

LCM.CHURCH

Inspire

NEWSLETTER

True

LOVE

February 2022

Inspire Newsletter

This month we are going to be talking about true love. *Romans 5:8* “*But God showed His great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.*” Join us as we discover different perspectives on this topic. We hope that you will grow in your understanding and move forward in Christ’s will with us.

Thanks for reading!

3 Words from our Pastors

14 Let’s Get Together

5 Musings of a Morrison

16 Conversations on Christianity

6 Children’s Ministry

17 Let Us Pray

9 Youth Ministry

18 Information Update

10 One14 Center Pantry

11 Stephen Ministry

12 Helping Hands

13 Annual Meeting Results

Here's a Thought...

By: Pastor Jonathan Haseley; Campus Pastor (West) | jonathan.haseley@lcm.church

WHAT QUALIFIES ME TO DISCIPLE OTHERS?

"When you come to personal dealings with others, remember who you are – not a special being made up in heaven, but a sinner saved by grace."

~ Oswald Chambers

It is essential to gain the clarity and simplicity of how Jesus discipled His followers in the gospels so that you can disciple others – your children, friends, neighbors, or fellow church members to be followers of Jesus too.

However, many Christians will not even consider discipling their family or friends because they harbor a common misunderstanding. They presume they are unqualified to do it. It can often sound something like: *"How could I possibly disciple other people? Look at me, I am a mess. I do not know enough about the Bible. I am not very spiritual, and I am painfully aware of how often I struggle with my doubts"* (p.83).

Well, what qualifications make Jesus' list for discipling others? You might be surprised! Many Christians are familiar with the words of the Great Commission: *"Go and make disciples of all nations."* However, have you ever noticed that the commission was given to 11 men who worshipped and doubted (Matthew 28:16-19)? Jesus gave the Great Commission to people who still have doubts!

What qualifies the disciples of Jesus – this undersized, ragtag group of imperfect followers – to disciple other people? Authorization does not necessarily mean qualification. As Pastor Greg Finke notes, *"The word 'qualified' means to be officially recognized as having met the requirements for performing a particular job"* (p.85). So what qualifies the disciples to disciple others? Jesus gives us the answer:

IT IS THEIR EXPERIENCE AND THEIR STORIES OF LIFE ON MISSION WITH HIM.

Ever since Jesus called the disciples to follow Him in Matthew 4:19, He had been qualifying them to make more disciples. Jesus has been giving them on-the-job training for pursuing His Father's mission. He was giving them mission stories. He was training them to participate in the mission of God and to show others how to do the same.

Bottom line: The Great Commission was given to an undersized group of unschooled, ordinary people who were imperfect, lacked theological insight, suffered from doubts but joined Jesus on His mission. Sounds like our kind of people! So, if you ever think "discipling" is not for you because you are imperfect, lack some theology and occasionally have doubts, forget about it. You are exactly the kind of person Jesus has used and will continue to use powerfully to the end of the age (p.86).

Of course, there is ONE THING that leaves us unqualified to disciple others: if we have not yet joined Jesus on His mission. If all we have is theological book knowledge, we are not yet qualified to disciple others. If we have no experience in joining Jesus on His mission, we are not yet qualified to disciple others. Why? Because we have no stories. . . yet (p.86).

"What qualifies us to make more disciples? Our experiences and stories of joining Jesus on His mission. Jesus authorizes us, our stories qualify us, and the Holy Spirit empowers us" (p.88).

** With the permission of Greg Finke, content has been quoted, summarized, and adapted from *Joining Jesus Show Me How: How to Disciple Everyday Missionaries* (Tyler, TX: Tenth Power Publishing, 2017).

Live from East Campus

By: Pastor Chris Andersen; Campus Pastor (East) | chris.andersen@lcm.church

2022 has started in full swing and it has been a joy to be leading the East Campus in the new role of Associate Pastor. I first want to say thank you to the congregation and Alissa, Scarlett, and I appreciate prayers as we continue full strength in this role. Every month, we will highlight things that are going on at the East Campus.

In January, we had a First Steps Member Class where we welcomed 7 new members and 2 young people, we participated in Peanut Butter Sunday in where we made 500+ peanut butter sandwich meals that were donated to the Open Door Mission, and we began our Table of the Lord with 5th graders and their families in preparing for First Communion.



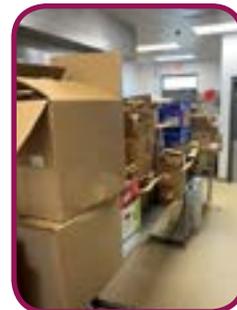
New members from Left to Right

Nikki Hullinger, Wyatt Kastl, Lou Ann Patterson, Phyllis and Darwin Preuss, and Ryan, Brenda, William, and Hunter Khoury

Please introduce yourself to these individuals before or after worship services!



