

SUNDAYS AND BEYOND

E a s t K o s h k o n o n g L u t h e r a n C h u r c h

Congratulations EKLC 2011 Confirmation Class!!



Pictured Front row L to R: Pastor Jim Schwarz, Matthew Killen, Alexander Loomis, Torleif Ehrke, Mitchell Parker, Zachary Haugen, Austin Haugen, and Intern Miranda Hinrichs. Back row L to R: Jacob Robinson, Seth Wagner, Adam Gunnelson, Kolt Wegner, and Colton Schuler

Farewell and Godspeed For Intern Miranda Hinrichs July 24, 2011

It's time to say our goodbyes and best wishes to Miranda as her internship comes to a close with us, so we'd like to send her in style! You're invited to Miranda's Farewell and Godspeed that will be held during worship on Sunday, the 24th of July, 2011, Miranda's last Sunday with us. Immediately following worship, we'll be throwing her a Sending Potluck and Card Shower party in the fellowship hall for one last hurrah! Bring a dish to pass and a card with your best wishes for Miranda!



Please bring a dish if your last name ends in:

A – L: main dish

M – S: salad (potato, fruit, jell-o, etc.)

T – Z: dessert

A sheet cake will be provided by the Lay Internship Committee.

Pastor's Message Interim Pastor Jim Schwarz

ADULTS ARE THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH!

Is this a typographical error? An inaccurate quotation? A mistaken notion?

Shouldn't it read: "Children are the future of the church?" There is, of course, much truth in that statement, and it is one we often hear with reference to youth and the church. Today's youth are tomorrow's future in family, society, and church. But, especially with reference to the church, will they be there tomorrow if the present generation of adults does not show them the way today?

It is quite plain from the scriptures that God intends to have adults instructing children in the faith. Everyone, for example, knows Proverbs 22:

"Train up children in the right way,
and when old, they will not stray."

In the Old Testament account God tells the Israelites: "Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise." (Deuteronomy 6) And the New Testament Letter to the Ephesians includes this word to fathers: "Do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord." (Ephesians 6)

One of the most familiar images of Jesus is his blessing of the children. "Then the little children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. . . . Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.'" (Matthew 19)

As the body of Christ on earth, the church continues to bless children in his name with his teaching. It is parents who have the primary opportunity and responsibility to see to it that their children are brought into the presence of Christ. But all members can provide much needed help by supporting the ongoing worship and work of the congregation and by leading exemplary lives of faith. In this sense adults **are** the future of the church!

Are you among those with that vision for East Koshkonong Lutheran Church?

In Christ,

Pastor Jim Schwarz



Pastor Jim Schwarz

Intern Pastor Miranda Hinrichs

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:4-7



Intern Pastor Miranda
Hinrichs

Peace...

Can be difficult. Difficult in the midst of transition. Difficult in the midst of grief. Difficult when faced with the reality of so many countries experiencing conflict and war. Difficult in the midst of the polarized language of our present political situation in Wisconsin. Difficult when faced with the fracture of relationships. Difficult in the midst of balancing work and family and bills and leisure. Difficult when faced with the joyous burden to share a word of peace and God's movement toward us in a worrisome world. Difficult when we try to do it on our own.

Peace...

Can be easier. Easier in the midst of rejoicing in the Lord. Easier when surrounded by those who know you and love you. Easier in the midst of thankful prayer. Easier when stewarding one's body through rest, movement, and exercise. Easier when looking outside of one's self. Easier when taking time to breathe, be in solitude, and read the Bible. Easier when faced with the joyous burden to share a word of peace and God's movement toward us in a worrisome world. Easier when we know we cannot do it on our own and we lift up what is before us to God.

Peace...

Doesn't always make sense. Sometimes it is beyond our understanding. Sometimes it is a gift. Sometimes it is a gift that is powerful, a gift that guards your hearts and protects your minds in Christ Jesus.

It is hard to believe that my year at East Koshkonong is nearing its end. I will soon head into a time of transition where I will be in a "between" time as I await Assignment to a Synod within the ELCA and hopefully a first call to a congregation. There is some anxiety, some sadness, and some excitement. I am doing my best to lift up this time to our God who promises a peace which transcends all understanding. I am excited to join with you on July 24th for my last Sunday with you as your intern. It has been a wonderful year, and I thank God for each of you and for each of our moments together!

