of snowpants and boots.



Items are still needed at the school!

Mel-Min is also in need of simple two pocket folders and also a few locker shelves for some of the high schoolers. Folders should be new; but some of you might have locker shelves you're not using that are in good shape, left from your graduates.

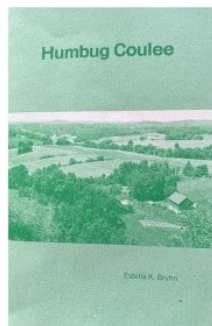


GRUMPY OLD MEN - LIVE IN CONCERT

Saturday, March 2, 2024, 7:00pm; Free will donation
at Journey Lutheran Church, 2703 Sand Lake Road, Onalaska
Performing Big Band music of the 30's, 40's. & 50's

Humbug Coulee and the 1950 Census

Historian Hanna Scholze will talk about the importance of census records and what made the 1950 census unique. Ruth Sholze, retired Holmen librarian, will share excerpts from Estella K. Bryhn's *Humbug Coulee*, an entertaining novel based on her experiences collecting the 1950 Federal Decennial Census in the Coulee Region. We hope others who have been census takers will share their experiences as well. All are invited on **Monday, 03/04/2024, at 6:00pm at the Holmen area Community Center**, 600 N Holmen Drive, Holmen.
The program is free and open to all.



SEEMORE

☺ Did you see the huge screw up Mona made on the calendar in February?! I made sure that March's calendar is correct. She brought me in a couple pieces of cheese to thank me. Cheese is good but sweets are better; I hope she remembers that next time.

☺ The new (new to us anyway) copier is in the church office!! It works great and is so much more user friendly that the old one I've heard Mona say. And, it is oh so nice and warm to snuggle up to when no one is here.

☺ I sure had fun looking at all the pictures in this newsletter.



Seemore, the Church Mouse

**COUNCILS MEET MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024.
6:30PM JOINT COUNCIL AT LEWIS VALLEY
MINDORO & LEWIS VALLEY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING JOINT**

Men's Breakfast
Join us at Top Dawg's,
Downtown Mindoro
Monday, March 4, 2024, 8:00am



Sarah Circle meets Tuesday, 03/19/2024, at Mindoro, at 9:30am.

Rebekah Circle meets Thursday, 03/28/2024, at Mindoro at 1:00pm.



COMMITTEES/TEAMS AT LEWIS VALLEY AND MINDORO

CHURCH COUNCILS: LV - President Jason Knipe, VP Jenna Euler, Secretary Karen Knutson, Rich Anderson, Jane Brockway, Brenda Severson, Carol Taylor;
MLC - President Sandy Stetzer, VP Daina Dobbs, Secretary Kim Schlifer, Marlane Anderson, Shirley Gates, Lara Hines, Debbie Salek, Cindy Thompson, Nick Yanske

EDUCATION: Chairperson Heather Young, Nikki Christopherson, Lara Hines, Rita Holley, Jason Knipe, Betty Pfaff, Kim Schlifer

FINANCE: LV - Jodi Anderson, Jason Knipe, Karen Knutson, Becky Whalen,
MLC - Jodi Anderson, Rick Dobbs, Heather Koss, Sandy Stetzer, Faith Storandt;
Chairpersons?

NEWSLETTER: Chairperson Alice Baumer, Dorothy Christianson, Karen Hanson, Samantha Sinotte, Mary Kastenschmidt (sub)

PARSONAGE: Barb Anderson, Rich Anderson, Joe Paisley, Kay Pfaff, Rich Sinclair, Steve Timm; **Chairperson?**

PROPERTY: MLC: Chairperson David Kastenschmidt, Charlie Glennie, Rich Sinclair;
LV: Barb Anderson, John Endris, Steve Timm; **LV Chair person?**

QUILTING: LV - Chairperson JoAnn Nelson, Ardelle Adamson, Ruth Hoff;
MLC - Alice Baumer, Karen Hauser, Beth McRae, Cindy Thompson; **MLC Chairperson? ALL are welcome to join!**

