June, 2014

Finding Joy
A Day Retreat
about sharing JOY
and finding it in others
Saturday, June 7th, 10:00 a.m.
See p. 7 for information

Movies With Mom & Dad
On June 7th join us for lunch
and a movie. The event is free! Lunch is
served at 1pm, followed by the movie.

PENTECOST WEEKEND
June 7th - 8th
Don’t Forget to
WEAR RED!

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“Reaching out in our community
to share the Word of God”

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JOIN THE KINGDOM OF THE SON:
A Prayer Safari Vacation
Tuesdays and Wednesdays
June 10th-25th at First Lutheran
Children 4 years to 5th grade
For more information, see p. 3
Dear People of First and Nativity Lutheran Churches:

We have celebrated Easter with the Joy of the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead. We have seen how he appeared to the Disciples and many others as a proof that he is alive and saves all those who trust in him. Forty day after Easter he ascended into heaven and gave the disciples orders to wait in Jerusalem for the coming of the Holy Spirit who would lead and direct them in their mission. Then, fifty days after the first Easter, the Spirit of God came to them with power and mighty signs. You should read all about it in Acts 1 and 2. This Day is called the **Day of Pentecost**. We celebrate it this year on the 8th of June. The color of the Day is **red** so we remember the fire of the Holy Spirit. We decorate our churches in red to receive the mission that the Holy Spirit gives us. Our message is that we should let the Spirit of God work in us to give us greater ministry and the courage to do it.

**May the Blessing of Pentecost be yours.**

Pastor Peterson

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Worship and Study

Worship Matters by Adriana Rees

Greetings!

June is finally here and hopefully its warm weather too! During this month we will be celebrating many things: graduations, birthdays, Father’s day and Pentecost. Pentecost is 40 days after Easter and this year it falls on the 6th of June. Originally, Pentecost was just a Jewish holiday that was celebrated 50 days after Passover. Now, it is celebrated by Christians too. For us Christians, the significance of Pentecost is much different than it is to our Jewish brothers and sisters.

The Bible tells us that when Peter and the rest of the disciples were in Jerusalem for Pentecost, the “Holy Spirit filled them” and they started speaking in tongues. Jesus had promised the disciples that he would give them another “counselor that would be with them forever- the Spirit of truth.” Being filled with the Holy Spirit the disciples finally understood what Jesus was trying to tell them, while he was here on earth, and with this understanding they became courageous and set forth to different lands preaching about Jesus’ truths with love and peace (and also, with the new ability to speak in different tongues, which I’m sure was very helpful).

Pentecost is the birthday of the Christian church catalyzed by the Holy Spirit. We all have that Holy Spirit flame within us; let us summon it, to give us courage to share Jesus’ messages with everyone we meet, with love, kindness, peace, compassion and nonjudgement… just like he did. Many blessings to you all “now go and share the good news”!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Kingdom of the Son: A Prayer Safari Vacation

We’re excited about First Lutheran’s Vacation Bible School to be held Tuesdays and Wednesdays, June 10 – June 25.

We are still looking for some volunteers for registration, group leaders, kitchen help, etc. If you are willing to help, please fill out a volunteer form located in the narthex on the VBS bulletin board and put it in the offering basket, turn it into the office, call or email church.

Children are fed dinner each night of VBS. If you would like to donate food, contact the church office for items needed. If you would prefer not to have to shop for food, you can make a cash donation and we will do the shopping for you!

If you have a child or know someone that might be interested in attending VBS, registration forms are available in the narthex or the church office. Children are not required to attend all the days, but we encourage all children to attend as many days as they can.

VBS Staff: Jamie Schoberg, Greta Plicka and Linda Grulke

Bible Study Opportunities

TUESDAY BIBLE CLASS

Memorial Day completes our cycle of Bible books. During the Summer of 2014 we are going to look at “Our Neighbor's Faith”. On June 3 Sue Arnold will be discussing the Muslim Faith. On June 10 Jackie Grauberger will discuss the Faith of the Sikhs. On June 17 Lavone Reis will present the Amish and Mennonite Faiths. Finally, on June 24, our Orthodox Jewish Friend, Arnie Garber, will be with us to answer questions about the Jewish Faith. All are welcome to attend.

Join us and learn about the Faith of our neighbors. We sometimes go out for lunch after class—you’re welcome to join us. John Bennethum is our Teacher.

For Women Only….

The Women’s Bible Study will meet on Wed., June 4th at 4:30 p.m. in First Lutheran’s Fireside Room. They will not meet the rest of June due to Vacation Bible School. They will resume meeting on July 2nd. New members are always welcome!

