



Sunday & Beyond

The East Koshkonong Lutheran Church

October 2009



Come worship and celebrate Confirmation Sunday on October 25, 2009 at 9am. Congratulations to the following 2009 EKLC Confirmands!

Mikaela Ehrke, Emily Eikland, Amy Hensel, Kaylyn Hinchley, Hannah Kaare, Mallorie Klemp, Savannah May, Crystal Melton, Thianna Wegner, and Zachary Woodstock.



**WELCOME BACK
CONFIRMATION CLASS OF
1959!!**

On Sunday, October 25, 2009 we will be welcoming back the confirmation class of 1958. There will be a presentation as well as coffee hour in honor of the past & present confirmands!

Covenant Sunday ~ October 11, 2009

On October 11th, 2009, East Koshkonong will celebrate **Covenant Sunday**. On this weekend 165 years ago, the first members of EKLC covenanted together around "Four Points" drafted by J.W.C. Dietrichson, their first pastor. We celebrate this anniversary by gathering together and making a covenant ourselves, committing ourselves to continuing the ministry that has been passed on to us through these many generations. You are formally invited to attend **Covenant Sunday**. Mark Granquist, professor of church history from Luther Seminary, will be our guest speaker for the day. He specializes in American church history and Scandinavian-American religion.

After worship, we will host our annual, and now famous, pie auction. Bring a pie to donate for the auction, or a couple of pies to share and eat. Ice cream will be provided. We'll enjoy fellowship, pie and ice cream, while one of our local auctioneers auctions off pies as a benefit for the East Koshkonong Building Fund.

The "Four Points"

At a meeting on October 10th, 1844, J.W.C. Dietrichson established these "Four Points" as the basis for organizing forty families into a congregation in what became known as East Koshkonong. Three days later, thirty families at West Koshkonong formally accepted the "Four Points."

By December 19, 1844, the West Koshkonong congregation had erected a log church. East Church erected an identical log church by January 31, 1845.

1. Do you desire to become a member of the Norwegian Lutheran congregation in this place?
2. Will you to that end subject yourself to the church order that the Ritual of the Church of Norway prescribes?
3. Will you promise that you shall not call or accept any other minister and pastor than such as can clearly establish according to the Norwegian Lutheran Church Order that he is a regularly called and rightly consecrated pastor? And will you show the pastor thus called by you and the congregation to spiritual rulership the attention and obedience that a member of a congregation owes his pastor in all things that he requires and does according to the Ritual of the Church of Norway?
4. Will you, by signing your name or by permitting it to be signed, here make acknowledgment that you have joined the congregation on the above-named conditions?

Intern's Insight ~ Nathan



Little things have a big IMPACT

So much to do and so little time. The daily grind, our daily routine, the schedule. No matter what you call it, we often have a lot to do within our lives. It is easy to get caught up in the activities saying that we do not have time to do one more thing, whether it is something that we have to do for work or for our loved ones. Often that list of things that we do becomes what defines us. If you go to work as a secretary, you often represent that company, you get to know the people, you understand what the company stands for. If you become a member of a football team, you represent the team whenever you wear the jersey. You get to know the other players, you practice together, and the purpose is teamwork. The truly important aspect of these is relationships. The church is about relationships with each other as well as your relationship with God. God created you and even when we turn from God, God comes to us in Jesus Christ. Now, as a church, we work together and get to know one another, we help each other out. When times are tough or when someone falls, we are there to help. When life has a way of taking us down, we bring support. We gather around

But here's the little thing that has a big impact: we help those who are in need because God loved us and so we are able to share that love with others.

If someone loses a job, we are there with support and prayers. When someone loses a loved one, we gather around them with food, our presence, and our prayers. It is not the will of God that these things happen but the love of God shines so much greater in these events. An example of this is Jesus at the tomb of Lazarus. Lazarus was a friend of Jesus and upon hearing that Lazarus had died, Jesus wept. He did not want Lazarus to leave him. Although the story does not end there. Christ called Lazarus to come out and live again. We are shown that Jesus calls us to new life, to let new light shine in your life. This often happens when someone else comes and helps you navigate to that light. Though the church is a place for the broken, we often gather in celebration for all the blessings that God has given to us. The baptism of a child, the joy of graduation, and the union of marriage. We gather as the Body of Christ to share God's love with one another. We are here to call people out of their despair in life into the new life found within Jesus Christ.