Sandwich making set up Sunday Morning



Ready for distribution at Open Door Mission

Join us on February 20th and every 3rd Sunday of the month as we come together for Peanut Butter Sunday in the Fellowship Hall of the East Campus. We have all ages serving with each other prepping, making, and praying over 500+ peanut butter sandwich meals that are delivered to the Open Door Mission. We are always looking for donations of individual bags of chips, rice krispy treats, creamy peanut butter, plastic knives, napkins, and ziplock bags!
Chris Andersen



Pray for these young people as they embark on a 6 week journey that we call Table of the Lord. During each time spent together, we are looking at the importance of Communion as they prepare to take 1st Communion soon. This is a great time for us to spend with them and their families and walk through Scripture together. If you're interested in learning more about Communion or would like to take a class similar to this, please contact Pastor Chris Andersen!

Musings of a Morrison

By: Tasha Morrison

When you wish upon a star, you find your true love and live happily ever after. I mean, that's what I was taught by all the cartoons and movies I grew up watching. And true love – well that meant that someone loved me. It seemed so simple, straight forward and as I grew up, impossible to find! It didn't matter how many towers I cast my long hair out of, or roses I stared at, no prince charming ever found me. I was all about to give up on finding true love not realizing I had already found it!

Did you know that I found my true love when I was just three years old? Me either. But I did. That's when I first asked Christ to be the Lord of my life. But at the age of three, I didn't understand a whole lot about life, let alone the kind of love I just accepted into my life. What does His love even mean? How is His love any different from that of my mother's or my grandparent's love for me? How does His love compare to the love my friends have for me? It took me several years to even start to understand the meaning of this love. I am in my 30's and I'm still learning, daily, just how much His love for me differs than literally anyone else on this planet. For the love that He has for me, is true.

Example A: Sin. I have a few people in my life who are no longer a part of my life due to sin. Sin creates a separation between us and those we care about; those we love. But here's the thing, God's love never ends! (1 Corinthians 13:8). Knowledge doesn't even last as long as love does; love endures the entirety of Christ's life and we all know how long that lasts.

Example B: Death, or lack there of. I get to live forever; which is a difficult concept to grasp considering my limited human brain, but I know this to be true. Death cannot stop the love He has for us. (John 3:16, Romans 5:8). I don't know a single human being who can love me after they have passed away. They're no longer a part of this world to love me. They became new and live in the everlasting presence and love of our Heavenly Father. He's the only one that can love me enough to die for me and promise me eternal life – no one on earth can claim that.

Example C: His love is just different. Simple as that. *“Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.”* John 15:13. The love that Christ holds for me far surpasses any love my mother ever had or will have for me. The love that Christ holds for me far surpasses the love my husband shares with me. The love that Christ has even surpasses the love my four dogs have for me, and we all know how much love dogs hold. His love is just better. His love ... wait for it... is true.

So, this “lovely season”, remember that only the love that Christ has for us, is the only kind of love that we can claim as true. This doesn't mean no one else loves us here on earth, it's just that the kind of love that Christ holds for us is better. My husband cannot promise me eternal life, my God can.

Alleluia!

By: Debbie Lubker | Alleluia! Preschool & Kindergarten Director | debbie.lubker@lcm.church



Alleluia!
PRESCHOOL



Alleluia!
KINDERGARTEN

COMMITTED TO SPIRITUAL AND ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT

*We love because He first loved us. 1 John 4:19
Do everything in love. 1 Corinthians 16:14*

I love these verses and truly love celebrating Valentine's with the preschool kids. The kids love having friends! Kids love getting mail! There is so much excitement sharing Valentine's with your friends and getting to share God's Love!

February is a busy month for Alleluia! Preschool. The children will be learning about Queen Esther & King David. The story of the Good Samaritan will be covered during Valentine's week and the children will learn about opposites through Jacob & Esau in the Bible.

Happy Valentine's Day! Remember to share God's love with everyone this month and always!



Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life. Psalm 143:8

We look forward to registration for the next school year and we trust in God's plan for Alleluia! Preschool because of His unfailing love for us!

Please remember to register your child for the 2022-2023 school year. Registration forms are available online and in the Church office. Please feel free to tell your neighbors and friends to check out Alleluia! Preschool & Kindergarten. Thank you!

Children's Ministry: WEST

By: Kellie Webb | Children & Family Coordinator WEST | kellie.webb@lcm.church

LCM KIDS SUNDAYS

Kids ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to join us for Sunday School at 9:30am on Sunday mornings. Each week our lesson follows a chronological timeline of Bible events where every story points to Jesus. We explore these Bible stories through activities, games, videos, art, and music.