Prayer can help...

If serious illness or other life factors affect you or those you love, contact the church office and we will send your request through our prayer chain. We have people who will pray for your need. If you are interested in joining a prayer chain, contact Marie Le Page (First Lutheran), Laverne Breed (Nativity Lutheran) or the church office.
Musical Notes by Dennis Wolfgang

Pentecost

This year we will celebrate the movable feast of Pentecost on June 8th. Pentecost comes from the Ancient Greek meaning "the fiftieth day" and is the Greek name for the Feast of Weeks, a prominent feast in the calendar of ancient Israel celebrating the giving of the Law on Sinai. This feast is still celebrated in Judaism as Shavuot. Later, in the Christian liturgical year, it became a feast commemorating the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ (120 in all), as described in the Acts of the Apostles 2:1–31. For this reason, modern Christians sometimes describe Pentecost as the "Birthday of the Church".

In the Eastern Church, Pentecost can also refer to the whole fifty days between Easter and Pentecost, hence the book containing the liturgical texts for Paschal tide is called the Pentecostarion. The feast is also called White Sunday, or Whitsun, especially in England, and much of Europe, where the following Monday was traditionally a public holiday. Pentecost is celebrated seven weeks (50 days) after Easter Sunday, hence its name. Pentecost falls on the tenth day after Ascension Thursday.

The liturgical celebrations of Pentecost in Western churches are as rich and varied as those in the East. The main sign of Pentecost in the West is the color red. It symbolizes joy and the fire of the Holy Spirit. Ministers, Priests and Deacons wear red vestments, and in modern times, the custom has extended to the lay people of the congregation wearing red clothing in celebration as well. Red flowers at the altar/preaching area, and red flowering plants such as geraniums around the church are also typical decorations for Pentecost masses/services. These symbolize the renewal of life, the coming of the warmth of summer, and the growth of the church at and from the first Pentecost. These flowers often play an important role in the ancestral rites, and other rites, of the particular congregation. For example, in both Protestant & Catholic churches, the plants brought in to decorate for the holiday may be each "sponsored" by individuals in memory of a particular loved one, or in honor of a living person on a significant occasion.

In the German speaking lands, in Central Europe, and wherever the people of these nations have wandered, green branches are also traditionally used to decorate churches for Pentecost. Birch is the tree most typically associated with this practice in Europe, but other species are employed in different climates.

Psalm 104 say: “Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the Earth.” May our Pentecost prayer be: Lord, send out your Spirit and renew First and Nativity Churches.

Heritage Choral Library Update

The Heritage Choral Library housed at First Lutheran Church was conceived several years ago as a lending library of choral scores collected from churches that no longer have use for them. Up until now, the largest single donation has been from Faith/Santa Fe Church. I am pleased to say that I have completed negotiations for the entire choral library of Reformation Lutheran Church. I can't stress enough the significance of this acquisition. I will more than double the amount of score we will have in the Heritage Choral Library making it possible to go forward with plans for this lending library.

The stipulation was to have it out before Easter as their present building (which is vastly too large for their needs) is in the process of being sold. With the help of my friends Wayne Johnson and Dominic Joseph Radanovich we moved four truckloads of choral music and three file cabinets to First Lutheran prior to Palm Sunday. The bulk of the music is now safely stored in cabinets, with just four miscellaneous boxes waiting to be sorted and stored. Now the task of cataloguing the music into a computer database can begin.

Our sincere thanks to Rev. Marilyn Miller and the good people of Reformation Lutheran Church for the foresight in making this donation.

Dennis Wolfgang
Community Information

Clement Manor Center for Enrichment
9405 W. Howard, Greenfield

Lifelong Learning Book Club - 1st Tue. at 12pm
June 3 - The Language of Flowers by Vanessa Diffenbaugh
July 1 - The Dry Grass of August by Anna Jean Mayhew

Movie Matinee - 12:30 p.m. No fee.
June 17 - “The Secret Life of Walter Mitty”

Club Loomineers - A No-Needle Knitting Group - 1st Wed. of month. 12pm. No charge.

Bridge Group - Every Tues. - 9-11 am
Call Clement Manor at 546-7302 for registration or more information

Hart Park Senior Center

Crafter’s Corner - 1st Thurs. of each month at 9am
Scrabble - Wednesdays at 10am
Cards and Games for Ladies and Gents
Skat: Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:30 am
Men’s Sheephead: 12:00pm Mon. thru Thurs.
Bridge: Thursdays. at 12:00; call Pat at 231-3935 to sign up.
MahJong: Wednesdays at 12:00.
Call 471-8495 for information.

