

Church Chatter

TIME TO SAY GOOD BYE

Dearly, beloved, we have been together for almost two years. A blessed time for me as you have made me a better person. I have become more understanding and more loving. I have learned to accept differences in thinking and perception. I am more accepting of things I do not understand. So, thank you! I am deeply grateful for the challenges you have presented me with.

I am also grateful for the love you have given me. Our worship services, even if sparsely attended, have been filled with faith, and deep listening. I have always felt the presence of the Holy Spirit blowing through our sanctuary.

I am still unsure I have managed to impact your thinking, or way of being and understanding of the WAY of Jesus, the essence of Christianity. The Annual meeting has revealed our differences in understanding of what it means to be a Christian. Compassion for ourselves but not for others is directly in opposition to the Way of Jesus. Holding grudges and not being able to let go of the past is a sign of being stuck spiritually. Having an addiction to being right, and never allowing for some wiggle room in our firm convictions, shows we would rather choose being right over being loved or giving love and compassion.

And yet, I have hope for LCOR. The majority of people here are steeped in faith, loving and

tolerant of differences. Not inclusive, but that is another subject.

As you begin a journey of life and faith with another pastor or pastors, my prayers go out to you all. I will always hope in the transformation of the sinner, who misses the mark. Life will bring similar situations on your path until you will learn how to let the power of Christ, and not yours, speak into your heart of stubborn certitude. Certitude is the opposite of faith, and not doubt.

I fell in love with your congregation. And I accepted you as you are. We are all falling short of the glory of God. I believe we all are supposed to love as God loves. I am surely looking forward to my personal growth, as I move to another state, and another church. I will stay in touch with those who want to continue a relationship with me. God bless you all. Pastor Liliana

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In Christian love we all hold our Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer family close to our hearts. Information regarding

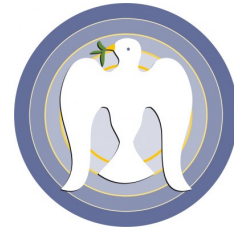


those in need of prayer during difficult times (sickness, injury, death of a loved one, etc.) is shared with people through the LCOR prayer chain. If you would like information regarding friends and family of our church in need of assistance and prayer, please let the church office know. You can be notified through a phone call or an email, so please specify your

preferred method of communication.

The prayer chain will begin with Francie, who will call the first person on the call list and send out an email to all who prefer to receive communication in that manner.

If you have a need for prayers or wish to place yourself or someone you know on the prayer chain for any reason, please contact Francie by emailing lcormorgan@msn.com. You can call and leave a message at (970) 867-8432.



NEW MEMBERS

Last Sunday, January 31st, we welcomed three new members in our congregation:

Kay Johnson, June Martin and Gerry Mersinger. Evelyn Salgado was also supposed to be in this group; unfortunately, she became very sick and could not attend. We will welcome her at a different date.

A very warm welcome to LCOR dear women of God!

These women have already blessed us all with their faithfulness and the many contributions to our ministry here. We thank God for their faithful witness and wish them health, courage strength, and joy as they worship and serve our Lord, Jesus Christ!



PRAIRIE PARISH

PRAIRIE PARISH - FEBRUARY 3RD 9:00 a.m. in Akron

“Roy Chavez will give a presentation about the forces that affected his life as a child on the Navajo Indian reservation. As an Indian boarding school survivor, he will speak about how he came to terms with what he went through in order to heal himself. The title of his presentation will be "HOZHO"- In Navajo Means Finding Peace Through Healing. This event will take place at the

**Peace Evangelical Church,
322 Gum Street,**



PRAYER Requests

Please pray for the following who have been submitted to our prayer list:

Kate Barnes, Ron and Kay Seilor, Nora Earley, John Strauch, Owen Strister, Gina Sheets, Randi Warbasse, Dayle Neddo, Jessa & Taylor Pickering, Andrei Joanna & Atlas, Nicoleta and Rebecca, James, Sidonia and their children, Christine Reedy, Jodi Brown, Callie Sidor, Mikaela Martinez-Harman, Ed & Pam Dorn, Luke Lay, Braxton Speicher, Luke Makings, and Zach Griffith

happy birthday

February Birthdays

Cody Parker	1st
Terri Schafer	1st
Kyle Lieurance	3rd
Melissa Ruppel	15th
Evelyn Cleary	18th
Julie Vannoy	19th

Please call the church office if we have missed anyone or if there is an error.

LAY PREACHING MINISTERS

Pastor Liliana has been in contact with the Professor for Homiletics at Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, in regards to the possibility of training lay preachers for different congregations. This possibility has become a reality, and a PREACHING CLASS will begin on February 13th, 2024. The class will be on zoom, so people can attend from the comfort of their home.