I have been here now for two months. This journey has been wonderful and much of it has to do with the people that I have been fortunate enough to meet. I have been meeting with shut-ins and going to the various meetings of ministries that we have at East. The relationships among the people have truly been reminding me that it is a combined effort that we are a church. I have been blessed by people sharing their gifts with me. So whether we are celebrating 165 years of ministry or we are having discussions with ATC, I feel that you have welcomed me into the family of God here in your community. I feel so very blessed to be here and to share in your community of relationships. Thank you.



Wednesday worship: Worship with us every Wednesday at 6 p.m. It's a great gathering to invite friends and family to who may not be able to attend Sunday service, or who are looking for a chance to rock and praise Wednesday evenings. This fall, the music will be a mix of some of our favorite praise & worship music from the radio, plus remixes of classic hymns. Led by our house band, this service also includes communion.

Sunday School Update from Pastor Clint



You are invited to pray for our Sunday school youth this year. We have 13 children registered for our First through Fifth Grade Group:

1. Spenser Davis
2. Ryan Lund
3. Kody Lewellin
4. Allison Lund
5. Jenna Christensen
6. Bailey Furseth
7. Jacob Nottestad
8. William Kaashagen
9. Margaret Loomis
10. Katie Dieckhoff
11. Noah Furseth
12. Amelia Gunnelson
13. Emily Zahn
14. Thomas Stach

This is a spectacular, fun-loving, and wonderful group of kids. It is also a smaller elementary age group than our congregation has been used to for the past couple of years. Right now, we have very large classes in our confirmation program (24 youth altogether), and all those kids used to be in Sunday school. But, like the school district and neighboring school districts, there are simply less children than there used to be. If you came to church on Rally Day expecting to see 30 kids up front for the children's sermon, and then didn't, it's not because they skipped church. It's because we have less children in Sunday school than we used to. On Rally Day, 10 of 14 (71%) children in 1st through 5th grade were in attendance.

Our church also has a very large number of younger children coming into the Sunday school program. Labor Day Weekend there were 10 children down in the nursery!

There are 12 children in the preschool group:

1. Michael Cutrano
2. Hailey Johnson
3. Mya Lehman
4. Karly Lewellin

5. Brayden Lund
6. Samuel Schnekloth
7. Tiffany Stach
8. Amerie Timler
9. Anders Amundson
10. Emma Nottestad
11. Sully Schlieckau
12. Caleb Wipperfurth

On Rally Day, 7 of 12 (58%) of our preschool group were in attendance. Again, although our total numbers in this age group are smaller than in the past, the level of attendance and participation is great. Imagine if 60 percent of our adults attended worship on Sunday. That would be 350 people!

I'm especially proud of the fact that at our Rally Day event, the parents of our youth attended with their children, and we did family activities together. We learned the Faith Five (see the enclosed placemat), which I encourage you to use in your own home. It was wonderful to see so many parents committed to helping raise their children as faithful Christians!

Why have I gone into statistics so much in this article? Well, I have heard from some of you that you're concerned that you don't see that many children or Sunday school age families in worship. I think your concern comes from remembering back to when there were many more (and larger) families in our church with small children than there are now. However, I simply don't think it helps for us to focus on, or to complain about, numbers. What is most important in our church, and what we committed ourselves to as a congregation in our mission/vision statement, is to "nurture disciples through a partnership between homes and the congregation." The reason we should be proud of our youth programs here (and we are proud of them) is because they nurture disciples, and build a partnership between home and congregation.

If you are a parent in our congregation participating in this program, you can be proud of what you are doing to help your child learn to pray, study the Scriptures, and learn the faith. You can also rejoice to be in a congregation that is focused on nurturing children in a multigenerational context. That is a rare thing in the modern world.

