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Sundays and Beyond



June 2021

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church

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Dear Friends in Christ,

We are pleased to be writing this letter as your Interim Pastors for this continuing time of transition at East Koshkonong Lutheran Church. This is a time when we embark on a journey together. It is a time to reflect on the ways you have lived out the mission of Christ in this place, and to share the visions and hopes for the next stage of ministry for the congregation.

As a beginning, we would like to tell you a little about who we are and where God has led us over our shared years of ministry. We are Pastors Loren and Linda Schumacher. We have been co-pastors over the past 40 years serving congregations first as interim Pastors at a two point parish in Merri-mac/Mazomanie, WI. Our first call was at Christ Lutheran in Paddock Lake, WI., in the then Southern District of the ALC. From there we served a two point parish in Curtis/Medford, WI, a rural congregation, East Immanuel, in Amery, WI, and finally a congregation, Zion, in Cloquet, MN. We retired from active ministry in August of 2017. We then moved from Cloquet, MN to Madison, WI. We have two children, a daughter, Amanda, who lives in Georgia, and a son, Matthew, who lives here in

Madison. We have always worked together sharing our calling in Ministry in the congregations we have served. Linda had attended the training course for Intentional Interim Ministry before we retired. Loren began our new adventure in Interim Ministry when he served a six month interim at Spring Prairie Lutheran Church in rural DeForest. Our second interim was working together sharing an interim at Two Steeples Parish in Mt Horeb and Blue Mounds. That interim lasted for a year and nine months through the onset of the pandemic and ended last December. At that time the churches entered into the Teem Ministry Program with their Youth Leader who returned to Wartburg Seminary to pursue ordination and is serving as their vicar until he completes his course work.

As people of the resurrection we are called to serve Christ in new and exciting ways. We build on the strength and faith of those who came before us. As we work together in the months ahead, we pray that the Spirit will guide the process forward in ways that will lift up the ministry of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

May God bless our time together,

Pastor Loren & Pastor Linda Schumacher

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President's Message

June is a great transition time of year. Spring to summer. School to vacation. Shoes to sandals. In church it is often the transition from a full church to an emptier one. Let's grow our worship sizes through the summer and peak in the fall! Invite someone to worship that you haven't seen in a while.

Looking back:

- We celebrated Pentecost with an outdoor service and hymns! Thanks to Vickie, Curt, the worship committee, and all who helped make that a success.
- Thank you Pastor Berggren for all of your ministry here.
- Thanks Debbie, for completing confirmation with our current group of kids, and for finishing up the year with a fun party.
- Congratulations to our graduates that were honored at the end of May.
 - ♥ Ryan Lund (CHS)
 - ♥ Erika Lund (CHS)
 - ♥ Taylor Evenson (UW-L)

Looking ahead:

- As CDC and Dane County Covid guidelines change, so too will our in-person worship. Each of us bears a responsibility to the rest of the congregation to keep it (us) safe. We trust that each of you will do the right things to make sure that EKLC stays healthy. Please educate yourself on what the CDC recommendations are for both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals.
- As our virtual worship options become more permanent, we will be looking for people to help with recording. Let's grow our pool from 2 videographers to 4! Let Julie know if you are interested, we'll get you connected.
- We expect interim ministry to start in June. As of my writing this we are still fi-

nalizing contracts and details. Come to worship to get the latest info.

- We have been making ends meet with our offerings, but with adding interim salary and benefits to the mix we will need to see an uptick to keep pace. Please keep the offerings coming this summer.

May Congregational Challenge

We recently celebrated Syttende Mai, Constitution Day in Norway. It's a big deal for our area and Norwegians in general. I occasionally blame my crankiness (see: stubbornness) on being Norwegian. If there is something that I don't want to do, I'm not going to do it (just ask my mom).

Many of us are not great at stretching into areas that are uncomfortable. We continue to only do the things that are easy.

One of the things that we need to stretch is our ability to be "inviting". As a congregation each of us need to reach out to people who we haven't seen in worship. Say hello to someone in worship who you don't know. Visit, invite, encourage. If every member invites another person to worship we double attendance! #math.

Looking forward to seeing you in worship.

Stay well.
Kristen



NEWS FROM THE CALL COMMITTEE

The EKLC profile has been available for candidates to view. Now we wait for the Synod to send candidates for interviewing.

June Council Meeting: Tuesday, June 15 at 6:15pm

2021 COUNCIL

PRESIDENT: Kristen Lien

VICE-PRESIDENT: Tom Locchetta

SECRETARY: Jason Schlieckau

TREASURER: Kimberly Timler

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Jaime Lewellin

Oren Hammes

Nathan Stach

Treasurer's Report

April 2021 Income - \$ 29,651.36
April 2021 Expense - \$ 23,875.49
April 2020 Income - \$ 34,348.50
April 2020 Expense - \$ 27,703.36
YTD 2021 Income - \$ 82,691.81
YTD 2021 Expense - \$ 72,071.46
YTD 2020 Income - \$ 96,880.50
YTD 2020 Expense - \$ 104,769.06



You may make a secure offering/donation to EKLC by following the directions below.

