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From the Pastor's Desk

“Behold the man!” proclaimed the unwitting preacher Pontius Pilate in one of the shortest, yet most profound, sermons ever recorded. This will be our venture this Lenten season. Behold the man, God in human flesh, Jesus. His incarnation will provide the basis for our meditation and proclamation on His Passion. And His real, bodily suffering and death will provide the basis for our joyful proclamation on Easter morning of a bodily resurrection, not just of Jesus but also for His saints. Real bodies that have suffered, wept, bled, prayed, eaten, hoped, and more will be those raised incorruptible from their graves on the day of Jesus’ return.

We will fix our eyes and our preaching on the man Jesus, contemplating the inescapable fact—indeed the most important fact in the course of human history—that God became man. The Second Person of the eternal, triune God, who we confess in the Nicene Creed as “God of God, Light of light, very God of very God . . . of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made,” became a living, breathing, flesh-and-blood human being, a man.

This Lent, we will consider what it means that God became man. In preparation for the celebration of a real, bodily, flesh-and-blood, resurrection, the resurrection without which our faith and our preaching are all in vain, consider the body of Jesus that exists in order to be nailed to a cross. In Jesus, God has human flesh, a body, just like you. What could be more profound?

As in Advent, I will be leading a 40-minute Bible study between services (after the Soup Supper). Our schedule is as follows on page 5.

- Ash Wednesday, March 6, 4:30 & 7:15 p.m.

Sermon: “A God Who Hungers” (Joel 2:12-19; 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21)

Bible Study following Soup Supper: “A God Who Hungers”

- Midweek of Lent 1, March 13, 4:30 & 7:15 p.m.

Sermon: “A God Who Prays” (Hebrews 7:20-28; John 17)

Bible Study Topic: “A God Who Prays”

- Midweek of Lent 2, March 20, 4:30 & 7:15 p.m.

Sermon: “A God Beaten” (Isaiah 52:13-53:12; John 18:19-24)

Bible Study Topic: “A God Beaten”

- Midweek of Lent 3, March 27, 4:30 & 7:15 p.m.

Sermon: “A God Exposed” (Genesis 3:7-21; John 19:1-5, 23-24). Bible Study Topic: “A God Exposed”

- Midweek of Lent 4, April 3, 4:30 & 7:15 p.m.

Sermon: “A God with a Mother” (Revelation 12:1-6; John 19:25-27). Bible Study Topic: “A God with a Mother”

- Midweek of Lent 5, April 10, 4:30 & 7:15 p.m.

Sermon: “A God Who Thirsts” (Psalm 22:12-18; John 19:28-30). Bible Study Topic: “A God Who Thirsts”

- Holy Thursday, April 18, 7:15 p.m.

Sermon: “A God Who Loves” (Exodus 12:1-14; 1 Corinthians 11:23-32; John 13:1-17, 31b-35)

- Good Friday, April 19, Noon & 7:15 p.m.

Sermon: “A God Who Bleeds, a God Who Dies” (Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18-19)

Your servant for Jesus’ sake,
Pastor Magruder

Just a Note by Hannah Walters

*Alleluia cannot always
Be our song while here below;
Alleluia, our transgressions
Make us for a while forgo;
For the solemn time is coming
When our tears for sin must flow
-LSB 417 v. 3*

On March 3rd, we will celebrate the Transfiguration of our Lord. This is the culmination of the Epiphany season. Jesus' face shining with the radiant light of God's glory would be a vision to strengthen His disciples soon to witness His suffering and death.

Yet after hearing this preview of Jesus' resurrection, we immediately turn our eyes forward to Ash Wednesday and the long, seemingly dark season of Lent.

Each year on Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, the liturgy of the Church calls us to begin "a holy season of prayerful and penitential reflection," when "our attention is especially directed to the holy sufferings and death of our Lord Jesus Christ."

The words used in the Ash Wednesday rite of the *Lutheran Service Book Agenda* also remind us that "from ancient times the season of Lent has been kept as a time of special devotion, self-denial, and humble repentance born of a faithful heart that dwells confidently on His Word and draws from it life and hope."

Each of the seasons of the church year is observed and celebrated, but Lent, and only Lent, is "kept." The holy season of Lent invites us to be "keepers"—the people of God who keep the fast, keep the silence, and keep the focus

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throughout this singular season.

During this silent season, the language of Lent is purposefully kept quiet. The expression of praise, *Alleluia* is removed from our services and effectively “buried” until Easter.

This quiet, somber season can be a difficult time of year. Our vocal and instrumental music is subdued, sorrowful purple drapes our altar and walls, but finding the time and place for this observation and focus for the holy season of Lent is more than worth the effort.

As we keep the fast, keep the silence, and keep the focus of Lent, it becomes a fuller and more meaningful season.

Let us pray that our dear Father in heaven, for the sake of His beloved Son and in the power of His Holy Spirit, might richly bless this Lententide for us so that we may come to Easter with glad hearts and keep the feast in sincerity and truth. - LSB Ash Wednesday Order

The author of Ecclesiastes writes:

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.

A time to be born and a time to die.

A time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted.

A time to break down and a time to build up.

A time to weep and a time to laugh.

A time to mourn and a time to dance.

A time to keep silence and a time to speak.

As a sign of our repentance, we now say Farewell to the Alleluia until our rejoicing at the resurrection of our Lord.