The Nursery at West Campus is available every Sunday from 8:15-11:45am. Children ages 2 and under are welcome to come play!

VALENTINE PARTY

Plan to join us at East Campus for a fun filled Valentine party on Friday February 11th from 6-8pm. Gary Andersen is making his amazing lasagna for dinner, and we will be playing games and making Valentine gnomes for our neighbors. This event is free, and we encourage you to bring friends and neighbors.

SERVE SUNDAYS

Attention Parents! While your kids are in Sunday School, we would like to invite you to take part in Serve Sundays at West Campus. Serve Sundays are a time to get together and complete service projects for our community. Serve Sunday will take place on Sunday, Feb. 13th from 9:45-10:15am. We will be making "Jars Full of Sunshine" to be delivered to the Open Door Mission. Make sure to mark your calendar to join us on the 13th and be watching for upcoming Serve Sundays every month.

GAME DAY OF GIVING

Game Day of Giving is a fundraiser for LCM's One14 Pantry. It will take place on Sunday, Feb. 13th. Join us by wearing your favorite team jersey to church and bring a monetary donation that will be used to stock up supplies in our One14 pantry. This pantry serves as a place that families can come get food and supplies for their families. Thank you in

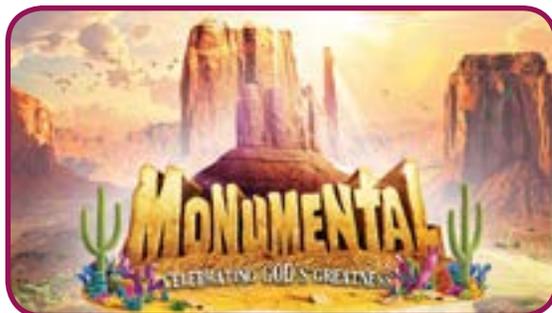
advance for your contribution. If you have any questions about the One14 Center or would like to volunteer, contact Tracy Schmidt.

IMPORTANT INFO FOR 5th GRADE PARENTS

Make sure to mark your calendar for Table of the Lord classes starting this month. Table of the Lord is a 6-week class that prepares your 5th grader to take communion. Both parents and 5th graders should attend class together. The first week will begin Sunday, February 27th and continue through Sunday, April 3rd. These classes take place during Sunday School at 9:30am and are an excellent way for parents to refresh their knowledge about communion, and be a part of the next step in your child's faith journey.

VBS

This summer kids will explore the vastness of God's power and the depth of his love at Monumental VBS. VBS will take place at West Campus on June 6-10 at 9am-12pm. It takes months to prepare for the hundreds of kids that come to VBS. This year we are asking for your commitment to come help with preparations leading up to and/or your help during the week of VBS. You can let us know that we can count on you to help by signing up online at www.lcm.church/vbs. Please note that this year we will be waiting to open registration until we have the majority of our volunteer positions filled. VBS is LCM's biggest community outreach, and we need you!



Children's Ministry: EAST

By: Tracy Schmidt | Children & Family Coordinator EAST | tracy.schmidt@lcm.church

TABLE OF THE LORD

We are excited to continue our training for First Communion for all Fifth Graders. We are continuing our classes through February 20th from 9:30-10:30am in the E8/9. First Communion is available for your choice on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd or Saturday and Sunday services, March 5th/6th and 19th/20th.

VALENTINES PARTY

Everyone is invited to hang out with your GNOMIES! Please invite your family and friends for this family event at East Campus on Friday, February 11th from 6-8pm. We will have piping hot "Gary Lasagna", our favorite!

There will be adult and kids games, prizes, and crafts. We will be making sweet little GNOMES to give to our neighbors to show them our love. "Gnome you be my neighbor!"

VBS

God's love is MONUMENTAL. Celebrate God's greatness and learn more about Joseph at this year's at Vacation Bible School at West Campus.

Save the dates of June 6-10th from 9am-12pm. We would love to have everyone participate in that week or earlier by volunteering. Volunteers should register at www.lcm.church/vbs

Once volunteers have been secured, the children's registrations will be open.

PAINT NIGHT FOR ALL

We would love to have you help us decorate the hallways of the Kids area at East Campus. Come help us make art for church or to take home. This night is open for all ages and abilities. All materials will be provided unless you have something special you would like to use. This will be a fun night on March 18th from 6:30-7:30pm. If you are an artist and want to help lead this project, please let Tracy know at 402-213-7585 or at tracy.schmidt@lcm.church



The kids had a lot of fun wearing their pajamas and playing games at our Christmas party!



