



The Journ-E March 9, 2012

the weekly e-newsletter of *Journey Lutheran Church* for more information and calendar be sure to check our web page www.journeyluth.org
608-317-5433 (church cell) or 783-1892 (church office)



**Remember to set your clocks ahead
one hour Saturday night.**

Devotional thought: Have you been using [in the meantime](#) for your devotions? If you haven't checked it out, there is always something interesting there. I particularly enjoyed [last Sunday's blog](#)



Join us each week as Pastor Steve adds to the painting and we explore together the ways in which we give shape to the mission Jesus has called us to. The first week we focused on Service and the shape of mission was that of the cross, the second week we focused on Worship and the shape was that of the bluffs and valleys. This coming week the theme will be Faith Formation, come and see what shape that takes.



Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Sunday, March 11th, Luther & Lindsey Olson presented their daughter Amelia Grace Olson to receive the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Amelia was born March 3, 2011. Luther & Lindsey named Jared & Rachel Bushek as Amelia's Sponsors. It is our privilege to welcome Amelia Grace Olson into God's family and into our congregational family at Journey Lutheran Church.



First Communion. Sunday, March 11th, we celebrated with Hannah Carolyn Adams and Molly Margaret Adams as they had their 1st Communion. Hannah & Molly are the daughters of Brad & Amy Adams.

**You are invited to the Installation Services of the
Reverend Kary Jonas (Kary was our first guest pastor
while Pastor Steve was on vacation)
as Pastor of Chimney Rock and Grace Lutheran Churches**

Chimney Rock Installation will take place at
6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20, 2012.

A reception will follow the service.

Clergy are invited to vest and process.

The liturgical color of the day is purple.

Please RSVP to Norman Johnson by March 18, 2012.

715-287-4496 or email ndjohnson57@hotmail.com

Grace Installation will take place at
7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 21, 2012.

A reception will follow the service.

Clergy are invited to vest and process.

The liturgical color of the day is purple.

Please RSVP to Rollin Gjestvang by March 18, 2012.

715-694-2328 or email rssbjest@hotmail.com

Service Team Meeting. The Service Team is ministry within and outside the walls of the church and will meet Thursday, March 22nd at 6:30pm at the church. The main agenda item is to select coordinators for following categories: Caring Blankets, Holmen's Hope, Mobile Wheels, Visitation, and Habitat for Humanity, LWR and Warming shelters. Once this is done, the individual groups can then determine their own agenda. Everyone is invited to attend. Any new ideas are always welcome.

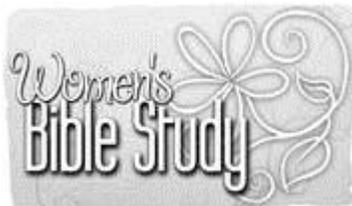


Join us on Wednesday nights during Lent

Soup Supper starts serving at 5:30 so we can have a simple meal together before worship. Volunteers are needed to make and bring soup to share. There are sign-up sheets right outside of the kitchen serving window...that what we can take turns providing food, so no one has to bring food every week, this also insures we have enough food for everyone. Immediately following supper we will move in the sanctuary for a **45 minute worship service** featuring Holden Evening Prayer and a preaching series "Lutheranism for Dummies".



Community Good Friday Worship. We will meet at Halfway Creek Park in Holmen at noon to walk the "Stations of the Cross" at various sites in the Holmen Community. We will conclude at Holmen Lutheran about 1pm with a reflection on the Seven Last Words of Christ.



Women....interested in being part of a Women's Bible Study? Several women have expressed an interest so we would like to get a group started. If you would like to be part of a Women's Bible Study please reply to this email or contact the church office, at 783-1892 or journeylutheran@gmail.com, so we can organize a meeting. **We will meet Sunday, March 11th, at 9:30 am in the back of the fellowship hall to make plans for the Women's Bible Study.**



The next Men's Bible Study is Saturday, March 17th, at 7:30 am at Holmen Lutheran Church.



Time to start thinking about Bible Camp this summer at **Sugar Creek Bible Camp**. There are programs for all ages and Journey will help with half the registration cost if needed (check with Pastor Steve about how to be involved with the fundraisers). Summer brochures are available at Journey or [online](#).



Youth ages 13 to college age are invited to participate in the **Easter Drama/Musical/Mime!** Mercy Moua will be coordinating it. Please contact Mercy if you are interested. Yeta_rox_all@yahoo.com



[Feed My Starving Children](#) is a great opportunity to make a difference by helping to assemble food packets. Sign up to be a part of the team on the bulletin board in the coat room. The event is **Saturday, March 24th**. We'll meet at Journey to carpool to Winona at 12:15 for the 1-3:00pm shift.

There will be an **Adult Bible study** on Sunday mornings between worship services 9:30-10:00 in the meeting room across from the restrooms.

