



## **Lent: A Special Time to Reflect on the Gospel**

*By Pastor Michael Woldt*

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Believe it or not, the season of Lent is right around the corner. It seems that we just put away the Christmas decorations! Because Easter is a little early this year (April 1) Lent also begins early, on February 14<sup>th</sup>. (Yes, Valentines Day).

What will Lent mean for you? Will your life change? If you were following traditional practices among some Christians, Lent might mean the implication of ashes on Ash Wednesday and certain dietary restrictions. What does Lent mean for you as a Lutheran Christian? One more church service per week? The familiar reading of the Passion History? Any personal changes or practices?

Whatever else Lent might mean for you, Lent is first and foremost a proclamation of the gospel. The Lenten season fixes our attention on the suffering and death of Jesus, the innocent Son of God. Lent turns our eyes to the cross. However, before we can appreciate the gospel, we must contemplate the magnitude of our sins against God. When a child makes a mess of things in the house, a parent might be tempted to say in anger, "Just look at what you've done!" The season of Lent does that to us. It grabs us and forces us to ponder the reality of our transgressions against God's law. "Just look at what you've done! Look at the mess you've made of your life.

Look at what your sins set in motion. You sent Jesus to the cross." The message of Lent is not always a comfortable message.

However, the message of Lent is a saving message. It takes us beyond the "look what you've done" of the God's law. Lent clearly proclaims the gospel. "Look what He's done for you." The lessons of Lent invite us to look attentively and see how much Jesus loves you. Yes, we might even say that Jesus is God's ultimate "Valentine" to the world. What greater love could God show to us? In the lessons of Lent we follow closely as Jesus endures sorrow and shame, mocking and pain to save us from eternal death. The lessons of Lent allow us to listen in carefully as he teaches his disciples what true love is and does. Through the lessons of Lent, the Holy Spirit imprints the image Jesus on our hearts and in our minds.

What does Lent mean for you? My prayer is that you view Lent as a special opportunity to draw closer to your Savior, to strengthen your faith, and to grow in your love for Jesus and for others who share this world with you. In the end, our Lenten focus is not on what we can do for God. Through the Lenten season, God brings his blessings to us. Let's join each other at the cross of Jesus for Lenten worship, beginning February 14<sup>th</sup>!



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY SENIORS**

- Delores Philipps (2/3)
- John Geldon (2/3)
- Donna Liesener (2/7)
- Frank Dohrwardt (2/11)
- Betty Ann Wolfgram (2/12)
- Wilmer Kannenberg (2/15)
- Clifford Butzke (2/18)
- Jewel Butzke (2/19)
- Betty Gumm (2/21)

**FEBRUARY 2018 GREETERS**

- Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>* 7:45: Joel & Linda Pless  
10:15: Jay & Tanya Anderson
- Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>* 7:45: No one signed up  
10:15: No one signed up
- Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>* 7:45: No one signed up  
10:15: Ruthanne Geldon
- Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>* 7:45: No one signed up  
10:15: No one signed up

**BIBLE STUDY OPORTUNITY**

New Life in Christ Bible Study is held on Monday evenings from 7-8pm in the multi-purpose room. This class is intended for anyone who wishes to brush up on Bible teachings or wants to come to understand them for the first time. This course will give a full understanding of what the Bible teaches and what we teach as a congregation. Upon completion, non members may choose to join our fellowship.

**CHURCH OFFICE NEWS**

Phyllis Dencker has informed the church council that she has decided not to continue in her role as the secretary serving in the church office. Phyllis served in that position faithfully for 16 years. Please join us in thanking Phyllis for all the time and effort she dedicated to our ministry here at David's Star.

**D.S. TEEN AIR (ANCHORED IN THE ROCK)**

The teens had their first "Meals on Wheels", January 28th, delivering meals to 16 of our shut-in members! The meal was prepared fresh that morning, and consisted of chicken, potatoes, corn, gravy, dinner roll, applesauce, grapes and blueberries, a slice of Danish and

2 types of tea bags. We were greeted with the most amazing smiles and thanks! Some told stories, some just wanted to listen, and some just wanted to shoot the breeze with the teens. All in all, it was an amazing experience for all involved. We look forward to our next opportunity to serve the Lord!