In fact, in a culture that likes to divide everything up by age group, our congregation has committed ourselves to being "intentionally multigenerational." Sunday school, confirmation, and our whole youth program, is not just the responsibility of the youth and their parents. Every single one of us, young and old, has covenanted at the baptismal service of the youth in our congregation, to "support and pray for them in their new life in Christ." So, if you care about Sunday schoolers and youth in our church, don't just talk about it--do something! Support them. Pray for them. Volunteer for them. Create events for youth. Invite youth. Teach Sunday school. Visit confirmation. Volunteer for a youth event. Love youth. If we nurture disciples, and build strong partnerships between home and congregation, I truly believe our congregation will be so attractive in the community that families will keep joining us because they want to be a part of what God is doing here. I have seen that happen already, and it will happen even more the more all of us work to support and pray for our youth. Join me in spending time with and loving the children of our congregation, and help them find the joy of being a disciple of Jesus.

In Christ,

Pastor Clint

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Although council normally meets the third Tuesday, our meeting in July and August are on the 4th Tuesday. If you have any issues you would like to add to the meeting's agenda, please contact the office prior to the day of the meeting.

October Council Meeting 10/20/2009

Treasurer's Report



Income, August 2009 ~ \$18,314.16
Expenses, August 2009 ~ \$14,912.12

Income, Year to date ~ \$118,760.61
Expenses, Year to date ~ \$151,642.80

Financial Secretary ~ Elizabeth Kaashagen

Treasurer ~ Holly Loomis

August Council Minutes

Present at the meeting were Peggy Luther, Trudy Spike, Sabra Jacobson, Pastor Clint, Steve Wagner, Linda Dieckhoff, Judy Rusch, Nathan Strong, and Bobbie Rawinski. Guests at the meeting were Robert Veum and Ken Rockney.

Pastor began with a Bible reading and then the council took turns telling how they have seen God working in their lives this month. Prayer was said by Pastor Clint.

Robert Veum represented the Cemetery Committee. No paperwork was given to the council regarding the title of the cemetery. Pastor Clint received a title report from ATC for the church property and the cemetery property verifying was for East Koshkonong Lutheran Church and the Trustees of East Koshkonong Lutheran Norwegian Lutheran. Discussion took place concerning the congregational meeting with ATC scheduled to take place on Tuesday, September 1, 2009. We will keep the documentation of our title report on file at church. Trudy made a motion to accept ATC's offer of \$18,000 with the two waivers and give room for any amendments which come up through the question/answer period. Funds received from ATC should be distributed by a joint session of council and cemetery board. Motion passed.

Council received a note of concern from Sarah Goodrich Baird about her mother, Agnes Goodrich, concerning pastoral visitation for shut-ins and homebound members. The council affirmed our congregational practice which is quarterly visitation of all homebound members by pastor, and bi-monthly communion visits by Befrienders. Agnes is additionally blessed to receive regular visits by Pastor and Mary Ellen Christensen, and Judy Rusch.

Discussion of the financial report took place. The report was placed on file.

Bobbie made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Motion passed.

Task Force/Mission Vision progress was discussed. Sabra, Steve, and Nathan will meet at 5:00 on September 2, 2009.

Bobbie made a motion to amend the May Minutes to say that the council approves the renewal of the building loan. Motion passed.

Financial secretary interviews took place on Saturday. An organist position is a possibility.

Sabra made a motion to hold the Annual Meeting on January 24, 2010. Motion passed.

Carpet in the Narthex will be laid on Thursday and Friday of this week. Yippee!

Discussion took place concerning a painting proposal for the Sunday School/Office wing. The council took a field trip to look at the affected area. After looking at the walls, Steve made a motion to solicit a bid from Mike Cutrano for the church office level hallway, hall with the dove mural, men's bathroom hall (including the men's bathroom), downstairs hallway (around the existing murals there), choir room, Sunday School rooms. Some of the rooms on the lower level on the north side of the wing have water damage to the concrete blocks. This may have to be dealt with prior to the painting. Motion passed.

Letters of appreciation were sent to EKLC from Luther seminary concerning Lindsay Stolen and from Jens Notstad for his campus ministry mission.

Update given concerning the 165th Anniversary.

Special Congregational Meeting will be in Fellowship Hall on Tuesday at 6:30 to vote on ATC's easement proposal. Council members will bring appetizers, bars, and treats for the congregation. We need to get 60 people to make a quorum. Council members should invite members personally to try to get enough members present.



