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David's Star  
Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## “THE WONDER OF WORSHIP”

*By Pastor Woldt*

In the past few weeks I have attended the funeral services of two fellow pastors. One was a college classmate who spent most of his ministry far from the Midwest in places like Vermont, Canada, and most recently, in Cameroon on the African continent. The other man spent his entire ministry serving in Michigan, the state where I also began my parish ministry. After both of those funeral services I was struck by the wonder of worship.

I suppose I could get creative with the phrase “wonder of worship” and use the first letter of each word in that phrase to say that both of the funeral services had a W.O.W. factor for me. However, I did not experience the wonder of worship in the external trappings of the services. There were no special orders of worship. Both services were conducted using the standard format of page 144 in our red hymnal. There were no brass choirs or other special instrumentation. (Although both services did have accomplished an organist sitting on the bench and a makeshift “pastors choir” belting out a classic song of the Church from the hymnal.) Externally, the services were fairly plain. But the wonder of worship was present. The W.O.W. factor was present in the proclamation of resurrection victory, in the order of worship, in the lessons, in the pastor’s sermon and in the hymns the people sang.

The real wonder of worship is that for a moment in time, my thoughts were transported from all the troubles and worries of life in this world. For a moment in time I wasn’t thinking about personal finances or global politics. I didn’t care what the weather outside was like or whether the Packers were going to be ready for their next opponent. For a moment in time my attention was focused almost completely on Jesus. While the typical funeral service is crafted

to bring comfort to family and friends, the true gospel-centered worship does more than that. Gospel-centered worship strengthens faith and equips us to serve Jesus with more energy in our own lives.

In each of the services, I felt moments of guilt and shame as I thought about how other priorities had crowded Jesus out of my life. But then came the good news! Jesus lives! And because he lives, you will also live with him in heaven. Jesus didn’t come to save only good people. Jesus came to save sinners! Saints are not made through heroic lives filled with extraordinary good works. Saints are made at the baptismal font, where sins are washed away. Saints are born whenever the Holy Spirit uses the message of the crucified and risen Jesus to bring another sinful human heart to saving faith. Saints are made only because a gracious God wants us to spend eternity with him in heaven. Praise the Lord!

There’s nothing like the funeral of a relative or friend to remind you that life in this world is temporary. However, we don’t have to wait for the next funeral to experience the wonder of worship. The wonder of worship is present every time the gospel is proclaimed here at David’s Star too. Worship provides a special moment in time for each of us to disengage from the things of this world and focus our attention on the things above. Worship centered in Jesus will strengthen and build the faith already in our hearts. As we listen to God’s Word, pray, and sing hymns together, worship gives us the opportunity to encourage our brothers and sisters in Christ on their walk to heaven. I pray that we all grow in our appreciation of the true wonder of worship.

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## Happy Birthday Seniors!!

Lester Buechs..10/1/1926 87.. yrs. old

Gene Graff..10/8/1929...84 yrs. old

William Loeffler..10/10/1929..84 yrs. old

Pastor Janke..10/12/1929..84 yrs. old

Eugene Maciejewski..10/22/1924..89 yrs. old



## OCTOBER 2013 GREETERS

October 6 -7:45 Dave and Nicole Miller  
10:15 John & Ruth Anne Geldon

October 13 – 7:45 Mike and Regina Bublitz  
10:15 Deanna Reich

October 20 - 7:45 Mr. and Mrs. John Clemens  
10:15 Jeff & Bridgett Munn family

October 27 – 7:45 Andy and Colleen Loeffler  
10:15 Steve & Heather Brandt



## HARVEST HOME FESTIVAL

will be celebrated at David's Star on October 10th, 12th, & 13th with divine services and a luncheon on Sunday after the 10:15 service. In the services that weekend we will praise God for his goodness to us in preserving the gospel among us from the time of our ancestors to this day. Those attending the luncheon are asked to bring a casserole, salad, fruit, or dessert. Your fully baked dish should be placed in the food warmer in the concessions area. Everyone is invited!

