

Bulletin Board

April 9, 2023

WELCOME! We praise God for giving us the ability to worship in fellowship today! Please remember that if you wish to social distance there is room, if you want or need to wear a mask we will support you. Please sign the registration books that are in the pews, please pass them to the next person. If you are worshipping from home and watching on Facebook please leave a comment (even if it is just Hi), it would be appreciated.

BRINGING HOLY COMMUNION TO YOU If you would prefer to have Holy Communion brought to you in the pew on the weeks it is served – **please** let the elder/ushers know prior to the service. We would not want to miss you!

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME Join us in the Hillmer Center this week at 10:15 a.m. No classes today. Please join us again next week for more classes.

BABY BOTTLE FOR ALTERNATIVES Thank you for your generosity in filling the Baby Bottles. If you have not returned your bottle please get them to the office as soon as possible. The plan is to return them to Alternatives Pregnancy Center on Tuesday.

GRACE GREETINGS DEADLINE It's time to get articles ready for the May edition of the Grace Greetings! For anyone wanting to submit an article or an announcement to be included in the next Grace Greetings, please make sure to have it to the office by April 15. You can submit your articles by email to officeadmin@gracewaterloo.org or leave a hard copy in the office. Thank you for your help.

THE LUTHERAN WITNESS RENEWAL It is time to renew or order the Lutheran Witness for the next subscription which begins in July. The cost is \$19.20 for the year which is 11 issues because they combine the June/July issue. Please let the office know if you are interested in receiving this informative magazine by April 30th so we can get the information in on time.

HY-VEE RECEIPTS FOR VALLEY LUTHERAN SCHOOL If you are saving the receipts for Valley Lutheran School please have them here to church by April 23rd so we can get them to the school. Someone goes through all the receipts and adds them up to turn in totals to Hy-Vee. It does take a little time to get this done before the deadline. Thank you for your help on this project. We will let you know when we can start accepting them again.

IOWA DISTRICT EAST LLL CONVENTION is being held Saturday April 29th at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Doors will open at 9 am, convention starts at 10 am and will be finished by 4 pm. The cost is \$15 until April 22 and will be \$18 at the door. Guest speaker is Jeff Craig-Meyer LHM Senior VP, Chief Strategy Officer. Highlights include Gifted for More; Ministry Update on LHM's International Internship Program; Martha Hartwig, Iowa District East LWML President. Check the bulletin board for registration forms.

A LIFE QUOTE "Our true identity turns us back toward our Creator, the one who not only made us but also defines us in His Word. So, permit me to remind you of that truth once more: You are a created child of God. You are handmade by Him, loved by Him, redeemed by Him, and sustained by Him. The gifts you possess are gifts He's given you; all that is good comes from Him. Your identity and your value are, always were, and always will be, found in Him." *Michelle Bauman, Y4Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*
Hurting from abortion? Word of Hope can help. word-of-hope.org; 888.217.8679.



BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES: Did You Know: "Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime," wrote Dr. Martin Luther. We celebrate that promise of the resurrection with you today. *Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed! Hallelujah!* Joyful Easter Blessings to you, your family, and your congregational family from the staff and Board of Directors of Lutheran Family Service! **Lutheran Family Service -** www.LutheranFamilyService.org (515.573.3138 and LFSiowa.org)

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE - This week the verse is:

Romans 5:1

Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

CATECHESIS – This week for those using the Catechism Study Guide you should be on the following page number according to what year you are on.

Year 1 is page 26;

Year 2 is page 85;

Year 3 is page 144;

CREATION MUSEUM/ARK ENCOUNTER BUS TRIP is planned for June 5-9. This is a wonderful experience and comes highly recommended. More details can be found on the bulletin board in the Narthex or across from the office if you are interested in this trip.

SPRING CONCERT PRESENTED BY PROUD IMAGE CHORUS. Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 22nd at 7:00 p.m. when The Proud Image Chorus will join voices with River City Chorus from Mason City to present "WITH A SONG IN OUR HEARTS" in West High School's Kersenbrock Auditorium in Waterloo. This musical performance of a cappella four-part harmony will entertain you with inspirational, patriotic and all-time favorite songs. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door, \$5 students. Contact any Chorus member or call 515-979-9054 for tickets

GRACE FOOD PANTRY



Anyone wishing to donate to the Grace Food Pantry, these are the top items needed:

Cold Cereal, soups, hamburger / tuna helper, 32 oz juices, spaghetti sauce, crackers, soda crackers, rice, pastas, mac n cheese, canned meat, Peanut Butter, canned fruit, tooth paste Shampoo/Conditioner, Body wash, dish soap, cleaning liquids, laundry soap, razors, deodorant and lotions.

We can always use money too. The committee would like to thank all those who have given generously to the Grace Food Pantry!

Anyone needing assistance with the Grace Food Pantry please contact the church office Anyone interested in helping with the food pantry please contact the office or people listed.

Youth News

Saturday, you may drop off your cans and bottles in the school office from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm before the day of the drive. Thank you for your support!

A REMINDER: Members wishing to contribute to the recent loan for roofing and air conditioning may do so by marking the memo line on your check for the Properties Repair Loan and leaving your donation in the offering plate or office. All donations to the cause will be directly applied to the loan. Thank you for your generous heart.

Mark 16:6 – “And he said to them, ‘Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here.’” The Good News is not just that Jesus is risen, but that He is risen to bless us — there is no need to be alarmed. He still calls us His friends and brothers and means to bring us through death to resurrection as well. The Lord is risen, He is risen indeed!

The Schedule this Week:

The following events have been planned for this week.

TODAY:
9:00 a.m. Happy Easter
Worship w/ Holy Commun.
Sanctuary
10:15 a.m. Fellowship
Hillmer Center

MONDAY:
6:00 p.m. Exercise
Library

TUESDAY:
6:00 p.m. Foster Parents Meeting
Hillmer Center

WEDNESDAY:
8:30 a.m. Sewing Circle
Rm 17
1:00 p.m. World Relief Quilters
Rm 17
5:15 p.m. Chancel Choir practice
Music Rm

THURSDAY:
9:00 a.m. World Relief Quilters
Rm 17
11:00 a.m. Worship w/Holy Commun.
Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. Four Oaks Training
Hillmer Center
6:30 p.m. Exercise
Library

NEXT SUNDAY:
9:00 a.m. Worship w/Holy Commun.
Sanctuary
10:15 a.m. Fellowship
Hillmer Center
10:30 a.m. Bible Class/Sunday School
Hillmer Center/Upper Level

We are going to Get Air on Friday April 21 at 7 pm to try out the special lighting they have on Fridays and Saturdays. Check the Grace Greetings for details.

VALLEY LUTHERAN

Join us for Valley Lutheran School's 12th annual Crusader Knight coming up on Saturday, April 22nd starting at 5:00 pm. Tickets are \$35 or gather a group of friends to purchase a table of 8 for only \$250. Tickets can be purchased directly at <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/crusaderknight2023/> and the deadline is April 10th! Don't miss out on this opportunity to celebrate Valley's 20th Anniversary!

11%! That's how much tuition you will be asked to cover at Valley Lutheran School due to the recently passed ESA bill! Learn more at our next Take a Look Tuesday, April 11th. Pop in over your lunch break between 11:00 am and 1:30 pm for a visit with our administrators and to take a tour of our building! We still have openings kindergarten through 12th grade. Can't make it April 11th? Give us a call at 319-266-4565 to set up an alternative time!

The high school cross country team will be having a can and bottle drive Saturday, April 15th from 9-12 at Valley Lutheran. If you cannot make it on

