



Purpose Statement

Living Christ centered lives so we may love all, serve our community, and share the Word.

News for Sunday, April 27

Join us for Worship at 9:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship will be served following worship.

Click [HERE](#) for the 9:00 a.m. Worship bulletin

Click [HERE](#) to watch the Livestream

We Remember in Prayer; those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: Stacy Verdick, Dylan Wescott, Dianne Miller, Ken & Sharon Mager, Phyllis Jacobson, JoAnn Garcia, Barb Lenn, Lori Dewey, Betty Steinke, Larry Wahler, JoDell Cruz, Sandy Julifs, and Lila Edeus.

During this time of transition if you have an emergency, please call Sue in the church office or one of the council members who will contact the pastor that is covering during that time.

Tri-Church Youth

This coming Wednesday., April 30, at 7:00 p.m. 6th -12th grade youth and adults are welcome to assist in packing buddy bags at Wesley United Methodist Church on 16th & Lynn in Sterling. We are typically done between 7:45 – 8:00 p.m. Many hands make light work!

CLEO (Church Ladies Eating Out)

CLEO will meet tomorrow evening, Monday, April 28 at 5:30 p.m. at Lisa's Brick House in Sterling, We are really looking forward to seeing you! If you need a ride or have any questions, please contact Judy Bartel at 815-751-6768. All are welcome!

Friendship Pads/Connect Cards/Prayer Request Papers

New green connect cards are now in the pews, where you can share all of your details. These also have a place for prayer requests. **As always**, if you would like to have Pastor include your prayer request in that Sunday's public prayers, please hand your connect card to an usher during the gathering hymn.

Synod Assembly

We are need of two volunteers to attend this year's Synod Assembly, June 13-14, at Augustana College in Rock Island. Your registration and lodging are paid for. Contact Greg or Sue if you are interested.

Communion at the Rail

The worship committee and Council have decided to continue offering communion at the rail in addition to receiving it in the front of the sanctuary. Beginning in May Communion Assistants will be added to the Worship Assistants schedule. If you would like to be added to this list to help serve communion, please let Sue know.

Mark Your Calendars!

VBS this summer will be July 20-24! It will be held at Immanuel in Rock Falls from 6:00-8:00 p.m. with a free dinner at 5:30 p.m.

Church Directory

We continue to move forward towards a new Church Directory. There will be form for you to fill out updating your contact information in the May newsletter. If you would like your photo included and haven't had one taken yet, please contact Liz Klein to schedule a time for her to take your picture. (815-631-5078)

Children's Offering

In April the children's offering will support our synod partners in Tanzania and India. The offerings will be sent directly to non-profit organizations that work with the North Central Diocese of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania and the Arcot Lutheran Church (ALC) in India. The Friends of Mwangaza supports education programs that tackle issues related to teaching, learning, public health, empowering women, and building community in Tanzania. Lutheran Partners in Global Ministry supports education through financially supporting students at the ALC boarding homes in India. Check out both organizations here: <https://lutheranpartners.org/what-we-do> or <https://www.mwangazapartnership.org/>

THIS WEEK

Monday, April 28

CLEO will meet at Lisa's Brick House in Sterling – 5:30 p.m.

Tri-Church Meeting at St. Paul – 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 29

Pastor Mark in the office – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 30

Tri-Church Youth will be Buddy Bag packing – 7:00 p.m.

Friday, May 2

Church office will be closed

Next Sunday, May 4

Worship/Communion service at 9:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday school – 10:15 a.m.

Next week's Worship Assistants

Opener/Head Usher/Closer – Mary Ordean

Acolytes – Ordean family

Greeters – Bob & Judy Bartel

Ushers – Bill & Carolyn Duncan

Reader – Carolyn Duncan

Communion Assistant: Lily Segura

Sound – Greg Zeigler

Altar Guild – Judy Bartel, Donna Kendall

Coffee Fellowship – Cox family