LUTHER MEMORIAL CHAPEL &
UNIVERSITY STUDENT CENTER

CHAPEL NEWS

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Spring Mission Gift: An Encouraging "Thank You" *by Pastor Wieting*

Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing (1 Thessalonians 5:11).

For nearly 14 years now we have been in partnership with the South Wisconsin District to provide a church home away from home for students at UWM. In the past few years we have also begun a chapter of LCMS-U at Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE). With our student center numerous CUW students also happily find us for worship and study. The district's grant to us at present is $24,000 each year – a portion of which is reserved specifically for the student center, student coordinator, student meals and gifts, campus speakers, student activities and events, etc. A significant portion is also directed to our LMC budget in order to help with vicar and vicarage expenses as our vicars are centrally involved in our campus work.

This year we have a wonderful opportunity to say **"THANK YOU!"** to those who serve us at the South Wisconsin District, especially as it relates to the partnership grants we receive from the mission commitments of district congregations. That opportunity is to direct our **Spring Mission Gift** to the work of our South Wisconsin District of the LCMS. This gift will be gathered the 24th and 25th of April and the 1st and 2nd of May. Your designated envelopes may be used by writing "**SWD thanks**" on the envelope and memo line of your check. It is our intention to present a check for this **Spring Mission Gift** to our District President and/or District Mission Executive at our 100th Anniversary Banquet on May 15th. One and possibly both of them plan to be in attendance and we hope to encourage them in this way even as our district has long encouraged us. Because of the intended May 15th presentation it is important that all gifts for our **SPRING MISSION GIFT** be received no later than May 8th.

Our district (The South Wisconsin District of the LCMS) supports a wide array of efforts for Gospel outreach in addition to university campus work, including parochial schools, Hispanic work, prison work, Hmong and African immigrant work, and more. You are invited to participate in our **Spring Mission Gift** for this unique 100th anniversary **"THANK YOU."**

Serving Us

- Kenneth W. Wieting, *Pastor*
- Brad Akey, *Vicar*
- Kathryn A. Hill, *Church Secretary*
- Martha Galvin, *Director of Music*
- Bessie Fick, *ISM Coordinator*
- Sarah Reynolds, *USC Coordinator*

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Centennial Capital Improvement Match

by John Burfeind, Congregational President

At the January 2016 congregational meeting, the treasurer and trustees reported that our financial picture had improved significantly since the projections presented at the October 2015 meeting. Your response to the Gospel opportunities of our congregation over the past few years has been increasing. We thank God for His blessings and your wonderful encouragement in support.

As we begin our centennial year at Luther Memorial Chapel, I write about a unique proposal separate from your first-fruit gifts. An anonymous donor from our congregation has made a commitment to match all donations to a "Centennial Capital Improvement Fund" received up to $20,000 over the course of calendar year 2016. All funds received in this endeavor will be committed to capital improvements for our beautiful facility, including the replacement of our air conditioning compressor, computer upgrades for the office, and other needs that are inherent in the ongoing care of a facility that in some areas is over 90 years old.

Contributions to this special fund can be donated in the "designated offering" envelopes in our envelope boxes, or by simply using a plain envelope. In either case, please write "**Centennial Capital Improvement Fund**" and your envelope box number on the envelope. In the near future, special Centennial Capital Improvement Fund envelopes will also be available in the narthex. Keep in mind that any money you donate to this fund will be doubled, as a result of the generosity of the anonymous donor.

This information comes with thanks for your caring response to the Gospel of Jesus Christ through Luther Memorial Chapel. With many special mission and mercy needs through LMC and through the LCMS, it is recognized that not all members may respond to this opportunity. For those so able and so desiring to give thanks for our house of worship in this manner and for the matching gift we are very thankful.

We will report the balance of this physical improvement fund in the *Chapel News* each month.

$100 received

will equal $200 *after matching*

Centennial Capital Improvement Fund as of March 14, 2016

Mission Corner

In support of our former member Missionary Jacob Gaugert, LMC members gave offerings during February that will be matched by $1000 from Luther Memorial's budget.

$975 received

will equal $1975 *after matching*

For Rev. Gaugert's Work in Africa;
Gathered in February 2016

Altar Guild for April

During the four Sundays of April we continue to celebrate the Season of Easter, with white adorning the altar, the color of purity, eternity, perfection, and joy.