Peace to you my friends from your sister in Christ,

Miranda

"And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7

Church Council



July Council Meeting
July 26, 2011
6:30pm

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May Council Minutes are available in the Church Narthex. If you would like a copy mailed to you please call the church office (608-423-3017)

Treasurer's Report

Financial Secretary ~ Elizabeth Kaashagen

Treasurer ~ Holly Loomis

Income, May 2011 ~ \$14,448.56
Expenses, May 2011 ~ \$19,035.65
Income, Year to date ~ \$75,004.41
Expenses, Year to date ~ \$95,933.33

From EKLC Audit Committee

June 15, 2011

To: The Church Council & Congregation

From: Audit Committee

We have completed the audit of the East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's financial records. The delay was due to some journal entries not being posted correctly; therefore the cash accounts were not auditable. After correcting, the accounts were reconciled to the appropriate supporting documentation.

We tested one month's contributions and expenditures; tying source documents (contributions, invoices and payroll records) to supporting documentation (bank statements and reconciliations). The financial records appear to correctly state the financial condition of the Church.

Expenditures over Revenues as reported at the Annual Meeting = (30,756.30)

Expenditures over Revenues per Audit = (31,243.30)

Sincerely,

Andrew R. Christensen

Brian Gunnelson

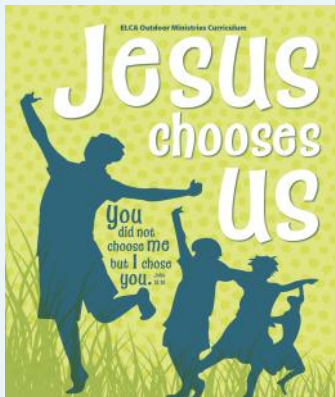
India Youth Exchange Group Visiting July 10th!



A group of youth and adults from the South-Central Synod travelled to India to spend time with churches in our Companion Synod there. We are excited to have the India Youth Exchange group share with us during the 9am worship on July 10th. They will also lead a short program following worship during the Coffee Hour at 10:15am. They will share stories of their adventures, inform us about how our Synod is connecting around the world, and help us to see ways that we can continue to be involved and invested. Our Coffee Hour for the morning will be hosted by the Worship Committee. Invite friends young and old to join us for this special morning together!

Lutherdale Day Camp!

August 8th



Who: Kindergarten-5th grade

When: 8am-5pm Mon., Aug. 8th

What: Games, Worship, Bible Study, Swimming & More!!

Where: Lutherdale Bible Camp (Bus will depart EKLC at 8am & return @ 6pm)

Cost: \$25 per Camper (\$65 family max), includes transportation & lunch

This day of camp gives you the opportunity to hear the good news of God's love, to grow in Christian community, and to get to know committed Christian role models in the life of faith, while participating in healthy activities. We hope that this would be a positive introduction to the camp experience and create a strong desire to spend a week at camp!

For more information, please contact:

Jaime Lewellin (608-206-4323 or jaimelwellin@yahoo.com) or

Ann Nottestad (608-575-4569 or sajen_14@yahoo.com)

Register TODAY!!



Family Focus



Family Camping Weekend!!

Join other families from the Cambridge Lutheran churches for a weekend of family camping at Yellowstone Lake State Park in Blanchardville, WI **August 12th-14th**. The park is 1.5 hours south-west from Cambridge and offers a multitude of activities. Three tent-only, group sites have been reserved to accommodate a total of 75 people. Space is limited. Signup your family today! For more information or to reserve your spot call Lisa Sperle @ 608-512-8543.



Last day of Sunday School May 22nd

On May 22nd EKLK joined the Family Focus Group (families from area churches) at Camrock park and Rockdale to plant flowers and clean the park.



Youth canoe trip June 25th
 L to R: Intern Miranda, Elizabeth Kaashagen, Carson Kaashagen, Bjorn Kaashagen, Will Kaashagen, Adam Gunnelson, Steve Wagner, and Seth Wagner

From Lindsay Stolen



Friends at East Koshkonong -

I did it - I graduated from Luther Seminary! I received my diploma and have anxiously been awaiting for the call process to move forward in the last few months. I've known for many months that South Eastern Minnesota would be the synod in which I receive my first call, but the specifics of the town and the church have been the unknowns. I anxiously wait for my first call to a congregation because then at that point, I will be ordained as a pastor. A service of ordination traditionally takes place in the home congregation of the ordained and is presided at by the bishop of the synod to which one is called. By the laying on of hands and by prayer, the ordained is entrusted with the office of word and sacrament and a stole is placed on his/her shoulders. I grow excited to share this service and event with you, the people who have supported me and been my church family since my baptism. [Further information about my service of ordination will appear in the bulletin announcements.] Thank you once more for your constant support and prayers!

