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"I AM THE WAY AND THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE." (JOHN 14:6)





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The Light of St. John's March, 2021

"For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven. A time to be born and a time to die...God has made everything beautiful in its time.

(Ecclesiastes 3:1-2, 11)

"If you don't like the weather, wait five minutes and it will change." This is a popular saying credited to Mark Twain. But it certainly fits our weather patterns in Texas. The month of February had the most unusual weather Texas has ever seen. Several days of freezing weather that even saw snow on the beaches in Galveston. But by the following Saturday, the weather was back in the 70s.

Just as weather has seasons, our lives have seasons. In weather there are four seasons. But in your life, there are dozens of different seasons. And every season of life includes both good and bad times. Each season has peaks and valleys as we go through successes and failures. The Bible tells us that "God has made everything beautiful for its own time." This means that God can take even the bad things that happen and, in the proper season, turn them around and use them for good in the way He intends.

The Church year also has seasons. We have just begun the season of Lent. The word "lent" comes from an old English word that means springtime. The Lenten season has a more somber tone than the others seasons of the Church year as it focuses on the suffering and death that Jesus endured for our sins. But the somber season of Lent ends with the joyfulness of Easter Sunday when we celebrate our Risen Savior and are reminded the Jesus is with us in all of our seasons of life.

The past 12 months have been a dark season for our nation and world as we continue to endure the Covid-19 pandemic. But there is hope on the horizon that things will go back to normal. The Covid rates are dropping, and our governor is even considering a time when we will no longer have to wear masks in public. People are also being vaccinated for this terrible disease. I don't know when things will go back to normal, but just as Lent gives way to Easter, I am reminded that even this pandemic is just another season of our lives and it too shall pass.

You may be going through a season right now that is not beautiful. We all go through the valleys of life. But we know that these times are just seasons of our lives. And God can make something good out of it as you trust him during each season. God is with us in each season of life, and He makes everything beautiful in its time.

Terry

SERVING IN March



Altar: Susette Hart

Usher: Susette Hart (Council Member)
Randall Hart and Donna Havemann

FLOWERS

7th Debby & James Schumacher (Memory of Paul & Charlotte Jurek)

14th Kelly & Ronnie Pampell (42nd Anniversary) 21st

28th Barbara Smith

Please pray for our Country, the World, those in the military the shutins, the lonely, those in need of healing and their families: Barbara

Smith, Jeanette Peed, Cindy Rex, Kelly Pampell, Delores Milzcewski, Cathi Laney, Mike Thompson, Dennis and Estelle Heitmancik, Barbara Sessions, Jean Bay, Douglas and Linda Brinkman, Tom Krenek, Stanley and Mildred Sommers, Jake Cedidla, Mary Bess and Garnett Gerdes, Sarah and Chester Canady, Roy Havemann, David Ronneberg, Kelly Kubiak, Marcus Broesche, Glen Drew, Taylor Power, Edward Beran, , Shannon Miller, John Laffere, John Boyd, Adele Zboril, Kim and David Hardin, Glen and Amelia Wearden, Joel Pertl, Patricia Tarnowski, prayers for those recovering from surgery, those who are in treatment for cancer and cancer survivors, and prayers for the family of Alton Ofczarzak. Prayers for Gage Wade as he begins his military career in the Cost Guard. Lord we pray that you come to our aid with your love and healing for all affected by Covid-19 and recent winter storm.

Midweek Lenten 2021 Readings

Midweek II (03/03): Gethesemane (<u>Mark 14:26-52</u>) – A young man flees (<u>Mark 14:51</u>)

Midweek III (03/10): The Palace of the High Priest (<u>Mark 14:53-72</u>) – False Testimony (<u>Mark 14:58-59</u>)

Midweek IV (03/17): The Praetorium (<u>Mark 15:1-20</u>) – Detailed background of Barabbas (<u>Mark 15:7</u>)

Midweek V (03/24): Calvary (<u>Mark 15:2-47</u>) – Simon of Cyrene's sons, Alexander and Rufus (<u>Mark 15:21</u>)

Thanks to everyone who signed up for flowers for the 2021 year. Dates still available are:

March 21st April 11th April 18th May 2nd May 30th June 6th July 11th August 1st August 15th October 3rd October 24th October 31st November 7th November 14th

President Dwayne Beran

Vice-President Ashley Zboril

Secretary Susette Hart

Treasurer Marsha Kocurek

Maintenance Kevin Kubiak

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New Newsletter
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St. John's Lutheran Church Council Meeting

February 16, 2021 6:00pm

Call to order, Opening Prayer – online meeting via email due to icy conditions

Approval of Minutes from previous meeting

Approval of Financial Reports: approved by all via email

Treasurer Report – General fund Building fund

Memorial Fund

Cemetery Fund / Perpetual Care Fund – Cemetery Perpetual Care

Pastor's Report- no report

Open issues-

Building Fund Priorities – Committee Update - no update Worship Service Music – no update

New Business

Approve transfer of \$2700 from Cemetery to General Fund for 50% maintenance reimbursement 2020?

Approved by email vote

Vote on March Pot Luck – Canceled via email vote

Approve 2020 Audit Committee

Discuss St John's May Picnic (with council and congregation) and vote on in March. Postponed until March meeting and Congregation input.

Adjourn / Closing Prayer – online meeting via email.

Respectfully submitted,

Susette Hart

St. John's Lutheran Church Council Meeting Agenda

January 20, 2021 6:00 pm

Call to order, Opening Prayer- In attendance was Dwayne, Pastor, Kevin, Ashley, Marsha and Susette.

