THE BEACON

In-Person Service has Resumed

Lakeview has resumed in person service. There is a 5:00pm service on Saturday evening and a 9:00am service on Sunday morning. We are practicing the same protocols as when we attended service in the sanctuary last summer. Services are still being recorded and posted online, as well.

Lakeview Book Group

Lakeview Book Group will be meeting in person on Monday, April 5 at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Room. Anyone is welcome to attend. Masks are required and social distancing will be in effect. We will be discussing '1,000-Mile Walk on the Beach' by Loreen Niewenhuis.

Blood Drive

The next blood drive is on Tuesday, April 20th, 12pm-5pm. Please go online to redcrossblood.org or call the church office at 244.6181 or email at office@lakeviewlutheranmail.org to make your reservation to donate blood. Terry could also use a few volunteers to help out the day of the drive. If you available to help, please contact Terry at (608) 244-2047 or tlwarnke@gmail.com.

Food Pantry

The food pantry is collecting cans of soup for the month of April. Please drop off your donations in the black bin during office hours 8-5 Monday-Thursday or bring them to worship with you on Saturday or Sunday.

Holy Week Schedule

- 4.1 Maundy Thursday Worship 7pm
 - 4.2 Good Friday Worship 7pm
 - 4.3 Holy Saturday Worship 5pm
- 4.4 Easter Worship 9am and 10:30am

Protocols for Attending In-Person Worship

All services are being held in the sanctuary. Entrance is through the glass door at the front of the sanctuary. Pastor Robb will unlock the entry door 15 minutes before the service begins. Upon entry, make sure you have your mask on and then sanitize your hands once inside. Always uphold social distancing. Communion will be offered at both services. After service, exit through the main doors off the narthex.

Worship Assistants and Bulletin & Beacon Folders

We are again enlisting the help of members of the congregation to assist in Worship Assistant positions including acolytes, altar guild, communion assistants, counters, readers, and ushers and weekly help folding bulletins and monthly help folding, sealing, and labeling the newsletter. Thank you to all those we have heard from so far. We are particularly in need of hearing from those of you who would like to serve as a volunteer with the altar guild. If you have served in one of these capacities in the past and feel comfortable coming to worship or the church office and helping out in one or more these areas, please call (244.6181) or email (office@lakeviewlutheranmail.org) Laura in the church office to let her know. If you are not yet comfortable, please also let Laura know. If you haven't served in one of these capacities in the past, but are interested in serving now, let Laura know. You can also give a shout with any questions you have. We would love to see the pool of volunteers continue to expand in the coming months.

Bible Study

Join Pastor Robb for virtual Bible study Wednesday mornings at 10:00am.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87666023450?pwd=VlEzRmpYZVhxMjN5QlhJeXBuMHlxQT09

Or Dial by your location

1 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 876 6602 3450

Passcode: 246804

Video and Camera Equipment Support

As you are aware, Lakeview Lutheran Church members have been enjoying exceptional quality of our church services from our homes through live streaming and Zoom. You are probably also aware all this video work so far has been performed by Terry and Sue Warnke. They have been committed to this part of our worship for over a year now and have not missed a single service. While Terry and Sue plan to continue some of this work, we need to help lighten the load.

We are seeking volunteers who might be interested in helping with this very important part of our service. It has become evident that even when COVID-19 becomes history, it is highly likely that our church services will continue to be videoed and aired accordingly. Please consider helping if you can. The church does not currently own video equipment and therefore are relying

on equipment owned by our members. Looking down the road however, it is likely that Lakeview will purchase video equipment and establish a team to handle this function.

Thank you in advance for responding to help ensure that church service videos continue to be available for everyone!

Pastoral Call Update

Greetings One and All,

We sincerely hope this communication finds you well and in good spirits. Seems there is more to smile about these days!

Along those same lines, your Church Council has good news to share and wishes to provide you with an update related to the pastoral call process thus far.

One of the first steps of that process includes the assembly of a Call Committee which is now complete. These folks, many of whom you know, will be representing the entire congregation here at Lakeview. Our hope is to have somebody on this committee that will represent each of you as we move forward to select a permanent pastor. This committee will want to hear your voice, your hopes, your concerns, and your dreams for the future. What an exciting time we have entered, and it will be fantastic working with you all on this very important mission.

It is our pleasure to introduce your Call Committee Members as follows:

Verallyn Cline

Dayna Dalton

John Dyar

Amy Luebke

Karen Orr

Spenser Pownell

Terry Warnke

If you get the chance, please welcome these folks, as they will be reaching out to the church body seeking information in the weeks ahead.

Moving forward, one of the next steps will be to arrange a call process orientation meeting under the direction of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin with the Call Committee. This will help us to get off on the right foot as we begin our journey.

We will keep you updated as milestones are completed but we also want to encourage you let us know your thoughts and always know that your prayers are most important.

In the meantime keep yourselves healthy and safe!

Lakeview Church Council

Lutherdale Bible Camp

Lutherdale offers multiple camps with varying options throughout the summer. They are open this summer and following Covid-19 protocols. If this is something you are interested in looking into for your child or your family, visit them online at www.lutherdale.org.

