

# WORSHIP WITH US!

Thursdays at 6:00pm w/Communion  
Sundays at 8:00am & 10:30am  
(Communion 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 8:00am & 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 10:30am)  
9:15am Sundays - Family Bible Hour for ALL ages



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OUR SAVIOR'S MESSENGER

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## Resurrection Security

What makes you feel secure about your future? Is it your investment portfolio or your retirement plan? Perhaps you've forgotten the wild swings that can take place in the stock market; where fortunes are made and fortunes are lost! Does your healthy diet, your faithful exercise regimen make you feel secure? Then maybe we should remember a person like Joe McCarthy, brother of Packer's coach, Mike, who collapsed and died at the age of 47 in a gym back in January—seemingly at the pinnacle of good health. Does your loving family, whom you trust will take care of you in your golden years, put your heart at ease? But what if tragedy strikes, as it did for so many families on September 11, 2001? Possibly exciting advances in medical science give you hope. But scientists are still struggling to find that elusive cure for death, aren't they? It is difficult—no, it is impossible—to find the kind of settled security that we all long to have in this world.

Now that I've spent a little time ripping the flimsy rug of worldly security out from underneath your feet, God's Word replaces it with a 10-foot thick, solid granite foundation, which will consistently support us not just up to the moment of death but forever afterwards. It is a security based upon Jesus' resurrection from the dead. Easter is all about our security.

Jesus promised, **“Because I live, you also will live”** (John 14:19). When God made the first man, he created him from the dust of the ground. Even if our bodies have decayed to the

point that they are nothing more than piles of dust, even if wild animals have consumed our bodies and dragged their parts in a number of directions, even if our ashes have been scattered to the winds or the seas, these present no challenge to the one who made us and has risen from death to life himself. In whatever form he finds them, **“By the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, Jesus will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body”** (Philippians 3:21).

Linus, the Peanuts cartoon character, has long been the poster boy for insecurity. His security was found in a blanket he dragged along with him wherever he went. A blanket may seem like a silly object for one's security—after all, it's nothing more than a flimsy piece of cloth; but as we grow up, our adult sources for security offer little more.

It's ironic how the only true and lasting source of our security lie wrapped in flimsy pieces of cloth, pieces of cloth that were later wrapped around *nothing* because they were lying in the tomb that Jesus had left. The empty tomb and the living body of Jesus are our joyful security, not only at Easter, but in every day of life. They make us secure in our faith that God will raise us and give us life eternal.

A Blessed Easter,

Pastor Marcus Powers

## VOTERS' MEETING ON THE 17<sup>th</sup> OF APRIL

The spring quarterly meeting of Our Savior's voting assembly will be held on Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> between the early and late service. All confirmed members, 18 years and older, are automatically members of the voting assembly.

We encourage involvement from **all** our members, both men and women, old and young. It is only as we all work together, and actually get involved in the Lord's work, that we can fully experience blessings, and the personal satisfaction of knowing that God is working through you to accomplish His purposes.

## OUR SAVIOR'S MOVIE NIGHT

GOD IS NOT DEAD! What would you do if you were challenged to prove the existence of God? Set aside the evening of April 30<sup>th</sup> to see how a young college student handled the challenge by a professor to prove God exists or to flunk a class. The young man had the audacity of professing his faith as a Christian to the atheist professor who intended to destroy the young man's faith as well as solidify his opinion with other students in the class. There will be a free showing of the movie "God's Not Dead" at 6:30 PM on April 30<sup>th</sup> in the fellowship hall. Popcorn will be provided, but bring your own non-alcoholic beverage. This is an excellent movie. It is rated PG and recommended for ages over 12. Mark your calendars now!

## Back by popular demand! Pizza by Frank Marzano

Please join us for adult fellowship and fantastic pizza catered by Frank Marzano on Saturday, April 23 at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. While sharing stories of his Italian heritage and traditions, Frank will take requests and prepare a variety of pizzas — taste as many as you like! Frank accommodates all dietary needs. The cost for dinner (including unlimited pizza, salads, and desserts), beverages and tip will be \$17.50 per person. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex between Thursday, March 31 and Sunday, April 17. Payment is required by April 17. This event is partially sponsored by Thrivent. If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Heling, Ph. 458-5336. Hope you can join us!

