

# **Weekly News and Notes**

**Mission:** In response to the boundless grace of God, we joyfully share the peace and hope of Christ with all.

**Vision:** Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran Church is a place where all are welcome. Our ministry helps others see Jesus through Christ-centered worship, education, ministry, and outreach.

#### Sunday, April 27, 2025

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#### From our ECC Director

Wow, Easter has come and gone. But as we reflect on the beautiful Easter season our hearts are full of gratitude and joy. This year, the children in the Learning Center celebrated Easter with boundless energy and excitement! From colorful egg hunts and sweet treats to laughter-filled games and joyful fellowship, the Easter parties were a blast for everyone involved.

But even more meaningful than the fun was the reason behind the celebration. In the midst of all the activity, we were reminded once again of the true heart of Easter — the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. His love and presence were felt in every moment, reassuring us all that He is still with us, walking beside us every day.

Thank you to all the teachers, volunteers, and parents who made this celebration so special. And thank You, Lord, for the gift of Your enduring love and grace.

Also, if you notice on our lawn in front of Commercial you will see yellow rain drop flags that say "VPK Enrolling Now." Special thanks to Cliff Higley for having those made for the Learning Center so we can attract more VPK students to our Early Childhood Center doors, and thanks to all of you who keep our ECC, School and church held up in prayer.

Blessings, Mrs. Faith Grambow Early Childhood Director





Psalm 73 tells us: "Surely it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my strong-hold and my sure defense, and He will be my Savior.

David sang this Psalm often. In Exodus 15, Moses and the Israelites sang this song of praise to the Lord for leading them out of bondage in Egypt. Now we hear Isaiah and the Israelites sing this verse in Chapter 12 for leading them out of the bondage of sin and death.

We today sing this Psalm to our God of Salvation. We study God's Word every Wednesday morning at 10:00. Please join us.

#### Ministry Expansion Campaign

Please join us in praying for the Prayer team on a regular basis this week, with this prayer, or your own:



#### A Prayer of "Thanks for giving"

Dear Lord God, we come before you thankful; thankful for all you have given us; we who are so undeserving of your love and affection. Yet, you have showered us with blessings without number and have even given your son, Jesus, to be our savior. We thank you for the people of your church who give so much of their time, their talents and their treasures to support this ministry. We thank and praise you for the blessings that they are and ask for you to continue to inspire all of us with your Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus our Savior we pray. Amen

#### Ministry Expansion Info Corner...

Did you know you can use your Thrivent Choice dollars for the Ministry Expansion Campaign? You might also be eligible for two Action Teams each year if you have a Thrivent policy.



#### This Week's Calendar

Thanks for Giving Sunday, April 27

10:30 am – Joint Service 11:45 am – Meal and Program Wednesday, April 30, 2025

10:00 am – Bible Study

Friday, May 2, 2025

6 pm - 8pm - Chili Cookoff

## Next Week's Calendar

Sunday, May 4

8:30 am – Traditional Service 9:30 am – Bible Study/Sunday School 10:30 am – Praise Service

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

10:00 am – Bible Study

Thursday, May 8, 2025

6:30 pm – Church Council

This Week's Lessons April 27, 2025

First Reading: Acts 5:12-20 Second Reading: Revelation 1: 4-18 Gospel: John 20:19-31

> Next Week's Lessons May 4, 2025

First Reading: Acts 9:1-22 Second Reading: Revelation 5: 1-14 Gospel: John 21:1-19

The newly revised church Directory is available.

Please verify your information is accurate and let



us know if anything needs to be corrected for the next edition. Thank you to all who responded, if you still need to have your photo taken, please see Barbara Junge.



# Those Serving This Week April 27, 2025

Ushers: -10:30 am – Jo Beadle, Jeanne Larson, Carolyn Atchison, Colleen Beaudoin, Andrea Canora, Becky Sprick Lector: 10:30 am – Andrea Canora Counters: Bill & Angel Bailey Altar Guild: Roberta Murphy Security: Mark McGuire

# Those Serving Next Week May 4, 2025

Ushers: -8:30 am – Gary Dupont, Eldon Devore

10:30 am - Andrea Canora, Becky Sprick Lector: 8:30 am - Randy Laser 10:30 am - Gayle Hansen Counters: Jo Beadle/Karen Schmohe

Altar Care: Irma Quiroz Security: Mark McGuire

## 9<sup>th</sup> Annual CHILI COOKOFF

Next week, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 6pm - 8pm



Chili contestants needed. Deadline to sign up extended to April 28<sup>th</sup>. Chili Cookoff sponsored by the PTO - Adults: \$12, Kids: \$8 Tickets include chili, hot dogs, corn bread, drink, dessert and a ticket to vote on the People's Choice Chili Winner. Bingo Cards sold at the event \$1 each, 6 for \$5 - CASH Only. Day of event - tickets \$15 each