Church Council Meeting Minutes

Council talked about the ELCA Church-Wide Assembly.

The meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

WELCA News

By the time you read this we will have enjoyed our day at the Fireside listening to the "Triumphant Quartet". Thanks to Hazel Tellefson and Jo Lee we have enjoyed this experience for a number of years.

Thanks to Peace Circle for arranging our first meeting of the season. Once again Carolyn Lien introduced us to the Bible Study for the year. We will travel to Rome with Paul's letters to the Christians there. Diane Luginbuhl described her experience at the WELCA convention in Madison in June. Thanks to both of these members. We were pleased to have our intern, Nathan Strong, with us. Hope he can join us next month.

An informational meeting for Conference leaders, "Sharing Women's Ministries Update" was held at East Koshkonong on Saturday, July 12. A number of Board members with Carolyn in charge led discussions on the possibilities for service we have as WELCA leaders. Beverly Lien, Bonnie Ehrke and I served a lunch with donations from a number of our members. Thanks, Ladies.

On Tuesday, October 6 at 9:00am in the Council Room we will meet to make out the schedule for next year. PLEASE, have at least one representative from each Circle there.

Packing Day for quilts will be October 13 with shipping on October 17.

Our next meeting will be a "Pin and Sew" day on Thursday, October 1 at 9:00 am; potluck at 12:00; meeting and Bible Study following.

Submitted by Mary Ellen Christensen, Communicator



Celebrating Carolyn's election as WELCA president. Pictured are Diane Luginbuhl, delegate, Carolyn, M.E., Bonnie Ehrke

From church council president— Trudy Spike

We have a very eventful fall coming up at East Koshkonong Lutheran Church...

a new and exciting Sunday School program, a brand new confirmation year kicking off, as well as adult education offerings. Please plan on being a part of some Christian education this year, whether it be as a learner or a teacher!

Our Make It Simple program will culminate on our Dedication Sunday on October 11, along with our famous Pie Auction following services that day. Plan on attending and enjoying some pie and refreshments that day!

I would like to extend a sincere "thank you" to everyone who made the 165th anniversary such a huge success. It takes many hands and much planning to make this kind of service come off without a hitch and our congregation did this superbly. A big "thank you" also to Ron and Shawn Anderson for their hospitality and kindness in allowing us to congregate at their historic homeplace. It is so wonderful that they so willingly share their homestead in celebrating the history of our church.

I appreciated the large turn out for our ATC meeting on September 1st. A lot of good questions were asked so that we could make an informed decision. Thank you all for your support during this process.

As part of our Health Ministry, I encourage you to use the saniwipes for hand cleansing as we enter the fall flu season. They are in a clear box on the table left of the sanctuary doors. We also introduced the "knuckle bump" for passing the peace in lieu of handshaking during services to help decrease passage of viruses.

We have had the unique opportunity over the last few months to celebrate our past, plan for our future, while still living and dealing with the present and the many challenges we face daily.

Your friend in Christ,

Trudy Spike

Make it Simple



This year our congregation is participating in a generosity and simplicity program entitled "Make it Simple." This will be the focus of our worship and congregational activities beginning Sunday, September 20th.

The theme for Make it Simple provides opportunities for study, reflection, and discussion about the choices we make in our daily lives. It is biblically centered to help us grow in faith and our daily living as a disciple of Jesus. There will be worship activities, and opportunities for us to hear and participate in the following:

10/4 Sharing of memories from our senior church members on what it was like to live through the depression era.

10/7 Learn how the East Koshkonong World Famous pork chops, lefse and apple sauce are made—and enjoy the end products! We'll begin cooking at 4:30 p.m., have a worship service at 6:00 p.m. and enjoy our end products together at 6:30 p.m.

10/11 Commitment Sunday with annual Pie Auction to follow

We invite and encourage you and your family to participate in the Make it Simple activities.

