

THE BEACON

Church Office Hours - The church office is open Monday – Thursday, 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm.

Bible Study - Bible study will resume Wednesday, August 31. It will be held in the Fellowship Room, as well as on Zoom, at 10:30 on Wednesday mornings.

Save the Dates: Senior Lunches for 2022- July Signup at back of Narthex

July 12th – “Taco Tuesday”

Sept. 14th – “Let’s Tailgate!” – bring a favorite tailgate dish to pass & wear your favorite team jersey

Oct. 4th – “It’s Chili Time!”

November 1st – “Fall Comfort Foods”

December 6th – “Happy Holidays” – bring your favorite Christmas cookie to share & non-perishable item for the Food Pantry

*** There will be a free will offering to help with food costs.

Blood Drive - The next blood drive will be Tuesday, September 13th.

Please call the church office at (244-6181) or visit redcrossblood.org to schedule your appointment to donate blood. Please also get in touch with Terry (244-2047) or tlwarnke@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer at the drive.

Food Pantry

The Food Pantry is asking for the following items for July: peanut butter & paper bags. Food pantry will be closed on Monday, July 4th. They are also seeking **volunteers** at this time, if you are interested, please call/text Gretchen Macht at 608-358-8613 or email gretchenmmacht@gmail.com

Lakeview Cemetery and Chapel Cleanup Day – Wednesday, July 13th

We are having a Cemetery and Chapel Cleanup Day on Wednesday evening, July 13th – 5pm or whenever you can get there. We need people with trimmers willing to trim, people with blowers, and people to weed, pickup sticks, & clean up gravestones. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. We will take a break to eat pizza. In addition to trimmers/blowers, people should bring gloves, weeding tools, buckets, brooms, brushes, etc.

Parking Lot Lights Project – Update! - Specialized Electric has informed us that the equipment needed is expected to arrive mid-September.

Worship Assistants Needed! - Now that we are back worshipping in person, we are in dire need of Worship Assistants. If you are interested in Counting, Ushering, Altar Guild, Communion Assistant, Lay Reader, or Video Streaming, please call the office at 608-244-6181/let Amy know. We would like to “train” you before the new schedule goes out for September through December.

Lawn Mowing Volunteers/Donations - A group of volunteers will be taking over mowing the Lakeview lawn in July. We are still looking for volunteers to help with mowing/trimming and donations to cover the cost of the equipment. If you can help out, please call or email the office.

Project Protect Me - Cole Bakken, son of Troy and Kelly Bakken (all members of Lakeview), is a retired veteran who served in Iraq. He shipped out to Ukraine to participate in a mission called Project Protect Me. This is a non-profit organization consisting of mostly combat veterans of the United States and the United Kingdom who go into places that most other people won't, to provide help. In Ukraine they are helping to provide supplies for Autistic and disabled families, transporting refugees and supplies, and rescuing animals in some of the worst hit areas. For more about this mission or to donate, you can go to www.projectprotectme.com. Scroll down to find the donate button. This is the preferred way of donating, but if you are not comfortable with that, please put your donation in an envelope, marked Project Protect Me and Amy will take care of it.

Porchlight Men's Shelter - The Porchlight Men's Shelter is in need of the following items:

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| -Shower shoes – new or clean/gently used | -Boxers – any size |
| -Socks- white | -Laundry detergent/pods |
| -Notebooks | -\$5 Kwik Trip gift cards |
| -Reusable water bottles – new or clean/gently used. | |

Donations can be dropped off in box in Narthex or church office.

Other Donations-Thank You! - Thank you to everyone who brought in clean food containers for luncheon “leftovers” & plastic storage bags. We now have enough of those items. Also, thank you to people who donate items for the kitchen for Lakeview use! However, when items(donated food or containers) are left on the counters or in the refrigerator in the kitchen we do not know if it's for the Food Pantry or for Lakeview use – please label what it is for. Thanks!

Volunteering at St. Mark's Lutheran Church

St. Mark's Lutheran Church is in need of volunteers for their Free Friday Community Meal on the 1st Friday of each month. Please call or email Amy at the office if you can help out.

Announcements in the Bulletin - The announcements will no longer be printed in the Worship Bulletin. All announcements can be found posted on the bulletin boards at the back of the Narthex. A few copies of the Announcements will be printed and left near the bulletins for those who do not have email, computer, or printer. **Announcements will still be emailed weekly and mailed monthly with the Beacon.**

The Worship Assistant and Folding Bulletins/Beacons schedule and Altar Flowers/Flour & Bulletin Sponsorship sign-up can also be found at the back of the Narthex.

Lakeview Book Club

The Lakeview Book club will be discussing the book, "Miss Benson's Beetle" by Rachel Joyce. The book club will meet on *Sunday, July 3rd* after the worship service. New Members are always welcome!

July 3 - Miss Benson's Beetle by Rachel Joyce

August 7 - Boundary Waters by William Kent Krueger

September 4 (tentative date) Bewilderment by Richard Powers

Knots of Love

The church knitting group, Knots of Love, meets on the *1st Tuesday* of each month, in the Library at church. The next meeting will be held on *July 5th*. Anyone interested in joining us is welcome. If you would like to learn to knit or crochet, we will be glad to teach you. Masks and social distancing will be required. Please enter through the side door by the office.

Flowers/Flour for the Altar & Bulletin Sponsorship

If you would like to sponsor Altar Flowers/Flour or printing of the Bulletins please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex or call the church office.