STAFF SUPPORT: Chairperson Mary Kastenschmidt, Alice Baumer, Jenna Euler, Jason Knipe, Mary Sinclair, Carol Taylor

STEWARDSHIP: Chairperson Jim Hines, Daina Dobbs, Jason Knipe, Debbie Peterson,
TWO Lewis Valley members needed

WORSHIP: Chairperson Sharon Pfaff, Barb Anderson, Ivy Endris, Debbie Peterson, Sonja Steele, Ginny Wegner; **TWO Mindoro members needed**

PICTURES 😊

National Quilting Day is March 16, 2024

Our quilters at Mindoro are Alice Baumer, Karen Hauser, Beth McRae, and Cindy Thompson (see picture below). Our quilters at Lewis Valley are Ardelle Adamson, Ruth Hoff, JoAnn Nelson (hopefully we'll have a picture next month).



2024 Council Members were installed at both churches on 02/11/2024.

Top LV left to right: Jenna Euler, Rich Anderson, Jane Brockway, Karen Knutson; missing from picture are Jason Knipe, Carol Taylor, Benda Severson

Bottom MLC left to right: Debbie Salek, Nick Yanske, Cindy Thompson, Shirley Gates, Sandy Stetzer, Kim Schlifer, Pastor Emma; missing from picture are Marlane Anderson, Daina Dobbs, Lara Hines



LEWIS VALLEY COUNCIL MINUTES - FEBRUARY

LEWIS VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

February 12, 2024

In attendance: Rich Anderson, Jenna Euler, Jane Brockway, Brenda Severson, Karen Knutson; **Absent:** Jason Knipe, Carol Taylor

Meeting was called to Order by Jenna Euler, Council Vice-President

Agenda Approval: Brenda moved to approve agenda, Jane seconded, MMSP

Secretary's Report: Brenda moved to approve the January 8, 2024 minutes, Rich seconded, MMSP

Treasurer's report: Jane moved to approve the December 2023 treasurer report, Brenda seconded, MMSP

January 2024 financial reports were not yet finalized, they will be reviewed at the March 2024 council meeting.

President's report: No report from Jason, Jenna commented that church services have been well attended.

Team Reports

Finance Committee: Nothing to report Property (Church): Nothing to report

OTHER BUSINESS

Communion Helpers: March 3 – Brenda; March 17th-Jane; March 31st – Jenna

Results of our quarterly well nitrate check: July 2023 1.4, October 2023(County checked) 1.0 and in January 2023 <1.0

Creating Best Practices document, when to get bids, amount of spending that requires council approval was tabled until March meeting.

Meeting adjourned with a motion by Jenna and second by Brenda, MMSP

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Knutson

Council Secretary, Lewis Valley Lutheran Church

(pending approval at the 03/11/2024 meeting)



LEWIS VALLEY COUNCIL MINUTES - JANUARY

LEWIS VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL
January 8, 2024

In Attendance: Rich Anderson, Jenna Euler, Jason Knipe, Sharon Pfaff, Brenda Severson, Carol Taylor; **Absent:** Jane Brockway

Called to Order at 7:40 PM by Jason Knipe, Council President

Agenda Approval: Jenna moved to approve agenda; Brenda seconded; MMSP.

Secretary's Report: Sharon moved to approve the December 12, 2023 minutes; Carol seconded; MMSP.

Treasurer's Report: The council discussed the 2024 annual budget and Jodi needed to do some finalization. An email vote was conducted on Jan 17, 2024. Carol made a motion to approve the annual budget as presented; Jenna seconded; MMSP with one abstention.

President's Report: No report

Team Reports

- Finance Committee: We have approximately \$456.00 interest earned from our 3- and 6-month CD investments. Finance committee recommended investing it into an Edward Jones Golden Money Market, currently at 5% interest. Rich made a motion to invest the interest from the CDs into the Golden Money Market through Edward Jones at the current rate of 5%; seconded by Carol Taylor; MMSP.
The 6th month CD investment renewed at 4.75% in December 2023 for one year.