Church News

39th Annual Bazaar, Cookie Walk & Luncheon

Hope Lutheran Church
3702 Cty Rd B, McFarland
Saturday, November 7th
Bazaar: 9:00am—1:00pm



Includes General Crafts, Christmas Crafts, Bakery & produce

Cookie Walk: 9:00am—1:00pm

Your choice of different kinds of cookies. \$6.50 per pound

Luncheon: 10:30 am—1:00pm

Turkey Stuffing Casserole, Assorted Salads, Rolls/Butter, Pickles, Olives, Assorted Pies and Beverages

Adults: \$6.00 ~ Youth (4 to 10): \$3.00 ~ Children under 3 free

Sons of Norway

Nordland Lodge #544

LUTEFISK DINNER



Saturday, November 14, 2009

11am—6pm

418 W. Milwaukee st.

Janesville, WI 53548

\$14.00 At the door (\$13 in advance)

\$5.00 for child 6-12, 5 & under free

For advance tickets contact:

Bonnie Forslund 608-752-6566 or Pat Mahlum 608-365-1369



**Skaalen Fall Festival is
Tuesday, October 13th
10am-4pm.**

The Resident Bazaar (and Pie Sale), in the Friendship Room, and the Craft Fair, in the Chapel, both get underway at 10am. Cinnamon rolls will be on sale beginning at 10am in the lobby until 11:15am. Area crafters fill the Chapel with a variety of wonderful items. Handcrafted items, all prepared during the past year, will be offered for sale. Pie & Sweet Bread Sale featuring fresh baked apple, pecan, & pumpkin and all kinds of breads & snack mixes. The Festival also includes a great raffle with the drawing at 4pm (tickets available Sept. 21 until the drawing), and a lunch with the famous nine bean soup will be served with a roll and butter in the Kaffe Stue Kitchen.

Open House

1:45-3:30pm

Dining Room

...serving delicious home-baked pie with ice cream and a beverage for \$3.00

Cambridge Food Pantry Update:

Cambridge Food Pantry opened on Sept. 1 and they are ready to go!!

Please continue to remember those in need in our community by donating non perishable food items to our collection box in the church narthex. Most recent needs from the Cambridge Food Pantry are:

Toilet Tissue, Paper Towels, Toothpaste, Kool Aid, Crackers, Cake Mixes and Personal Hygiene products.

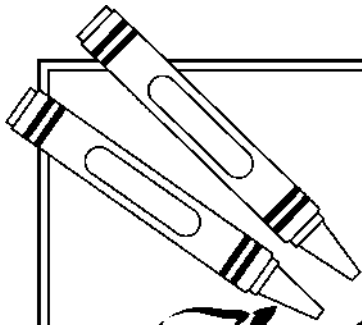
They were thrilled with our recent food pantry delivery.

The Cambridge area is blessed to have such a facility.

Food Pantry Rep, Kathy Bergholz



KIDS PAGE



Just for **KIDS**

A harvest of...

Autumn brings many visible changes. God makes lots of foods and grains ready for harvest. He also tells us that if we sow in peace, we, too, can raise a harvest.

Find and circle the bold (dark) words from James 3:17-18, NIV.

"But the **WISDOM** that comes from **HEAVEN** is first of all **PURE**; then **PEACELOVING**, **CONSIDERATE**, **SUBMISSIVE**, full of **MERCY** and **GOOD FRUIT**, **IMPARTIAL** and **SINCERE**. **PEACEMAKERS** who **SOW** in **PEACE** raise a **HARVEST** of **RIGHTEOUSNESS**."

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Cookies for Friends

Autumn is the perfect time of the year to sow kindness and reap a "harvest" full of friendships. Make this special treat to share with someone.

What you need:

- An adult to help
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 cup cooked or canned pumpkin
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 1/2 cups diced, roasted almonds
- 1 cup chocolate pieces
- Raffia or fall-colored ribbon (optional)

What you do:

1. Cream butter and sugar together until light and fluffy.
2. Beat in egg, pumpkin and vanilla.
3. In separate bowl, mix flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, nutmeg and cinnamon.
4. Add dry mix to creamed mixture.
5. Add almonds and chocolate pieces; mix thoroughly.
6. Drop by teaspoons onto well-greased cookie sheets.
7. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes or until lightly browned.
8. Cool on racks. Makes about six dozen.
9. Stack two cookies on top of each other. Then tie them like a present with the raffia or ribbon. Give the cookies to friends and family to thank them for their friendship.