Sunday Gospels for April are:
April 3, John 20:19-31
April 10, John 10:11-16
April 17, John 16:16-22
April 24, John 16:5-15

Thanks to all who donated Easter lilies to add beauty to the sanctuary this Easter.

CENTENNIAL SEARCHINGS: LMC'S STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

BY SUE REBHOLZ, LMC HISTORIAN

Printed in 2006, a beautiful booklet, *The Word of God,* tells the story of the stained glass windows in LMC. It has been reformatted and updated, including color photographs of every window, by LMC member Matthew Fleming. The text contained in the booklet is taken from the original *The Word of God* book, dating back to April 22, 1951, when the windows were installed. The education building, gym, and the windows were dedicated that year. The remodeling in the baptismal area included the organ moved from the balcony.

"Good stained glass windows in church usage are not intended to be mere decoration. Not only are they to help provide an atmosphere of reverence and worship in a sacred place, but, beyond this, their purpose is to teach by the visual method and to lead the mind of the worshipper away from the things of the world to those of the spirit."The windows teach and preach! They silently tell the story of God's love.

The general theme of all the windows in the church is one: the Word of God. "As the windows on the north side of the nave represent the Word of God in the Old Testament, chiefly in prophesy, so the windows on the south side represent the fulfillment of prophecy in Christ, the Incarnate Word, for the accomplishment of the salvation long foretold."

You are encouraged to look at other stained glass windows in our church such as the Balcony and Main Entrance windows and the North Entrance and Balcony Stairs Landing windows. Faith, Hope, and Charity are represented in the windows in the waiting room by the symbols of the Cross, the Anchor, and the Rose. All the windows in LMC are the work of the Conrad Pickel Studio.

As a part of this centennial year, please take some time to look at and appreciate our beautiful stained glass windows.

Baptismal Birthdays

God's Child	Rebirth Date
John Kretsch	April
Judy Osterndorf	April
David Peterson	April 3
Calvin Fitzgerald	April 4
Connor Fitzgerald	April 4
Elizabeth Carlton	April 5
Scott Rebholz	April 5
Samuel Laturi	April 8
Ruth Gaba	April 9
Carolyn Abram	April 11
Amanda Ferch	April 11
Mary Viets	April 12
David Kretsch	April 13
Ben Latendresse	April 14
Vathsana Grossman	April 18
Chase Kelm	April 19
Karmen Olsen	April 19
Carol Fremder	April 21
Deirdre Christiansen	April 26
Amanda Kilpatrick	April 28
Aleksandra Gurneau	April 28

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven (Luke 24:51).

And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple blessing God (Luke 24:52-53).

Ascension Day, May 5

Forty days after He rose from the grave, our Lord Jesus Christ ascended in triumph, His work of redemption finished! In His glorious ascension Jesus ended His visible presence with His disciples and received all the authority of God's right hand as both God and Man. With all authority in heaven and earth He now sends the Holy Spirit and is with us more than ever, though not visibly! In His gifts of forgiveness and life in Word and Sacrament He blesses His Bride, the Church, to receive Him in faith and confess Him in life.

This year the fortieth day after Easter, **Ascension Day,** is **Thursday, May 5th**. This year we will gather at Our Savior, Whitefish Bay, for worship. The service will begin at **6:30 p.m.** with joint choirs and a social to follow. Pastor Henrichs will be the preacher and all gifts gathered will go for A Place of Refuge. If checks are given, they should be made out to "**A Place of Refuge**."

As we gather to worship our ascended Lord, we continue in the footsteps of His first disciples and all those who have gathered to receive His life-giving presence and gifts down through the centuries.

CONNECTING THE DOTS: EASTER EGGS ... BABY SHOWER ... THE GOSPEL

BY CHERYL ALBERS, ISM VOLUNTEER

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live." John 11:25

"He doesn't understand the English words yet," she explained. "But he is eager to tell me the stories in Chinese as he looks at the pictures!" One of our visiting scholars, L., a professor of Information Science in a nation where access to the Gospel is increasingly restricted, was referring to *The Very First Easter*. We'd given her a copy just a week before. With simple English text and pictures, this 31 -pager seems to be in a cross-cultural parent-child sweet spot. Her five-year-old son, J., is the eager "reader" of the account of our Lord's dramatic and gracious rescue for all people. They've been in the U.S. for just a couple of months, so how she got that book (and her feedback to us) is a little story in itself, connected to the use of LMC "spaces" and LMC volunteers in service of the Gospel.