# Coming Soon...



**June 29<sup>th</sup>** - Annual Voters Meeting to elect officers, approve the upcoming budget, etc. and potluck – Mark your calendar

### In Our Prayers



- Jonathan Hughes –for healing
- Joan Peterson cancer
- Pastor Myron's family passing of his mother
- \* Roy Zenke successful treatment and healing
- Jeff Farnella Loneliness
- Tim Mayer receiving cancer treatment
- Virginia Jordan, caretaker for Flossie Downing
- Ministry Expansion Campaign that God will continue to bless the campaign and through it we will be a blessing to others
- Jennifer Little brain tumor removal success
  - Ronda Jordan-Burgos cancer
- ❖ An Marie Reidel recovery from broken neck
  - \* Robert Pierre Leukemia
  - Raymond Rickard hospitalized long term
- Hilda Buchinger cancer treatments
  - Jay Mindlin Parkinson's Disease
- John & Irene Hinrichsen direction/quidance
  - Jenna Teachman, age 10 cancer
- Reinhard Mueller hospice care
- Kayler Gleason (2-yr old) rare health issues wisdom for doctors to diagnose/treat
  - Leonard Jaipershad-kidney cancer
- ❖ SOTC that we reach those who need Christ
  - Daniel Strickland health/well-being.
  - Safety of the troops around the world
    - Congregations waiting for a Pastor
- Those struggling with homelessness, mental illness or addiction
  - Our homebound members:

-Carolyn Griesse-Joyce Garing-Vera Crusco- Wanda Guy-Sue Dalena-Joan Saunders

-Ruth Galinat -Barb Scott

PLEASE RETURN ANY EASTER SERVICE YARD SIGNS TO DEB LORENZ AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE!

# **LCMSFoundation**

#### TODAY | TOMORROW | FOREVER

As we continue to think about the tensions involved in Christian estate planning, this month we focus on how differences in opinion among family can create enough roadblocks to keep a plan from moving forward. Imagine a husband and wife who have children, who have wandered into difficulties in their lives. Dad is the softy, just wanting to make their children's lives easier. Mom is stricter, demanding the children take responsibility for their behaviors. At times, this difference has created strain on their marital relationship. Now imagine this same couple trying to jointly decide on a solid Christian estate plan. Dad wants to evenly divide the estate as lump sum inheritance between their three children. Mom wants to spread inheritance over time. She also believes that her children will waste resources given to them, so she is motivated to support gifts for ministry. You can imagine that the typical response to this tension is avoidance. As a result, their last estate documents are forty years old, created before their children were born. For this couple, the key will be to have open, prayerful discussion about their goals, looking to create a consensus about what is the Lord's will for use of His things. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can assist in a situation like this. While they aren't married counselors, they can safely ask some questions that the couple has been avoiding. They can remind about the safe place we have in the grace of God. To get started in this faith journey, contact Tony Hunt 260-222-1291 or tony.hunt@lfnd.org



#### Easter Lilies

Thank you to those of you who provided Easter Lilies to beautify our sanctuary for Easter!



Please feel free to take them home.

#### **Altar Flower Calendar**

This week's Altar flowers are given by the LWML, Women in Mission



Remember a loved one with flowers on the altar. Mark the 2025 flower chart with your name on

the chosen date. Each arrangement is still \$20. Complete an envelope with your name and place payment in the offering plate.

# Have you ever asked, "What can I do"?

As you reflected on the Ministry



Expansion Campaign, perhaps you considered the vital role of praying for our campaign. Paul tells us to pray unceasingly, and we need faithful people fulfilling this type of call to prayer. Can you pray? Can you help? Now, more than ever we need to be in prayer. Be a Prayer Warrior!



Thank you to our SOTC school for providing a special performance today. Join us for the "Thanks for Giving Celebration" and Luncheon.

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## 2025 Golf Outing Date Set



"Fore the Kids" Golf outing will take place on Saturday November 15, with tee off at 12:30pm. The event will take place at the Woodmont Country Club in Tamarac. More

information will follow as it becomes available.



The Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran Church Library is now ready. A sincere thank you to Diana Annis for her expertise in sorting, color categorizing, mylarizing, and displaying the books. A special thank you also

to Michael Solley for assembling the bookcases; his efforts and skill are appreciated. Thank you also to our Thrift Store for donating several books from their inventory.

Our library is in the back of the Sanctuary. The books are displayed by category: devotions and meditations, Bible commentary, reference, Jesus, faith, children, etc. Every book of the Bible with commentary is available. Please stop by to do some browsing before or after worship services. There is a "sign out sheet" on a library shelf. To God be the glory.