- Property (Church): At the end of the December 2023, we needed to pay a bill for \$700 for the removal of the maple tree in the front of the church. The council needed to conduct a motion via email to determine which account to pay the bill from. Jason made a motion to pay the bill using undesignated memorial funds to pay the bill; Sharon seconded; MMSP.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Communion Helpers: 2/4/24: Rich; 2/18/24: Jenna

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM with a motion by Carol and a second by Sharon; MMSP.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenna Euler

Council Secretary, Lewis Valley Lutheran Church

CHARLIE RAE BRYHN WAS BAPTIZED ON 02/18/2024, AT MINDORO.

She is the daughter of Jacob & Lindsay Bryhn.

Charlie's Godmothers are Alyssia Hilton and Jenna Hanson.

WELCOME CHARLIE INTO THE LORD'S FAMILY.



Above:
Children's
Message
and
Left:
Noisy
Offering on
02/18/24.



Below left: A special heartfelt thank you goes out to Ardelle Adamson for making and donating the beautiful navy and gold holiday banner that hangs in our sanctuary. The handmade banner will be used during Advent and Christmas for many years to come. You have an amazing creative sewing talent and we so appreciate your thoughtfulness and generosity.



Above: The smile on Joan Danielson's face shows that she had a Happy Valentine's Day. (Picture from the Eagle Crest Facebook page, via Mary Kastenschmidt)

Noisy Offering was on February 18, 2024.

Noisy Offering was collected for the Synod's Peru Trip. \$51.66 was collected at Lewis Valley and \$66.90 was collected at Mindoro, totaling \$118.56.

The Noisy Offering on March 17, 2024, will go to our Little Food Pantry.



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COFFEE FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT MINDORO LUTHERAN

If you would like to volunteer, there is a clipboard with a sign up sheet in the Narthex; or call the church office.

Volunteers are needed for March 3 & 10 and April 14, 21, & 28.

MINDORO COUNCIL MINUTES CONTINUED

members- Nick Yanske, Cindy Thompson, and Daina Dobbs. Annual meeting was on 2/4 and led by Sandy Stetzer.

Team Reports:

Finance Team Report: John McRae requested to step down from the finance team. Rick Dobbs has agreed to fill the open position on the finance team.

Property Team Report: No new updates from the team. There was a request from a congregation member for the council to discuss replacing windows in the church basement kitchen. The property team will be assigned to further assess and evaluate the windows in the kitchen and make recommendations to the council, if any.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Communion Helpers: 3/3- Kim Schlifer; 3/17- Debbie Salek; 3/31 Sunrise service- Lara and Jim Hines; 3/31- 10am worship- Kim and Brewer Schlifer.

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:45PM by Shirley, Seconded by Debbie, MMSP.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Schlifer, Mindoro Lutheran Secretary

(pending approval at the 03/11/2024 meeting)



JOINT COUNCIL MINUTES CONTINUED

Thompson will join the team; one more volunteer would be good from Mindoro.

Other Joint Business

A motion was made by Jenna to have the Lent loose and supper offerings go to the same places as the Noisy offerings in February and March; Shirley seconded; MMSP.

Mona requested to not attend and do the joint minutes anymore. Karen and Kim agreed that they will do them when the meeting is at their respective church.

Mona also requested that the councils' minutes and any other information for the newsletter be to her by the 20th of each month.

A motion was made by Shirley to have 04/21/2024's Noisy Offering go to Holmen's Hope, 05/19/2024's to Mindoro Area Outreach, and 08/18/2024's to be for school supplies; Debbie seconded; MMSP. The Noisy Offering for May, July, September, etc. will be decided at future meetings.

The next council meeting will be on 03/11/2024, at Lewis Valley at 6:30pm.

Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 7:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mona Van Riper, Lewis Valley & Mindoro Parish Administrative Assistant

(pending approval at the 03/11/2024 meeting)

MINDORO COUNCIL MINUTES

Mindoro Lutheran Church Council Meeting Monday, February 12th, 2024

Present: Shirley Gates, Lara Hines, Cindy Thompson, Nick Yanske, Debbie Salek, Kim Schlifer, Pastor Emma, Jodi Anderson

Absent: Sandy Stetzer, Marlane Anderson, Daina Dobbs

Kim Schlifer, council secretary, led the meeting in the absence of both president and VP. Kim called the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

Agenda Approval: Shirley made a motion to approve the agenda. Lara seconded; MMSP

Secretary's Report: Shirley made a motion to approve the January minutes. Debbie seconded; MMSP.