Youth Ministry

By: Allie Tiller | Youth & Family Coordinator WEST | allie.tiller@lcm.church

Winter weather may seem dull, but dull is definitely the OPPOSITE of what's going on in student ministry!

January was a great time to kick off our Serve Sundays... a time for parents of Sunday school and Confirmation kids and all other adults to come together and serve. A great group of volunteers put together 250 peanut butter sack lunches that were taken down to the Open Door Mission. Adults... join us on February 13 from 9:45-10:15 when we will serve by completing "Sunshine Jars" that will brighten up the lives of the people who are served by the Open Door Mission.

In mid-January, both Refuge and 180 students completed their monthly service project by writing notes of encouragement to put in each of the 250 sack lunches for the Open Door Mission.



The first weekend in February (Feb. 4-5 from 7pm-7am), we will be having a lock-in for our high school students. We will be heading to infinite Loop VR for an evening of virtual reality gaming. Back to church for: Games, activities, ice cream sundaes, and pancakes.

Middle school students are welcome to attend an afternoon of games on Sunday, February 27 from 1:00-4:00pm. Come for part of the afternoon or come for the whole time. We will have the Nintendo Switch and PS4 systems available along with a wide variety of board games. Feel free to bring your own games or cartridges if you'd like. (Please label with name) Snacks/drinks will be served. As always, friends are welcome!

The financial class let by Kurt Kitson is a huge success! Students are learning great practical skills along with Biblical principles that will ensure they have the best chance possible for financial success. Did you miss out on this opportunity? If so, you might have another chance. Depending on interest, we just might make this an annual event!



Head to our Facebook page LCM Youth West to keep up with all the happenings and special announcements!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

February 2 Refuge/180 | 6:00-8:00pm

February 4-5 180 Lock-In (High School)

February 9 Refuge/180 | 6:00-8:00pm

Arby's meal served

February 11 Valentine's Fun Night, an event for the whole family @ EAST;

6:00-8:00pm **Lasagna Dinner**

February 13 Serve Sunday for Parents/Adults @ West campus; 10:45-11:15am

February 16 Refuge/180 | 6:00-8:00pm

Service Project Night

February 23 Refuge/180 | 6:00-8:00pm

Meal served

***Our 8th graders will be confirmed during the 10:30 service on Sunday, May 1, 2022.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. What a special day!

IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO PLAN FOR SUMMER:

Vacation Bible School | June 6-10

WE NEED LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS!

Middle School | June 12-17

Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp

High School | July 11-15 | Move Conference

ONE14 Center Pantry

By: Tracy Schmidt | ONE14 Center Food Pantry Coordinator | tracy.schmidt@lcm.church

GAME DAY GIVING

Please join us in dressing in your favorite jersey on Super Bowl Sunday, February 13th for all church services. We will also be collecting monetary donations on this day for our One14 Center Pantry.

We have been very busy in the pantry with the donations that have continued to come in. Want a “grocery list” of the things most wanted in the pantry? They are on the collection tables at both campuses.

We appreciate physical donations or monetary.



Thank you to everyone who donated food to build holes for the Miniature Golf event at West Campus. We also appreciate everyone who packed up the food and transported it all to East campus. It takes many hands to run a food pantry and your continued support weekly, regularly, or occasionally helps us keep the pantry going.

VOLUNTEER PANTRY DIRECTOR NEEDED

We are looking for a temporary volunteer to become the One 14 Center Pantry Director. This is a great way to make a difference in our church and community.



The Director has a variety of responsibilities including receiving and organizing food, working with parishioners and the community while shopping, and having the food shelved and ready for shoppers. All food is available as a free-choice with limits applied. There is currently a dedicated team of volunteers that is assisting the current Pantry Director. The Director is also the primary contact for all questions regarding the pantry through phone calls, texts, and Facebook.

The current Pantry Hours are Thursdays 10am-1pm, Sundays 10:30am-3:00pm, and by appointment. Sundays shopping is self-serve from two carts in the Narthex. These hours are subject to change with the new director.

Interested in applying for the position, please let Tracy know to get an interview scheduled. You will be blessed by all the friends you will make and people you meet along the way.

Stephen Ministry

You might have noticed our Stephen Ministry Stained Glass Logos that are installed at both sites. The logo is designed to show that the path from brokenness to greater wholeness is through the ministry of Christ's people, including Stephen Ministers. We hope that anyone who is going through a troubled time will remember that trained Stephen Ministers are available to help.



The Stephen Ministry logo is intended to convey what Stephen Ministry is all about. The logo consists of a cross and circle together with a broken person and a whole person. The logo's most dominant feature is the cross of Jesus. It reminds us that Christ is at the center of Stephen Ministry and all Stephen Ministry relationships.