## MARY MARTHA NEWS

Our February meeting was fast and interesting due to the snowstorm that day.

Jane Woodard called the meeting to order. Old and new business was discussed. It was decided to donate \$50.00 to Lutheran High. Palm Sunday Luncheon was discussed. Jelly bean Easter eggs were made for the Sunday School children. Delicious tortes were served by hostesses Helen Rautman and Rose Zaeske. It was also decided to make the palm crosses on Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, meeting at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

Our next meeting will be April 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm. Diane Fischer and Joan Hering will be hostesses. Tamra Remington, a detective of the Sheboygan Police Department, will be our guest speaker. She will speak to us about the problem of young girls being trafficked. Anyone who would like to attend, please let a member of Mary Martha know prior to the meeting.

Marcie Sorenson  
Committee Member

## Pastoral Acts:

### *Funerals:*

Mrs. Beverly Kaminski  
Age: 85  
Died: February 28, 2016  
Laid to Rest: March 4, 2016

Mrs. Betty Fintelmann  
Age: 88  
Died: March 13, 2016  
Laid to Rest: March 18, 2016

## Memorial Gifts:

\$825 in memory of Richard Hurley  
\$1,258 in memory of Glenn Lorfeld  
\$125 in memory of Beverly Kaminski

## A REPORT FROM CEP STUDENTS

A NOTE to the congregation from the CEP 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Special Assignment.

On January 26th, students in Ms. Bergeron's 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade CEP class had an opportunity for a hands-on lesson at Bridgeway House, thus putting their faith in action. Their lesson: to see how God continues to take care of us, no matter what our situation. Some students went last year when they were in the 5th grade; for some students, it was a new experience.

Due to the youth participation with the Annual CEP Class trip to Bridgeway and the other youth activities throughout the year, our youth were honored with being nominated from the staff at Bridgeway House for a Youth Spirit Award, which the youth won. The plaque is located in the Narthex on the Wittenberg door.

Below are summaries by the youth from their 2016 experience.

Student #1: Although my expectations were the same as last year, I did notice they remodeled a bit. An important lesson I learned is that there are some people to help you when you are in trouble. If I am in trouble, I know that I can go to Bridgeway House to get help. God is helping people get back on their feet by giving them people at Bridgeway to teach them the skills to be successful. I can further help organizations like Bridgeway in the future by giving money and volunteering there. I would want people to know it's a very nice place and with nice people and gives life skills to the women. I was very happy they invited us to help them with supper.

Student #2: I thought it would be a little hard to cook and help out at Bridgeway House. It was really fun, but I thought it would be hard. I thought Bridgeway House was going to have a lot of floors, it was still a really nice house and big too. An important lesson I learned is that it was really kind to help out so that after this experience, I would like to help out when people really need it. In the future I hope to help by giving them donations. I want everyone to know that it is a safe place for women and their children to go to. I enjoyed going to Bridgeway House because it was really fun with the

cooking and the helping out with the outside stuff and the dinner was very good too.

Student #3: I expected Bridgeway House to look like a normal house. I was more mature this time around. I still talked to everyone. You should feel lucky you have a house, to learn how some people live. God is granting food and sponsors by letting the homeless stay in a separate part of the home. It is a house for the homeless.

Student #4: I expected that the house wouldn't have offices or be a very large house. I didn't expect that it was mandatory for the residents to eat dinner together at Bridgeway House, no matter what. They also talked about their day together, the good and the bad. I also expected it to be a little louder because there are more people living at Bridgeway. I learned to be grateful for what I have because others might not have as much. This was important for me to learn because later in life we can't brag or be frustrated about what we don't have because it will hurt other people who don't have much. God is trying to straighten and make the people's lives better, instead of them being homeless. I would like to create a fundraiser to help Bridgeway House pay for food and house payments. I want others to know about Bridgeway House because then they can help and experience it for themselves. This was a nice experience for me because I never really knew how hard their lives can be.

Student #5: My expectations were the same because a kid tried to catch us in the play area, it was different because this time we had to help shovel. I learned a lesson at Bridgeway House to not do drugs because it steals your life. God is working at Bridgeway House because we came and made them food and they have a good roof over their heads.