**THE HARVEST HOME DECORATING COMMITTEE** is asking for produce donations to decorate the church for the Harvest Home services. Put your name on your produce (pumpkins, squash, apples, potatoes, cabbage, peppers, gourds, canned goods) and drop it off at church on Friday 10/11 by 6:30 pm. You may take your donated items home any time after second service on 10/13 or pick them up between 4-5 pm on

Monday 10/14. To arrange early drop off times or late pick up times please call Nancy Ebeling at 262.677.3957. Thanks for your help!

## BIBLE CLASS OFFERINGS

**UPCOMING BIBLE CLASSES** start on October 6th.

*What Others are Saying About God!* will be led by Pastor Woldt in church. A look at popular religious groups who deny clear Bible testimony about God and his saving work in Jesus.

*Law Meets Gospel: The Reformation of the Church and Dr. Martin Luther* Dr. Patrick Steele and Pastor Kurt Loescher will meet in the multi-purpose room in school.

Have you ever wondered what happened that the Roman Catholic Church of the Middle Ages got to be such a mess? Where did all those strange teachings come from? How did Luther rise up out of it? How was he able to stand so staunchly against such fearful odds? Dr. Patrick Steele and Pastor Loescher will explore these questions in a team taught bible study on the reformation of the Church. In the process we will underscore the timeless truths about humanity, the Church, the power of the Gospel, and the grace of God.

## WOMEN NURTURING WOMEN THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

invites you to come to class on Thursday, October 3rd at 9:30. We will meet in the multi-purpose room located behind the concession area. We will meet the 1st and 3rd Thursday mornings of each month at 9:30. It is always uplifting and encouraging to be in God's Word together. We hope you can come. God's Word gives us great joy, strength and comfort, for every day. With questions call Beth Steinbrenner at 262.685.7420 or e-mail me at pbandkids@yahoo.com.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY

at Jimmy's in Jackson meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 6:00 am.

## BARNABAS

is the name of our small group bible studies. We took that name from an early disciple who was given that nickname because he was such an encourager. Our small group home bible studies are also intended for the encouragement of one another. The groups are on-going, but anytime is a good time to get involved in a group. Call or email Pastor Loescher if you'd like to get involved. 677.0919 or [kurt.loescher@gmail.com](mailto:kurt.loescher@gmail.com).

**David's Star Church  
Council Meeting Capsule  
September 10, 2013**

Members in attendance: Pastor Woldt, Pastor Loescher, Tim Gustafson, Brian Lee, Dan Bolha, Randy Matter, Kevin Behm, David Zarling Jim Korthals, Bob Heider, Dennis Bell, Andy Loeffler.

Absent: Kurt Henning.

The meeting was called to order by Brian Lee. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Pastor Woldt. A motion was made and carried to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting on August 13, 2013.

**Committee Reports  
Membership Report (Pastor Woldt)**

**Incoming:** Schwalenberg, John & Amy; Alexa, Taylor, Jacob  
*Transfer from Calvary, Thiensville, WI*

**Outgoing:** *None*

**Pastors' Report  
Pastor Loescher, Telephone # 262.677.0919  
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Pastor Woldt, Telephone # 262.377.1019  
[woldt@nconnect.net](mailto:woldt@nconnect.net)**

Pastors will be attending a symposium at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary on September 16 and 17. Kettle Moraine Pastoral Conference will be October 1 and 2 in Mishicot, WI. Pastor Woldt will attend governing board meetings at MLC in New Ulm, MN on September 25 and 26. Seminary Student Darin Warnecke (2<sup>nd</sup> year student) will once again participate at David's Star for early field training. As of this writing, we have not received the name of a first year EFT student.

**President's Report  
Brian Lee, Telephone # 262.377.9419  
[brianandpam1@att.net](mailto:brianandpam1@att.net)**

Teacherage/Parish Center – The Jackson Fire Department continues to use the house for training and will do so as long as we make it available. The plans are still in the works for the Ozaukee County Tactical Team to use the building one night for training once it is cleared and ready for demolition. Right now we are researching how to dispose of the building material.