Treasurer's Report: Jodi reviewed the financial reports for the month of December again with council- as the January reports have not been completed yet. January reports will be reviewed at the next meeting. Jodi went over with the council a review of the December balance sheet and explained more on the descriptions for each line, as there are new council members beginning their term. Motion by Lara H. to approve the Treasurer's report. Shirley seconded. MMSP.

President's Report: No president's report at this time. Welcome to the new council

Sunday School fun learning in February!



On Page 9: The kids studied Acts, Chapter 2 on 02/11/2024,- they learned about Pentecost and the Holy Spirit coming to the disciples, the tongues of fire appearing above their heads and their ability to speak other languages to share the good news of Jesus. We created our own "Jesus Lights Our Fire" self-portraits and celebrated Pentecost, seen as the birth of the Christian Church, with mini cupcakes and magic candles that the kids had a hard time blowing out- to represent the tongues of fire from that day long ago. Lots of fun and giggles shared this week. The kids enjoyed singing in worship on the 11th too!

EASTER FLOWERS

Please print all names clearly and include your check with the order.

Please write your color preference. We aren't guaranteed our choice of color this year but we do have a bigger variety of plants to choose from. By placing our order earlier, we have a better chance of receiving your color preference. *Please note that the prices differ by plant type.*

Members are welcome to bring in their own plant; please let the office know by Monday, March 25, for acknowledgement in the bulletin.

ALL EASTER FLOWER ORDERS NEED TO BE INTO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024.

PLANT	COLOR PREF.	#	PRICE/each	TOTAL COST
LILY			\$21/ea	
AZALEA			\$32/ea	
BEGONIA			\$20/ea	
CYCLAMEN			\$20/ea	
DAFFODILS			\$12/ea	
HYACINTH			\$12/ea	
HYDRANGEA			\$32/ea	
KALANCHOE			\$20/ea	
MUM			\$20/ea	
TULIPS			\$12/ea	

Name _____ Phone No. _____

*Please check and complete for acknowledgement
in the worship bulletin.*

☐ IN MEMORY OF ☐ IN HONOR OF ☐ IN CELEBRATION OF

FROM _____

JOINT COUNCIL MINUTES

JOINT COUNCIL MEETING
MINDORO AND LEWIS VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCHES
February 12, 2024, at Mindoro Lutheran

In Attendance: Pastor Emma Grinde, Jodi Anderson, Rich Anderson, Jane Brockway, Jenna Euler, Shirley Gates, Lara Hines, Karen Knutson, Debbie Salek, Kim Schlifer, Brenda Severson, Cindy Thompson, Nick Yanske

Absent: Marlane Anderson, Daina Dobbs, Jason Knipe, Sandy Stetzer, Carol Taylor

Call to order by Mindoro's Secretary Kim Schlifer at 6:30pm.

Everyone introduced themselves.

Devotions by Jenna Euler.

Pastor Emma suggested a devotions' schedule with all the council members rotating months.

Devotions next month by Pastor Emma.

Approval of Agenda MMSP with motion by Shirley, seconded by Debbie.

There was a discussion about meeting time management. MMSP with a motion by Shirley to have the joint council meet for a max of one hour with the agenda items that haven't been covered being tabled to the next month, seconded by Kim.

Approval of Minutes MMSP with motion by Debbie, seconded by Cindy.

Pastor's Report:

Since the January meeting, there were two annual meetings; both went smoothly. There were two funerals in two days in a blizzard and dropping temperatures.

Pastor is on the Synod Candidacy Committee; this has been busier than usual right now.

There has been Lent planning. The confirmation students will help with the worship.

Wednesday Lenten suppers will be from 6:00pm-6:30pm; worship will start at 6:30pm.

Ash Wednesday will be at Lewis Valley at 6:30pm.