**THANK YOU**

A special THANK YOU to all of our board members for giving of their time and talents to help keep David's Star running smoothly:

**OUTGOING MEMBERS**

- Kurt Henning* - Building & Grounds, Chairman
- Dennis Bell* - Elders, Chairman
- Nelson Erdman* - Evangelism, Chairman
- Mike Willis* - Board of Education, Chairman
- Paul Schreck & Rod Hendrix* - Elders

**YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL 2018**

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|--------------------|-------------------|
| President          | Paul Steinbrenner |
| Vice President     | Todd Backus       |
| Stewardship        | David Zarling     |
| Bldg. & Grounds    | Glenn Miller      |
| Spiritual Growth   | Jon Kruse         |
| Secretary          | Mark Ahrens       |
| Treasurer          | Josh Boeldt       |
| Elder              | Dan Bolha         |
| Evangelism         | Andrew Loescher   |
| Board of Education | Jason Walz        |

**BD OF ELDERS**

- Jim Abitz
- Roger Tews
- Terry Hansen
- Jim Siebers
- Paul Weis
- Dave Martin

**BD OF EDUCATION**

- Todd Oestreich
- Jeff McCoy
- Bob Campbell
- Mike Kempfert

**BD OF BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

- Todd Schrap
- Jared Kison
- Steve Bintz
- John Goll



**JESUS CHRIST**  
IS OUR GREAT HIGH PRIEST

**LENT 2018**

**Lenten Service Times**  
**3:45 & 7:00pm**

**February 14<sup>th</sup>** (Ash Wednesday)  
Pastor Woldt (David's Star, Jackson)

**February 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Pastor Rohrback (Redeemer, Cedarburg)

**February 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Pastor Henning (St. Lucas, Kewaskum)

**March 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Pastor Woldt (David's Star, Jackson)

**March 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Pastor Hoogervorst (St. Lucas, Kewaskum)

**March 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Pastor Loescher (David's Star, Jackson)

**LENTEN MEALS**

We will be serving a meal between our six mid-week Lenten services, starting Ash Wednesday February 14<sup>th</sup>. The meal will be offered between 4:45 and 6:30 PM in the gym. Eight organizations at David's Star are willing to serve a meal for this fellowship opportunity.

**Everyone is invited to help** with donations of food and/or serving. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the gathering space. Thank you.

**Lenten Meals 2018 schedule**

**February 14:** *Ladies' Aid* will serve German potato salad and ham.

**February 21:** *Adult Choir* and *Adult Handbells* will serve baked potatoes and casseroles.

**February 28:** *Dartball Team* and *OWLS (ORGANIZATION OF WELS LUTHERAN SENIORS)* will serve "build-your-own" hot dogs and a variety of salads.

**March 7:** *Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study* will serve "Sloppy Joes".

**March 14:** *Oasis Bible Study* groups will serve chili.

**March 21:** *AIR (ANCHORED IN THE ROCK) Youth Group* will serve spaghetti & meat balls and Chicken Alfredo.

**WALKING GROUP**

All are welcome to walk with us on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 8:00am-9:00am. Feel free to come when you can and leave when you need to. We will be walking in the school gym until the weather warms up.

**175<sup>th</sup> SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**April 29, 2018**

We will have one worship service held at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School. Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:15am. There will be a fellowship meal to follow, along with a presentation by the school children. Our focus will be on the blessings of Christian education. WELS BME Administrator Paul Prange will preach for this service.

**June 16, 2018**

Picnic Celebration! An old fashioned picnic will be held on the church grounds Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> starting at 11:00 am. There will be food, games, and entertainment!

**July 1, 2018**

Outdoor Worship in Church Woods will be held Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, at 9:30am. Pastor Richard Gurgel will preach for this service.

**August 26, 2018**

Mission Festival in Church Woods. An outdoor worship service held on Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30 am. Lunch will follow along with special mission displays. Pastor David Kehl will preach for this service.