The broken person behind the cross symbolizes the brokenness in our lives, a person in need of healing, a person in need of Christ's love and care. The whole person, a person who has received the love and care of Jesus, stands in front of the cross because it is only through the cross of Jesus that we are made whole. The circle symbolizes both the wholeness we receive through Christ and God's unending love for us. God's love surrounds us, holds us and heals us, with the cross of Jesus at the center of that love. The logo is designed to show that the path from brokenness to greater wholeness is through Jesus Christ and the ministry of Christ's people, including the ministry of Stephen Ministers. "Christ caring for People through People"

If you would like a Stephen Minister, please call one of the pastors at LCM or one of the Stephen Ministry Leaders:

Jim Rudd 559 362-1300
Kathy Rudd 402 679-2515
Jim Norton 402 321-0449
Carolyn Scheer 402 289-4863

Helping Hands

“SOUP”ER BOWL SOUP AND CRACKERS

Let's gather soup and crackers for Project Hope between February 4th and February 14th. We will have donation areas set up at both campuses. We will make a delivery to Project Hope on February 15th. Let's work together to fill the shelves at the pantry with soup and crackers. Your support of this project is always appreciated.

Questions? Please call Roxanne Senne at 402-339-3476.

EAST CAMPUS “THINKING OF YOU” MISSION SUNDAY PROJECT

For February's "Thinking of You" Mission Sunday project we will be making St. Patrick's Day cards with a Rolo for the pot of gold, writing jokes and Bible verses on cut out 4 leaf clovers. We will be making these for 200 senior living facility residents and 300 community food boxes for the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation for the Wanblee, SD community.

Come and have fun with other church members and enjoy fellowship with one another and letting others know that we are thinking of them. Mission Project Sundays are the 2nd and 4th weekends every month at East Campus between services from 9:30-10:30am, or you can pick up a kit to do at home!

BLOOD DRIVE

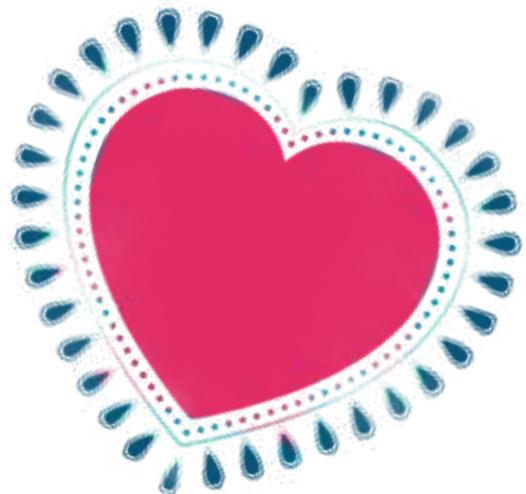
Thank you to all who participated in the Blood Drive, we were able to meet our goal, and collected 22 units, which will impact 66 lives. Our next Blood Drive will be Sunday, April 24, from 7:00am- 1:00pm at East Campus, you can sign up through the Red Cross website, the Red Cross app or contact Shelly Oestmann at 402-630-6349.

EAST CAMPUS PEANUT BUTTER SUNDAY

Peanut Butter Sundays are the 3rd Sunday of the month at East Campus between services from 9:30-10:30 A.M. We tend to make about 500-525 sack lunches for the Open Door Mission. If you would like to donate we can use the following items for the East Campus Peanut Butter Sunday: creamy peanut butter (48 OZ. if possible), sandwich bags with the zip closing, brown paper lunch sacks, individual chip bags, individual rice krispie treats, napkins, please drop off at the East Campus office. Thank you for your donation and helping us meet a need at the Open Door Mission. We find Costco, Sams and Walmart tend to have the best pricing.

WEST CAMPUS SERVE SUNDAY

We would like to invite you to take part in Serve Sundays at West Campus. Serve Sundays are a time to get together and complete service projects for our community. This month's Serve Sunday will take place on February 13th from 9:45-10:15am. We will be making "Jars Full of Sunshine" to be delivered to the Open Door Mission. Make sure to mark your calendar to join us on the 13th and be watching for upcoming Serve Sundays every month.



