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From the **PASTOR**—

Christ is risen, he is risen indeed. Alleluia! Though the weather is just beginning to show the signs, once you hear that proclamation of your Savior's resurrection you know that Spring is here. Springtime brings a renewed sense of life as the dormant trees and plants begin to come back to life after the long cold winter. Boldly singing, "I Know That My Redeemer Lives," brings a renewed excitement and joy after the toned-down penitential season of Lent.

Along with the change of seasons come some other changes in the life of the visible church. On May 1, five teens from our congregation will publicly profess their faith and be welcomed as communicant members of our congregation through the rite of confirmation. These teens have been thoroughly instructed in the teaching of Scripture, Luther's Small Catechism, and our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod in grades 6-9. Now those who have completed their course of study will be invited to join us at the Lord's Supper.

Graduation at Samuel Lutheran School (5/27) and other schools is also coming up soon. The church also observes the day when Jesus' disciples "graduated" and took on their new roles as the leaders of the New Testament-era church. Jesus gave them their great commission to make disciples of all nations just before he ascended to his Father's right hand. We will celebrate the festival of Ascension on May 26 at a 7 PM service. You're invited to come and be equipped by the words of our Savior for that mission that has now been passed down to us.

Also coming up in May (at the end of the month) we will switch over to our Summer worship schedule. Services will be held at 9 AM on Sunday mornings and 7 PM Monday evenings. May 29th will be the first Sunday for the summer worship schedule.

Looking ahead to summer, we will be trying out a different format for VBS. This summer we'll offer a family style VBS on the last Wednesdays in June, July, and August (6/29, 7/27, 8/31). On those evenings we'll start with a meal together and an opening devotion. Then, children and adults will split up and the kids will go downstairs for a Sunday-school type lesson, craft, and songs. Everyone else, will gather upstairs for a Bible study led by Pastor Herold. We'll need lots of help to coordinate all the parts of this plan, but the commitment will only be for one day at a time unlike a traditional week long VBS. Watch for more info and sign-up sheets to come soon!

As is every season, the one ahead will be filled with opportunities for us to gather for fellowship, be fed with Word and Sacrament, and sing the praises of our risen Lord together. The author of the letter to the Hebrews, in chapter 10, reminds us of the great treasure it is for Christians to meet together. He wrote, "Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." I'm excited about all the opportunities there will be for us to be together in the coming season and I'm looking forward to seeing you all as we grow together in faith!

Pastor Dan Herold

Confirmation

These young people will be confirmed and receive their First Communion on Sunday, May 1st in the 10:30 AM service.

Kendra Kristine Duscher

Daughter of Dean and Lori Duscher

Jacob Tyler Heil

Son of Craig and Kristin Heil

William Larry Krenz

Son of Aaron and Susan Krenz

Nathan Christian Noble

Son of Mary Mitzner and Nicholas Noble

Andrew Joseph Stelter

Son of Geoffrey and Tricia Stelter

We wish them God's richest blessings.

PIONEERS

Pioneers will have their last activity of the school year on Sunday, May 8th. We will go bowling in Tracy from 1-3pm. Please RSVP to Wendy at 507-530-4402 if you will be attending. Parents can bring/pick up kids at the Tracy Bowling alley or I will be able to take some that may need a ride. If a ride is needed, please let me know when you RSVP. Hope you can join us!

GRADUATION RECOGNITION

Please join us on Sunday, June 5th at the 9:00 service as we recognize our High School and College Graduates. After this service we will gather in the church basement for our annual graduation coffee hour. We hope you will join us as we congratulate them and wish them God's blessings on what lies ahead for them.

♦If you have someone graduating this year please notify the church office so that they may be recognized on this special day.

SUMMER MUSIC

We will be able to offer summer music lessons again this summer through students from Martin Luther College. A sign-up sheet is available on the table in the narthex of church to gauge interest and start planning for lessons. We will have two students offering lessons this summer. One specializes in voice/keyboard and the other in brass instruments. On the sign-up sheet please indicate your interest in one or both of those areas.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Our church is scheduled to deliver Meals on Wheels June 20-July 1. This is an important opportunity for our church to volunteer in the community. We thank Joan Sorenson for coordinating our volunteers. Sign up sheets will be available later this month

SLS NEWS AND NOTES

Once again we are seeing the end of another school year fast approaching. Samuel Lutheran School spent another year in God's grace as we tried to get back to our normal school year activities while looking at trying some new ones as well. We hope everyone enjoyed the 3-8 grade musical performance on the Old Testament. If you were unable to attend or would just like to see it again, you may view it at this link bit.ly/OTFFMusical. We would like to invite you to the Spring Program that the Preschool-2nd graders will put on in the gymnasium at Samuel on Wednesday, May 4 at 7:00

p.m., our band & piano concert at Samuel on Wednesday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m., our activities banquet at Samuel on Thursday, May 19 at 6:00 p.m., and our graduation service at Samuel on Friday, May 27 at 11:00 a.m. We also have these events off campus that you are more than willing to attend: Panther Field Day at Great Plains Lutheran High School in Watertown, SD on Friday, May 6 and the softball tournament at Caswell Park in Mankato on Tuesday, May 17. Our students will also be headed out on various field trips in May. Finally, we ask for your continued prayers for Samuel in general and for the students, families, and staff of Samuel in particular. If you have any questions about the school or have a lead on a prospective family for the school please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Obry or any of the teachers/staff of the school. God's blessings as we head to the end of another school year!
In Christ's Service, Mr. Ryan Obry