FROM THE INTERIM PASTOR'S DESK...

Holy Week Worship

One year ago, as Holy Week and Easter were approaching, pastors and congregations everywhere were coming to terms with the fact that our churches would not be holding in-person worship for the celebrations of the events which are central to our faith – Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, his last supper with his disciples, his prayer and arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane, his trials, his crucifixion at Golgotha, his burial, and his resurrection.

This year, as infection rates are down and vaccination rates are rising, we are privileged to be able to gather for worship – both in-person and online.

The power of the Gospel story is not only in the forgiveness that God has for us and the promise of resurrection from the dead, but it is also in the assurance that God is with us in our lives' darkest hours. The Gospel story does not overlook the pains that each of us suffer in our own ways. The story of Jesus' Passion – from his betrayal and abandonment, through his trials and beatings, up to his humiliation, mockery, and death by crucifixion – are meant to demonstrate God's understanding of our own sufferings.

In the suffering of Jesus, we see our own lives reflected in many ways. We see ourselves as both victims of the world's violence and as perpetrators of violence upon others. We experience both the vindication of one who suffered for the sins of others, and the forgiveness for the sins we have committed.

In our Holy Week worship, we participate in the story of Jesus' final week.

- On **Palm Sunday** we welcome Jesus as part of the crowd shouting "Hosanna!" and waiving our palm branches, in expectation of the son of David entering the Holy city. But as the crowds' expectations are not fulfilled, and the fear of the religious establishment rises, we see the plot to entrap, discredit, arrest, and ultimately kill Jesus, take shape.
- On **Maundy Thursday** we will experience the events of Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples declaring the bread and wine of the Passover meal to be his own body and blood, that Jesus, like the Passover lamb will bring the promise of deliverance and life to his disciples. Jesus will show us what it means to follow him by being a servant to all, and will give us his commandment we are to live our lives by: "Love one another as I have loved you." In our worship we will celebrate the Last Supper with Jesus, and demonstrate his arrest, his loneliness, in the stripping of the altar.
- We will see Jesus in agony, praying to the Father that he might not die, being betrayed by one friend and abandoned by others. He will be arrested, put on trial, denied by the closest of his disciples, humiliated and rejected by crowds who had welcomed him just days before. He will, on **Good Friday**, carry his own cross to the place of execution. The nails will pierce his hands and feet. He will forgive those who are killing him, and will endure the taunts of many who watch. And he will die. He will be removed from the cross and buried.

- On **Holy Saturday** we will mourn with the disciples, gathered together in fear and guilt and shame, in despair that the one they loved and followed is dead. We will also celebrate Holy Communion as an act of anticipation of the proclamation of Jesus' resurrection on Easter morning.
- On **Easter Sunday** we will experience the joy and the surprise, mixed with the doubt and confusion of unreality, as we discover that death truly does not have the last word. We will hear, once again, the promise, that our lives, like the life of Jesus, will not end in death, but in this strange new thing called Resurrection from the Dead and we will realize that we can now live our lives in the hope that Jesus is with us through all of our times of trial and that nothing, not even death itself, will separate us from God's love.

Join us as we are able, once again, to come together to experience Jesus' death and resurrection through our Holy Week worship.

May God's Grace and Peace Be with You All,

Pastor Robb Kosky

FREE HOMEMADE DRIVE-THRU DINNER!

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WHERE: LAKEVIEW LUTHERAN CHURCH, 4001 MANDRAKE RD. MADISON, WI

WHEN: FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 4:30-6:00PM

WHAT: CREAMY PENNE PASTA WITH CHICKEN AND SPRING VEGETABLES. CHEESY GARLIC ROLLS AND CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE PROVIDED BY JUST BAKERY. AVAILABLE WITH MEAT, VEGETARIAN, OR GLUTEN-FREE.

HOW: CALL THE CHURCH AT 608.244.6181 AND TELL US A NAME, # OF MEALS & PHONE # BY MONDAY 4/12 (WE WILL STOP TAKING RESERVATIONS IF WE GET TO 200)

Lakeview Book List - 2021

Apr. 5 – 1000-Mile Walk on the Beach by Loreen Niewenhuis

May 3 – Whistling in the Dark by Lesley Kagen

June 7 – Spool of Blue Thread by Anne Tyler

July 5 – Anxious People by Fredrik Backman

Aug. 2 – Island of the Sea Women by Lisa See

Sept. 7 (Tues.) – We are not here to be Bystanders by Linda Sarsour

Oct. 4 – All the Way to the Tigers by Mary Morris

Nov. 1 – Pull of the Stars by Emma Donoghue

Dec. 6 – TBA

Jan. 3 – mtg. to compile list for 2022

Feb. 7, 2022 – Cher Ami and Major Whittlesey by Kathleen Rooney

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Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8-5, Friday: Closed

Service Schedule:

9:00am Sunday via Zoom or watch the recorded service any time after it is posted In-person 5:00pm Saturday and 9:00am Sunday (and recorded)

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