Remember if we are to grow in faith it won't happen if all we invest is one hour on Sunday; be sure to check out [Taking Faith Home](#).



Don't forget to order your Easter Flowers.

You can order Lilies or Mums (white, yellow or lavender) for \$12 each. Orders must be placed by March 19th. You may designate the plants in memory or in honor of a loved one. Call Pat at 783-1892 with any questions.

We now have a **Nursery Supervisor, Jessica Pehl**, who will be overseeing our nursery. The nursery will be open Sunday mornings during worship and Sunday School time. Volunteers are needed to help on Sunday mornings. Please stop in and visit with Jessica for more information or to volunteer to help. Some items needed for the nursery are: a battery powered baby swing, baby wipes, diapers, a playpen and sheets. At this time we do not need any additional toys.



All Church Rummage Sale. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 21st**.

This is a great chance to get rid of that extra stuff just taking up space around your home and help support our youth ministry at the same time. We don't have room to store all the items now... but you can be thinking about it and start sorting. We will let you know when to start bringing it in.



check out the Journey Lutheran Facebook group



Are you a Thrivent Member? Be sure to direct your **Thrivent Choice dollars** to Journey. It is free money waiting for you to designate where to give it. If you don't claim yours it will be given to someone else to designate. Money is given out quarterly. Questions? Talk to Pat Hermanns in the church office.



Found a brown bag with jumper cables and extension cords. Other items found are a clip on earring, a star from a necklace and a child's bag with a cup and 4 books. Please contact Pat to claim.



Recycle your aluminum cans at Journey There is a “can cage” beside the garage. Bring your cans with you when you come to worship and toss them in the cage and we will recycle them for you and use the proceeds for our ministry here.



We also collect Festival Food receipts and can turn them in for cash...but they need to be turned in quarterly so don't wait to bring them in....there is a jar in the fireside room and on the table in the back of the church.

Support our youth

We have 11 youth and 4 adults going to the **National Youth Gathering** this summer. It is a once in a lifetime experience and it takes a lot of fundraising to get there. So there are a variety of things the youth are doing: Selling **Kwik Trip cards, Car Wash cards, Rent-a-kid, and** coming soon - **candy bars and the Annual Easter Pancake Breakfast on April 8th at 9:30 am.**

As a congregation we want to support our youth and here is a special way to do that.... We invite you to **Buy Stock in our Youth**. As a stockholder you would be investing in the faith development of our youth. You don't have to buy anything and there is no overhead ...every penny goes to help them. In return for your support the youth will pray for you and communicate with you from the youth gathering and invite you to a special stock-holders dinner after the trip to see and hear about the experience. Stocks are \$100 and you can buy a full share or partial share, support a particular youth or wherever the need is the greatest. For more information check out the [Prospectus](#).



Fellowship follows both the 8:15 and 10:15 worship service. **Volunteers are needed to help serve, clean-up and provide treats.** There are sign-up sheets in the kitchen on the bulletin board for you to indicate your desire to help with fellowship.

Coulee Regional Gospel Choir will perform "Jesus Shall Reign" The choir, instruments and soloists will present the Easter story beginning March 11th 10:00 am at North Presbyterian Church, La Crosse. Zion Evangelical, in Brownsville, MN on March 18th at 10:00 am. Good Shepherd Lutheran, La Crosse on March 24th at 6:00pm. Olivet Lutheran on March 25th at 6:00pm. Holmen Lutheran on April 1st at 4:00 pm. April 14th at 6:00 pm at Sand Lake Wesleyan Church will host a special performance with the Gale Ettrick "Vocal Point" as a benefit for the ensembles trip to Ohio in August representing the state of Wisconsin High School Choirs.

The coming week at a glance....remember to the [calendar on our web page](#)

Sunday (3/11)

8:15 am Worship Service
9:15 am Fellowship
9:15 am Sunday School
9:30 am Adult Bible Class
9:30 am Choir Practice
10:15 am Worship Service
11:15 am Fellowship

Monday (3/12)

6:30 FISH Young Adults Meet

Tuesday (3/13)

6:30 Vision Board Meeting

Wednesday (3/14)

5:30 pm Lenten Soup Supper
6:30 pm Worship
7:15 pm Confirmation/Small Groups

Thursday (3/15)

7:00 pm Worship Band

Saturday (3/17)

7:30 am Men's Bible Study at Holmen Lutheran Ch.

Sunday (3/18)

8:15 am Worship Service
9:15 am Fellowship
9:15 am Sunday School
9:30 am Adult Bible Class
9:30 am Choir Practice
10:15 am Worship Service
11:15 am Fellowship

On the lighter side: How many famous Lutherans can you name? check out ["The Lutheran song"](#) by Lost and Found