

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Karon Newman
Wendy Curtis
Kathy Cao
Sylvia Berg
Shirley Nuechterlein

Blessings/Guidance

Central Lutheran School
Rich & Miriam Carter
Dwelling Houses

Shut ins

Lisa Bisping
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The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, March 5

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship w/ Communion
9:15 A.M. Education Hour
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship w/ Communion
10:30 A.M. Hmong Worship

MONDAY, March 6

7:00 P.M. Lay Ministry

TUESDAY, March 7

WEDNESDAY, March 8

6:45 A.M. Bible Study at Perkins Roseville
6:30 P.M. Lent Worship
7:30 P.M. Church open

THURSDAY, March 9

FRIDAY, March 10

SATURDAY, March 11

SUNDAY, March 12

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship
9:15 A.M. Education Hour
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship
10:30 A.M. Hmong Worship

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

March 5: Marty Langemo
March 6: Roger Binning
March 7: Calvin Hanan, Karen Trudeau, Dianne Warnest,
Perpetua & Felicitas, Martyr
March 11: Kayla Gundermann, Brian Sell

CELEBRATING



March contact person: Lu Clemmensen

Althea Sell, Lu Clemmensen, Janice Uden, Bruce & Deena McMahon, Peter & Kristen Hall, Doug & Pam Zimmerman, Kate & Lam Cao, Cherie Fleischhacker, Bruce & Clarice Anderson, Joanne Borocki, Joshua Yernberg, Jake & Sara Yernberg

St. Stephanus Lutheran Church
Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 125 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

March 5, 2017
First Sunday in Lent

F I R S T

Sunday in Lent



Welcome Visitors

Please sign the attendance register. If you desire a call from the pastor or are interested in membership, please note that on the attendance register.

Our Mission Statement:

To proclaim the gospel through word and sacrament to our membership, our communities and our world.

Our Vision:

Connecting people with Jesus Christ and each other through worship, learning and service.

Connecting Groups & Youth:

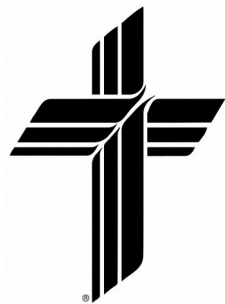
Much more than a Bible Study... come and find true Biblical Relationships. For more info, contact: Megan Huff meghuff@gmail.com

About Communion:

Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to this table those who (1) trust his words, (2) repent of all sins and (3) set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He has forgiven and loves us.

Sunday Services

Traditional Worship 8:00 AM
Education Hour 9:15 AM
Contemporary Worship 10:30 AM
Hmong Service 10:30 AM
Holy Communion at both services on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month.
Eritrean Service 12 Noon



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March 5 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Calvin & Collin Hanan
(10:30) Ryan LeClair Sura & Kayla Sura
Caretaker: (8:00) Russ Van Dassar (10:30) Rich Culbert
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) Matt Hanan, John Schonebaum & Russ Van Dassar
(10:30) Jake Yernberg, Jeremiah & Bill Willard
Elder: (8:00) Matt Hanan (10:30) Keith Rennerfeldt
Greeters: (8:00) Marie Benson & B.J. Brown
(10:30) Jackie & Jerry Spiess
Lector: (8:00) Lois Thur (10:30) Anna Miller
Music: (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson (10:30) Worship Band
Soundboard: (8:00) (10:30) Leonard Miller
Ushers: (8:00) Richard Johnson, Wayne Warnest, Corine & Scott Goodrich
(10:30) Jill Katzenmaier, Noah Miller, Erica Moore, Steve Sohn



Altar
Flowers

Today's Altar flowers are given by:

Tami Nissen– Omosowon

Last Week's Contributions:

Feb. 26 8:00 (85) 10:30 (117)

Current - \$4,444.00	Concordia - \$35.00
CLS - \$10.00	Building Fund - \$8.00
Ash Wed.- \$5.00	Parish Life - \$50.00
Sunday School - \$2.77	Total - \$4,549.77
	(\$8,200 needed weekly)

