

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Karon Newman
Marie Benson
Luann Schmidt
Micky Zinter

Blessings/Guidance

Central Lutheran School
Rich & Miriam Carter
All those traveling

Shut in

Lisa Bisping
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The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, April 1 EASTER

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

MONDAY, April 2 Office Closed

TUESDAY, April 3

7:00 P.M. Lay Ministry

WEDNESDAY, April 4

6:00 P.M. Confirmation

THURSDAY, April 5

FRIDAY, April 6

1:30 P.M. Feeding Frogtown @ St. Paul City School

SATURDAY, April 7

5:00 P.M. Spaghetti Dinner

SUNDAY, April 8

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

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

April 1: Katie Admasu
April 2: Andrew Thompson
April 3:
April 4:
April 5:
April 6: *Lucas Cranach and Albrecht Durer, Artists*
April 7:

CELEBRATING



April contact person: Marie Benson

Terianne Bender, Marie Benson, Barb Brown, Wendy Curtis, Megan Huff, Jill Katzenmaier, Mark Lageson, Candace Pagel, Ashley Preuss, Jackie & Philip Preuss, Jennifer Taylor

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

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

April 1, 2018
Easter Sunday



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.

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.

Prayers:

You are invited to fill out a prayer card located in the pew. Pastor will gather these cards before the prayers of the church. Please print your prayer requests.

Sunday Services:

Traditional Worship 8:00 AM

Education Hour 9:15 AM

Contemporary Worship 10:30 AM

Holy Communion at both services on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month.

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April 1 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Zhenghong & Jingyan Schlechte
(10:30) Sebastian & Savannah Caquelin
Caretaker: (8:00) John Schonebaum (10:30) Rich Culbert
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) Justin Baker, Megan Huff, Dan Savard
(10:30) Erica Moore, Akbar Muhammad, Dale Trapp
Elder: (8:00) Dan Savard (10:30) Keith Rennerfeldt
Greeters: (8:00) Marie Benson & B. J. Brown
(10:30) Judy Brinkman & Dale Trapp
Lector: (8:00) Terianne Bender (10:30) Erica Moore
Music: (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson; Festival Choir
(10:30) Worship Band
Soundboard: (8:00) Scott Goodrich (10:30) Leonard Miller
Ushers: (8:00) Roger Binning, Richard Johnson, Bruce Karger, John Schonebaum
(10:30) Jeff Wussler, Rich, Tarrie, Jon Culbert



Today's Altar flowers are given by:

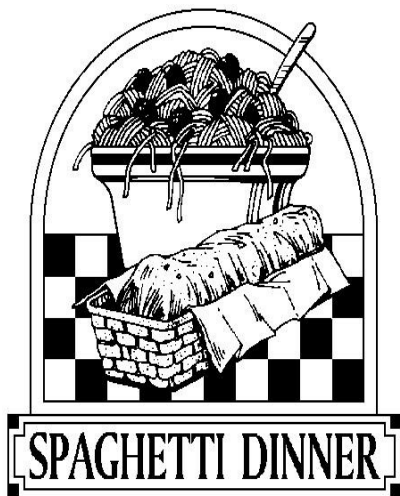
Last Week's Contributions:

March 25 8:00 (59) 10:30 (107)

Current - \$4,071.50 CLS-\$24.00
Lent - \$95.00 Total - \$4,190.50 (\$6,500 needed weekly)

April 8 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Calvin Hanan & Elizabeth Thompson
(10:30) Emma Pagel & Kayla Sura
Caretaker: (8:00) Joan Baker (10:30) Rich Culbert
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) (10:30)
Elder: (8:00) Wayne Warnest (10:30) Jerry Spiess
Greeters: (8:00) Marie Benson & Corine Goodrich
(10:30) Tarrie Culbert & Candy Pagel
Lector: (8:00) Lois Thur (10:30) David Sura
Music: (8:00) Organ: Bruce Anderson
(10:30) Worship Band
Soundboard: (8:00) Dan Savard (10:30) Leonard Miller
Ushers: (8:00) Roger Binning, Bruce Karger, Tesfaya Maskalo, Philip Pruess
(10:30) Emmet Heck, Admasu Mekonen, Trent & Jeremiah Willard



**St. Stephanus Men's Club
Spaghetti Dinner**

Saturday, April 7, 5-7 P.M.