All donations are secured through Vanco. Thank you for your generous offering in this way!

Online giving directions:

With all of these options, you may set up recurring donations or make a one-time donation.

Option 1: Go to www.eastkoshkonong.org and click on Donate. Create a profile through this secure website, if you haven't already, and complete the form on the website.

Option 2: Scan this QR code with your smartphone. Create a profile through this secure website, if you haven't already, and complete the form on the website.

Option 3: Download the GivePlus app on your smartphone for either Android or iOS. If needed, create an account with your email address. Sign into your account and search for "East Koshkonong Lutheran Church." Select the plus "+" sign and complete the form.

If you don't have online access for this giving option, you are welcome to fill out a form from the church office: 608-423-3017 or eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com OFFERINGS ARE ALSO ALWAYS APPRECIATED BY MAILING TO:

**EAST KOSHKONONG LUTHERAN CHURCH
454 EAST CHURCH ROAD
CAMBRIDGE, WI 53523**

EKLC In-Person Worship Guidelines

Updated 5/18/2021

On 5/18/2021 it was announced that effective on June 2, Public Health Madison & Dane County will lift all public health orders, including mask requirements, and gathering and capacity limits. EKLC will follow and base our guidelines from Dane County directives as well as best practices from the CDC.

As of 6/2/2021, EKLC will no longer mandate masks. We recommend that any member or guests follow CDC guidelines related to mask wearing. We support and encourage anyone to continue to wear a mask based on their own comfort level and discretion.

Worship:

- Every other pew will continue to be blocked off to encourage for social distancing
- We will continue to live stream services on Facebook and YouTube
- During Passing of the Peace, you are encouraged to take a moment to say hello to each other. We ask that you respect social distancing and do not have physical contact.
- Offering will be collected in baskets in the Narthex.
- Communion will continue be held weekly and will be distributed upon entrance to the sanctuary.
- Singing will be phased back into worship
 - ◇ As of 6/2, we will continue special music as well as add back in our sending hymn. If you are uncomfortable with singing, you are free to leave prior to this.
 - ◇ This will be reviewed monthly for additional singing to be added back to service

Common Areas:

- The following common areas are open to members
 - ◇ Restrooms directly below the Narthex
 - ◇ Fellowship Hall with social distancing and the seating guidelines from above.
- The following common areas are currently closed:
 - ◇ Nursery
 - ◇ Kitchen (with exception for funerals or private events)

April 20th, 2021

EKLC Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm. Those in attendance were Kristen Lien, Jaime Lewellin, Tom Locchetta, Oren Hammes, Kim Timler, Nathan Stach and Jason Schlieckau.

Additions to Agenda:

- Ceiling in Pastor's office remodel
- Budget Comparison
- Virtual Coffee Hour

Devotions- Tom Inspiration Ministries- Proverbs 16 1-9

Financial updates, Profit Loss statement, Money Market account, Memorials.

Nothing out of norm out of Money Market.

Profit/Loss net income at a negative. One expense in March that was not budgeted for was a new furnace install. Profit Loss year to date shows income down, but actually better than last year this time. We aren't paying a pastor's salary however.

Jamie budget comparison discussion:

- First quarter saw 32% of budget spent.
- Council to look at this budget quarterly. This will help keep all on track.

April to today offering about \$9,000 more than last year.

New microphone money came from memorials. Kristen made this decision to pay for mic from memorials. This raised the topic for discussion however: How to decide what fund to pull money from to pay for things like this and who should be in the decision making process. It was agreed that memorials would be used to pay from tangible items like this. Will continue to discuss this topic.

Kim raised the question of how do we keep track of depreciable items. Depreciation and appreciation not being tracked currently. We don't file the taxes type that counts depreciation and not near going over the threshold that matters for depreciation anyway. Discussed seasonal service for our four furnaces (repairs and maintenance). Judy to email Quick Books categories to Kim for future discussions on creating additional categories. Education Committee to use Christian Scholarship Fund for Lutherdale Camp.

A motion made by Jaime to approve financial reports, with second by Jason, accepted and passed.

Ron gave a talk on the Investment Fund. This dialogue consisted of what the committee does, how much money is there and how it's used. The fund is split to two categories: Perpetual Fund(only income is used no principal) and Memorial Fund(uses principal and income). These funds should be used to enhance the work of the church (buying technology for education wing of church for example).

Should come down to Church Council and/or congregation to make the call on what these funds should be spent on. Perpetual is long term investing.

Some concerns/comments the Investment Fund has are the following:

- Trying to do what is required by the by-laws, and believes that the committee is doing all that is necessary. A Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary has been established and Minutes are taken and all meetings.

Never been audited. He thinks there should be an audit and it could be done by our Audit committee. Council to discuss.

