

# Through Zion's Window

FEBRUARY 2018



January 14, 2018 Council Minutes – Meeting was brought to order by President Jerry Liesener at 10:00 am. Devotions were led by Franklin Wolter. Devotions for the next month's meeting will be led by Anna Gramling. A motion was made by John Siedschlag, seconded by Franklin, to approve the secretary's report for December as printed, motion carried.

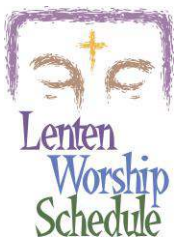
Carrie Wendorf emailed the treasurer's report to Council members. Benevolence and insurance needs to be paid. An invoice for the new narthex lighting will be coming and will be paid from the building fund. Motion by Christine Siedschlag, seconded by Anna to accept the treasurer's report, motion carried.

Old Business - nominations for council positions were discussed. Several congregation members have been asked to run for the open council positions of Parish Ed, Evangelism and Stewardship.

New Business – The Chili Lunch & Pie Auction will be held on February 25<sup>th</sup> with proceeds of the event going towards new tables and upkeep on the exterior of the church. An account at Edward Jones on Brown Street has been set up so the church can accept donations. Carrie will explain more at the Annual meeting. A water iron filtration system was discussed. This would be installed by Schaefer's in Watertown and will allow us to use the water from the faucets and not use bottled water. Motion by Franklin, seconded by Chris to proceed with the installation of the for \$825.00. Motion carried. Jerry provided an update on the MET team progress.

Next Council meeting will be on February 4<sup>th</sup>. Our annual church meeting will be on February 11<sup>th</sup>. Motion was made by Christine, seconded by Franklin to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 am, motion carried. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Heidi Tunak



February 14 --- Ash Wednesday Joint Service w/Holy Name

February 21 --- Joint Ecumenical Service w/Holy Name

February 28 --- St. Catherine's of Alexandria

March 7 --- St. Olaf's Lutheran Church

March 14 --- St. Paul's Episcopal Church

March 21 --- Cross Lutheran Church

All Services are Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

# FEBRUARY

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

07 – Lester Schuett  
 14 – Ashlyn Schlieve  
 15 – Wendy Egholm  
 17 – Annalyse Heinrich  
 20 – Joshua Fredrick  
 21 – Natalie Siedschlag  
 27 – Tessa Christopherson

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

13 – Mike & Kathleen Johnson  
 21 – Paul & Wendy Egholm  
 25 – Dave & Sandy Jaeger

## SPECIAL DATES TO REMEMBER

African-American History Month  
 05 – Boy Scout Sunday  
 14 – Valentine's Day  
 20 – Presidents Day  
 26 – Transfiguration of Our Lord

## ACOYLTES

04 – Kyle Schlieve  
 11 – Kristofer Schultz  
 14 – Nolan Altreuter  
 18 – Kyle Schultz  
 25 – Kristofer Schultz

## GREETERS

04 – Scott Gramling Family  
 11 – John Siedschlag Family  
 14 – Bill & Ele Mack  
 18 – Doreen Schultz  
 25 – Dave & Sandy Jaeger

## PROJECTION SYSTEM

04 – Loni Jaeger  
 11 – Annette Christopherson  
 14 – Carly Christopherson  
 18 – John Siedschlag  
 25 – Heidi Tunak

## USHERS

\*Paul & Wendy Egholm Team  
 Sally Schoenike  
 Allen & Mary Lee Petersen

## ALTAR GUILD

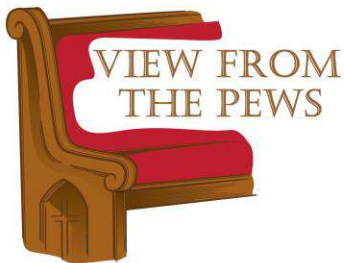
Carrie Wendorf  
 Katherine Wendorf

## ASS'T MIN

04 – John Siedschlag  
 11 – Jerry Liesener  
 14 – Anna Gramling  
 18 – Carrie Wendorf  
 25 – John Siedschlag

## LAY READER

Linda Braunschweig



## VIEW FROM THE PEWS

December 24	42 & 130	January 7	50
December 25	34	January 14	50
December 31	38	January 21	53

## NOTES FROM THE OFFICE...

\*Once the Annual Report is put together, an e-mail will be sent out and you can pick a copy up early, if you wish from a rubbermaid container outside the front door.

\*On **Wednesday, February 21**, Zion and Holy Name will do a joint Ecumenical Worship Service at 7:00 pm. Please bring a dessert our snack to share as we enjoy our fellowship time after.

