

THE BEACON

Rally Day/Pastor Darin's Installation will be Sunday, September 11th at 9am
Bishop Joy Mortensen-Wiebe will be here to participate in Pastor Darin's Installation and there will be cake and ice cream after to celebrate. We will also be doing a special collection for the Food Pantry – you guessed it – toilet paper!

Lakeview Lutheran Sunday School Families! Calling all families with 3 year olds to 6th graders! We will have a meeting Sunday Sept 18th following service to discuss Sunday School plans for the 2022/2023 school year. We will discuss when and how often we meet and look forward to hearing your ideas. If anyone (not just parents) is interested in teaching please contact Annette Pownell (aepownell@yahoo.com)!

Confirmation Class – a meeting to discuss Confirmation Class for the upcoming year will be held on Sunday, September 4th after the 9am worship service.

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.

Choir will meet on Thursdays at 7pm starting September 8th in the Sanctuary!
New choir members are always welcome! Enter thru the Sanctuary doors. You'll get music, a warm reception from the rest of the choir, a chance to lead worship, great fellowship, and a weekly joke that may even be funny! This year, give choir a try.

Next Senior Lunch will be Wednesday, September 14th – "Lets Tailgate"
Lakeview will provide brats & hot dogs. Please bring a dish to pass and wear your favorite team's jersey (doesn't have to be football-any team!).

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

Upcoming Senior Lunches: Oct. 4th – "It's Chili Time!"

November 1st – "Fall Comfort Foods" December 6th – "Happy Holidays"

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

Food Pantry - The Food Pantry is asking for the following items for September: dish soap & paper bags. If you would like to make a donation to the food pantry, go to the Lakeview Lutheran website, Giving tab.

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.

Lakeview Lawn Care Club will be doing lawn work on Tuesdays at 9am and Wednesdays at 5pm until lawn work is no longer needed.

Please join us! Many hands make light work! Please bring gloves, safety glasses, ear plugs, trimmers/blowers if you have them.

Worship Assistants Still Needed! Especially Counters & Ushers. 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.

Remote Communion - Those who are worshipping from home are invited to also participate in Holy Communion. Simply gather some bread and wine (or juice) before worship. You can share in the meal while the rest of the congregation does so. If others are present with you, you can offer each other the elements, stating, "This is the body of Christ, given for you," and, "This is the blood of Christ, shed for you." If you are alone you can remind yourself, "The body of Christ. The blood of Christ."

Porchlight Men's Shelter -The Porchlight Men's Shelter is in need of the following items: 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. There is a box in the Narthex or drop off at the office.

Lakeview Book Club - The Lakeview Book club will be discussing the book, "Bewilderment" by Richard Powers on *Sunday, September 4th* after the worship service. New Members are welcome!

Knots of Love - The church knitting group, Knots of Love, meets on the *1st Tuesday* of each month, in the Library at church-please join us! If you would like to learn to knit or crochet, we will be glad to teach you. Please enter through the office door.

FROM PASTOR DARIN'S DESK

Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation... (2 Corinthians 5:18)

Dear Friends,

One of the first things I've noticed since I began as your pastor is your warmth and friendliness. Sure, you've been welcoming to me; but the point where I really have seen your warmth and caring has been during the passing of the peace at worship. It takes you so long to pass the peace! Make no mistake, this is a very good thing.

I can recall a time when the congregation I was part of as a boy had a bit of a church fight over the passing of the peace. Many members did not want to take part in this time at worship. Mind you, this is decades before Covid19 and social distancing - that wasn't a reason. I don't know, maybe it was because we were a bunch of shy, stoic Norwegians; for whatever reason, my church stopped passing the peace at worship. That was a sad thing.

When we pass the peace at worship, it's more than a greeting or, "Hey, how ya doing?". It's not our own peace that we're passing. That's good news because sometimes we might not feel peaceful, and we have no peace to pass. When we pass the peace at worship it's the peace of the Lord that we're passing. Christ not only has peace, he is the source of peace, and he has plenty to pass. We take it in faith, then, that it is Christ's peace we pass to each other. This is a peace which can bring healing for inner turmoil, or even mend a broken relationship. Good news, indeed.

Certainly, Covid19 challenged the passing of the peace in worship – among so many other things! What is crucial, though, is that we *didn't stop passing the peace*. Instead, we altered the ways in which we do it. Gone is the moving from pew to pew, shaking hands, and slapping shoulders. Now we stay in our spots, but the Peace of Christ remains. It's a wave or a peace sign, rather than a grasping of hands. We still make eye contact. Most importantly, we still speak Christ's Peace to each other. "The Peace of Christ be with you." still gives that Peace, even out of arms' reach of each other.

And we'll keep taking our time to do it.

See you in Church!

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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