TEAM REPORTS

Education: Sunday School was back in session on 01/08/2024; there are about 10-15 kids each week. The kids will sing two songs on 02/11/2024. They are learning, playing games, and having fun. The kids will sing again on Palm Sunday.

Pastor Emma reported the confirmation students have a wonderful curiosity. There are six students, two 8th graders and four 7th graders.

Finance: no report

Property (Parsonage): Renters are lined up to move in to the parsonage in June. With heavy rain there is sometimes some water leaking in the basement and going into the garage so moving dirt/landscaping will be done to help the problem. The Parsonage Team did a walk-through and decided which team member would do what in May while the parsonage is empty.

Staff Support: will meet with Pastor Emma in March.

Stewardship: no report

Worship: met on 01/16/2024 and planned worship services through Lent. Cindy

Below: Sunday School fun learning in February!



Left, Above, and Below: Some of the February Children's Messages



Anniversaries



Baptismal Anniversaries

Mar 1	Bailey Hines
Mar 2	Joanne Mashak Faith Storandt
Mar 3	Lexi Young
Mar 7	Dorothy Christianson Tony Berg
Mar 9	Linda Knudtson Benjamin Puent
Mar 10	Jesse Wanie
Mar 12	Scott Bockenbauer Jonas Weindorfer Macey Hines
Mar 13	Luke Anderson Darcy Sawyer Harley Hanson
Mar 16	David Pfaff Drew Knutson Sapphire Osley Ashlyn Sawyer
Mar 18	Karen Knutson Melissa Bryhn Emma Severson
Mar 19	Ada Knutson Annie Knutson
Mar 20	Daisy Raymer Brianna Kovacevich Jessica Kovacevich
Mar 21	Harper Tracey
Mar 22	Emmitt Weiker Brewer Schlifer
Mar 23	James Freng Cody Glennie
Mar 24	Alexandra Krause Curt Krause
Mar 25	Eric Fonstad Amanda Christianson
Mar 28	Karen Hanson
Mar 29	Janice Clott Shay Oefstedahl

Wedding Anniversaries

Mar 3	Juan Garcia & Jackie Seidel-Garcia
Mar 4	Paul & Dawn Hoff
Mar 14	Stan & Sandy Stetzer

Birthdays

Mar 1	Jeff Salek Juan Garcia Darcy Sawyer Nathan Paisley - 18
Mar 2	Brewer Schlifer - 15 James Loken - 3
Mar 3	Ali Cunningham Carson Koss
Mar 6	Sharon Hein Mathias Marco Jacob Loken Peyton Brown
Mar 7	Henry Kraudy - 13
Mar 8	Dennis Anderson Janelle Hanson

Mary Stetzer turns 90 on 03/15/24.

Mary's address is
315 S. Spring Street, PV #205
Sparta WI 54656
608-487-9446 to visit, send a card,
or give her a call:
Happy 90th Mary!

THANK YOU

MINDORO LUTHERAN MEMORIALS:

In Memory of Bob Manske from Mike & Linda Knudtson, and friends and family.



Lewis Valley W-ELCA,

Thank you so much for providing Christmas gifts for the residents at Lakeview Health Center. The residents enjoyed their party and the gifts they received. Thank you for helping to brighten the season for our residents.

~ Kari Coaty, Lakeview Health Center Household Coordinator

Lewis Valley W-ELCA,

Thank you so much for the Festival Foods gift card! I appreciate it very much!
May you all have a Happy New Year.

Sincerely, Audrey Baker

Dear Avery and all the Sunday School students,
Thank you for the cute Valentine!

~ Eloise Thum

Thank you for the scholarship! I am very grateful for the help the church is giving me with my education!

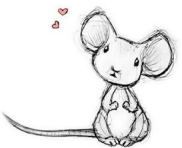
Kaitlynn Severson

Synod's Special Prayer Request on 02-21-2024:

For all the congregational leaders that gathered for training & networking last weekend at the Congregation Council Development Retreat.

Lewis Valley council members Jason Knipe and Karen Knutson attended.

A reminder to designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars to a charity of your choice before the deadline of March 31, 2024.