☺ *A Letter from Laura* ☺

An update...

I have talked to many of you in person over the last 10 months, since our move to Lancaster, but for those I have not had the pleasure of seeing as much as I'd like (shout out to Caryl...amongst many, many others), I thought I'd share a little update about my seminary journey and where I'm at. We moved to Lancaster last August 18th and I had a whole two weeks to settle into our new home before starting my second year of seminary! Even without work and an easier class load, year two of seminary still took up a lot of space. I was very happy to attend a vast majority of my classes in person, meet my professors face to face and make friends with the residential students. I became particularly good friends with a student who had returned to seminary after attending previously and ended up in my class. He is a Harry Potter fan and likes to refer to me as Hermione because I'm a huge nerd, while he is a more of a Ron. A class that I particularly enjoyed this year was Lutheran Confessions. I have heard that this can often be a boring class to many. It is focused on studying the roots of the Reformation, The Book of Concord and all its ins and outs and the continued impact of the Reformation on the church and society today. Since I was a History major as an undergrad, these kinds of examinations are often fascinating to me as I like to understand the roots of things, but I was also fortunate to have a very talented professor who sparked interesting conversation and who

even gave a final that was a graded discussion amongst peers. I had never taken a test like that before, and it was the most fun test I have ever taken! I think he enjoyed giving it just as much.

In December I was officially endorsed by my candidacy committee. That means that I have passed the second hurdle in the candidacy process that runs parallel to going to seminary. They make sure that I am in good academic standing, but more importantly, that I seem to understand and can apply what I am learning in seminary and continue to be a good pastoral candidate. In my final year, I will face approval and, finally, ordination, once I receive my first call.

In March I received my internship placement. They use an interesting process at Wartburg where the student fills out paperwork and the sites fill out paperwork and a committee matches us up, based on the needs and ministry both are looking for. That can mean getting placed anywhere in the country unless you request a geographic restriction. With needing to stay close to where Axl's mother lives and buying a new home, I did request such a restriction, so I was placed at St. Peter's Lutheran Church (<https://www.stpeterdbq.org/>) in Dubuque. I have gotten to interact with my supervisor and the associate pastor several times and have attended church there twice. I think it will be a great fit. Plus, they have an active youth program, which will be wonderful for Ella's involvement! I will start that on August 8th and will be with them for a year before I return to Wartburg for my final year of seminary. I will be preaching every third Sunday and would love to see some friendly Lakeview faces in the pews if you ever feel like adventuring down to Dubuque!

Lastly, Colin and I will be traveling to Israel and Palestine next January for two weeks to complete my last J-term credit. They require one to be cross-cultural, so this is the one we chose, and we feel very fortunate to be able to visit the Holy Land with my New Testament professor leading the trip. I will update you on all the amazing things I experience and learn on that trip!

For now, though, I get to enjoy a little more time off with Ella this Summer, which has already been a wonderful break! We had a fabulous housewarming party, got to go on vacation to Utah with Colin and Axl, and will be attending Lutheran family church camp in July at Sugar Creek. In between, we are enjoying visits with friends and family and lots of swimming and time outdoors! We are settling in well in our new home in Lancaster and have wonderful neighbors and friends, but we still enjoy our visits back to Madison as frequently as we are able!

Sending love and God's peace to you all,
Laura J. (and Ella)



FROM PASTOR DARIN'S DESK

Dear Friends,

I am so excited to begin as your pastor here at Lakeview Lutheran Church! Allow me to tell you about myself. I was born and raised in Canton, SD, a small farming town in the Southeastern corner of the state. I'm the youngest of 7 kids; my parents had seen and experienced everything that kids can do by the time I came around!

I married into Wisconsin. My wife, Joy Mortensen-Wiebe, and I met at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN while we were students there. We have two wonderful daughters whom we are perpetually proud of: Elida is 27 and lives with her husband, Zach, in Lubbock, TX. She works as a Prospect Research Analyst for the ELCA. Julia is 24 and lives here in Madison, working as a FoodShare Outreach Specialist for Second Harvest Foodbank. We're also the sort of folks who list dogs as part of our family – we have a 10-month-old rescue pup named Coconut.

My wife is the Bishop of our South Central Synod. She is an avid hockey player. We have served together in two congregations (Grace, Tomahawk, & All Saints, Oshkosh) during our careers. I have also served at Our Savior's, West Bend; as a Hospice Chaplain at St. Camillus, Milwaukee; and as Interim Pastor at two other congregations.

In our free time we enjoy hiking with Coconut (there are so many wonderful lakes and trails in and around Madison!) camping, and we've recently taken up kayaking. We also find it enjoyable to explore all that Madison has to offer.

Did I mention that I'm excited to be here? I'm already impressed by the way Lakeview reaches out beyond the walls of the church building. From the weekly food pantry to the work at being a church who welcomes all people under the banner of being a Reconciling in Christ Congregation, Lakeview has taken up the work of Christ by reaching out and serving our neighbors. God has obviously been doing great things through this congregation; I'm ready to see where God will take us next!

The Lord be with you,

Pastor Darin

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Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday Open from 12:00pm-4:00pm Friday: Closed

Worship Service Schedule:

9:00 am Sunday Live Stream via YouTube or watch the recorded service any time after it is posted

In-person 5:00pm Saturday and 9:00am Sunday

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