Less than a week before, L. and J. were among the 15 international families that had attended ISM's annual Easter Egg Event at LMC. First, they gathered in a Sunday school room to label and decorate their treat bags. Next, parents and children dyed eggs in the parish hall under the supervision of Vicar Akey and three of our Concordia students. Then, the children fanned out in the gym, racing with excitement to collect candy -filled eggs. Next, they and their parents filed into the University Student Center for a simple but complete, picture-filled presentation, "What Is Easter?" At the end of the program on the center's two big screens, before filing back into the parish hall for delicious homemade snacks, each family received a gift copy of *The Very First Easter*.

The next Tuesday, volunteers again gathered to host another of the many "American traditions" that our international friends are so eager to experience—a baby shower. No fewer than three of them are expecting and all of them are due in April! As we again shared the love of Jesus in friendship and laughter and small gifts and homemade treats, L. privately offered that she's using *The Very First Easter* to teach English to her enthusiastic son. How better to learn a new language than through God's living and active Word!

And what a great weekday use of the otherwise empty rooms of LMC for these events! And how grateful I am that our church has both the location and the willingness to use its facilities for this unique window of international outreach!

COMING ACTIVITY:

Multicultural Event at Berea Lutheran Church, 4873 N 107th St., Milwaukee, on Saturday, April 16, at 9 a.m.

OUR PRIMARY ANNIVERSARY EVENTS INCLUDE…

- Combined Sunday/Monday service at 10 a.m., Pentecost Sunday, May 15. Dr. Albert Collver preaching and presenting. Banquet invitations for this day were mailed in March.
- Church Picnic Sunday, June 26. Pastor Mark Post preaching Sunday and Monday.
- Fall Service on Sunday, Sept. 25. Pastor Michael Larson preaching Sunday and Monday.
- Combined Sunday/Monday service at 10 a.m., Reformation Sunday, Oct. 30. Dr. Benjamin Mayes preaching and presenting. *Your willingness to help organize the potluck following the Reformation service on Oct. 30 is requested. Please contact Diane Kretsch*

CURRENT PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL GUEST PREACHERS & LITURGISTS

- *Tentative* Sunday, and Monday, July 3 and 4. Pastor Paul Rockrohr, former vicar, preaching.
- Sunday, July 10. Pastor Christopher Stout, former vicar, assisting with the liturgy. He will be in Milwaukeee for the LCMS Convention.
- Sunday and Monday, Sept. 4 and 5. Pastor John Olson, our former university student and member, preaching.

Daily Scripture Readings for April 2016

WEEK ONE ***Mar 27-April 2***

Easter Week

Easter Sunday Ex 14:10–31
Heb 7:23—8:13

Monday Ex 15:1–18
Heb 9:1–28

Tuesday Ex 15:19—16:12
Heb 10:1–18

Wednesday Ex 16:13–35
Heb 10:19–39

Thursday Ex 17:1–16
Heb 11:1–29

Friday Ex 18:5–27
Heb 12:1–24

Saturday Ex 19:1–25
Heb 13:1–21

WEEK TWO ***April 3-9***

Second Sunday of Easter
Ex 20:1–24
Luke 4:1–15

Monday Ex 22:20—23:13
Luke 4:16–30

Tuesday Ex 23:14–33
Luke 4:31–44

Wednesday Ex 24:1–18
Luke 5:1–16

Thursday Ex 25:1–22
Luke 5:17–39
Ex 25:23—30:38

Friday Ex 31:1–18
Luke 6:1–19

Saturday Ex 32:1–14
Luke 6:20–38

WEEK THREE ***April 10-16***

Third Sunday of Easter
Ex 32:15–35
Luke 6:39–49

Monday Ex 33:1–23
Luke 7:1–17

Tuesday Ex 34:1–28
Luke 7:18–35

Wednesday Ex 34:29—35:21
Luke 7:36–50
Ex 35:22—38:20

Thursday Ex 38:21—39:8, 22–23, 27–31
Luke 8:1–21

Friday Ex 39:32—40:16
Luke 8:22–39

Saturday Ex 40:17–38
Luke 8:40–56
Lev 1:1—7:38

WEEK FOUR ***April 17-23***

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Lev 8:1–13, 30–36
Luke 9:1–17