IN OUR PRAYERS

PRAYED FOR IN FEBRUARY: Lisa Adams as she recovers from back surgery; Cathy Gabrielson's brother-in-law Gene Amann; Louie Christopherson; Rick Dobbs mother Carol Dobbs; Rick Dobb's brother Mike Dobbs; Lori Ernstes; Scott & Joan Schmidt's sister Susan Schmidt Glenna; Emma Goodenough; Margaret Haag as she receives hospice care; Dennis Anderson and Mary Sinclair's sister Lori Hudson; Mary Kastenschmidt; Bob Kean at the Mindoro Post Office as he recovers after surgery; Don Koss's son Brian Koss; Ginny Wegner's brother-in-law Mel Krause; Katrina Wharton's friend Ila Krueger; Jack & Diane Glennie's son-in-law & daughter Jim & Paula Maki; Diana Mikkelson; Rusty Opland as he recovers from a hospital stay; David Pfaff as he recovers from the second knee surgery; Mary Christina Pfaff; Dustin & Jodi Anderson's brother-in-law Christopher Phillips; John & Dawn Pierce & family; Amelia Pike's mom; Cathy Gabrielson's brother-in-law Chuck Pietscher as he recovers from heart surgery; Scott & Joan Schmidt's father John Schmidt; Chad & Brenda Severson's dad Jeff Severson as he receives chemotherapy; Nick Sinotte's dad Brian Sinotte; Kay Timm's great-niece Monroe Skotak; Nancy Spangler; Gary "Jingles" Stetzer; Ron & Mary Phillip's daughter Laurie Strano; Sam Tracey; Russell Van Riper; Gary Wortman; Heather Young; our healthcare workers; and our military men and women; Gene & Joanne Mashak & Family & Friends of Gene's sister Diane Yeske; and Family & Friends of David Fonstad.

WE ALSO PRAYED IN FEBRUARY FOR OUR HOME AND NURSING HOME BOUND MEMBERS:

Audrey Baker, Joan Danielson, Bob Everitt; Grace Kastenschmidt, Ruby Knudson, Audrey Mades, Yvonne Meyer, Rusty & Bernice Opland, Ron & Mary Phillips, Chauncey & Mary Stetzer, and Eloise Thum.

If there is someone that should be added to the prayer list or taken off the list, please let the church office know.



Bolded names are members celebrating an 80th Birthday or above. Let's shower them with birthday cards on their special day.



Birthdays cont'd

Mar 10	Ryan Oefstedahl
Mar 11	Ruth Schwabenbauer Lincoln Hanson - 5
Mar 13	Beverly Mahlum Landon Oefstedahl - 14 Elizabeth Sawyer - 13
Mar 15	Mary Stetzer - 90 Emily Young - 10
Mar 17	Jason Tracey
Mar 19	Dale Kirchner Mary Sinclair Khloe Spors
Mar 23	Steve Timm Jason Young Kati Pfaff
Mar 24	Leon Pfaff Kay Johnson
Mar 25	Marley Dobbs - 13
Mar 26	Tyler Gerdes Aliyana Cruz-Pfaff - 8
Mar 27	Marlane Anderson Natali Cruz-Pfaff - 16
Mar 28	Luis Cruz-Pfaff - 18
Mar 29	Shannon Craig Mitchell Berg - 18
Mar 30	Vera Sallach - 3



In Memoriam

Mar 2, 2020	David Hoff
Mar 3, 2018	Arlan Pfaff
Mar 9, 2017	Phyllis Timm
Mar 11, 2013	Frederick Johnson
Mar 14, 2016	Esther Odegaard
Mar 19, 2021	Barbara Seidel
Mar 21, 2010	Harold Danielson

Please let the church office know if a name or date is incorrect or if someone needs to be added. The information is from the church records and all the records are not complete.

GOD'S WORD EACH WEEK

You are encouraged to read the Bible each week.

Below are the Sunday readings for this month.

Set aside personal or family time to read each week.