Annual Meeting Recap

Newly Elected

each to a 3-year term



Charlie Allen



Emily Tritsch

LCM Church Board

returning



Eric Jacobsen



Brooke Kirby



Lori Mathison



Shane Morris



Jim Norton



Ruth Schmidt



Pastor Tyler

LCMC Delegates: Larry Josephson, Jim Rudd, and Kathy Rudd

Nominating Committee: Patrick DeLaRosa and Skip Pedersen
each to a 2-year term

Gatherings for January

| EVENT | LOCATION | DAY | TIME | FACILITATOR |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Prayer Shawl | E21 | Mondays | 12:00pm | Clara Tsai |
| Gab and Grow | W10/11 | Mondays | 12:00pm | Janet Richards |
| Quilt Tying | E Fellowship Hall | 1st & 3rd Mondays | 9:30am | Shae Hughes |
| Bible Study | Pacific Springs Village | Tuesdays | 10:00am | Donna Holmquist |
| Mary Elizabeth Circle | E Fellowship Hall | Starts again in March | 9:15am | Nancy Sheehy |
| Stephen Ministry | W10/11 | Tuesday, Feb. 1 | 7:00pm | Jim Norton |
| Wed. Women's Bible Study | E8/9 | Wednesdays | 6:00pm | Michelle Kalin |
| Sisters in Faith | E21 | Wednesdays | 6:00pm | Shelly Oestmann |
| Men's Breakfast | West Campus | Tuesdays | 6:30am | Doug Hughes |
| TGOW | West Campus | Wednesdays | 9:15am | Kellie Webb |
| Biblical Conversations | E Fellowship Hall | Wednesdays | 6:00pm | Pr. Tyler |
| Horizons | E Fellowship Hall | Resumes in Spring | 10:00am | Jan Novicki |
| Stephen Ministry | E Fellowship Hall | Thursday, Feb. 17 | 1:30pm | Jim Norton |
| Biblical Conversations | E Fellowship Hall | Thursdays | 9:30am | Pr. Tyler |
| BSF Book Club | E21 | Thursdays | 11:30am | Marla Klockner |
| Biblical Conversations | E Fellowship Hall | Thursdays | 11:45am | Pr. Tyler |
| Biblical Conversations (online) | Facebook (Community Page) | Thursdays | 9:30 & 11:45am | Pr. Tyler |
| Panera Study | West | 1st & 3rd Fridays | 8:30am | Julee Mertz |
| Friday Morning Bible Study | E Fellowship Hall | Fridays | 9:30am | Chris Andersen |
| Christian Book Club | W 10/11 | Fridays | 12:00pm | Pr. Tyler |
| West Confirmation | West Campus | Sundays | 9:30am | Allie Tiller |
| Adult Bible Study | E21 | Sundays | 9:00am | Rick Waples |
| East Youth Sunday School | E Youth Room | Sundays | 10:30am | Chris Andersen |
| GriefShare | E21 | Sundays | 1:00pm | Carl Johnson |

Bible Studies

MEN'S BREAKFAST



Come join the Men's Bible Study and Breakfast on Tuesday mornings at West Campus.

We gather at 6:30am for a half hour Bible study, led by Pastor Chris or Doug Hughes. Breakfast is at 7:00am so you still have time to get to work if you are working, and is usually scrambled eggs, bacon or sausage, fruit, and some other goodies.

We look forward to seeing you there!

TGOW

Thanking God On Wednesdays is for women of all ages. Our purpose is to deepen in our relationship with Christ through the study of His word, to serve Him with our sisters in Christ, and to minister to the world around us. We meet for friendship, conversation, encouragement and study of God's Word on Wednesday mornings from 9:15 to 11:00am at West Campus.

The Amazing Life of Jesus Christ Part 2

Book cost: \$27

This Bible study from Big Dream Ministries is a chronological arrangement of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John that leads you through in-depth discussions and daily personal application questions, deepening your understanding of Jesus' life and purpose on earth.

This is part two of a two-part study of the gospels that focuses on Jesus' preexistence, birth, and early ministry. A different attribute of Jesus is featured in each lesson. The Amazing Life of Jesus Christ is based on the outstanding scholarly works of those who, through the centuries, have endeavored to put the life of Jesus in chronological order.

Where Do We Go from Here?

Book cost: \$12

Have you ever wondered how Biblical prophecy relates to current events? Biblical prophecy helps us discover God's purpose for all the chaos around us. And in this new study, Where Do We Go from Here? Dr. David Jeremiah looks at issues we are experiencing in our culture today and explains how they are linked to Biblical prophecy. Along the way he also provides practical ways to live with hope and courage in the face of these daunting times.

Contact Kellie Webb at kellie.webb@lcm.church or Lori Mathison at lori.mathison@gmail.com with questions.

SISTERS OF FAITH

Sisters of Faith meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm at East Campus, and is covering Beth Moore's "The Quest". We will focus on growing our relationship with God over this six week study. Questions, contact Shelly Oestmann.