Lilac Bus - June

Open to all West Allis Area Seniors. Call 302-8715 to make a reservation - First Come, First Served! Cost is $3 per round trip. You will be picked up at your home.
Wed., June 11 - Shopping at Brookfield Sq., Brennan’s, Trader Joe’s. Lunch at Brookfield Sq.
Fri., June 20 - Mayfair Collection - New shopping center. Nordstrom’s, Carters/Oshkosh, Saks Fifth Avenue, Dick’s Sporting Goods. Lunch at Alioto’s.
Wed., June 25 - Cedarburg Settlement - The trip cost will be $5.00. MUST BE ABLE TO DO STAIRS AS THERE IS NO ELEVATOR. Lunch to be determined.

Nativity News

Rummage Sale Update:
Thank You to everyone that generously gave of their time &/or possessions to make our Nativity rummage sale a success!
Special “Thanks” goes out to Don & Joan Brauch for providing a hot dog lunch on Friday, and James Ribnek for the soup & sandwiches on Saturday!
I am happy to announce we had 700 people go through our doors for the two day sale & we made a grand total of $2,630.06. All proceeds are going to help towards paying our church property insurance.
Mark your Calendars, our “Fall Rummage Sale” is scheduled for Nov. 7th & 8th. So, let’s keep collecting!

Jill R. Mickelson

South Side Christian Church News
SSCC will be celebrating their last worship service at Nativity Lutheran Church on May 31, 2014. We have gotten to know many of the people of the church as they have been meeting at Nativity for more than two years. We will miss that. We pray for God’s riches and blessing on Pastor Greenwell and the people of Southside Greenwell and the people of Southside Christian Church.

How About a Fish Fry?
Lutherdale Bible Camp is again hosting a monthly Fish Fry at the camp. Dinner is served from 4:30 - 7:30 pm, and features a traditional fish fry, as well as a specialty fish - this month it’s Rainbow Trout (from Rushing Waters in Palmyra, WI). Cost is $12 for Adults, $7 for Youth (12 & under). For directions to the camp, contact the church office.

Second Annual Meru Golf Outing
On August 17th, support the Mt. Meru Coffee Project at Kettle Hills Golf Course. Take advantage of the early (birdie) discount until 6/30 and register now at the Mt. Meru website, http://www.mtmerucoffee.org/collections/golf-sign-up You will be supporting the funding for the purchase of much needed medical supplies for the Nkoaranga Lutheran Hospital in Tanzania East Africa and the Mt. Meru Coffee Micro Loan Program to the Meru coffee farmers.
**First Lutheran Committees and Information**

**Stewardship News**

Your answers and suggestions, in response to the questions presented to you during Lent, have been read and will be put in the July Newsletter. Thank you for your participation! If you have not responded and have something to offer, please send it to the office soon so that it can be included.

**Simply Giving**

Stewardship is a lifelong dedication of giving those gifts we have all received from God, with it based on your selfless need, want and desire to give back to God.

"Some give freely, yet grow all the richer; others withhold what is due, and only suffer want. A generous person will be enriched, and one who gives water will get water."  Proverbs 11:24

Are you still contributing today the same way you have in the past because it's, "What we've always done"? How do you give your offering to First Lutheran? Are you tired of writing checks? Are you tired of having to make-up your donations when you return from vacations, missed Sundays or at year-end??

**Simply Giving** is an automated giving program from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, administrated by Vanco, and designed to help you conveniently and consistently contribute to your congregation. It is simple, flexible, secure and reliable. Your gifts are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. You determine the frequency of your automatic gift (weekly, semimonthly or monthly), the option is yours. You may already be using EFT (electronic funds transfer) to have your mortgage, car payment or insurance premium automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account. Now your financial gift to our congregation's ministry can be regular and off the top, just like these other commitments.

There is no cost to you! Consider whether your stewardship can be enhanced by this convenient, consistent way of giving. First Lutheran can also benefit from steady, more predictable revenues throughout the year, more efficient bookkeeping, and greater confidence in meeting its financial commitments.

If you are interested or would like more information, please talk to Werner Bayer or Joy Dowd. It's simple to join with no long forms to fill out, no personal scrutiny, and no contracts.

Please prayerfully consider **Simply Giving** as your giving opportunity!

Lavone Reis - Stewardship Chairperson

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**Evangelism on the Move…**

**Honoring Fathers**

Hey dads’ bring your family to church on Father’s Day weekend, June 14th and 15th. We’ll be honoring fatherhood with special prayers during the services that weekend. Doughnuts and coffee will be served after the Sunday service.

"Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord."  Ephesians 6:4

**Mark Your Calendars…**

Our National-Night-Out Block party will be Tuesday, July 22nd from 6-8pm. Along with the great food, we will have a bounce house and crafts for kids, drawings for prizes and live band music provided by “Tribes,” from St Johns Church in Brookfield. Be sure to catch “Tribes” during services on July 19th and 20th.

**See Us on the Web…**

Check out our website at www.firstlutheranelca.org. You can find information on all of our activities on the “What’s Happening at First Lutheran” opening page. In the right hand column, you can click and view an online version of the First and Nativity newsletter, in color (saves postage costs). If you prefer viewing the newsletter electronically vs receiving a mailed copy, please notify Barb in the office at 414-476-4664. If you have other ideas for the web page, see any member of the Evangelism Committee or contact the church office.
The Altar Guild at First could use a few new members to help set up communion for worship services. This does not involve a big time commitment. Volunteers usually sign up for a month at a time, and someone is always willing to trade if something comes up. Men are always welcome, too! Contact the church office if you are interested.

Social Ministry Corner

Food Pantry

Thanks to everyone who donated during our “Super Hero’s for Hunger” fundraising drive which ran from January 1 to Easter Sunday, April 20th. We collected over $4,600.00 from First and Nativity members, local churches and community groups. We spend about $1,200 a month on this ministry and appreciate your support and commitment to helping others in our community.

Giving back …

We need a few more volunteers on Fridays to check visitors in at the food pantry. Hours are from 10am – noon. All that is required is for you to check the ID of the visitor, make an entry in a log book and give them a ticket to get a bag of food. You’ll be scheduled about every five weeks or you can work as a substitute on an “as needed” basis.

We are also looking for cooks who like to “cook big” and could commit to cooking and preparing food on Thursdays in advance of the lunch we serve on Friday. Contact the church office or Joy Dowd if you can help.

Many thanks to the following members and friends of First Lutheran/Nativity who have donated or prepared food for the Friday lunches in the past month: Pam Jacobson, Pat and Mike Temke, Natalie Jaeger, Cindy Labadie, Jamie Schoberg, Chris Hasenberg and Judy Mueller. Special thanks to our “angels” from the Sons of the American Legion, Todd Post on 92nd & Beloit Rd. Darryl Wnuk, Steve Brady, Wojo and Paulie, who cooked and sliced eight turkeys for our May 8th meal. Thanks also to Chris Hasenberg, friend of First Lutheran, for his aid with slicing and preparation and to Bob Gardener for linking us to the donor.

If you’d like to prepare a dish or dessert for us to serve, we’ll provide the ingredients, including cake mixes, potatoes, beans, etc. You will just need to cook.

Thanks to everyone who helped with the Post Office Food Drive on May 10 and to All Saints Lutheran Church in Oak Creek for partnering us in and sharing the food. We received about 65 bins of food.

Fundraising

“Finding your joy”…Mark your calendars now for this relaxing spiritual retreat on Saturday, June 7, from 10am-3:00pm at The Landmark-Senior Living, 1441 S. 68 St (south of Greenfield Ave). Hear about “finding joy” in your own life and recognizing it in others. We have several fun speakers and musical entertainers (welcome to Ann Elizabeth and Matt Nagel), who have interesting stories to share.

Pre-registration is required because lunch is included: Cost is $30 before May 23rd and includes a box lunch from Cousins Subs offering a choice of 7 ½ inch sub sandwiches. If you do not want to order lunch the cost is $25. After May 23rd, the cost is $35. We have a limited number of ½ price scholarships available. Contact the church office at 414-476-4664 for information.

The registration fees, minus expenses for lunches, will be donated to the food pantry. All of our speakers are donating their time. We’ll also have several “prizes” that we will be giving away as part of benefit drawings. If you are interested in being a presenter, would like to donate a prize, are able to help us set up or clean up or sell drawing tickets, contact Joy Dowd, Paula Yanzer or the church office.

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Sew and Sews News

SAVE THE DATE! Saturday, September 20th, from 10a - noon, we will hold our second annual Quilting Bee. More information to follow.

LOS HEROES SCHOOL/EL SALVADOR UPDATE:
Thank you First Lutheran! You’ve filled two suitcases with your donations of fabric and sewing supplies for El Salvador. With your continued support, this will be an ongoing project.

Always needed are:
- thread
- non-metal buttons
- lace
- metric tape measures
- trims
- zippers
- scissors
- sewing notions
- embroidery floss
- fabric
- suitcases w/wheels (to transport to El Salvador)

Please leave your donations in the church narthex.