Questions/requests we had for Ron:

- Currently \$1,500 for Youth Director wages are being pulled monthly.
- Currently \$13,000 in Money Market for Youth Director because it's not used monthly.

Stop pulling out this amount for a limited amount of time because the money is currently not being used. This money could be earning higher interest elsewhere.

How do we communicate when to start pulling again?

- Email Ron when we want to start pulling this amount again.
- Don't wait until last minute.

Contact when \$3,000 left to start pulling.

Keep doing \$900 for benevolence.

Should be about a year before we start pulling again.

Briefly discussed how we can get people's opinions on how to spend Investment Fund dollars to better the church.

Another Jasensky check arrived at church. This is to be placed on the Memorial side since other portions have been placed on the Perpetual side.

Minutes from February meeting submitted by Jason Schlieckau were reviewed. A motion by Oren, seconded by Tom, passed.

Other reports reviewed- Stewardship, Worship and Education reports.

Education Committee Discussion:

- Playground sign to be hung
- Not planning youth Sunday
- Erica Lien to look for new curriculum
- Stay virtual
- Christian scholarship fund
- Fire pit on track- Determine less wet area for its location

Worship Committee Discussion:

- Singing questions
- Say both first and last names for prayers?
 - Not saying for privacy on Facebook
- Members get the bulletin that has full name
- There will be a hold on upper church services

Stewardship Committee Discussion

Need strategy to reengage people

A motion made by Tom to approve reports and seconded by Jaime, accepted and passed.

Old Business

In-person worship discussion. Tom to look into a longer term solution for recording services that can tie into sound system. Oren to update worship rules sheet to state "socially distance with masks" instead of a number for in person services. Note overflow to downstairs and balcony. Decided to stop virtual coffee hour due to low attendance.

Singing during worship topic discussed. Small groups with masks allowed to sing from balcony. No hymns or liturgy. Will evaluate every month and change per CDC guidance.

We are set with supply pastor through June. Pastor Dan for first two weeks of June and Pastor Dave last two weeks.

Interim Pastor Status – all contracted ones are elsewhere. In weekly contact with Synod.

Call Committee- profile is with the Synod. Now we wait for names.

Pastor office update. Johnnie to install drop ceiling without fan. Leave ability for future fan. Electrician to install four lights. This project is still under budget.

Council Installation planned for 4/25 during worship.

New Business

Maureen Lien to join Audit Committee. Jaime made a motion to approve this and Tom seconded. Approved.

Discussed if we should help get info on vaccines out to elderly people that might not be getting the info. Health Committee to get something written for bulletin.

Constitution review tabled for next meeting.

Confirm next meeting: May 18th 6:15 PM (Devotions – Jason).

Adjourn at 8:31- Motion made by Jamie, seconded by Tom.

Close with Lord's Prayer

Submitted by Jason Schlieckau

Praying for Our People

6/1 ~ Scott, Chris, Mis, Erika, Callen, Gary & Gloria
6/2 ~ Bailey, Henry, Asley, Noah, Isaiah & Tanner
6/3 ~ Robert, Jane, Todd, Leah & Wilma
6/4 ~ Chad, Cindy, Cody, Jocie, Dennis, Joy, Jennifer & Eden
6/5 ~ Kayla, Christopher, Corrine, Philip, Linda & Marilyn
6/6 ~ Richard, Irene, Trevor, Adam, Amelia, Brian & Carol
6/7 ~ Larry, Betty, Joanne, Oren, Patty, Curt & Linda
6/8 ~ Karen, Daniel, Sheryl, Amy, Irene & Molly
6/9 ~ Tomas, Andrew, Don, Eileen, Vicki & Bette
6/10 ~ Donna, Duane, Linda, Beatrice, LeRon & Raegan,
6/11 ~ Keaton, Carley, Kirsten, Mallory, Eric, Sabra, Kellan & Riley
6/12 ~ Johnnie, Sharon, Sonja, Crystal, Joshua, Oden & Reid
6/13 ~ Douglas, Sara, Hailey, Hannah, Gary & Howard
6/14 ~ Jesse, Bridget, Teagan, Kinsley, Shirley & Dennis
6/15 ~ Sally, Timothy, Joan, Anbjorg, Bjorn & Elizabeth
6/16 ~ Carson, Dag, Inger, Kjell, Torleif, Will, Cody & Carole
6/17 ~ Janette, Kurtis, Barbara, Luke, Breah, Cael, Corbin, Cullen
& Chesney
6/18 ~ Ron, Nancy, Harlan, Jeffery, Joyce & Harvey Jr.
6/19 ~ Jennifer, Travis, Ethan, Audrey, Rodell, Rodney & Cheryl
6/20 ~ Jean, Steven, Hans, Kody, Ryan, Jaime & Karly
6/21 ~ Sheena, Lillian, Carolyn, Christina, John, Benjamin & Tess
6/22 ~ Franklin, Beverly, Kristen, Mark, Maureen & Erica
6/23 ~ Peter, Kimberly, Stanley, Vione, Eric & Linda
6/24 ~ Richard, Stephanie, Tom, Alex, Jeff, Holly & Margaret
6/25 ~ Kory, Diane, Allison, Arlen, Henny & Calvin
6/26 ~ Dean, Pamela, Dennis, Judy, Ryan, Brayden & Kaylee
6/27 ~ Emily, Erika, Ilsa, James, Alyssa, Josephine, August & Janelle
6/28 ~ Jeremy, Ronald, Mary Lou, Randi, Brian & Peggy
6/29 ~ Lauren, Matthew, Payton, Rylie, Chase, Gerald & Lori
6/30 ~ Neil, Duane, Robin, Arvid, Linda & Lynn



News from the church basement....

We have been meeting for sewing and making progress on the numbers of quilts to ship this fall. We will meet for Pin and Sew on Thursday, June 3, at 8 AM or thereafter. We will have our meeting during coffee break and will not have lunch. We will revisit the lunch idea again, and maybe pick that up later in the summer. Thanks to Joy Circle for duties in May, and Light Circle for taking up duties in June. Thanks to our loyal folks who now are delivering Meals on Wheels, into the first week of June. Our next assignment is at the end of August and into September. These folks are really appreciated for their efforts.

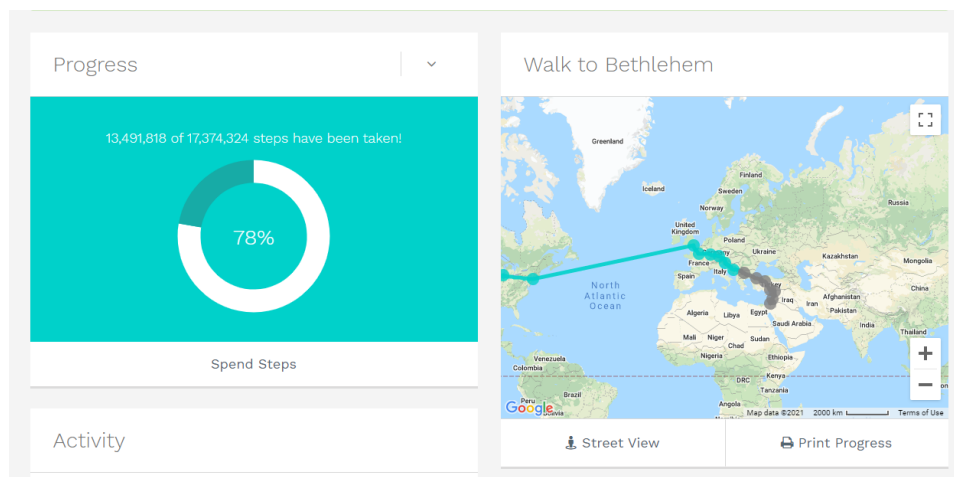
The only event scheduled for summer seems to be gathering supplies for School Kits. Next month I will include a list of supplies needed for the backpacks, and we can start haunting the sales. Remember we need a whole lot of notebooks, and we need to find them at a good price (20-30 cents) in order to afford enough to supply 100 backpacks

Thank you for your support of our Lutheran World Relief projects and of East Koshkonong church. It's so good to see folks in person!!! God Bless you.

Communicator Carolyn
Carolyn Lien



We're still walking! Check out our progress!





GRATITUDE BEYOND MEASURE

There are so many members to thank for their dedication to EKLC. A large team of volunteers **for years** have contributed by ushering, reading, greeting, decorating the sanctuary for the church year, helping with communion, being assistant ministers, counting money, seeing that the church is locked, serving as hosts for coffee hours, providing music, teaching Sunday School, working in the Church Library, working with the youth, helping out in the nursery, cleaning the yard of both churches, updating the outside and inside of both churches, keeping them clean, donating time for making quilts, prayer shawls and various kits, serving on council and various committees. There are probably other items that have been left out, and if so, apologies.

The Pandemic has obviously changed many things, but it does not diminish our need for the word and sacrament. We have been so fortunate to have Pastor David Berggren preaching for many months now and Kristin Rice who helped us in the month of February. With the excellent expertise and patience of Tom and Jason, our services have been offered far and wide reaching our congregation and beyond. As things improve in our country and county, more and more people are feeling comfortable resuming a degree of normalcy. Each Sunday the church is filled with laughter and chatter as we greet each other once again. God bless each and every one of you as we move forward into late Spring and Summer.

Vicki Schuh, Worship Committee Chairman



REFLECTIONS FROM OUR MEMBERS

One of our Sundays and Beyond newsletters last year talked about REFLECTIONS FROM OUR MEMBERS with 2020 being a year that will be remembered in history because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Generations from now our descendants could be enlightened and blessed by our stories: stories of hope during the unknown; stories of faith over fear; our stories of how we gathered for church over the web instead of in the pew; our stories of how our neighbors reached out to us in compassion. Share your story and we will publish another pamphlet about our East Koshkonong Church members.

How has the 2020-21 pandemic affected your life, (if at all)?

Did you do anything different during the pandemic?

Did the pandemic effect your child(ren)? Were you able to do specific things to help them cope with anxieties that resulted from being away from friends? Families, all ages included, were made stronger and achieved some things we were not aware we could do.

How long have you been a member at East Koshkonong?

Who was your first pastor at East Koshkonong and what do you remember about him/her?

Tell about yourself and your family (remember we love history).

Would you rather talk with Bonnie Ehrke or Marilyn Gunderson and have them help write your story? Let us know and we will help.



Thank you to all who helped in the preparation of putting this beautiful outdoor service together!

*"I rejoiced with those who said to me
'Let us go to the house of the Lord'"*
Psalm 122:1



From the Maseya family ...

Dear Antie Anne

We are very glad writing this mail to you. Hope you're all doing fine.

We received the money yesterday and did all the payments for the girls tuition till August. They are back to school now from the Easter break. They started on Tuesday and they are very excited.

Thank you very much for everything that you have done for us. We really appreciate it. We thank God for bringing us together. We are speechless with the love you have for us.

We love you so much family of Norway Grove Memorial Lutheran Church and all other churches and individuals who stretched their hands towards us, to those who worked hard to put smile on our faces, to all Pastors, Leaders, Congregation to Sunday school.

Words can mean nothing but our hearts are filled with joy.

Our prayer is that May the Lord take you to higher levels, may the Church and your lives overflow. May the Lord keep you safe for us.

Stay Blessed and

Stay Safe

Much love

Maseya family

April 16, 2021



Dear Antie Anne

Happy Mother's Day to you all mothers of Norway Grove Memorial Lutheran Church and all mothers in your families.

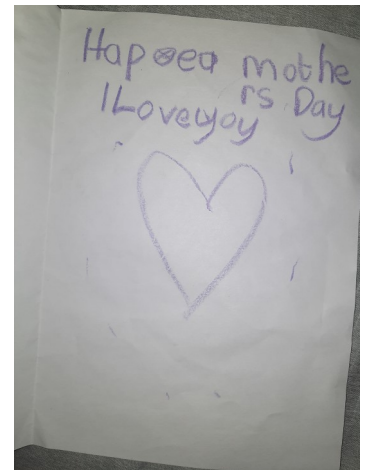
We love you very much. May the Lord bless you abundantly. Hope you enjoyed your day.

Here the girls made cards for me i love them. The first one is from Hazel then from the twins

Much love

Yeukai

May 9, 2021



To the members of East Koshkonong Lutheran Church -
It is with deep gratitude that I write this thank you note. Your continued support of the Maseya girls education brings such joy. The parents last a Yeukai report that all 3 girls are thriving in school in part due to the success of having loving congregation providing education, food, clothing and prayers on their behalf.
Many thanks, Anne Staniforth
Norway Grove Lutheran Church

The article below was in the December 2020 Willerup UMC newsletter. I thought EKLC would be interested in the information Judy included in her article. God bless you for sharing your ministry together in the name of Jesus.

SPECIAL DECEMBER MISSION OFFERING

Three talented South African girls need our help to continue their primary education at John Wesley School, a ministry of the Pinetown Methodist Church. Pinetown is a suburb of Durban, South Africa. Hazel and her twin sisters, Hayley and Hadley, were being supported by the Norway Grove Memorial Lutheran Church in Deforest until the Covid crisis came. (It's a long story about how this Lutheran church came to support these students in a Methodist school.)

Because of the downturn in financial support due to the Virus, Norway Grove's missions coordinator reached out to Willerup, because they heard from Mary Beth Byrne, a former missionary to Africa University (Methodist) in Mutare, Zimbabwe, that our church is a big supporter of missions. Our Accountability Leadership Board approved this mission project for December. East Koshkonong Lutheran is helping, also, along with First UMC of Whitewater.

This is a picture of the girls in 2019, when Hazel was in 4th grade and the twins were in pre-k, which they had to attend in order to be accepted into John Wesley Primary.

Now the twins have graduated Kindergarten – serious business at John Wesley- and

they will enter 1st grade in January 2021. The South African school year goes from January through December.

This is a picture of Hayley and Hadley with their mother, Yeukai, who is holding their graduation certificates.

Hazel will be entering 6th grade and is an excellent student. She has received an Academic Badge for getting the highest marks in English, Mathematics, Afrikaans, and Science.

Their father, Last, brought the family down to Durban from Zimbabwe to get away from the unrest there. He is a licensed baker, but there were no jobs available. So then, he got a taxi license and a license to drive semi-trucks, but he had to give that up, because it became too dangerous. But they are industrious parents. Now Last goes down to Cape Town to work during the week, and Yeukai is in school learning to do nails. But they want a better life for their girls, and John Wesley School is the answer.

John Wesley School is a Christian independent primary school that has served the Pinetown and the greater Highway area in KwaZulu-Natal with distinction since opening its doors in 1977. Offering English instruction in a co-educational environment, John Wesley School produces young men and women with the knowledge,

character and integrity necessary to become outstanding citizens and boldly face up to

the numerous challenges with which they will be confronted in modern society.

Parents are encouraged to share responsibility for their children's education. The school has just under 600 students, aged 2 through 7th grade.

The cost of sending students to John Wesley is much the same as the cost of sending children to parochial schools here. For the three Maseya girls in 2021, the education expenses will total R199,199 (Rand) or in U.S. money, \$11,553.54. That is about \$1000 per month for the three girls combined. That pays for tuition, transportation, school supplies,

lunch, uniforms (2 dresses each), regulation gym clothes and shoes, swim suits and caps [sports are an important part of the curriculum because of the character that is built- like AWANA's attitude about games], plus backpacks, library bags, abacus, parent supporter shirts, internet fees, and bank fees!

Let's challenge ourselves to reach one or more of these goals-

The internet fees- \$287.10 for all 3 for the year.

School supplies - \$338.86 for all 3 for one school quarter

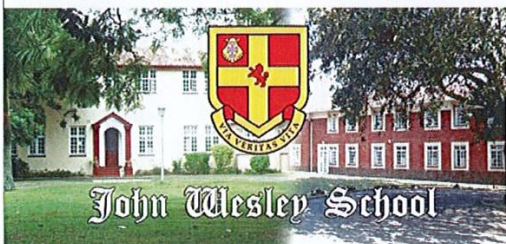
Uniforms, sports/swim wear, backpacks- \$492.13 for all 3 for the year

Tuition - \$1188.28 for all 3 for one school quarter

Africa is looking for future leaders. Christian Schools have been a great training source for them.

These sisters could bring bright hope for Africa's future.

Questions? Talk to Judy Vasby: 608-576-0173 or jvasby.office@gmail.com





PUZZLE



As sweet as honey

Honey is both a sweetener and a medicine.
How can our words be used in the same ways?

Directions: Use the hexagon key to fill in the missing vowels and complete Proverbs 16:24, NIV.



Gr c s w ords

 r h n c mb,

sw t t th s

 nd h l ng

t th b n s.

PROVERBS 16:24, NIV

A SWEET TREAT



Make this refreshing treat on a hot summer day.

What you need:

- Baking sheet
- Parchment paper
- 1 cup plain Greek yogurt
- 2 Tbsp. honey
- ¼ cup granola or cereal

What you do:

1. On a baking sheet covered with parchment paper, spread yogurt in a thin layer, about ½-inch thick.
2. Drizzle honey evenly over yogurt. Sprinkle granola (or cereal) on top.
3. Freeze about 30 minutes, or until firm.
4. Crack frozen yogurt into pieces and peel away paper. Enjoy!

Answer: Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones. Proverbs 16:24, NIV

Sunday School Confirmation

What have the youth been up to?

We finished off what turned out to be a crazy, yet rewarding year at EKLC! The Confirmation group finished off their curriculum (virtually) a few weeks early, so we ended with a fun party to celebrate! We met in person for the first time since September/October, and we brought snacks to share. We played some fun games together to encapsulate our time together.

Our (virtual) Sunday School classes also came to an end. Considering the craziness of virtual Sunday School, I believe that we were still able to offer a rich learning experience for all! But it couldn't have happened without our amazing Sunday School teachers who kept us going! A HUGE thank you goes out to Erica Lien and Thianna Wegner for the wonderful video lessons each and every week. And thanks also to Denise Rockney for helping to deliver craft kits each month throughout the year!

We look forward to a more "normal" Sunday School year, starting in the fall on Rally Sunday, September 12, 2021. We also plan to bless the "Pray Ground," set up in the sanctuary for our youngest church members, that day as well. It is a great place for crawlers and early walkers to explore quietly while their parents can enjoy the service along with them.

Acolyte Schedule

June

6/6 ~ Kellan Jacobson
6/13 ~ Christian Terland
6/20 ~ Anna Amundson
6/27 ~ Kellan Jacobson

July

7/4 ~ Cally Travis
7/11 ~ Shanna Schlieckau
7/18 ~ Anna Amundson
7/25 ~ Christian Terland

Education Committee Dates

Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. IN PERSON at EKLC
Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. IN PERSON at EKLC

NEW YOUTH CHOIR DIRECTOR

After 30+ years of dedicated service to our youth Sunday School choir, Heidi Woodstock is retiring! 😞 We are in need of a new Youth Choir Director, hopefully to begin this fall. Please contact Debbie Wethal at EKLCYouth-Director@gmail.com for more information.

"Feed My Starving Children" Day Trip!

What is Feed My Starving Children?

Every year, millions of children die from preventable causes such as pneumonia, diarrhea, malaria and under-nutrition. Hunger is still causing nearly half of deaths in children under 5 years old. From this data, we estimate at least 6,200 children die each day from causes related to undernutrition. This is heartbreaking.

Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) believes hope starts with food. As a Christian nonprofit, FMSC is dedicated to seeing every child whole in body and spirit. FMSC works with food distribution partners that stay with communities for the long haul, empowering them to move from relief to development. FMSC meals are developed by food science and nutrition professionals to supplement nutritional needs and reduce problems with malnutrition. Nutrition allows children to grow, thrive and develop to their full potential.

When: Thursday, July 29, 2021

Time: We will leave EKLC at 6:00 a.m. and return between 5:00-6:00 p.m.

What: We will volunteer at FMSC from 9 - 11 am; then we will eat lunch at the Rainforest Cafe. We will spend the first part of the afternoon at "60 to Escape" Room in Gurnee, IL before heading home.

Who?? This trip is open to anyone 6 years and older!
We would love for this to be a family/congregational event!

Are you interested? Please contact Debbie Wethal at EKLCYouthDirector@gmail.com or 608-334-3388



EKLC Homebound Members

Melissa Anderson ~ Home

279 Hwy A, Cambridge, WI 53523

Irene Hensel ~ Home Again

308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

Bea Householder ~ Home Again

308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

Shirley Johnson ~ Home Again

308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

Betty Scheel ~ Home Again

308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

Phyllis Vergenz ~ Our House

201 W. Madison, Cambridge, WI 53523

Janette Klemp ~ Sage Meadow

5330 Century Ave. Room 200, Middleton, WI 53562

Lila Spike ~ Swift Haven

124 N. Henry St. Apt. #103, Edgerton, WI 53534

Joanne Gyland ~ Skaalen –Magnolia Gardens

400 North Morris St. Stoughton, WI 53589

Thank You...

- ♥ A special thank you to Vicki Schuh. Thank you for your leadership on the Worship Committee in finding pulpit supply. EKLC has been truly blessed with the ministry of supply pastors; George Carlson, Kristin Rice and David Berggren. It has been a long transition into Interim ministry since Pastor Brenda left last year. Because of your steadfastness you have made sure Sunday mornings were always covered and covered well. Behind the scenes you have done much to assure EKLC provided meaningful worship. God bless you Vicki!
- ♥ "Dear EKLC, This is a heart felt Thank You! From the Cambridge Area Resource Team. WE appreciate your generous and ongoing donation to support your neighbors in Cambridge who need help to meet basic needs and build stability to their lives...We sincerely appreciate your contribution of \$616.03...to make a difference in helping our neighbors in need. Thank you so much for your care and concern for our Cambridge-Area neighbors." ~ Tom Watson, President, Cambridge Area Resource Team
- ♥ Thank you so much for your donation of \$616.03 to The Fort Atkinson Food Pantry. We appreciate your generosity.!
- ♥ "EKLC, On behalf of Deerfield Community Center, I would like to thank you for your generous gift of \$616.03. Each year DCC continues to advance its mission. Through our programs we have seen many lives changed for the better..." ~Julie Schwen, DCC Executive Director

- ♥ Dear EKLC, Thank you for your support of the Stoughton Area resource Team inc. through your recent donation of \$616.03. Your generous gift will help Stoughton area residents experiencing hardship or crisis. It will allow us to link families with community resources and provide support in case management, housing, utilities, health, employment, education and financial assistance when appropriate. Please know that your contribution truly makes a difference. ~ Cindy Thompson, START Program Director
- ♥ Dear EKLC, Thank you for your gift of \$400.60 to Lutheran Service in America. We are deeply grateful for your congregations renewed support and for making Lutheran Services in America a personal giving priority. Your gift strengthens Lutheran Social ministry organizations working on the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic-providing vital services and forging new paths for low-income people and families across the U.S. With The EKLC support, we can address the urgent and growing needs in our communities and deliver meaningful change for millions of Americans.
- ♥ Dear Friends of EKLC, Skaalen Nursing & Rehabilitation Center Gracefully acknowledges your gift of \$600.60 (Benevolence/Mission Fund). Thank you for this gift that will help us care for all who reside here for years to come. ~Kris Krentz, President/CEO
- ♥ Dear EKLC, Thank you for your gift of \$616.03. We are looking forward to days when we can say the pandemic is behind us. Take Care and stay well, Sarah Williams, Director of Edgerton Outreach (ECO)
- ♥ Greetings to Our ministry partners at EKLC, Thank you for supporting the mission of Lutherdale during this time of a pandemic disaster. Your gift of \$600.60 in support of Lutherdale's ministry is a blessing and greatly appreciated. Your partnership is key during this time of uncertainty, face masks, and "safe at home". Our vacant campus is a harsh reality of the devastating impact of the pandemic. With over \$700,000 in lost revenue in 2020, your support is a bright shining light and reminder that we are all in this together. With our strong faith, we will get through this. The best highlight from last year is that Lutherdale ran a successful summer camp program, despite the pandemic. We had zero cases of COVID. Everyone stayed healthy and all had a wonderful time. Our 2021 summer camp season is open for registration and we are ready to have another great summer. A healthy summer, following all the protocols to keep everyone safe. We live in HOPE of welcoming people back and living out our mission of building lives in Christ. We were successful in 2020 and we will meet the challenge again this year. ~God bless you, Jeffrey Bluhm, Executive Director Lutherdale

Thank you!