165th Celebration

Thanks be to God for a beautiful day of worship and fellowship at the Amund Anderson farm on August 30. Ron and Shawn provided the historical farm setting at the site of the first service of Word and Sacrament for the Norwegian settlers on the Koshkonong prairie. About 40 families gathered at that first service in 1844 with Pastor Dietrichson. At the 165th anniversary in 2009 we had about 260 people in attendance.



Rev. Sundberg preached on The Journey of Faith and emphasized the dedication and perseverance of the founding families of East Koshkonong Lutheran Church. The guest speaker, Rev. Dr. Sundberg is Professor of Church History at Luther Seminary.

Our retired Pastor Paul Hasvold commented on the faith of our forefathers. He said the old timers referred to the monument, on the farm, as Ebenezer. Look at 1 Samuel 7:12. *Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Jeshanah and called its name Ebenezer, for he said, "Thus far the Lord has helped us".*

The Worship Committee orchestrated a praise service of music from our church choir, Hill Prairie Singers, Steve Kaare, Bobbie Knutson, Shay Wagner, and Audre Kurowski. Whenever we hear the choir singing...All Day Sunday Singing...we are reminded of the tables of food and singing on the grounds. Thanks to all the families for bringing food, lemonade, coffee and flowers.

It takes the willing hands and strong backs of many to make an outdoor worship service possible. Thank you to all who stepped forward to move the historical table and credenza; altar and cross; piano and video camera; hay wagon and steps; golf carts and ozee cars; and numerous tables and chairs. (And then return everything to their rightful spot on Monday.)

Each and every person contributed to a picture perfect day of sharing God's love with neighbors, friends and visitors. Many Thanks.

Submitted by Bonnie Ehrke and Ron Anderson

Thank you

- I want to thank everyone who sent cards, brought food, called to say "Hi" and the prayers said for me for a full recovery after my surgery.
~ Linda Mathison
- I would like to thank all those of you at East Koshkonong Lutheran Church for holding me in your prayers as I was in hospital. Also, thank you to Pastor Clint for his visits.
~ Eugene Lund
- Thank you to everyone who was able to be a part of the 165th celebration. It was a truly a joyous celebration. Gathering on the spot where your ancestors first gathered for worship was truly inspirational and reminded us of where we have come. This celebration is also a great reminder that we should continue to strive forward and search for those who are in need of a church home. The words shared with us by Rev. Dr. Walter Sundberg reminded us that we are a congregation with much history and we are founded upon the Holy Word of God. It is upon this foundation that we have been blessed for 165 years. May we continue to keep steadfast in God's Word. Thank you once again for joining us in celebration.

~ Intern Nathan Strong

From Bishop Bruce Burnside

Dear Pastor Schneklath and the people at East Koshkonong:

Congratulations and thank you for the clear and creative witness you are making in the Church and to the community about reconciliation and about the unity of the Body of Christ. Your celebration and the public attention you have drawn is wonderful and inspiring!



Blessings on you in your leadership and on the ministry of East Koshkonong. In a culture where we are far too willing to divide ourselves one from another and define ourselves in polarities, you make a faithful witness to a better way! Thank you! The story of East Koshkonong is a word for us all.

Continue to welcome the gifts of the Holy Spirit among yourselves that you might remain joyful and strong in your ministry!

For Christ's Sake,
Bishop Bruce Burnside



High School Youth

The last home Cambridge Football game for 2009 is October 22.

All High School Students are invited to a Post Football Game Bonfire at

The Zahn Home:

444 E. Church Rd, Cambridge (next door to the church)

Immediately after the game ends.

Join us for Hotdogs, s'mores, and soda

November 1, 2009

is All Saints Sunday.

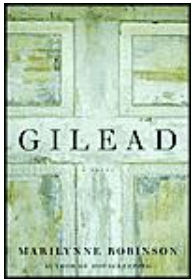
On this day we remember those who have completed their baptismal journey with bell ringing and lighted candles.

If you desire to remember a loved one who has died this past year please contact the church office before October 31.

All Saints Sunday celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who make up the body of Christ. With thanksgiving we remember all the faithful departed, especially those most dear to us who have died. The day's readings are filled with rich images of the eternal life promised to all the saints. The holy meal is a foretaste of that great and promised feast where death or pain will be no more. Even in the midst of loss and grief God wipes away the tears from our eyes and makes all things new.