Subpoena – David's Star was served a subpoena by the law firm representing West Shore Pipe Line Company. At this time, we have turned over all water sample reports to our legal counsel. We are being advised to be patient, and let the system work.

**Board for  
Buildings and Grounds  
Kurt Henning 262.677.2797  
[klhrconst@gmail.com](mailto:klhrconst@gmail.com)**

No report.

**Board for Elementary Education  
Bob Heider, Telephone #262.644.1726  
[bhheider@charter.net](mailto:bhheider@charter.net)  
Principal Tim Gustafson Telephone # 262.338.3992  
[tgustafson@davidstar.org](mailto:tgustafson@davidstar.org)**

Tim reported that enrollment in the school is at 136 for the start of the year. He also reported that the Washington County Sheriff started a new program whereby one or two officers stop in on patrol. Tim advised council to decide on who should be contacted by this department for issues should the need arise. Council decided that the contacts would be Brian Lee, Dan Bolha, and the Pastors.

**Board of Elders  
Dennis Bell, 262.677.2248  
[dandmbell55@yahoo.com](mailto:dandmbell55@yahoo.com)**

The Elders agreed to pay the Lutheran Ceili Orchestra, the group that performed at Mission Festival, \$700 from our budget.

Paul Steinbrenner reported that we have four students from three families that did receive \$500 in KML tuition assistance this year.

The board is discussing whether to continue the German Christmas Service this year. The children will not be singing, so the attendance will probably suffer a great deal from that. The board is encouraged to survey the congregation for their input.

The attendance and financial contributions are up to date in Shepherds Staff. Paul and Sharon Weis have volunteered to keep up the attendance records from now on, and Linda Klein has volunteered to enter the financial data.

Pastor Loescher presented the Congregational Assistance Program (CAP). The course consists of three years of weekly study followed by a two week intensive study at the seminary.

### **Evangelism Committee**

**David Zarling, Telephone # 414.839.0094**

**david.zarling@gmail.com**

Pastor Loescher reported that a Roundabout Party is scheduled for October 5<sup>th</sup> at Redeemer, Cedarburg. At this function, attendees will be educated on how to use a roundabout. Materials about our Living Nativity will also be handed out at this event. The Living Nativity will be held at Redeemer, Cedarburg this year. Our Savior, Grafton, has joined the outreach effort with David's Star, Redeemer, and Trinity, Pleasant Valley Road.

### **Stewardship Committee**

**Jim Korthals, Telephone # 262.242.8143**

**korthalj@wls.wels.net**

Jim provided a handout outlining this year's stewardship program "Christ's Love, Our Calling". Sunday services will be held from September 1<sup>st</sup> through September 22<sup>nd</sup> in conjunction with this stewardship program. Bible classes will be held from Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup> through September 29<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with this program.

### **Spiritual Growth Committee**

**Andy Loeffler, Telephone #262.677.2319**

**2046home@gmail.com**

Andy reported that Bible classes are underway, and planning continues for future Bible classes.

### **Treasurer's Report**

**Randy Matter, Telephone # 262.376.1585**

**matters@nconnect.net**

The August 31,, 2013 report was presented indicating an ending operating fund balance at 8/31/13 in the amount of (\$97,766), representing a decrease in our deficit during the month in the amount of \$4,493. Operating fund receipts for the month were \$87,651 which is a 130% of our budget. These receipts, however, included two refund checks from the IRS that total over \$27,000. Randy also reported that He has received a loan refinancing proposal from Port Washington State Bank, and is awaiting similar proposals from BMO Harris Bank and Westbury Bank. Credit cards for the school and church office have been received.

### **Vice Presidents Report**

**Dan Bolha, Telephone #262.677.3485**

No report.

A motion was made and carried to accept all reports except those items that needed separate action under old or new business.

### **Old Business**

None.