LADIES AID

Submitted by Teri Knutson—April 7, 2022

The Ladies Aid met at 1:30 on April 7 in the church basement. Pastor Herold introduced the ladies to the Prophet Ezra and the historical significance to the church, including Cyrus the Great's decree to allow the exiled Jews to return to Jerusalem. President Sue Mitzner conducted a brief business meeting. We invite young and not-so-young ladies to attend our gatherings. We love to have visitors. We are considering dispensing with member dues for the time being. Greeting cards were sent to several members in March including sympathy to John Festerling and his family in memory of Julie. Also, sympathy to Aaron and Sue Krenz in memory of Sue's father Robert Schrunk, Jr. Numerous Easter cards were sent to church members. Pastor closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer and table prayers. Sue Mitzner served a fabulous pineapple upside-down dessert.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Submitted by Geoff Stelter—March 14, 2022

Members present: Pastor Herold, Steve Mohwinkel, Chad Kulla, Craig Heil, Kevin Lee, Ryan Obry, Geoff Stelter, Tom Werner, Brian Onken, Arlen Meyer, David Biastock.

Opening Devotion and Prayer. Reading of the Minutes—Minutes read and approved for publication in Newsletter

PASTOR'S REPORT: Confirmation 5/1/2022 Students will write a report on confirmation for examination. Summer VBS Plans, Pastor plans to host at the church one day a week each month.

Outdoor Service plans, Plan on moving to Samuel School rather than Liberty Park. New hymnal update: Worship committee will need to meet to plan implementation and determine cost roughly 250 hymnals at \$25 per hymnal. There are other options to build and print supplements, salters, and bulletins based on usage and average Sunday attendance. Will be working with the elders to review the membership roll and encourage regular worship.

Elders: Motion by the board of elders second by Arlen Meyer - out by release Wes Jensen motion passed.

Financial Secretary: Report read and accepted

Treasurer: Report read and accepted. Motion by Kevin second by Brian to move the remaining Village Drive proceeds into WELS Balanced investment fund motion passed.

Stewardship: No report

Evangelism: Still floating the idea of re-starting the refreshments following the non-communion Sundays during Sunday School season. Initial thoughts are that involvement/fellowship/logistics haven't been good in years past. Would need 8-10 dozen treats. Concerns: Will this fall under the Evangelism committee, another committee or open to congregation? Who picks up slack if not enough is prepped? Whether we do this or not seems to boil down to logistics and getting volunteers.

Education: Principal Report: Board approved to have all non-WELS families attend a meeting at beginning of the school year with Pastor Herold to let the families know what we will be teaching their children in Word of God classes. Board approved to move Graduation service to 11:00a.m. Friday, May 27. Visited St. John's in Wood Lake. Spoke after the service about Samuel Lutheran. School board voted to renew Lacey Timms contract. Receiving bids on key fobs for security doors at school. Teachers will be going to Wisconsin for continuing education seminars.

Maintenance: Fixed all the holes in walls at rental from the burst pipes. Also fixed some cracks in walls. Had to replace the motor on the dryer at the parsonage. Need to have the refrigerator looked at the parsonage. Repair Tech said the electrical board may need replacing. The handicap opener on church door is all installed. Volunteers will be fixing the crack in the church wall. Motion by Steve Mohwinkel second by Chad Kulla to add a railing going to the parsonage front door off of the sidewalk donated by Leroy Affolter. Discussed replacing some missing shingles on the church will have Jim Lozinski look at it. Will need to blade the school parking lot before Easter breakfast.

Activities: Spoke with Linda about ordering supplies for Easter breakfast. She will be ordering most of the supplies. Chad Kulla

will need to pick up some. April 16 Council will prepare the Easter breakfast.

Worship: Approximately 250 hymnals at \$25 per hymnal. Plan to put together different options of supplements or hymnals or both. Discussed summer worship- keeping it the same Sundays and Mondays

NEW BUSINESS: Re-activating long-term planning committee (LRPC). Such as Mission statements w/goals & objectives for church & school, income planning, etc.

Designate Easter breakfast free-will offering, going to summer music program

Church insurance policy change. The deductible is doubling to \$5000 and the premium is increasing by \$3000

Sunday School fund allocations are still being dispersed.

Voter's meeting for April is rescheduled for April 24th at 7p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Submitted by Tom Werner—March 1, 2022

Present: Pastor Herold, Mr. Oby, LeRoy Affolter, Tom Werner and Darik Lyons

Mr. Oby opened the meeting with a devotion. Chief Objective #10 was reviewed.

Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting were read and corrected.

Preschool Report: Pre-K and K roundup is scheduled for March 14th. Summer care was discussed. Motion by Darik to offer summer care if we have a minimum of 75 contracted hours per day. Seconded by Tom. Pre-K staffing was discussed.

Financial Report: The state health inspector said we required a sneeze guard. There was a consensus to purchase a sneeze guard for the cafeteria for approximately \$500.00.

Old Business: Ryan is receiving information on the Key Fob project. Gordy Timmerman has volunteered to make the school information easel for church. All the school activity dates were reviewed.

New Business: An expenditure for a WELS education teacher conference in Pewaukee was approved. The cost is \$1,400 – 1,500.00. This expenditure is in the budget. The graduation service was discussed. The service will be held on the last day of school at 11:00AM. The Berg family from Clarkfield are planning on sending 3 children next year. The kids are in kindergarten, Grade 1 and Grade 2.

Pastor Herold closed with a prayer.

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Worship Services

Sundays: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM (resuming February 20)
(Memorial Day-Labor Day: Sunday: 9:00 AM, Monday: 7:00 PM)
(Advent & Lent: Wednesdays - 7:00 PM)

Holy Communion: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month

Service Broadcast times

KMHL Radio Station at 8:00 AM on Sundays
Livestreamed on our YouTube Channel at 8:00 AM
VAST cable channel 17 and Charter cable channel 180
at 11:30 AM Thursday and 8:30 PM Friday

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