**October 14, 2018**

Special Celebration Service at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School on Sunday October 14<sup>th</sup>, at 10:15am with lunch to follow on David's Star campus. WELS President Mark Schroeder will preach for this service.

***David's Star Annual Meeting Minutes***  
***January 18, 2018***

Meeting called to order at 7:01PM by Rick Ebeling.

Opening Devotion, Exodus 33:12 & following – Pastor Loescher

1. Approval of Minutes from 2017 Annual Meeting & Special Voter's Meeting Minutes 6-11-2017

**A motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from both meetings. Motion carried.**

2. Approval of Agenda.

Agenda approved.

3. 2017 Membership Changes  
(since last Annual meeting)

**Incoming:**

Bergmann, Jason & Heather; Ava & Avery  
*Confirmation/Profession of Faith*  
Beyersdorf, Cody  
*Transfer from Christ, Milwaukee, WI*  
Breidel, Kathy  
*Profession of Faith*  
Everts, Dosty  
*Adult Confirmation*  
Farrington, Bryan & Amanda; Courtney, Tyler & Jenna  
*Transfer from Redeemer, Cedarburg WI*  
Ferch, Jarod, Katherine; Caleb, Emma  
*Transfer from Eastside, Madison, WI*  
Knudtson, Cheyenne  
*Adult Baptism/Confirmation*  
Loescher, Andrew & Amy; Lydia, Adeline  
*Transfer from Living Promise,*  
*Morristown, TN*  
Miller, Stan & Sherry; Amanda, Tiffany  
*Transfer from Morning Star, Jackson, WI*  
Szczepaniak, Andy & Ashley  
*Transfer from St. Matthew's, Oconomowoc,*  
*WI*  
Weisman, Kory & Rachel  
*Profession of Faith*  
Weldy, Darryl & Donna  
*Transfer from Jordan, Milwaukee, WI*  
Wittig, Joshua & Sarah; Benjamin, Jacob  
*Transfer from Grace, Milwaukee, WI*

**Outgoing:**

Brandt, Phil  
*Transfer to Christ, Pewaukee, WI*  
Bublitz, Caleb & Victoria; Delany  
*Transfer to St. John's, Lannon, WI*  
Davison, Brian & Stacey; Oliver, Tyson  
*Transfer to Morning Star, Jackson, WI*  
Eggers, Shannon  
*Transfer to Lord and Savior, Crystal Lake, IL*

Gustafson, Steve  
*Released from membership*  
Guhl, Nathan  
*Transfer to St. Paul's, Saginaw, MI*  
Henning, Kent & Laurie; Megan  
*Released from membership*  
Knight, Matthew  
*Transfer to St. John, Wauwatosa, WI*  
Knight, Thomas (Wil)  
*Transfer to Calvary, Thiensville, WI*  
Kohlmeier, Lynn; Aaron  
*Transfer to Riverview, Appleton, WI*  
Korthals, James & Jean  
*Transfer to English, Viroqua, WI*  
Kreutzer, Nancy  
*Transfer to St. Matthew, Port Washington, WI*  
Kwiecinski, Jeffrey  
*Transfer to Messiah, Suamico, WI*  
Loescher, Martin  
*Transfer to Peace, Hartford, WI*  
Miller, David; Brittany, Katelyn  
*Transfer to Trinity (ELS), West Bend, WI*  
Mueller, Jeff & Pam  
*Released from membership*  
Nunez, David  
*Released from membership*  
Obry (Rusch), Caitlyn  
*Transfer to Faith, Sussex, WI*  
Schmeling, Troy & Kristina  
*Transfer to Bethany, Hustisford, WI*  
Schneiker, Beth; Casey  
*Transfer to St. Paul, Slinger, WI*  
Siebers, Ben  
*Released from membership*  
Siebers, Rachel  
*Released from membership*  
Strupp, Tyler & Katelyn  
*Transfer to Shepherd of the Hills, West Bend*  
Thompson, Gunnar  
*Transfer to Wisc. Lutheran Chapel, Madison, WI*  
Wetterau, Troy & Laurie; Ian, Elliot  
*Released from membership*

**4. Signing of Constitution by new members and motion to receive as Voting Members.**

No new voting members.