Monday Lev 9:1–24
Luke 9:18–36

Tuesday Lev 10:1–20
Luke 9:37–62
Lev 11:1—15:33

Wednesday Lev 16:1–24
Luke 10:1–22

Thursday Lev 17:1–16
Luke 10:23–42

Friday Lev 18:1–7, 20—19:8
Luke 11:1–13

Saturday Lev 19:9–18, 26–37
Luke 11:14–36

WEEK FIVE ***April 24-30***

Fifth Sunday of Easter
Lev 20:1–16, 22–27
Luke 11:37–54

Monday Lev 21:1–24
Luke 12:1–12

Tuesday Lev 23:1–22
Luke 12:13–34

Wednesday Lev 23:23–44
Luke 12:35–53

Thursday Lev 24:1–23
Luke 12:54—13:17
Lev 25:1–55

Friday Lev 26:1–20
Luke 13:18–35

Saturday
Lev 26:21–33, 39–44
Luke 14:1–24
Num 1:1—2:34

Luther Memorial's Officers & Staff in 2016

President:	John Burfeind
Treasurer:	Louis Sagert
Assistant Treasurer:	Ben Latendresse
Secretary:	Judy Hessel
Chair of Elders:	Mark Paterson
Vice-Chair of Elders	Don Toll
Secretary of Elders:	Luther Himsel
Chair of Trustees:	Aaron Siegmann
Chair, Bd. of Christian Ed.:	Deirdre Christiansen
Sun. Schl. Superintendent:	Judy Swanson
Chair of Dorcas Guild:	Marie Zimmerman
Chair of Altar Guild:	Judy Hessel

New Geographical Elder Areas

Don Toll – North 53211

John Galvin – South 53211

Carl Swanson – Riverwest/East Side

Ben Wieting – Near North

Peter Gurneau – Far North

Jeff Hagedorn – South

Joe Bratz – Wauwatosa/Near West

Luther Himsel – West/Far West

The members of the **Board of Trustees** give attention to the financial responsibilities of the congregation and the church's physical properties. Concerns about budgets, maintenance of the church, or similar items should be addressed to the Trustees.

The members of the **Board of Christian Education** give attention to education programs. Concerns about Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, adult classes, or similar items should be addressed to the Board of Christian Education.

The members of the **Board of Elders** work closely with Pastor for the spiritual well-being of the congregation. Concerns about the Divine Service, service times, pastoral care, church membership, or similar items should be addressed to Pastor or the Elders.

SCHEDULES FOR APRIL 2016

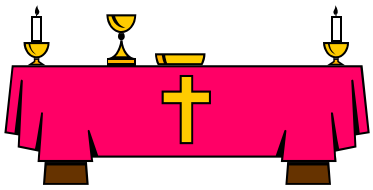
USHERS

Tom Rebholz, *Head Usher*
Temish Christiansen
Jim Genthe
Ellis Grasse
Natalya Gurneau
Paul Hessel
John Kretsch
Carl Schramm
Aaron Siegmann
Prince Solomon
Daniel Swanson
John Swanson
Aaron Viets

Anyone interested in helping usher on Sundays, please contact Tom Rebholz.

COFFEE HOUR SERVERS

April 3 Toll, Walters, Sylke
April 10 CUW Students
April 17
April 24



ALTAR GUILD

Sheila Genthe
Judy Osterndorf
Karolina Hagedorn

ELDERS ON SUNDAYS

April 3
Carl Swanson

April 10
Joe Bratz

April 17
Luther Himsel

April 24
Jon Hagedorn

HYMN OF THE DAY & PSALM OF THE WEEK

April 3 Ps. 33
LSB **470** *O Sons and Daughters of the King*

April 10 Ps. 23
LSB **709** *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

April 17 Ps. 147:1-11
LSB **483** *With High Delight Let Us Unite*

April 24 Ps. 66:1-8
LSB **556** *Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice*