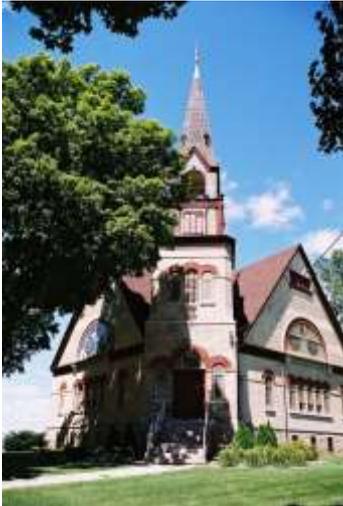
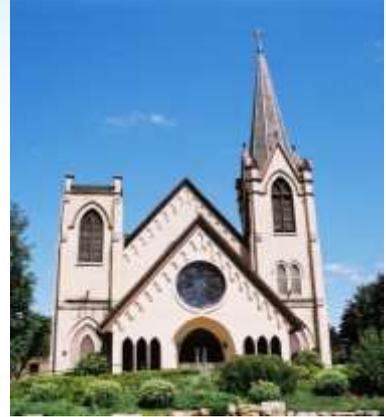


***First Annual
East Koshkonong
Family Reunion
All are Welcome!***



Picnic Lunch Following Service

Pie Auction

Outdoor Games

Youth Car Wash

Sunday, August 23, 2015

9:00am

***The East Koshkonong Lutheran Church
454 East Church Rd., Cambridge, WI 53523
Church Office: Phone 423-3017 Email: eklc@bminet.com
www.eastkoshkonong.org
Pastor Brenda Lovick: 608-616-5085
Email: pastor.brendalovick@gmail.com***

Sunday, August 23, 2015
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean,
the bread of life coming down from above,
the power at work within us and this world.

C: Amen.

P: Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God and Father of all,

**C: we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed.**

We have thought better of ourselves than others.

**We have told lies, said hurtful things,
acted in ways we wish we could take back,
and looked the other way when action was needed.**

**In your mercy, O God,
forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us,
for the sake of Jesus, our Savior.**

Amen.

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:
everything old has passed away;
everything has become new!

In Christ, † you are a new creation:
your sins are taken away and you are made new.

Be kind to one another,
tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
as God in Christ has forgiven you.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

(refrain) And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:

(refrain)

We will work with each other, we will work side by side, We will work with each other, we will work side by side, And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride

(refrain)

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son, and all praise to the Spirit who makes us one

(refrain)

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

CHOIR *"All Day Sunday Singing"*

FIRST READING (*Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18*)

A reading from Joshua.

¹ Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ^{2a} And Joshua said to all the people, ¹⁴“Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵ Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”

¹⁶ Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; ¹⁷ for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸ and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM (*Psalms 34:15-22*)

A: ¹⁵ The eyes of the LORD are up- | on the righteous,
and God’s ears are open | to their cry.

C: ¹⁶ **The face of the LORD is against those | who do evil,
to erase the remembrance of them | from the earth.**

A: ¹⁷ The righteous cry, and | the LORD hears them
and delivers them from | all their troubles.

C: ¹⁸ **The LORD is near to the | brokenhearted
and saves those whose spir- | its are crushed. R**

A: ¹⁹ Many are the troubles | of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers them from | every one.

C: ²⁰ **God will keep safe | all their bones;
not one of them | shall be broken.**

A: ²¹ Evil will bring death | to the wicked
and those who hate the righteous | will be punished.

C: ²² **O LORD, you redeem the life | of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will | not be punished.**

SECOND READING *(Ephesians 6:10-20)*

A reading from Ephesians.

¹⁰ Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹² For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵ As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸ Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. ¹⁹ Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL *(John 6:56-69)*

P: The holy gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ⁵⁶ “Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹ He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

⁶⁰ When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” ⁶¹ But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? ⁶² Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³ It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴ But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. ⁶⁵ And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me un-

less it is granted by the Father.”

⁶⁶ Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷ So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹ We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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TIME FOR CHILDREN

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *This Little Light of Mine*

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Hide it under a bushel – no! I'm gonna let it shine

Hide it under a bushel – no! I'm gonna let it shine

Hide it under a bushel – no! I'm gonna let it shine

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Won't let anyone blow it out. I'm gonna let it shine

Won't let anyone blow it out. I'm gonna let it shine

Won't let anyone blow it out. I'm gonna let it shine

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Jesus gave it to me – I'm gonna let it shine

Jesus gave it to me – I'm gonna let it shine

Jesus gave it to me – I'm gonna let it shine

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Shine all over Koshkonong – I'm gonna let it shine

Shine all over Koshkonong – I'm gonna let it shine

Shine all over Koshkonong – I'm gonna let it shine

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Shine all over the whole wide world – I'm gonna let it shine

Shine all over the whole wide world – I'm gonna let it shine

Shine all over the whole wide world – I'm gonna let it shine

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

CREED

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: With confidence in God's compassion and generosity, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation. (*A brief silence*) Faithful God, we pray for the church. Lead it always to proclaim its faith in you, who gives us the words of eternal life. Give your church the gifts of truth and righteousness.