Adult \$10.00

Children 5 to 12 \$5.00

Tickets available in advance or at the door

Take out is available

The youth group will be holding a bake sale along with the spaghetti dinner. The funds raised will help to support the youth group mission trip. If you would like to donate something please bring it to the church by

5 P.M. on Saturday, April 7th.

Book Discussion: Why, if God is so hungry for a relationship with us, does he seem so distant? Why, if God cares for us, do bad things happen? Do you ever ask yourself these questions? Philip Yancey's book, *Disappointment with God*, poses three questions that Christians wonder but seldom ask aloud: Is God unfair? Is God silent? Is God hidden. Yancey answers with clarity, honesty and biblical assurance, helping us see beyond the cynicism that life's disappointments can breed and points us to a stronger, wiser faith. Sheila Schlechte & Lynn Thompson will meet twice a month starting mid April to discuss the book and their reflections on these questions. Dates and time are to be determined. Please let them know if you are interested in this discussion. You may contact Sheila at 651-779-7381 or sheilaschlechte@yahoo.com.

He is Risen! He is Risen indeed, Alleluia! After the past forty days of Lent, doesn't "Alleluia" feel good?

Felix Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911) was one of the greatest French organists of the late 19th century. His father, Jean-Baptiste, a descendant of an organ-building family and organist himself was Alexandre's principle teacher. By the time Alexandre was a teenager, he was substituting as organist for his father at the church of St. Nicolas in Boulogne, succeeding him at that post in 1857. Other than some lessons in 1860 with Nicolas Lemmens, an organ professor at the Brussels Conservatory, Guilmant received no other formal training. A frequent recitalist in Paris and throughout England, America, Russia and several other countries, Guilmant spent nearly thirty years at Ste. Trinité in Paris after being appointed organist in 1871, and also taught at the Paris Conservatoire, succeeding Charles-Marie Widor.

Among Guilmant's many compositions are eight sonatas for organ, which were written to exploit the power and color range of his beloved organ at Ste. Trinité. The Sonata No. 1 in D Minor, composed in 1874 and later reworked to add orchestra, begins with a massive introduction with somber mood, with later movements changing in color as it concludes with the finale, which will serve as the postlude today (8:00). This movement begins with the French toccata style providing an opening of exciting activity, interrupted for a brief chorus-like second theme. Following a pause, the center section plays on a contrast of long-breathed chorale and excitable chatter. Then the closing section revives the toccata perpetual motion machine, driving toward a shimmering conclusion as it grows into a grandiose procession culminating in a festive coda.

This piece was dedicated to "His Royal Highness King Leopold II, King of Belgium". The final glorious cacophony of sound is a fitting tribute to a king, as we today celebrate the resurrection of our King. **Alleluia!**
~From the organ bench~

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 GIVE
THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO
PURCHASED FLOWERS TO BEAUTIFY THE
SANCTUARY FOR OUR EASTER DAY SERVICES,
2018*

*Bruce & Clarice Anderson in honor of the many
musicians of St. Stephanus past & present;*

*Benson Family in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Harold
Benson;*

*Earl & Sylvia Berg in memory of Michael C. Berg &
Earl T. Berg Sr.;*

*Roger & Nancy Binning in memory of our parents
Richard & Myra Cornman and
Alvin & Helen Binning;*

Ronald & Mary Bising;

*Judy Brinkman in honor of Friends & Family;
Earnest & Joan Brown in memory of Dustin Morris,
Brad & Casey Brown;*

Lee & Lois Bruss in thanksgiving for blessings;

Lorraine Byland;

*Cherie, Amy & Analisa Fleischhacker in memory of
Parents & Grandparents
Andrew Fleischhacker, Andrew Fleischhacker Sr.,
Steve & Betty Dress;*

*Kathy Fleischhacker in memory of Andrew
Fleischhacker Sr. & Andrew Fleischhacker Jr.;*

*Scott & Corine Goodrich in memory of our loved ones
and thanksgiving for blessings;*

Sue Kressin;

*Philip & Jacklyn Preuss in thanksgiving for all God's
blessings;*

Tricia Schmidt in memory of Simon Caquelin;

*John & Gayle Schonebaum in memory of William &
Steve Schonebaum;*

*Douglas & Jane Sell in memory of parents and
grandparents, Henry & Marion Wenzel, Walter &
Hannah Wenzel, Edward & Clara Goetsch, Ronald &
Arline Sell, Arthur & Minnie Runge and
Louis & Alice Sell;*

*Stephen Sohn in memory of my parents Walter & Joan
Sohn;*

*Lynn Thompson in memory of Simon Caquelin & my
Grandparents Norman & Gloria Adams and Walter &
Doris Schmidt;*

*Wayne and Dianne Warnest in memory of Gus &
Charlotte Warnest;*

*Jeff & Jodi Wussler in memory of Vincent Sura &
Mary Kay Sura;*