Book Studies and Bible Studies at EKLC



Book Study ~ Gilead

This invitation is for anyone who may have an interest in reading for fun, reading for spirituality and/or discussing faith as it is conveyed through literature. On Tuesday, October 6 at 6:30 at EKLC, there will be a discussion of the book *Gilead* by author Marilynne Robinson, for which she won the 2004 National Book Critics Circle prize for fiction and the 2005 Pulitzer prize for fiction.

Set in Gilead, Iowa, the book is narrated by a 76-year-old pastor named John Ames who has been told he is terminally ill and believes he is facing imminent death. He decides to write a long letter to his 7-year-old-son (from his recent marriage), which reads as a diary and is, in essence, the book. A story of history with themes of father and son tensions, God the father and his son, and the prodigal son parable, *Gilead* is beautifully written.

This book is available through the new library (1 copy) in the narthex of EKLC. *Gilead* is also widely available through the South-Central library system where there are 64 copies available, 12 available sound recordings, and 14 books in large print. Please come and bring a friend.

Hosted by Elizabeth Kaashagen.

Bible Study Event Schedule

Below are descriptions of some of the main adult educational offerings for 2009-2010. Join us to deepen faith, study Scripture, pray, explore special topics, all for the joy of studying with other Christians. Please register using the Christian Education brochure and form or call the church office at 423-3017.

Galatians

Read Paul's letter to the Galatians as part of our Book of Faith series. Discover the radical good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Sundays (10:30 a.m.) or Thursdays (6:45 p.m.) in November. Council room. Led by Pastor Clint and Intern Nathan. Registration required.

Raising Happy and Healthy Children

Many parents desire to raise their children to be happy and healthy. Religious faith and time together as a family are central. Grow together with other families in your parenting. January 17 and May 23, council room. Led by Pastor Clint and Intern Nathan.

They Are Us: Lutherans and Immigration

Tuesdays in January join a book study on immigration. Authors are Stephen Bouman, director of outreach for the ELCA, and Ralston Deffenbaugh, director of Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service. Council room. Led by Pastor Clint.

Entering the Book of Faith

Ready for a simple and interesting introduction to the Bible? Join Intern Nathan on a three week journey into the Book of Faith Sundays in May 2010. Council room.

Praying Advent

Join spiritual director Jack Finney for a two-session conversation on developing a deep prayer life. Sundays 10:30. December 13 & 20. Council room.

Lenten Proverbs

Are you interested in *How to Read Proverbs*? Join a Lenten book discussion and journey studying the wisdom sayings of Solomon. Gain insight into finances, relationships, work, farming, and more. Council room. Led by Pastor Clint and Intern Nathan.

Financial Management

Interested in learning about budgeting, financial management, and the economy from a Christian perspective? Attend this Saturday retreat, April 24. Led by Intern Nathan and guests.

Discover Your Gifts

Discover the gifts God has given you. Then plan to use these gifts in your daily life, community, and congregation. Saturday Feb. 13 from 9am to 3pm and Thursday, Feb. 11 & 18 from 6-8:30.



Worship Helpers for October

Organists ~

Audre Kurowski ~ 1st & 3rd Sundays
Judy Rusch ~ 2nd & 4th Sundays

Assistant Ministers~

10/4 ~ Karen Hayes
10/11 ~ Arvid Mathison
10/18 ~ Gloria Fruit
10/25 ~ Carolyn Lien

Acolytes ~

10/4 ~
10/7 ~ Cassidy Klemp & Veronica Wipperfurth
10/11 ~
10/14 ~ Nicholas Woodstock & Carson
Kaashagen
10/18 ~ Matt Kaare & Eli Rawinski
10/21 ~ Stephanie Birkrem & Taylor Hinchley
10/25 ~ Matt Kaare & Joey Jannes
10/28 ~ Yana Rawinski & Torleif Ehrke

Greeters~

10/4 ~ Arvid and Linda Mathison
10/11 ~ Bonnie Ehrke
10/18 ~ Ken Rockney
10/25 ~ Florence Mathison