Here is the list of people attending this class:

1. Bob Dorn – LCOR
2. Roxie Larson – LCOR
3. Charlene Holzworth – BLC, BRUSH
4. Cliff Stoffels – PEACE, AKRON
5. Chris Eickhoff – LOTM, DILLON
6. Liliana Stahlberg – LCOR – supervising pastor

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer December Financials

December 1 Balance: (\$8,431.89)

Inflows: \$6,746.88

Outflows: \$8,382.50

**Balance December 31, 2023:
(\$10,067.51)**

LCOR Church Council Meeting Minutes for January 07, 2024

Next Meeting LCOR Council – February 12—5:00 pm
Respectfully submitted, Karen Liston, Council Secretary

January 7, 2024

1. Call to order at 1:45, after the EiL/Council Retreat. Council members present were Pastor Liliana, Karen Temple, Bob Dorn, Kay Carter, Marian Robertson, and Karen Liston. Teresa Lauk and Bruce Bruener were also present.
2. Approval of Agenda- Bob moved to accept the agenda as presented. Kay seconded; all approved.
3. Approval of Secretary Report- Marion moved to approve. Bob seconded; all approved.
4. Approval of the Treasurer Report-
 - a. Teresa shared that we were working with a \$1,600 deficit in December. For 2023 we had a \$4,600 surplus. As of today, we are only borrowing a total of \$10,000.00.
 - b. Bob moved to accept the Treasurer Report. Marian seconded; all approved.
5. Committee Reports-
 - a. Building and Grounds –
 1. Bob shared that we are looking at a fixed leak and improvement for the boiler.
 - b. WELCA shared that they began with a total of \$8,784.05 in their budget. They donated \$1,000.00 to charity. They currently have \$7,784 in the budget.
6. Old Business-
 - a. Annual Meeting- The Annual Meeting will be on January 28, 2024. We are also looking to install new members to Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer on that date during the service. Items to be discussed at the Annual Meeting include:
 - new council members
 - transition team description for the congregation
 - elect a nominating committee for the following year; Bob, Rick, and possibly two others will be needed
 - budget approval
 - yearly reports from committees
 - we need at least two people to fill council positions
7. New Business-
 - a. Easter Schedule and planning- The Men's Group will cook the Easter breakfast. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt. We need to finalize plans for Lenten services and Holy Week.
 - b. Bob is checking into security for the sheds.
8. Pastor Items- none
9. Other Business- none

11. Adjourn with the Lord's Prayer at 2:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Liston, Council Secretary



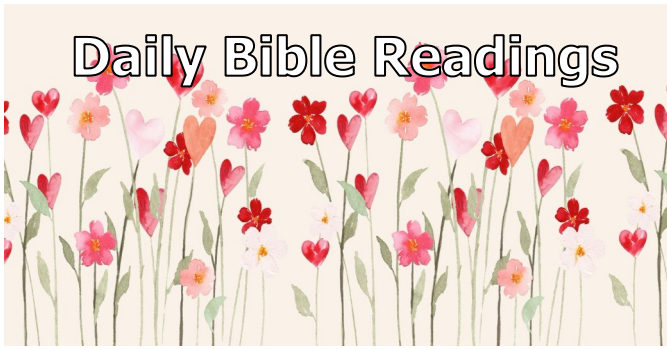
The LCOR Grief Group was off to a good start in January. Pastor Liliana and our new member, Kay Johnson, were the two facilitators. As pastor Liliana is leaving, Pastor Rofesser is becoming the new facilitator. Pastor Ro is well known in our community, as she was the chaplain at Ebenezer for many years. Her experience with grief is priceless.

Kay Johnson has been a counselor for over 30 years and grief groups are one of her many passions. Together, these two ladies will provide comfort, understanding of the grief process, and lead those who grieve through the healing process.

If you have experienced any kind of loss, you are all welcome to participate and invite others to participate. When the group has 10 people, another group will be formed, to maintain the privacy, and intimacy for sharing of stories. These groups are strictly confidential. What happens in the Grief Group stays in the Grief Group.

THE NEXT Grief Group will meet next Saturday, February 10th, from noon to 1:30 pm, in the Fellowship Hall at LCOR

Daily Bible Readings



Sunday February 4 2024
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 40:21-31
 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c
 1 Corinthians 9:16-23
 Mark 1:29-39

Monday

Psalm 102:12-28
 2 Kings 4:8-17, 32-37
 Acts 14:1-7

Tuesday

Psalm 102:12-28
 2 Kings 8:1-6



Acts 15:36-41

Wednesday

Psalm 102:12-28
 Job 6:1-13
 Mark 3:7-12
 Week around Epiphany

Thursday

Psalm 30
 Leviticus 13:1-17
 Hebrews 12:7-13

Friday

Psalm 30
 Leviticus 14:1-20
 Acts 19:11-20

Saturday

Psalm 30
 Leviticus 14:21-32

Matthew 26:6-13

Sunday February 11 2024

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
 Feb 11th, 2024
 2 Kings 5:1-14
 Psalm 30