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: ...Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING *As The Grains of Wheat*

ELW 465

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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PREFACE

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus said, "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION (ALTAR)

Communicants are asked to follow the directions of the ushers to come to the altar. Please kneel or stand as is most comfortable for you. Take the bread and eat. Take the cup (wine or grape juice) and drink. Keep the cup to leave in the container provided in the hallway outside the side exit. You will see that communicants leave the altar using the side door which goes back into the sanctuary. Welcome to the Lord's Table!

DO LORD

*I've got a home in glory land that out shines the sun,
I've got a home in glory land that out shines the sun,
I've got a home in glory land that out shines the sun
Way beyond the blue*

*(chorus) Do, Lord – O do, Lord – O do remember me,
Do, Lord – O do, Lord – O do remember me,
Do, Lord – O do, Lord – O do remember me – Way beyond the blue*

*I took Jesus as my Savior, you take Him too,
I took Jesus as my Savior, you take Him too,
I took Jesus as my Savior, you take Him too, While He's calling you.*

(chorus)

*I've got a home in a great new land that outshines the sun,
I've got a home in a great new land that outshines the sun,
I've got a home in a great new land that outshines the sun, way beyond the blue*

COMMUNION HYMN *All Are Welcome*

ELW 641

COMMUNION HYMN *Eat This Bread*

ELW 472

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. Wise and generous God, we thank you that at this holy table you have fed us again with the food of everlasting life. Send us with your blessing to seek the good of our neighbor and call others to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG *Pass It On*

*It only takes a spark to get a fire going
And soon all those around
Can warm up to its glowing
That's how it is with God's love
Once you've experienced it
You spread His love to every one;
You want to pass it on*

*What a wondrous time is spring
when all the trees are budding
The birds begin to sing
The flowers start their blooming
That's how it is with God's love
Once you've experienced it
You want to sing,
"It's fresh like spring" You want to pass it on.*

*I wish for you my friend
This happiness that I've found
You can depend on Him,*

*It matters not where you're bound
I'll shout it from the mountain top
I want my world to know
The Lord of love has come to me,
I want to Pass it on*

*I'll shout it from the mountain top,
I want my world to know,
The Lord of love has come to me,
I want to Pass it on.*

PRAYER BEFORE MEAL

*(sung) Be present at our table, Lord.
Be here and everywhere adored.
These mercies bless and grant that we may
strengthen for thy service be. Amen*

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.
C: Thanks be to God.

~Worship Leaders~

Pastor ~ Pastor Brenda Lovick
Assisting Minister ~ Gloria Fruit

Lector ~ Joy Graffin

Acolyte ~ Ryan Lund & Sully Schlieckau

Greeter ~ Lane & Judy Taylor

Ushers ~ Don Amundson Family

Communion Set-up/take-down ~ Ruth Bovre & Lori Olson

Communion Assistants ~ Will & Bjorn Kaashagen

Offering Counters ~ Gloria Fruit & Joy Graffin

Musician ~ Judy Rusch

Choir Director ~ Vicki Schuh

Fellowship Hour ~ East Koshkonong Lutheran Church Family Reunion!

~Prayers~

Thanksgiving to God for...

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry.

-Prayers for the ministries of John and Amy Lindstrom, Lindsay Stolen, and Jens Notstad.

God's guidance and direction for...

-Please keep the family of Delbert Swain in your thoughts and prayers as we express sympathy for their loss.*

-For the people of Nepal who have been affected by the earthquake.

-For the peace in Iran, Ukraine, Syria, Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya and among all the nations of the world.

God's protection & safety for people of the world.

God's protection and safety for those being deployed...

-Please remember all our veterans. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and service to their country.

Healing and health concerns...

-Anbjorg Kaashagen

-Joy Borchardt

-Ruth Jacobson

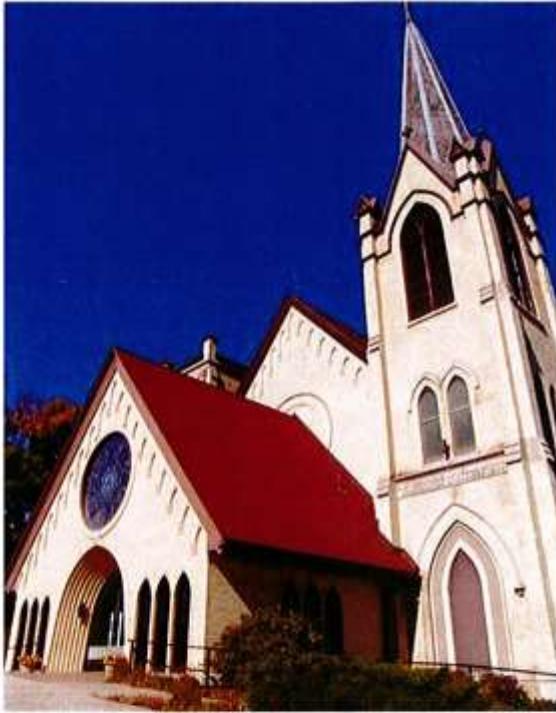
-Linda Melton

-Sonja Christensen

-John Pritchard

Please note: If you have a prayer request and want it put in the bulletin, please write it down on the back of the communion/welcome card or notify the office before noon on Wednesday.

Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. Prayer requests week August 16, 2015. *Denotes new/changed request.



AUGUST 23RD

EAST KOSHKONONG YOUTH

CAR WASH

Why are we having a car wash?

As a youth group, we decided that we should host an event that can raise money for those in need. We will spread out the donations across several charities, but we are mainly saving up for the victims of the Nepal earthquake that took place on April 25th. We will also set aside some money to start this new youth group.



**East Koshkonong
Family Reunion**

**Worship, Picnic,
Games, Pie
Auction**

**No Set Price,
Accepting all
Donations**

**Car Wash starts
After Church
Service**

11:00 – 1:00

**EAST KOSHKONONG
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

454 E Church Rd.
Cambridge, WI 53532

**Held in Church
Parking Lot**

~Calendar of Events~

Sunday, August 23, 2015

- 8:00am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am East Koshkonong Lutheran Church First Annual Family Reunion

Monday, August 24, 2015

- 10:00am Swain Visitation
- 11:00am Funeral Service for Delbert Swain

Tuesday, August 25, 2015

- 9:00am Staff Meeting (**NOTE TIME CHANGE**)
- 10:00am Prayers For Our People (**NOTE TIME CHANGE**)
- 10:30am-1:30pm Pastor's Office Hours* (**NOTE TIME CHANGE**)

Wednesday, August 26, 2015

- 6:30pm Finance Committee Meeting

Thursday, August 27, 2015

- 8:00am Men's Breakfast
- 9:00am Newsletter Assembly, **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**
- 11:00am Text Study

Sunday, August 30, 2015

- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Coffee Hour host **NEEDED**
- 10:30am Stewardship Committee Meeting

*Pastor's office hours may change due to pastoral needs. She is always available at other times by appointment.

Attendance Report for last Sunday, August 16, 2015: 100

Attendance for Sunday, August 9, 2015: 63
Attendance for Sunday, August 2, 2015: 106
Attendance for Sunday, July 26, 2015: 87

Weekly Offerings Report

	August Goal to meet Budget	August Offerings
8/16/15 Offerings	\$ 12,926.84	\$ 10,834.16
\$ 2,823.16		

~Announcements~

VISITORS – *We are happy to welcome you among us to share Christian worship and fellowship! We invite you to identify yourself as a visitor to an usher so that s/he may offer you a packet of information about our church. We will be grateful if you will fill out a communion card and hand it to an usher as you share the Holy Communion with us today. Please join us at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting all of us to “come and eat”! If you have prayer requests or questions, please write on the back of the communion card. We pray God’s blessings for you as we continue our life’s pilgrimage.*

Happy Birthday Open House for Betty Scheel Friends and Family join us at Christiana Town Hall on Sunday, August 30th, 1pm-4pm as we celebrate Betty’s 90th birthday. Please no gifts.

RALLY SUNDAY EKLC is looking forward to a new and exciting Sunday School year! Join us in our kick-off on Rally day September 13th, beginning with worship at 9am, followed by fellowship and fun activities in the education wing! This day marks the beginning of our education programs. It will include a special Children’s sermon that will have a ***Blessing of the Backpacks (for all children young and old)***. All are invited to bring their backpacks, hand-bags, brief cases etc. Registration forms can be found on our website: <http://www.eastkoshkonong.org/>, in the narthex and will be available on Rally day. See you in church!

EKLC is seeking a Sunday School Teacher Please contact Sabra Jacobson for more information or questions 608-312-3202

Please join the EKLC choir! Welcome to everyone to be a part of the choir. We have started rehearsals. The choir sings the second and fourth Sunday of each month and rehearses at 8 prior to the service. Hope to see you!

Make your plans to attend The Fireside Christian Concert on Tuesday, October 6. This is a matinee show and the group we will be seeing is “Three Bridges”. The cost is \$38.50 per person which includes gratuity. Call Sue Repyak (423-4543) if you have any questions.

Comment cards have been placed in the card slots in each pew. We invite any comments that people want to share – good or bad (e.g. new idea; suggestions; things you like/don’t like; items that need to be fixed, etc.) All comments will be reviewed by the Council.

FACEBOOK PAGE – Please “Like” us on East Koshkonong Lutheran Church Facebook!
School Supply Drive EKLC is collecting donations for LWR School Kits and also collecting school supplies (and clothing) for students in need in the Cambridge School District. Collection boxes and supply lists are in the Narthex. We are blessed to be a blessing!