Lay Readers~

10/4 ~ Sabra Jacobson
10/7 ~ Sabra Jacobson
10/11 ~ Ann Nottestad
10/14 ~ Beverly Lien
10/18 ~ Sonja Christensen
10/21 ~ Holly Loomis
10/25 ~ Mary Ellen Christensen
10/28 ~

Coffee Hour ~

10/4 ~ Sunday School
10/11 ~ Formal Organization of EKLC
10/18 ~ Steadfast Circle
10/25 ~ Confirmation Sunday

Communion Set-up/Take Down ~

10/4 ~ Linda and Arvid Mathison
10/11 ~ Florence Mathison and Bea householder
10/18 ~ Bonnie Ehrke and Harriet Eikland
10/25 ~ Confirmation/Reformation Sunday,
Judy Taylor and Marge Stach

Communion Assistants~

10/4 ~ Carolyn Lien and Bea Householder
10/11 ~ Joanne Gyland and Holly Loomis
10/18 ~ Bill Hitchcock and Joy Graffin
10/25 ~ David Danielson and Ruth Bovre

Nursery Attendants~

10/4 ~ Brenda Schroeder
10/11 ~ Cheryl & Emily Eikland
10/18 ~ Natasha Amundson
10/25 ~ Kathy Bergholz & Yana Rawinski

Offering Counters~




10/4 ~ Arvid Mathison and Judy Rusch
10/11 ~ Jean Carlson and Eric or Cheryl Nuenthel
10/18 ~ Brenda Schroeder and Leila Carl
10/25 ~ Carroll Ehrke and Andy Christensen

Ushers~

10/4 ~ Steadfast Circle
10/7 ~ Jacob Robinson & Colton Schuler
10/11 ~ Steadfast Circle
10/14 ~ Seth Wagner & Kolt Wegner
10/18 ~ Steadfast Circle
10/21 ~
10/25 ~ Steadfast Circle
10/28 ~ Cassidy Klemp & Veronica Wipperfurth

★ Thank You! ★
★ for your help! ★

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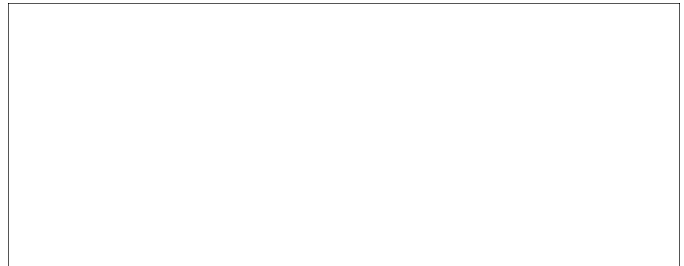
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fr	Sat
				1 9am Pin and Sew 12pm WELCA Potluck Meeting & Study to follow	2	3 2:30 p.m. Lauren Klemp & Matthew Mancheski Wedding
4 9am Worship 10:15 Sunday School Coffee Hour	5	6 6:30pm Gilead Book Study	7 4:30 p.m. Learn how to make Pork Chops, Lefse, & Applesauce Event 6 pm Worship 6pm-8pm Confirmation	8	9	10 2pm Hilary Mani & Ryan Terland Wedding
11 Celebrate the formal organization of EKLC 9am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School 10:15am Pie Auction	12 Dartball @ EKLC 	13 Skaalen Fall Festival 9am Peace Circle @ Marge Stach Home 5:30pm Worship Committee Meeting 6:30pm Congregational Care	14 5:15pm Wednesday Evening Band Practice 6pm Worship 6-8pm Confirmation	15 8am Men's Breakfast @ The Curve	16	17
18 9am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School 10:15 Coffee Hour	19 Dartball @ Faith Cruisers 	20 6:30pm Council Meeting	21 5:15pm Wednesday Evening Band Practice 6pm Worship 6-8pm Confirmation	22	23	24
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October 7 at 4:30pm
Pork Chops, Lefse, and Applesauce



Learn how the East Koshkonong World Famous Pork Chops, Lefse, and Apple sauce are made-and enjoy the end products!!
We'll begin cooking at 4:30pm., have worship service at 6pm and enjoy our end products together at 6:30pm.

Sign up in Narthex!!