Thank you, Jackie Bayer

A good time was had by all at Nativity’s Plant and Rummage Sale - not the least of which were Shirley Cogan (l) and Joan Brauch, Jim Ribnek and Bev Neusen (r)

With Thanks...

Dear First Lutheran Church Family,

Our mother felt very blessed to have been able to share worship, heartache, joys and friendships with the members of your congregation throughout her many years at First Lutheran. Thank you all for your prayers and support during these last difficult years, and for being such an important part of her life.

Yours in Christ,

Sue Newman and Judy Keene,
daughters of Dorothy Musich

Dear Werner,

On behalf of West Central Interfaith, I would like to thank your congregation for your financial commitment and support for West Central Interfaith. First Lutheran has been very generous to us over the years, and we are grateful to be included as one of the important missions the church supports. Your support will be used carefully to serve those older adults in need.

From my short time in office as West Central’s new director, I already know that we could not provide all the services we do without the support of our sponsoring congregations. And I have found Joy Dowd’s assistance as Board Chairperson invaluable at this time of transitioning. Please share our thanks and gratitude with your congregation.

Gratefully,

Marcie Solms, Director, West Central Interfaith
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Carson Baptist Church worships at First Lutheran at 12:00 p.m. every Sunday. Worship & communion at Nativity Lutheran are held every Sunday at 11:00 a.m.
Pastor Peterson will be on vacation June 26th through July 4th.

Have a safe and happy summer!
**FIRST LUTHERAN FINANCES 2014**

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**FIRST LUTHERAN ATTENDANCE**

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Attendance includes 2 Wednesday services, Holy Thursday and Good Friday.

**BIBLE QUIZ...**

Which of the following is an accurate father-child match from Scripture?

A. Saul and David  
B. Zechariah and Joseph  
C. Abram and Ishmael  
D. David and Boaz  

Answer: C (See Genesis 16:15.)

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**June**  
**Birthdays**

**First Lutheran**

- 6/1 Amir Certion
- 6/3 John Hrovat
- 6/3 Wayne Wagner
- 6/7 Daniel LaSavage
- 6/8 Carrie Muffler
- 6/11 David Wegener
- 6/13 Laurel Gruhlke
- 6/14 Austin Cyrus
- 6/17 Warren Hirschinger
- 6/18 Carolyn Moncher
- 6/19 Dennis Schober
- 6/20 Amy Davila
- 6/21 Amanda Stewart
- 6/21 Damon Wegener
- 6/23 Elizabeth Roeder
- 6/29 Lynne Wickersheimer
- 6/29 Audrey Wiefelspuetz
- 6/30 Mason Schober

**Nativity Lutheran**

- 6/5 Gary Brautigam
- 6/5 Michael Schiessl
- 6/11 William Metzen
- 6/12 Gavin Carrasco
- 6/14 Donald Leppien
- 6/18 Christine Carrasco
- 6/20 Carey Domagalski
- 6/21 Matthew Carrasco
- 6/23 Jeanne Vermeulen

**On the Lighter Side**

“I believe your father would like to add something.”

**Anniversary Blessings**

**Nativity Lutheran**

- 6/6 Arthur & Shirley Gruetzer 61 yrs.
- 6/20 Jill & Jeffrey Mickelson 16 yrs.

**First Lutheran**

- 6/4 Ronald & Diane Berka 48 yrs.
- 6/5 Donn & Amanda Stewart 4 yrs.
- 6/7 Robert & Joyce Gardner 56 yrs.
- 6/9 Roger & Elizabeth Gray 30 yrs.
- 6/9 David & Linda Gruhlke 41 yrs.
- 6/10 Kevin & Lindsey Siskoy 3 yrs.
- 6/16 Kristin & Brian Lewandowski 14 yrs.
- 6/18 Nancy & Theodore Krizan 65 yrs.
- 6/19 Dennis & Jamie Schober 8 yrs.
- 6/21 Chris & Amy Guthrie 6 yrs.
- 6/23 Donald & Carolyn Moncher 58 yrs.
- 6/26 Kent & Deborah Nicolet 32 yrs.
- 6/29 Joy & Michael Dowd 40 yrs.
Father’s Day Poem
God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle’s flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,

Then God combined these qualities,
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece was complete,
And so, He called it ... Dad

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Worship With Us
Saturday
5:30 p.m. at
First Lutheran

Sunday
9:30 a.m.
at First Lutheran
11:00 a.m. at
Nativity Lutheran

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