DEADLINE: For March Newsletter is February 18, 2018.



# Evangelism News...

## Mt. Meru Coffee

To support the fair trade price for coffee grown by our Tanzania sister diocese, bags of Mt. Meru whole bean and ground coffee are available for purchase on the cart display near the coffee maker. When making your selection/purchase, please use an envelope near the display board for your payment and put the envelope in the treasurer's mailbox. If you have questions about Mt. Meru coffee, see Loni Jaeger.



## Greeting Cards

Greeting cards are hand-made through-out the year by the Evangelism chair for birthdays and other occasions. To build up the supply, volunteer(s) are needed to decorate the front of the cards. If you are interested in spending a couple hours after worship on February 18, please contact Doreen Schultz.

*(My material/gadget supply is limited, so if you have any fun items, bring them along.)*

## Chili Lunch and Pie Auction

Have you been dreaming of those delicious pies you enjoyed last year? The wait is almost over!

**Chili Lunch and Pie Auction is February 25.**

Bakers, get your recipes ready to delight our taste buds once again.



## Annual Meeting

Don't forget!

The annual congregation meeting is **February 11**. Several Council positions will be vacated and need to be filled. Please consider serving on the Council for one of the three-year openings.

Contact a council member for information and to volunteer to be placed on the ballot.



## So many ways you can get involved.....

- ❖ Bring treats for coffee hours
- ❖ Donate books to the Little Free library
- ❖ Join the Trivia committee \*\*
- ❖ Join the Ice Cream Social committee \*\*
- ❖ Join the Artisan/Vendor Sale committee \*\*
- ❖ Organize a ladies night \*\*

\*\* Contact Doreen Schultz if you are interested in getting involved.

Doreen Schultz  
Evangelism Committee Chair



Thanks to all who sent cards at the time of my recent accident and during this time of recuperation. I am now home, receiving OT or PT every weekday, along with the help of a part time caregiver. Your prayerful concern is appreciated.

Pastor Gerald Goodrich

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**ST. JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP ANNUAL CHILI LUNCH & PIE AUCTION:** Sunday, January 28, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Ashippun. 10:30 – 1:30 pm.

**ST. PETER'S LEBANON CHILI LUNCHEON:** Sunday, February 11, from 9:15 am – 1:00 pm.

**ST. OLAF'S ANNUAL PIE AUCTION/SOCIAL:** Sunday, March 4, at 11:30 am.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE  
38<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WOMEN'S ECUMENICAL BREAKFAST**

Saturday, February 10, 2018  
9:00 – 11:30 am

At St. John's Lutheran Church  
W334 N6990 Stone Bank Road  
Oconomowoc, WI 53066 (In Stone Bank)

Breakfast will be served in the downstairs fellowship hall at 9:00 am.

A program follows upstairs in the sanctuary featuring Cynthia Halverson, President of the Lutheran Social Services Foundation. Cynthia will speak on the "For I was hungry, and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you invited me in." Matthew 25:35.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Heidi Tunak at 920-474-7181 by Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> and she will call for reservations.

## Welcoming the Stranger

*"For I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink.  
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There are 22.5 million registered refugees worldwide. Each day, 28,000 people are forced to flee their homes due to conflict and persecution. Since 1974, Lutheran Social Services has resettled more than 10,000 refugees from 15 nations.

In 2018, it is projected that 45,000 refugees will enter the United States and we hope to welcome several hundred to Wisconsin.



On February 10, Cynthia Halverson, President of the LSS Foundation, will be the guest speaker for the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Ecumenical Women's Breakfast. Cynthia will speak on the current situation of refugees globally, and how we here in Wisconsin are welcoming the stranger through the work of LSS and other resettlement agencies.

Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan, Inc. (LSS) is a multi-faceted non-profit agency that has been providing services to communities throughout Wisconsin since 1882. LSS' mission is "Motivated by the compassion of Christ, we help people improve the quality of their lives." In 2015, LSS touched the lives of over 100,000 people through its work in over 242 programs in 155 communities throughout Wisconsin and Upper Michigan.

Cindy is President of the LSS Foundation, Inc., organized solely for the purpose to provide current and sustaining support for the programs of Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan. Her previous professional experiences include serving as executive director for mission advancement for the Evangelical Covenant Church (2011 – 2014); president of the ELCA Foundation (2007 - 2011); director of the ELCA Fund for Leaders in Mission (1999 – 2007); and vice president for resource development for Lutheran Social Service of Illinois (1989 – 1997). Cindy is married to Pr. Brian Halverson who is currently serving at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church in West Allis. Cindy is a graduate of Valparaiso University.