03/03	Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19; John 2:13-22
03/10	Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21
03/17	Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:1-12; John 12:20-33
03/24	Psalm 119:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 11:1-11
03/31	Psalm 118:14-24; Acts 10:34-43; Mark 16:1-8



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LEWIS VALLEY WORSHIP

MISSION STATEMENT: Lewis Valley Lutheran Church is committed to reaching toward God and each other, to grow in faith, fellowship and love.

We offer opportunities for the community to experience the grace of God and respond in Christian commitment.

Date	Lectors	H.C. Servers	Coffee Fellowship	Ushers
03/03	Jason Knipe	Brenda Severson	Cheryl Card	Jack & Cheryl Card
03/10	Cathy Gabrielson	_____	Amanda Christianson	Jeremy & Amanda C.
03/17	Carol Taylor	Jane Brockway	Nikki Christopherson	Kevin & Nikki C.
03/24	Dave/Becky Whalen	_____	Ivy Endris	John & Ivy Endris
03/31	Ivy Endris	Jenna Euler	Happy Easter!	Connor Christopherson Brett Gerdes

IF YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO SERVE in any capacity at worship, and cannot make it, please switch with someone else on that volunteer list.

Lewis Valley Lutheran Income & Expenses	
<i>December Income:</i>	\$6,609.33
<i>December Expenses:</i>	\$8,352.61
143 active, confirmed members	



**MARCH
COMMUNION SET UP -**
Ivy Endris
Sonja Steele

ALTAR COLORS -
March 3, 10, 17, 24: Purple
March 28, 31: White

JANUARY & FEBRUARY THROUGH 02/18/2024 FINANCIAL GIVING

	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>
Sunday Envelope Offering	\$1,565.00	\$1,335.00
Sunday Loose Offering.....	\$49.00	\$114.00
Weekday Giving	\$0.00	\$20.00
Pay Pal Giving	\$730.00	\$730.00
Electronic Giving.....	\$1,985.00	\$1,765.00
Total Giving	\$4,329.00	\$3,964.00

MINDORO WORSHIP

MISSION STATEMENT: Mindoro Lutheran Church is committed to reaching toward God and to each other, to grow together in faith, fellowship and love.

Date	Lectors	H.C. Servers	Acolytes	Coffee Fellowship
03/03	Brewer Schlifer Kim Schlifer	Kim Schlifer	Grace Lundt	needed
03/10	Jim Hines	_____	_____	Needed
03/17	Erin, Emmitt, & Aurora	Debbie Salek	Ellie Sawyer	Farmington EMS Chili Dinner
03/24	Shirley Gates	_____	_____	Mindoro Lions Pancake Brkfst
03/31	6:30am Cindy Tracey 10am Ginny Wegner	6:30am Jim & Lara Hines 10am Kim and Brewer	_____	Kay Brown Daina Dobbs Angie Werner

Date	Head Ushers	Ushers
03/03	Rick Dobbs	Adam Glennie, Emmitt Weiker
03/10	Brian Schlifer	Adam Glennie, Emmitt Weiker
03/17	Jim Hines	Joe Paisley, Mike Merrell
03/24	Bill Cox	Joe Paisley, Mike Merrell
03/31	Dale Kirchner 10am Needed	6:30am Les Bryhn, Jacob Bryhn 10am Aaron Stetzer, Adam Stetzer

Mindoro Lutheran Income & Expenses	
<i>December Income:</i>	\$10,350.21
<i>December Expenses:</i>	\$7,988.62
242 active, confirmed members	

JANUARY & FEBRUARY THROUGH 02/18/2024 FINANCIAL GIVING

	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>
Sunday Envelope Offering	\$2,360.00	\$3,245.00
Sunday Loose Offering	\$99.01	\$86.00
Weekday Giving	\$0.00	\$95.00
Pay Pal Giving	\$0.00	\$0.00
Electronic Giving	\$3,230.00	\$2,740.00
Total Giving.....	\$5,689.01	\$6,166.00

**MARCH
COMMUNION SET UP -**
Dawn Tracey
Crystal Sbraggia

ALTAR COLORS -
March 3, 10, 17, 24: Purple
March 29:
stripped
March 31:
White