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Mark 1:40-45

Monday

Psalm 6
 2 Chronicles 26:1-21
 Acts 3:1-10

Tuesday

Psalm 6
 2 Kings 7:3-10
 1 Corinthians 10:14—11:1

Wednesday

Psalm 6
 Job 30:16-31
 John 4:46-54
 Week around Epiphany 7

Thursday

Psalm 41
 2 Chronicles 7:12-22
 3 John 2-8

Friday

Psalm 41
 Isaiah 38:1-8
 Hebrews 12:7-13

Saturday

Psalm 41
 Isaiah 39:1-8
 Luke 4:38-41

Sunday February 18 2024

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany
 Isaiah 43:18-25
 Psalm 41
 2 Corinthians 1:18-22

Mark 2:1-12

Monday

Psalm 38
 Isaiah 30:18-26
 Acts 14:8-18

Tuesday

Psalm 38
 Micah 4:1-7
 2 Corinthians 1:1-11

Wednesday

Psalm 38
 Lamentations 5:1-22
 John 5:19-29

Week around Epiphany 8

Thursday

Psalm 103:1-13, 22
 Ezekiel 16:1-14
 Romans 3:1-8

Friday

Psalm 103:1-13, 22
 Ezekiel 16:44-52
 2 Peter 1:1-11

Saturday

Psalm 103:1-13, 22
 Ezekiel 16:53-63
 John 7:53—8:11

Sunday February 25 2024

Eighth Sunday after Epiphany
 Hosea 2:14-20
 Psalm 103:1-13, 22
 2 Corinthians 3:1-6
 Mark 2:13-22

Monday

Psalm 45:6-17
 Hosea 3:1-5
 2 Corinthians 1:23—2:11

Ash Wednesday



*Remember that you are dust,
 and to dust you shall return.*

Tuesday
 Psalm 45:6-17
 Hosea 14:1-9
 2 Corinthians 11:1-15

Wednesday
 Psalm 45:6-17
 Isaiah 62:1-5

John 3:22-36
 Week around Transfiguration

Thursday

Psalm 50:1-6
 1 Kings 11:26-40
 2 Corinthians 2:12-17

Friday

Psalm 50:1-6

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Kings 14:1-18

1 Timothy 1:12-20

February 2024	4	11	18	25
Lector	Bob Dorn	Wanda Rosten	Rockie Ernst	Karen Liston
Acolyte	Wanda Rosten	Stefanie Liston	Wanda Rosten	Stefanie Liston
Usher/ Greeter	Shelly Bristol	Margie Dorn	Carol Foos	Luz and Evelyn Salgado
Altar Guild	NA	Wanda Rosten	NA	Barb Mai
Council Steward	Kay Carter	Karen Liston	Kay Carter	Karen Temple
Media Center	Bruce Buehner	-	-	-
Teller	Shelly Bristol	Margie Dorn	Carol Foos	Carrie Brown
Fellowship Host	David and Emma Jorgenson	Betty Dahl	Elsie Menken	Bob and Margie Dorn
Organist	Diane Nicklas	Diane Nicklas	Kristal Sneed	Kristal Sneed

LCOR Congregation Council Members & Officers

The Congregation Council is the core leadership body of the congregation. They are charged with overseeing and directing the life and mission of our church. We encourage you to talk with them! Please pray for their ministry as they provide leadership to LCOR.

Karen Temple, President 380-9260

Bob Dorn, Vice—President 768-5456

Karen Liston, Secretary 842-4819

Kay Carter (505) 573-9043

Rick Mai 542-9672

Marion Robertson 867-2552

Terresa Lauck, Treasurer 768-3143

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February 2024

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Sat

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4 Pastor Lilianna's Last Day	5	6	7 ✝ ASH WEDNESDAY	8	9	10 Grief Group LCOR 12- 1:30 pm
11 Worship 10:00 am	12 Council Meeting 5 pm	13	14	15	16	17
18 Worship 10:00 am	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Worship 10:00 am	26	27	28	29		

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Address Service Requested

Pastor Michael TeKrony will be joining LCOR as a Bridge Pastor. A bridge pastor is someone who serves for a short period of time and is bridging us from the time Pastor Liliana leaves, until we can hopefully find someone else. We will begin searching right away for another bridge pastor or an interim pastor as we prepare ourselves for a call. Pastor Michael will be serving LCOR from February 10 – April 1.

Pastor Michael served for 18 years at Holy Shepard Lutheran Church in Lakewood, CO. Most recently he was the interim pastor in Cheyenne for about 1.5 years. He helped the church in Cheyenne begin their transition process to prepare themselves for a new spiritual leader. He brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to LCOR and how blessed we are to have him with us, even for a short time.

Please welcome Pastor Michael to LCOR.