Conversations on Christianity

Sunday, February 20, 2022

7:00 PM (Central)

In person at East Campus or via
Zoom on LCM's Digital Campus

To participate online, please contact
LCM Technical Director Jon Bradley for the
Zoom meeting ID and password
jon.bradley@lcm.church

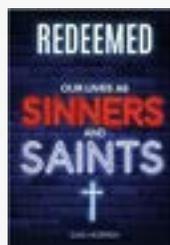
God's People:

Messy, Redeemed, and Empowered

Dan Hoppen currently serves as the Director of Small Groups at King of Kings Lutheran Church in Omaha, NE. He is a career writer and is married to his incredible wife, Sarah, and is a foodie who is always up for trying out a new restaurant.



Dan is the author of two books: *God's Broken Heroes: Your Front-Row Seat to the Messy Reality of God's Greatest Champions, and How They Show His Love for You* (2020) as well as *Redeemed: Our Lives as Sinners and Saints* (2021).



Plan on joining us online (via zoom) or in-person (at our East Campus) to view and participate in this event! If attending in-person, be sure to arrive by 6:45pm (CST) to enjoy some song and music before the presentation.

COMING UP!

MARCH 20TH | Rev. Dr. Marcus Carlson
(*Director, Preparing for
Amazement Ministries*)
Presentation: "Generational Understanding"

MAY 15TH | Mr. Daniel Price &
Rev. Erick Sorensen (1517)
Presentation: "Scandalous Stories: The
Parables of Jesus"

AUGUST 21ST | Rev. Nathan Hoff
(*Director of Trinity Greenhouse*)
Presentation: TBD

SEPTEMBER 18TH | Rev. Mike Bradley
(*Service Coordinator, LCMC*)
Presentation: TBD

OCTOBER 16TH | Rev. David Drum
(*Director, J17 Ministries*)
Presentation: "Peace Talks: The Good
News of Jesus in a Donkey Elephant War"

NOVEMBER 20TH | Mr. Chad Bird (1517)
Presentation: TBD

Let Us Pray

PRAYERS FOR CHURCH MEMBERS IN SKILLED OR ASSISTED LIVING

- Bernice Baldauf
- Marian Bolmeier
- Dorothy Brei
- Veljean Brown
- Bruce Donelson
- Don Eitzmann
- Marjorie Hesse
- Esther Holmes
- Audrey Jenner
- Ruth Karr
- Helen Madsen
- Gloria Nitzschke
- Lloyd Nitzschke
- Bernhard Peterson
- Norma Schlegel
- Irma Senteney
- Alfred Wise

PRAYERS FOR LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY:

- Garrett Bachorski - USMC
- Maj. Megan (Beaty) John - USAF
- Capt. Travis Benne - USAF
- Travis Bland
- Anthony Blum
- Maj. Jim Chester
- Andrew Enholm - Navy
- Daniel Day
- Dustin Funk - Navy
- Ryan Hansen
- Maj. Aaron Jackson
- Samuel Jacobson - USMC
- Douglas McConnell - Army
- Joel Knox
- Michael Koba
- Tim Pecoraro - USMC
- Lt. Cmdr. Keland Regan
- Medic Cody Stickman - Army

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILIES WHO'VE LOST A LOVED ONE

Dan Dankof
Bob Eggers
Joyce Fisher

Bev Joerz
Phil Larsen
Dennis Lunde

Daniel Van Roy

FEBRUARY PRAYER FOCUS

Persecuted Christians around the World

Information Sharing

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Contact: Nikki Kotchka

nikki.kotchka@lcm.church

All submissions are due February 10th for the March 2022 newsletter.

DONATIONS

Contact: Connie Hacker

connie.hacker@lcm.church

When you send in a donation check through your bank or investment account, please be sure that they include your name on the check some where. Without a name, we are unable to include it on your contribution statement.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Lutheran Church of the Master Financial Summary

Actual: December 31, 2021

Total Income: \$1,748,621

Total Expense: \$1,748,621

Net Income (Loss): \$ 0

TD AMERITRADE DONATIONS

For individuals that donate stock to LCM through TD Ameritrade, there has been a change in how information is conveyed to us. When the stock is donated, you MUST identify who the donor is at that time.

Pastor Tyler is unable to go back and track down donors which means that we will be unable to give you credit for your donation.

To be sure that you receive credit for your donation, please call the church and contact either Connie Hacker or Pastor Tyler to alert us to be on the look out for the gift.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Sign up for providing flowers for the altar.

The sign up chart at West Campus is left of the office and East Campus the chart is by the exit doors north of the sanctuary.

You will be called for a message you want in the bulletin as well as the flower colors you would like.