March 12 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Addy Munoz & Owen Schonebaum
(10:30) Ben Mohrland & Emma Pagel
Caretaker: (8:00) John Schonebaum (10:30) Admasu Mekonen
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) (10:30)
Elder: (8:00) Wayne Warnest (10:30) Marty Langemo
Greeters: (8:00) Marie Benson & Judy Brinkman
(10:30) Tarrie Culbert & Candy Pagel
Lector: (8:00) Dan Baker (10:30) Terianne Bender
Music: (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson
(10:30) Worship Band
Soundboard: (8:00) Keith Rennerfeldt (10:30) Leonard Miller
Ushers: (8:00) Phillip Pruess, Roger Binning, B.J. Brown, Bruce Karger
(10:30) Erica Moore, Jon, Rich & Tarrie Culbert

At the Voters' meeting on Sunday, Feb. 26, a motion was made to create a task force to make a recommendation to the voters in May, about women serving communion. The task force will be comprised of three women, two men, and three elders. If you are interested in being on this task force or if you simply want more information, please contact Leah VanDassor via email at leahn russ@gmail.com. You can also call [651-263-8675](tel:651-263-8675). Please leave a message if you don't get an answer. Leah will call you back! In the event that many people are interested, the task force will be decided by Pastor Thompson and Leah VanDassor through a lottery. Names will be accepted through March 12.

During the time of Lent, it can be common to give up something as an act of devotion or love to the Lord. One thing that you shouldn't give up though, is jellybeans. Why is that? For one, they are delicious. Two, they are only \$3 a bag. Three, the proceeds go to support a valuable and important ministry that your Church is a part of: spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the children of God at Central Lutheran School. The proceeds of each bag go to supporting this valuable ministry. The totals that each student (or teacher) raises goes to their grades and the winning grade gets a pizza party. As always, THANK YOU for your continued love, prayers, and support of Central Lutheran School.

HUMBLE REQUEST: If you or someone you know is in the hospital, nursing home or has an emergency, **PLEASE** call the **CHURCH OFFICE** to leave a message for Pastor Thompson. He would like to visit as soon as possible.

Many times, members do not pass this information along and Pastor does not find out about it until after the fact.

A reminder: If you drop off items, furniture or other items for the church please let the office know your name and the reason for dropping it off. If you are leaving notes for staff members PLEASE DATE AND SIGN IT. We may have questions for you and need to know who to talk to. Please don't assume I can tell by the handwriting who you are.

Bible Study: Meet in the Fireside Room were **The Hmong Committee will be presenting**, "Getting To Know Your Hmong Neighbors" Everyone is welcome.

If you like food, specifically seasonal foods, you'll recognize that pumpkin and cranberries belong in the fall, and strawberries and melons are most available in the spring. Corn on the cob and watermelon bring visions of summer. Likewise our music evokes thoughts of the season. Music has the power of capturing the spirit of a liturgical season in a profound way. When we hear the traditional chant "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," the song "feels" like Advent. And nothing brings back childhood memories of Christmas like our favorite carol. Although there is new Christmas music being written all the time, the traditional carols like "Silent Night" and "O Come, All Ye Faithful" are still closest to people's hearts.

The season of Lent spans the 40 days between Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. All Sundays are celebrations of Jesus' resurrection, including those that fall during this season, thus we call them Sundays in Lent, not Sundays of Lent, and they are not included in the 40 days. During this season, look for the "flavor" of the harmonies of such hymns as "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded", which are "in season", along with the Sunday celebrations of how we know the story ends.

~The organ bench~

CHANGE YOUR
locks **Sunday, March 12** Daylight Saving begins. This means we "spring" forward.



On the third Sunday of each month, our church collects your pocket change for "mites for missions" in the big mite box in the narthex. Please remember to bring your mite box from home or take one with you to fill for next month. These mites go towards mission projects including supporting the Dwelling Place, here locally, as well as provide assistance to those seeking a Lutheran High School education, assisting seminary students with food/clothing, or help expand outreach to ethnic women and families to name just a few ways that your mites help the LWML reach the world. Thank you for your continued support. ~Women's Ministry~