Cambridge Food Pantry



Thank you for your continued support of the Cambridge Food Pantry during 2011. The food pantry serves residents of the Cambridge School District. Approximately 100 families shop the pantry each month. The Cambridge Food Pantry is open every Monday evening for shopping from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Guests are invited to shop every other Monday night. The pantry is located at 211 South Street in Cambridge. If you would like more information on the pantry or are interested in volunteering, please contact Wanda at 423-8142 or email foodpantry@cambridge.k12.wi.us. Donation hours during the summer are Monday 9-1pm & 4-5pm, Tuesday 9-noon and Thursday 9-3pm. During the summer months an increased amount of food is given out to families, due to school age children being at home. Please consider picking up an extra item or two for donation to the pantry, while out shopping.

A few items the pantry is in need of are: ravioli, tuna, ramen noodles, crackers, strawberry jelly, toilet paper and kleenex.

The Cambridge Food Pantry Garden has been planted at Severson Learning Center and now the work begins. Volunteers are needed to help weed, water, harvest and tend the garden. For more information on the garden, please contact Wanda at 423-8142. ALL ages are welcome, green thumb optional.

Thank you for helping those in need, living in the Cambridge Community. Happy Summer!

Wanda, Cambridge Food Pantry/Garden Coordinator

EKLC July Birthdays

- 7/1 ~ Janet Patterson and Elijah Rawinski
- 7/2 ~ Ashley Messina
- 7/3 ~ Kyle Durkee, Zachary Durkee, Barry Fritz and Jesse Johnson
- 7/4 ~ Mary Ellen Christensen
- 7/5 ~ Trevor Gunderson, Crystal Melton, Debra Ringle, and Justine Zeller
- 7/6 ~ Kristine Klemp and Madeline Zeller
- 7/7 ~ Chad Abel, Brian Carlson, DuWayne Ehrke, Torleif Kaashagen, and Dennis Lund
- 7/8 ~ Harvey Krull, Jr.
- 7/9 ~ Stanley Lien and Madilyn Reott
- 7/10 ~ Tanner Furseth, Diane Luginbuhl and Judy Taylor
- 7/11 ~ Carole Kenseth
- 7/12 ~ Leroy Egge, Cassandra Guy, Vicki Hoehn, and Harold Schuh Jr.
- 7/13 ~ Bethany Bergholz
- 7/14 ~ Eugene Lund and Cheryl Nuenthel
- 7/15 ~ Kellan Jacobson and Rob Robinson
- 7/16 ~ Gerald DeForest, Steven Sackmaster, and Dean Volenberg
- 7/17 ~ Adam Gunnelson, Arthur Johnson, Mallorie Klemp, and Lynn Maurer
- 7/19 ~ Samantha Brende, Joy Graffin, Elizabeth Gunnelson, and Kolt Wegner
- 7/20 ~ Todd Bergholz, MaryBeth Ellickson, Sara Johnson, Douglas Matousek, and Steven Woodstock
- 7/21 ~ Charles Johnson
- 7/22 ~ Katherine Fritz
- 7/24 ~ Angela Abel, Lukus Begovac, Lynn Budinetz, Harlan Krull, and Cameron Stach
- 7/26 ~ Cody Kaashagen and Arvid Mathison
- 7/27 ~ Catherine Rockney
- 7/28 ~ Kathleen Bergholz, Ruth Holden, Todd Stach, and Caleb Wipperfurth
- 7/29 ~ Karly Lewellin and Dylan Matousek
- 7/30 ~ Aryel Beck, Martin Rude, and Cindy Vethe
- 7/31 ~ Ryan Jacobson, Lauren Mancheski, Payton Mancheski, Rylie Mancheski, Susan Olson, and Meghan Salov