Pricing Change for Altar Flowers

As of January 1, standard flower arrangements are now:

\$30 + \$12 delivery fee = Total \$42

Cost should be paid to LCM.

LCM ALERTS

LCM Alerts are sent out for church service cancellations and other important/immediate information from LCM.

- The Email version will come from “Lutheran Church of the Master” and the subject line read will start with “LCM Alert...”
- The Text version will be preceded by a code (such as 22383) and then the message will begin as “SK_Notify: LCM Alert ...”
- The Phone/voicemail version is sent to home (landline) telephones who requested this method and is a recorded message. The Caller ID should say “Lutheran Church of the Master”.

If you have signed up with your preference of receiving the alert and don't feel that you received one, please check your texts and emails (including the SPAM folder). If you are unable to locate the message or if you have not signed up for your LCM Alert preference yet, you may do so by picking up a postcard sized LCM Alert Update form at either campus or by contacting the church office at (402) 333-4444 or michelle.kalin@lcm.church.

Information Update

2021 PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

The 2021 Pictorial Directory has gone to print! We anticipate the completed directories to arrive at the church sometime in February (hopefully) for those who either had their picture taken or who submitted a picture for inclusion. However, if you had ordered portraits and they have not yet arrived, please contact the church office. Thank you to everyone who participated! (Law of Realness: Though proofread, there are bound to be errors that were missed. I apologize ahead of time. Thank you for your understanding!)

UPDATED INCLEMENT WEATHER GUIDELINES

In case of inclement weather, please check the local news stations, Facebook and/or our website for the most recent cancellations. LCM will communicate if worship services are cancelled.

OPEN POSITION

LCM has a job opening for a part-time receptionist. Please contact Shari Bevilaqua at info@lcm.church or 402-333-4444 if you are interested in applying.



THANK
YOU

The family of Lynda K. Ehrlich wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone that has touched our family during this time of loss and grief.

We appreciate the pastoral ministry both at home and at the service, all of the prayers, phone calls, visits to our home, gifts of food that were brought, emails, flowers, cards, and memorial donations to the Church. The funeral service, organ music and solo were beautiful. We are quite certain Lynda would have been very pleased with it, and for that we are grateful.

We would also like to thank the Mary Elizabeth Circle, Horizons and the Funeral Committee that set up the luncheon. They did a fantastic job preparing, serving and cleaning up afterwards. They all were very caring and attentive to our needs, and to those of everyone who attended.

The outpouring of love and compassion have been beyond belief, Glory be to God, for the mercies shown to us by all of them.

Thank you again.



2617 S 114th St.
Omaha, NE 68144

P. 402-333-4444 | www.lcm.church

Ministry Staff

- Allie Tiller** *Cell: 402-669-9518*
Youth & Family Coordinator (West)
- Tracy Schmidt** *Cell: 402-213-7585*
Children & Family Coordinator (East)
- Kellie Webb** *Cell: 402-213-1893*
Children & Family Coordinator (West)
- Galen Greer** *Cell: 402-639-7265*
Worship Coordinator
- Debbie Lubker** *debbie.lubker@lcm.church*
Director/Teacher of Alleluia! Preschool & Kindergarten

Pastoral Staff

- Kip Tyler** *Cell: 402-651-0858*
Senior Pastor
- John Lewis** *Cell: 402-598-3986*
Home: 402-321-8232
Executive Pastor
- Chris Andersen** *Cell: 402-616-3198*
Campus Pastor (East)
- Jonathan Haseley** *Cell: 716-807-1370*
Campus Pastor (West)

Support Staff

- Shari Bevilacqua** Church Administrator
- Jon Bradley** Technical Director
- Jamison Denton-Carter** Video Production
- Connie Hacker** Bookkeeper
- Nikki Kotchka** Receptionist
- Michelle Kalin** Connections Coordinator
- Diane Madsen** "The Master Ringers" Director
- Jim McKay** Maintenance Technician
- Ken Price** Grounds Maintenance
- Vickie Wagner** S.S. Superintendent (West)

West Campus

1200 N 181st Ct., Elkhorn, NE 68022

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| <i>Sundays:</i> | |
| Traditional Worship | 8:30am |
| Contemporary Worship | 10:30am |

East Campus

2617 S 114th St., Omaha, NE 68144

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| <i>Saturday Traditional Worship</i> | 5:30pm |
| <i>Sundays:</i> | |
| Traditional Worship | 8:30am |
| Traditional Worship | 10:30am |
| Nuer Language Worship Service | 1:00pm |

Digital Campus Worship Times (Online)

www.lcm.church/digital

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| <i>Sundays:</i> | |
| Traditional Worship | 8:30am |
| Contemporary Worship | 10:30am |