Lutherdale

Congratulations Graduates!



Erika Lund graduates from Cambridge High School. Erika will be attending UW-Milwaukee to major in Nursing.

Parent: Emily Lund



Ryan Lund graduates from Cambridge High School. Ryan will be attending Winona State University, pre-pharmacy.

Parents: Dennis & Judy Lund

Known EKLC members that have recently graduated from College: Taylor Evenson, UW-Lacrosse; Molly Hensel, Georgetown University, Washington DC



Youth Director, Debbie Wethal, shares a special graduate blessing with Ryan Lund on May 23rd during worship.

God Bless you

Worship Helpers for June 2021

Sunday Readings ~

6/6 ~ Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 130; 2 Cor. 4:13-5:1;
Mark 3:20-35

6/13 ~ Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15;
2 Cor. 5:6-17; Mark 4:26-34

6/20 ~ Genesis 3:4-25; Mark 4:35-41

6/27 ~ Lamentations 3:22-33; Psalm 30;
2 Cor. 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

Musician ~ (Contact Person: Judy Rusch)

6/6 ~ Andrew Severson

6/13 ~ Judy Rusch

6/20 ~ Andrew Severson

6/27 ~ Judy Rusch

Assisting Ministers~ (Contact Person: Joy Graffin)

6/6 ~ Holly Loomis

6/13 ~ Gloria Fruit

6/20 ~ Vicki Schuh

6/27 ~ Carolyn Lien

Lay Readers~ (Contact Person: Julie Kriedeman)

6/6 ~ Barb Klemp

6/13 ~ Kristen Lien

6/20 ~ Carolyn Lien

6/27 ~ Beverly Lien

Acolytes ~ (Contact Person: Debbie Wethal)

6/6 ~ Kellan Jacobson

6/13 ~ Christian Terland

6/20 ~ Anna Amundson

6/27 ~ Kellan Jacobson

Greeters~ (Contact Person: Judy Rusch)

6/6 ~ Gloria Fruit

6/13 ~ Hal & Vicki Schuh

6/20 ~ Don & Eileen Hoehn

6/27 ~ Marge Stach

Ushers~ (Contact Person: Vicki Schuh)

6/6 ~ Bjorn & Elizabeth Kaashagen,
Kurt & Barb Klemp

6/13 ~ Carolyn Lien, Holly Loomis,
Diane Luginbuhl, Brenda Schroeder

6/20 ~ Tom & Trudy Spike, Don & Eileen Hoehn

6/27 ~ Nathan, Bobbie & Tiffany Stach
and Amerie Timler

Communion Set-up/Take-down~

(Contact Person: Marge Stach)

6/6 ~ Altar Guild

6/13~ Altar Guild

6/20 ~ Altar Guild

6/27 ~ Altar Guild

Offering Counters~ (Contact Person: Joy Graffin)

6/6 ~ Joy Graffin & Gloria Fruit

6/13 ~ Gloria Fruit & Jean Carlson

6/20 ~ Brenda Schroeder and Eric & Cheryl Nuenthel

6/27 ~ Joy Graffin & Gloria Fruit

Church Lock up~ (Contact Person: Holly Loomis)

6/6 ~ Gloria Fruit

6/13 ~ Holly Loomis

6/20 ~ Carolyn Lien

6/27 ~ Judy Rusch

In-Person and Virtual
Worship Every Sunday at
9:00am with communion

June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 8:30am Staff Meeting	2 6:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting	3 8am Pin & Sew (no lunch)	4 Office Closed	5
6 9:00am Worship Welcome Interim Pastor Loren Schumacher and Pastor Linda Schumacher	7	8 8:30am Staff Meeting 7:30pm Education Committee Meeting	9	10	11 Office Closed	12
13 9:00am Worship	14	15 8:30am Staff Meeting 5:30pm Property Committee Meeting 6:15pm Church Council Meeting	16	17	18 Office Closed	19 July Newsletter Deadline
20 9:00am Worship, Pastor David Berggren, Supply Pastor	21	22 8:30am Staff Meeting	23	24 Newsletter Assembly	25 Office Closed	26
27 9:00am Worship	28	29 8:30am Staff Meeting	30			

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Monday - Thursday
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WISH LIST

FOOD ITEMS

- Canned Meat
- Rice
- Cookies/Sweets
- Cereal
- Egg Noodles
- Pasta Sauce

CLEANING/PERSONAL ITEMS

- Laundry Detergent
- Dish Soap
- Cleaning Supplies
- Feminine products
- Shampoo/Conditioner



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