Approval of Minutes from previous meeting; Approved as read

Approval of Financial Reports:

Treasurer Report: Building -General . Marsha will send out end of year budget vs. actual for 2020. Discussed donations to the building fund and end of year donations.

Memorial Fund – no report

Cemetery Fund / Perpetual Care Fund – cemetery

Pastor's Report – had two communion visits with Harden family.

Open issues-

Building Fund Priorities - Committee Update - Kevin has been updating the wiring for the AC/Heat.

He will speak with Nick Rackel set up by Ashley for concrete work.

Worship Service Music – no update

Confirmation Class Update -

Lawn Maintenance/Cleaning Agreements – Discussed Muzny Lawn Service and Bonnie Schumacher's status. They were both paid to begin their contracts.

Weed Spraying Opportunities - Susette will get Pendulum and Kevin will get it distributed.

New Business

Discuss and vote on a new Confirmation Student.

Discuss COVID – 19 Protocol to include Offering Plates, Mask's and Pot Luck.

Discussed potluck being canceled until further notice. Motion made by Marsha to cancel potluck in Feb. Seconded by Ashley... discussed offering plate protocol and ordering sealed communion cracker and wine combo.

Approve 2020 Audit Committee (Debbie, Kathy & Barbara) and date for audit. February 10 for audit.

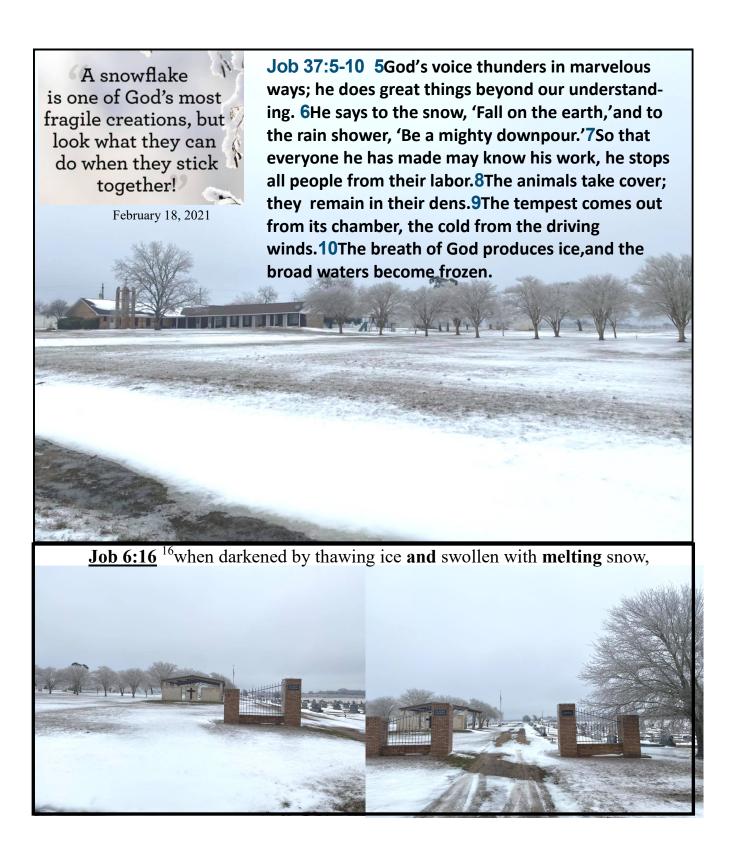
Dwayne made motion to approve committee. Marsha seconded, all approved. Discussed getting all books turned in to audit and went over all the accounts that need to be audited. Discussed the closure of the Germanfest fund being moved to Building fund.

Discuss and approve Fellowship Hall usage on 2/6 or 2/13 for Stamping Class. Motion made by Dwayne seconded by Pastor to approve.

Discuss time of meetings- changed them to 6pm on Tuesday.

Pest control is 1/21/21 with NTEC. Discussed 4D pest control. May get quote.

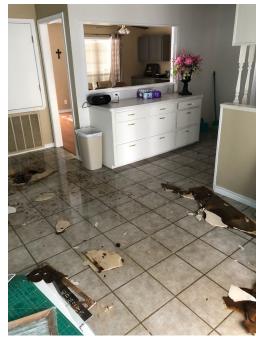
Adjourn / Closing Prayer – Motion to adjourn by Marsha, approved by all. Closing prayer by all.



The parsonage suffered damage from the recent weather. Extent of damage to the laminate flooring is not known but the cabinets and tile flooring look like they may be okay. A claim has been filed with Germania.









Thanks to all the members of the congregation who helped with the clean-up.

COUNCIL NEEDS CONGREATION FEED BACK ON MAY PIC-NIC BEFORE MARCH 16TH. PLEASE CONTACT A COUNCIL MEMBER WITH YOUR INPUT.

Thanks to the donor of the new beautiful kitchen towels.
They are very much appreciated.
Kitchen Committee



Thanks to everyone who supported the Deanville Heritage Foundation Tamale Fund Raiser on February 27th. Your support is greatly appreciated!

March, 2021 Monthly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	l Logan Albright Ashlin Albright	2	3	4	5	6 M/M Matt Blackmon M/M Bradley Suehs
7 Communion	8	9	M/M Ronnie Pampell, Christopher Peschel	11 Melanie Becka	12	13
Aubrey Melson M/M Lamar Kristof	15	Council Meeting 6:00 PM Myra Kindt Joyce Krenek Marvin Laffere	Garnett Gerdes Delayna Hold	18	19 Cayden Zboril	20 Danielle Kalisek
Communion Newsletter items are due	22 Coti Freeman	23 M/M Chuck Leo Nathan Balcar	24	25	26	27 Thomas Krenek Kellie Zboril
28	29	30	31			