### **New Business**

Constitution and Bylaws – Patrick Steele led a discussion with Council regarding proposed bylaw changes. An extensive review of the proposed changes were made and recommendations were made to Patrick Steele regarding revisions. Patrick would be forwarding revised copies of the bylaw changes to Council members for their review.

### **Items for Voters (for the October 10<sup>th</sup> voters meeting)**

Next month's meeting is **Tuesday, October 8, 2013 at 7:00 P.M.** The next Voters meeting will be **Thursday, October 10, 2013 at 8:00 PM.**

A motion was made and carried to adjourn. The meeting was closed with prayer.

Respectively submitted,

Kevin A. Behm, Recording Secretary

[kevinbehm@att.net](mailto:kevinbehm@att.net).



### **COMMUNION COORDINATOR VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

We are looking for someone to do the scheduling of volunteers for the set-up and take down of communion. The 2014 schedule needs to be in place by November. Once the schedule is in place you just need to oversee it. If you would be interested please contact the church office or either of the pastors.



## Parish Nurse News

### Healthy Women in Body, Mind and Spirit

The mission of the Parish Nurse Ministry at David's Star is "to enhance the physical, emotional and spiritual health of individuals throughout their lifespan." This month I would like to encourage the ladies of David's Star to take advantage of the wonderful opportunities within our Synod and right here at David's Star to grow in faith and encourage one another as we serve others in our families, our congregation and in our communities.

On Saturday, November 9th one of the ladies bible classes are hosting a David's Star Women's Retreat. The keynote speaker is Naomi Schmidt from the WELS Women's Ministry with the theme: Store Up for Yourself Treasures in Heaven based on Matthew 6:21, "For where your treasure is there your heart will be also." A registration form is available online on the David's Star website to print off and send in. [www.Davidstar.org](http://www.Davidstar.org).

The WELS Women's Ministry Committee, [welswomensministry@wels.net](mailto:welswomensministry@wels.net), is another great resource with the mission to nurture, encourage and equip ladies of WELS. They offer a wide variety of adaptable event ideas and resources besides great bible studies, devotions, prayer pages, stories of faith, Advent by Candlelight programs and resources for caregivers.

So there you are! A great retreat and a wonderful WELS online resource for women with plenty of ideas to nurture, encourage and equip you in your walk with the Lord. See you on November 9th?

### Albrecht Free Clinic – Wish List

The collection of Over-the-Counter health related items for the Albrecht Free Clinic is going to end on Harvest Home Sunday, October 13th! If you still wish to add anything to the collection please do so before then. There are still Wish Lists available on the table in the gathering space to help with ideas! The Parish Nurses thank you for your kind generosity!

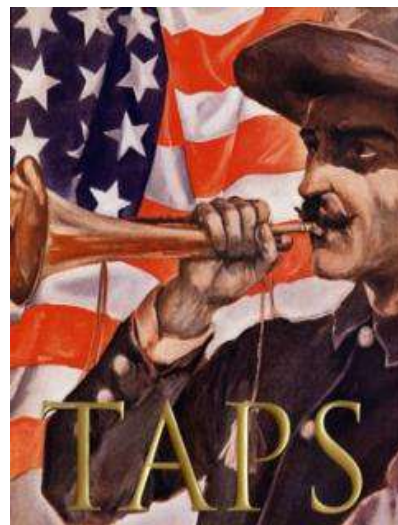
Together in Christ,

Sue Bolha RN, Parish Nurse  
[parishnurse@davidstar.org](mailto:parishnurse@davidstar.org) 677-3485



### DAVIDS STAR FALL CARNIVAL

Come join us for free food, fun & fellowship at this year's Fall Carnival. The Fall Carnival will be held on Saturday, October 19th from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the school gymnasium. There will be chili & hot dogs, games & prizes, a bounce house & a silent auction. The money raised from the silent auction will be going toward improvements to our playgrounds. If you have any donations for the silent auction, please contact Jackie McCoy at 262.384.0013.