**5. Pastors' Report**

Pastor Woldt highlighted sections of the report.

## 6. Principal's Report – Tim Gustafson

Parent's Group ordered new scoreboards in gym. The Golf Outing covered the purchase.

## 7. Treasurer's Report – Josh Boeldt

Operating budget fully funded for 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year. Ending balance \$26,000 better than budget. Revenue differences to budget were explained. Expenses were down about 1%. The three major ministries beyond our congregation were discussed. Discussion on building fund debt. We try to keep debt fund over \$100,000, needs to be above \$124,000 to make additional principal payments, no Council decision needed to make additional payment. Discussed School Book Fee Fund.

## 8. Elections

The ballot was presented. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Ballot. Motion carried.

## 9. Reports of Officers, Boards & Committees

### a. Church Council - Paul Steinbrenner

New photo directory coming this summer as part of the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

### b. Board of Education - Mike Willis

Thank you to the previous and current board members for their support over the years.

### c. Board of Elders - Dennis Bell

Thank you to the congregation for support over the years. A note was read from Phyllis Dencker, thanking everyone for prayers and announcing her intention not to continue as church secretary.

### d. Buildings & Grounds - Kurt Henning

Kurt highlighted some sections of his report.

**e. Evangelism Committee - Nelson Erdman**  
Nelson highlighted some sections of his report.

### f. Spiritual Growth

Pastor Woldt highlighted sections of the report.

### g. Stewardship - Dave Zarling

175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary offering has already received about \$30,000 for the year.

### h. Cemetery Committee - Wally Miller

### i. KML Delegates

Joel Pless highlighted some sections of his report.

### j. Audit Committee - Josh Boeldt

Thanks to those involved with the report.

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the reports. Motion carried.**

## 10. Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

## 11. New Business

-Recommendation regarding school fees & tuition rates for the 2018/2019 school year.

**A motion was made and seconded to increase tuition rates \$50.00 increase for all grades except 3k. Motion carried.**

-Recommendation regarding proposed 2018 Ministry Budget.

**A motion was made and seconded to approve 2018 budget. Motion carried.**

There was discussion regarding cleaning services in school and parking lots. Thanks to all those involved.

- Recommendation regarding funding 2017 intent for WELS and KMLHS

This truing up has occurred at least once in the past.

**A motion was made and seconded to use a portion of the 2017 budget surplus to make our intent for the following missions whole: WELS \$8,081, KMLHS Operating Fund \$2,114, and KMLHS Joyful Noise \$2,663. Motion carried.**

- Recommendation regarding David's Star Gift Trust Fund

**A motion was made and seconded to establish the David's Star Gift Trust Fund. Motion carried.**

-Recommendation regarding David's Star Undesignated Gift Policy

**A motion was made and seconded that all undesignated gifts between \$5,000 & \$25,000 will be placed in the David's Star Gift Trust Fund. Motion carried.**

-Recommendation regarding calling 5K teacher

**A motion was made and seconded to approve a meeting to extend a divine call for a full-time 5k teacher. Motion carried.**

## **12. Additional Announcements**

-Installation of new and re-elected officers, chairmen and board members will be held Saturday January 27th & Sunday January 28th in the service of their choice.

-Call meeting Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:20am

-Annual Meeting Date - To be determined by Church Council

-Vote of thanks for Phyllis Dencker for 16 years of service.

-Vote of thanks for the outgoing board members.

Adjourn at 8:53PM with Lord's Prayer in unison led by Pastor Loescher.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Ahrens—Secretary



### **Parish Nurse News February is American Heart Month.**

The American Heart Association wants to help everyone live longer, healthier lives. And we know that starts with taking care of your health. American Heart Month, a federally designated event, is a great way to remind Americans to focus on their hearts and encourage them to get their families, friends and communities involved. Together, we can build a culture of health where making the healthy choice is the easy choice. Why? To better serve the Lord and His people.