### CEP BRAT FRY

Many thanks to the numerous members that volunteered their time to running the fry and especially to those who enjoyed a good meal for a good cause. All proceeds will go towards the advancement of the CEP Program here at Our Savior's. If you have any suggestions or comments on the Fry, feel free to speak with either Eric or Dawn Brauer or Brett or Manda Meulbroek. See you at next year's Fry!

## Notes from Other Lutherans

### NOTES FROM THE PARISH NURSE

Dear Friends in Christ:

If you're like me, when you see commercials for the class action suits for implant failure, you may think "Really?" I just finished reading an article that says, "Yes, really." Almost 20% of hip and 10% of knee replacements each year are revision surgeries, usually because of device failure. The FDA has received more than 20,000 complaints over the past 14 years about complications from transvaginal mesh.

Consumer Reports on Health as a Safe Patient Project which works to pass legislation and raise awareness about preventing medical harm. They are working towards having manufacturers to have warranties on implantable devices.

In many cases, device makers can begin selling a product just 90 days after notifying the FDA that the product is "Largely equivalent" to products already on the market.

The House of Representatives passed legislation last year and is being considered by the Senate to speed up drug and medical device approval. What that boils down to is that the consumer would be the database for how well the product works. Kind of like a human guinea pig.

Before surgery, you can learn more about devices, recalls or problems at:

[www.fda.gov/medicaldevices/safety](http://www.fda.gov/medicaldevices/safety)

Ensure your doctor and hospital have a lot of experience with your procedure and familiarity with the device. Also you may go to [SafePatientProject.org](http://SafePatientProject.org) to sign a drug and device safety petition.

(Info from Consumer Reports On Health, April 2016)

Prayerfully submitted,

Deb

**LHS Crusade for Bids Dinner Auction Friday Night Preview Night . . .** is for everyone! And it's free! Doors open at 5:30 p.m. on April 15 so you can preview all the fabulous items in the silent auction, live auction, and the Neat Repeats "Pot of Gold" room. There will be entertainment by the Good Hope Road Praise Band from St. Paul Lutheran, Sheboygan Falls, during the entire evening, cash bar, booklet pick-up, and Friday night only opportunities. Miss Wisconsin USA will be on hand to greet guests and sign photos! Bring your children and grandchildren to meet our own alumnae, Kate Redeker, Miss Wisconsin USA, from LHS class of 2014. And the "auction puppy" will be sniffing around too! Join us from 5:30 – 8 p.m., it's free.

**Lutheran High Auction . . .** The "Crusade for Bids" Benefit Dinner Auction will take place Saturday, April 16 starting at 4:30pm with the salad station and silent auction. The menu includes short rib stroganoff, pan-seared salmon with white wine dill sauce, bruschetta chicken with tomato-basil tapenade, salad station and a cash bar. Ticket prices are \$67 per person before April 5<sup>th</sup> and then are \$80 per person. Bid on almost 500 packages, everything from chocolate to Packer tickets! To register, go to Lutheran High's website at [www.lutheranhigh.com](http://www.lutheranhigh.com). A bonus online auction begins Wednesday, March 23.

**Our Redeemer Anniversary Celebration . . .** Celebrate with The Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer as they observe 75 years as a congregation, "Rooted, Growing and Reaching out in Christ." Music Director Matt Thiel and the gifted singers from Lutheran High join them for a Hymn Fest and Lutheran High Concert on Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm, 3027 Wilgus Ave. in Sheboygan.

**Chaplaincy Ministry Brat Fry . . .** will take place Saturday, April 23 at the Plymouth Piggly Wiggly starting at 9:00am. Take home some tasty Johnsonville brats, burgers and homemade bakery to support this ministry!

**LHS Crusader Summer Camps . . .** Visit the LHS website for an entire brochure of all the camps offered including VBS, Coach Dekker Basketball camps, and Crusader Camps. Printable forms can be found under the "Activities" tab at <http://www.lutheranhigh.com/activities/summer-camps.cfm>. The link to register for Vacation Bible School, June 13-16, can also be found on the LHS homepage.

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