### JOIN US FOR OUR VETERANS DAY SERVICE

All are welcome to join the KML students as we recognize and honor our country's military. We extend a special invitation to veterans, current military personnel, reservists, and their families. Our theme this year will focus on the story behind *Taps*. Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, the program begins at 9:20am in the auditorium of the new Performing Arts Center. Please take a moment to let us know if you will attend so that we can plan for seating. Call the school and register with Wendy Zimmermann at 262-677-4051 ext. 1101; or email her at [wendy.zimmermann@kmlhs.org](mailto:wendy.zimmermann@kmlhs.org).



## Store Up for Yourself Treasures in Heaven

*For where your treasure is,  
there your heart will be also.  
Matthew 6:21*

*Keynote Speaker  
Naomi Schmidt*

# David's Star Women's Retreat

Saturday, November 9, 2013

A delicious breakfast and lunch provided.

Early bird cost \$20 before October 31.  
After October 31 - \$25  
Extra \$6 cost for craft session.

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2740 David's Star Drive  
Jackson, WI 53037

[dswomensretreat@gmail.com](mailto:dswomensretreat@gmail.com)

## Registration Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

Break out session choices: (please circle two)

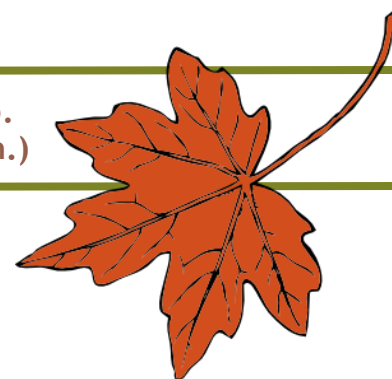
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\*If choosing the craft session, please add an additional \$6.00.

Fee - \$20 before October 31. Post marked after October 31 - \$25.  
Additional fee for craft supplies - \$6 (only if you chose that session.)

Please make checks payable to David's Star Lutheran Church

Send to: David's Star Women's Retreat  
c/o Rachel Gustafson  
2740 David's Star Drive  
Jackson, WI 53037



## Schedule

8:30            Registration and breakfast  
                  in the church narthex  
9:00            Devotion  
9:15            Keynote speaker  
10:15          Break  
10:30          Singing  
10:45          Skit  
11:15          Break  
11:30          Soup and Salad Lunch in Gym  
12:15          Singing  
12:30          Breakout #1  
1:30            Break  
1:45            Breakout #2  
2:45            Closing Devotion



**Keynote Speaker**  
**Naomi Schmidt**

Where your treasure is . . . These familiar words from Jesus call us to remember that grace is the greatest treasure we possess. But there are times we struggle with sin and question our faithfulness, which drives us to frustration and guilt. Our priorities shift and our life doesn't reflect our faith the way we want it to. What DO we treasure and where IS our heart? Come listen to the words of encouragement and hope from your loving Savior!

## Breakout Sessions Descriptions

### 1. Trading Stressed for Blessed

Going about our lives intentionally focused on our blessings is a habit everyone needs to grow. Ellen Cook, a member of Bethlehem and a self-degreed stress-manager, will share scriptural comfort and personal examples of how richly God blesses the children he loves. John 16:33 assures us: "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

### 2. Mission work in Malawi, Africa

Sara Snyder lives in West Bend and is a member at David's Star. Please join her as she shares her visit with missionaries at the WELS Central African Medical Mission and the Lutheran Bible Institute. "God was truly gracious to us on our trip, guiding us, protecting us and letting us see the incredible beauty of this part of Africa."

### 3. The Five Love Languages

Have you ever ended a conversation with your spouse feeling more confused and frustrated? Perhaps you are simply speaking different languages. Tanya Gerhard, a Certified Christian Counselor, will identify and define five different love languages that will give new hope to your relationship. Come prepared to laugh and learn ways to communicate love.

### 4. Craft - Count Down to Christmas

Join Colleen Loeffler and create a wonderful craft using paper, ribbon, stamps, stickers, and other lovely bling to make 24 containers-one for each day of December until Christmas. We will fill each container with a Bible passage and a special treat. No special crafting skills are needed.

**COST: \$6 extra for supplies.**