EKLC Homebound Members



- Alvin Hammen** ~ Carrington House ~ 1221 E. Main St., Stoughton, WI 53589
- Gloria Salov** ~ Skaalen Home ~ 400 North Morris St., Stoughton, WI 53589
- Verna Vethe** ~ Willowbrook Nursing Home ~ 901 Mulberry St., Lake Mills, WI 53551
- Agnes Goodrich** ~ Wellington Meadows ~ N2550 Memorial Dr., Fort Atkinson, WI 53538
- Earl Ellickson** ~ 415 Jarlsberg Lane, Cambridge, WI 53523
- LeRoy Egge** ~ Our House ~ 201 W. Madison St., Cambridge, WI 53523
- Roxanne Wildes** ~ 120 E. Adams St. - Rockdale, Cambridge, WI 53523
- Meta Hoel** ~ 631 Kensington Square, Stoughton, WI 53589
- Agnes Teske** ~ 981 Park St., Oregon, WI 53575
- Hazel Tellefson** ~ Fairhaven ~ 435 W. Starin, Whitewater, WI 53190
- Carol Barfknecht** ~ 741 CTH A, Edgerton, WI 53534
- Art Johnson** ~ Extend A Care ~ 313 Stoughton Rd., Edgerton, WI 53534
- Roger Olstad** ~ 1040 Bliven Rd., Edgerton, WI 53534
- Erna Rude** ~ N2081 Rockdale Road, Edgerton, WI 53534
- George Staff** ~ 1379 Hwy 73, Edgerton, WI 53534
- Eugene Lund** ~ 1372 Drotning Rd., Deerfield, WI 53531

Thank You

- Dear Members of East Koshkonong Lutheran Church, thank you for your prayers, get well wishes and cards.
~Scott Taylor
- Thank you to all my family and friends who remembered me on my 90th birthday. I am so blessed.
~Florence Mathison
- To the members of EKLC, friends and family alike. Thank you for your support in the loss of our father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Wilmer Christianson. Especially to Pastor Jim and Intern Miranda in their preparation, for thought before, during, and after the service. Pastor Jim's steadfastness at being at Willowbrook those last few days and their comforting shepherding and prayers. Thank you for all your prayers, visits, calls, cards, and food. Especially Justice circle and women of the church who helped serve the luncheon. Excellent job ladies! And for the memorials honoring Dad, thank you. To those who may have not received a personal thank you, thank you for your compassion and thoughtfulness. May the peace of the Lord be with you all.
~Family of Wilmer Christianson,
Dwight and Sue Christianson
Karen Hayes
Eric, Becky, and Serena Krueger
Chris and Rebecca Christianson
- Thank you to all for the cards, visits, and prayers for our Mother, Verna Evenson, during her illness. Mom greatly enjoyed hearing from friends and family. Also, thank you to all for your prayers, kind words of sympathy, support, flowers, and memorials, upon Mom's passing. A huge thank you to Intern Pastor Miranda Hinrichs and Pastor Jim Schwarz for your support and visits to mom; and support to our family. Thank you to Julie for helping to organize the funeral and for your support. And, thank you to Obedience Circle and all who helped them with serving, and brought food for, the wonderful luncheon at Mom's funeral. Without you all, the past many months would have been even more difficult for Mom, and heart wrenching for us all.
~Together in Christ,
Jerry & Allison Evenson & Family
Suzanne & Allan Falk & Family
Bonnie & Ernie Kojo & Family
Joy & Dennis Graffin & Family
June & Terry Winkel & Family
Roger & Coral Evenson & Family
- I thank God for... all of the people who have given of their time preparing meals and helping to serve and cleanup for the funerals we have had in the last months. The times of gathering around food to care for another and hear and tell stories are a special gift that you help provide!
- I thank God for... all of the youth volunteers who helped make the Youth Grill Out and Bonfire and the Youth Canoe Trip super fun events!
- I thank God for... all of the caring hands that have helped to beautify our place of worship both inside and out over the last couple of months! Your service helps to welcome others to our place of gathering.
- I thank God for... the Altar Guild and our Circles who serve and coordinate many avenues of service in and beyond our community, for the Pin and Sew group and their faithful work from home and on Thursday Pin and Sew days, and for our dedicated Call Committee and Church Council as they lead with discernment!
- I thank God for... the opportunity to come alongside individuals and families in our joys and sorrows together.
~ Your sister in Christ, Miranda



Celebrate with the Christensen's!!

July 4, 2011

Pastor Stan and Mary Ellen Christensen will celebrate their 90th birthdays at an open house on July 4, 2011 from 2:00 -5:00 p.m. at their rural Watertown home, N6294 Sunset Road.