#### **Did you know?**

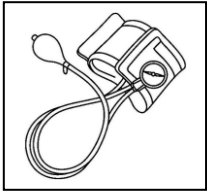
- The first American Heart Month, which took place in February 1964, was proclaimed by President Lyndon B. Johnson via Proclamation 3566 on December 30, 1963.
- At that time, more than half the deaths in the U.S. were caused by cardiovascular disease.
- Cardiovascular disease, including heart disease and stroke, remains the leading global cause of death with more than 17.3 million deaths each year.
- That number is expected to rise to more than 23.6 million by 2030.

[Healthy for Good](#) is an AHA movement to inspire you to create lasting change in your health and your life, one small step at a time. The approach is simple: Eat smart. Add color. Move more. Be well. Click on the link and check it out!

The American Heart Association website has feature articles, videos and even an opportunity to sign up for healthy living tips via email!

Want to move more? Join the David's Star Walking Club on Tuesday or Thursday mornings from 8:00-9:00 am! All are welcome!

Blessings from our Great Physician,  
Sue Bolha RN, 677-3485  
[parishnurse@davidstar.org](mailto:parishnurse@davidstar.org)



## 2018 BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING SCHEDULE

Screenings take place in the nurses office located off of the gathering space between services. Dates are subject to change.

- Sunday, February 25th
- Sunday, April 22th
- Sunday, June 24th
- Sunday, July 22th
- Sunday, September 23rd
- Sunday, October 28th
- Sunday, November 25th

## THE "LITTLE ONES" GATHERING HAS REORGANIZED!



**JAM** (Jesus and Me) is a Christ-centered program aimed at serving families with children who are not yet old enough for Kindergarten. Children can be accompanied by a parent, grandparent, babysitter, etc. Activities include: Bible lessons, singing, large- and fine-motor play, craft and snack time. Save these **WEDNESDAYS** on your calendar, so that you can join us for **JAM**

- February 14**
- February 28**
- March 14**
- April 11**
- April 25**
- May 9**
- May 23**

We begin around **8:30AM** in the David's Star gym. Hope you can join us. Feel free to invite a friend! For additional information or questions contact **Jen Mueller 414-331-5347**

## A SPECIAL THANK YOU

I want to thank the members of the congregation for all the cards, memorials, and expressions of sympathy I received after the death of my husband, Pastor Martin Janke. I

also want to thank the Church Council (representing the congregation) and the David's Star Ladies Aid for providing a wonderful luncheon after the funeral service.

Mrs. Marie Janke

## BIBLE HOUR NURSERY

Do you have kids that are too young for Sunday School, but you'd like to attend Bible Class in between services? We've got you covered! Feel free to drop your young children (ages 0-3) off in the nursery. The nursery is located in the choir room. Follow the Kindergarten hallway all the way down, take a left and the choir room will be the first room on the right hand side. If you are willing to help staff the nursery, please contact Jen Mueller. (414)331-5347.

## MEN OF HIS WORD CONFERENCE

The 9<sup>th</sup> annual Men of His Word Conference will be held at the Best Western Premier Waterfront Convention Center in Oshkosh on **Saturday, February 24, 2018**. The world attacks our Christian values from every direction on a daily basis. To counter these attacks, the MOHW Conference provides opportunities and resources for men to grow spiritually, using God's Word to empower and equip men to carry out their God-given mission in their homes, churches, communities and the world. This year's theme is "GET OUT OF THE BOAT." Whether you attend for the keynote speaker (Pastor Jared Oldenburg from Eternal Rock in Castle Rock, Colorado), the relevant, thought-provoking breakout sessions (19 to choose from), or the worship experience with 600 other men (with Koine', the worship band), God's Word will speak to you. Additional details and online registration are available at [www.menofhisword.org](http://www.menofhisword.org) for the first 650 men (\$50 by February 11th; \$60 from February 12th - 18th). Please join us for a day of fellowship in God's Word that you will not soon forget!