Worship Helpers for July 2011

Organists ~

Shelly Frank ~ 1st and 3rd Sundays
Judy Rusch ~ 2nd and 4th Sundays

Assistant Ministers~

7/3 ~ Arvid Mathison
7/10 ~ Gloria Fruit
7/17 ~ Lyle Walheim
7/24 ~ Carolyn Lien
7/31 ~ Karen Hayes

Acolytes ~

7/3 ~ Amelia Gunnelson & Torleif Ehrke
7/10 ~ Steven DeForest & Carson Kaashagen
7/17 ~ Zachary Haugen & Colton Schuler
7/24 ~ Thomas Stach & Austin Haugen
7/31 ~ Nicholas Woodstock & Jacob Robinson

Greeters~

7/3 ~ Lyle Walheim
7/10 ~ Orin & Joan Kaare
7/17 ~ John & Bobbie Rawinski
7/24 ~ Bob & Lynette Swenson
7/31 ~ Ken Rockney

Ushers~

Sunday Ushers for July are from Joy Circle

Lay Readers~

7/3 ~ Lyle Walheim
7/10 ~ Jane Furseth
7/17 ~ Ken Rockney
7/24 ~ Trudy Spike
7/31 ~ Sonja Christensen

Coffee Hour ~

7/12 ~ Coffee hour hosted by the Worship Committee for the India youth Exchange

Communion Set-up/Take-down~

7/3 ~ Befrienders Sunday, Joy Circle
7/10 ~ Joy Circle
7/17 ~ Holly & Jeff Loomis
7/24 ~ Beverly & Buddy Lien
7/31 ~ Scott & Jackie Zahn

Communion Assistants~

7/3 ~ Karen Hayes & Bea Householder
7/10 ~ Arvid & Linda Mathison
7/17 ~ Bobbie Rawinski & Ken Rockney
7/24 ~ Scott & Jackie Zahn
7/31 ~ Joan Kaare & Andy Christensen

Nursery Attendants~

7/3 ~ Sabra Jacobson & Brenda Schroeder
7/10 ~ Sonja Christensen
7/17 ~ Natasha Amundson
7/24 ~ Gina Reese
7/31 ~ VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Offering Counters~


7/3 ~ Carroll Ehrke & Andy Christensen
7/10 ~ Brenda Schroeder & Leila Carl
7/17 ~ Arvid Mathison & Gloria Fruit
7/24 ~ Joy Graffin & Lois Zerkle
7/31 ~ Jean Carlson, Eric & Cheryl Nuenthel

Please contact the church office (608-423-3017) if you would like to serve East Koshkonong Lutheran Church in ministry as a Greeter, Communion Assistant or Reader.



There will be no Wednesday Worship Services during July and August. During the summer the Worship Committee and Church Council will have the opportunity to review needs and preferences for weekday services at EKLC. Suggestions from members of the congregation are welcome and can be made through council and committee members.

July

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sa
					1 <i>Office Closed</i>	2
3 9am Worship	4  <i>Office Closed</i>	5	6 No Wednesday Worship	7	8 <i>Office Closed</i>	9
10 9am Worship Guest: India Youth Exchange 10:15 Coffee Hour	11	12	13 No Wednesday Worship	14	15 <i>Office Closed</i>	16
17 9am Worship	18	19	20 No Wednesday Worship	21 8am Men's Breakfast @ The Mill 6pm Intern- ship Committee Meeting @ Bonnie Ehrke's home	22 <i>Office Closed</i>	23
24 9am Worship Farewell & Godspeed to Intern Miran- da 10:15 Potluck	25	26 5:30pm Worship Committee Meeting 6:30pm Church Council	27 No Wednesday Worship	28	29 <i>Office Closed</i>	30
31 9am Worship	<p>Pie and Ice cream Social, Sun. July 10, 1-4pm @ Albion Academy Historical Society!!</p> <p>The Albion Academy Historical Society will have their annual 'Pie & Ice Cream Social' on Sunday, July 10th from 1pm-4pm. Visit the first co-education school in Wisconsin and Sheepskin School, a one room elementary school, that served grades 1-8. Albion Academy Historical Society is located at 605 Campus Lane, Albion, located 3 miles north of Edgerton. The museum will be open 1-4pm. Sundays June 5-September 4 (not July 17)</p>					

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For I was hungry, and you fed me. Matthew 25



1 in 6 people in the world go hungry every day

until everyone is fed

- Join Lutherans in the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin on Saturdays at the **Dane County Farmers' Market**.
- Volunteer TODAY to help at the booth to raise awareness of the root causes of hunger and solutions toward eliminating it.
- **Saturdays Now through November**
 - 2 shifts to choose from:
 - 7:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
 - 9:30 a.m. to noon.
 - Volunteer Training & Talking Points
 - T-Shirt for Regular Volunteers

To volunteer, contact:
Amy Larson - aalarson2@wisc.edu
 (414) 335-3680



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Summer Office Hours

The Church Office Summer hours are
8:00am - 2:00pm
Monday - Thursday.



July Newsletter!!

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