Marilyn's Memo

Dear PWC Family,

I recently saw a church sign advertising a sermon series or Bible study for the month as “Christ Today”. It made me wonder what they will be teaching their members. Will they be teaching that Christ is different today because of our culture? Or will they be teaching the truth? *“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them.”* **Hebrews 13:8-9**

No matter how our culture has change, no matter what is socially acceptable, no matter what we are pressured to accept, the fact remains that Christ came into the world to save sinners. He came to save the entire world but sadly not everyone will be saved. Jesus Christ hasn't changed; we as a nation no longer have a population which attends church on a regular basis and many people do not know the Gospel because they have never heard it. Many only know about Christ through social media or other means which distort the message. John 3:16 is an example of how the world uses the Bible to try to make everything acceptable. *“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son...”* and they don't read the rest of the verse! *“that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”* They miss this part about belief and faith in Jesus! They don't have the assurance that Christ died for them (me) – “a poor, miserable sinner”. Apostle Paul spoke to Timothy about Christ's saving of sinners in his first letter to Timothy: *“The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that*

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Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life.” **1 Timothy 15-16** Once again, salvation is for those who believe in Jesus Christ. All those with faith and belief in Christ will be saved whether they were baptized as infants and remained faithful throughout their life, came to faith as adults, fell away from the faith and return, turned to Christ as they approached death or found His grace on their death bed. Those who reject the Gospel and turn from it will not have eternal life in heaven. They face an eternity in hell. We don't like to think of this and would rather believe that our God will save everyone no matter what they have done or who they are but that is not what the Bible tells us. *“For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.”* **Matthew 7:14**

Christ Today IS the same as always – a loving, forgiving Savior! One who wants people to believe in Him, to seek forgiveness of sins through repentance and to have eternal life in Heaven. This is the assurance we have and which we can share with those around us especially in during Lent!

Have a blessed March,
Marilyn

Youth Activities



Saturday, March 9 – Youth Movie/Game Night! 6 pm – 10 pm. Bring a favorite game or movie (G, PG or PG 13). We will also see what we can find on Amazon Prime to watch! We will have dinner together. Please sign-up so I can plan food and activities!

Wednesday, March 20, 11 am – 2 pm: Youth Spring Break Activity – if you get bored during Spring Break, join us for a morning surprise fun! We might go bowling, to a movie, on a scavenger hunt, or a progressive meal! Sign up.

Wednesday, March 27 - Youth Soup Supper! We will be doing a traditional Soup Supper so please sign up to help provide soup, a veggie tray, cookies and/or help! Sign-up will be posted on the bulletin board.

Save the date: EASTER BREAKFAST is April 21 with set-up and prep April 20! Stay tuned for this year's menu!





Lutheran Women in Mission

March Program: Monday, March 11th @ 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall As always, we begin with dessert and fellowship at 6:30pm. At 7pm, we dive into sessions 6-7 of Paul Maier's video series, "Christianity- The First Three Centuries". Dr. Maier explores darker days in "Martyrs for the Faith" and "Torments of the 3rd Century". Millie Miller has devotions; Kay Rubel & Sarah Krueckeberg will hostess.
All Ladies are Welcome!

- **Mites are Mighty!** LWML's mite box for World Missions will be in the Narthex March 3rd! For a comprehensive listing of missions supported by LWML, including links to each, visit www.lwml.org & www.lwmlrmd.org.
- **LWML's Northern Zone Spring Workshop entitled "What Kind of Glory Is This?"**, will be held at Eternal Savior in Lafayette on March 16th. Registration and coffee hour begins at 8:30 am. Program will run from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. Registration is \$5 and includes a breakfast snack and lunch. Please sign up on the LWML bulletin board by March 10th so we can RSVP!
- **March Mission:** The Spring Workshop "ingathering" has the dual focus to increase mites for National missions AND to collect toilet paper and feminine hygiene products for a local food bank. Our mission aligns with theirs! LWML is still accepting donations of TP and feminine hygiene products in the Sunshine Hall basket through March 10th!

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- **Thank You notes** from our Bazaar Fund recipients are posted on the LWML bulletin board. They share their thoughts on the grants and plans for the future!
- **We're ALREADY looking for 2019 Bazaar Fund Recipients!** If you know a college student pursuing a Lutheran vocation, please submit his/her name with a brief bio, their area of study and year/status in school to Christie Peebles.
*******Proposals will be accepted until March 15th and voted on at our May meeting.**
- **LWML's Executive Board** meets Monday, March 25th at 6:30pm in the home of Cheryl Harsen. All ladies are welcome to attend this business meeting.

Church Council

The Council Minutes *Minute* gives you the opportunity to see highlights of the Council Meetings several weeks before the approval of the actual Minutes.

These minutes reflect business conducted at the Council Meeting on February 18, 2019.

- Council held a Forum on February 3 to provide information regarding a proposal from a company to lease a portion of PWC property to install a stealth Cell Phone Tower. A follow-up Forum was held on Sunday, February 17 to ask the congregation if additional research should be conducted regarding this

opportunity. The overwhelming majority of the PWC members who participated in the informal vote at the follow-up Forum approved the additional research to be conducted. Anyone interested in participating on the small committee that will conduct the initial research should contact Dan Prevedel.

- There is still the need to identify a Fellowship Chair(s) to complete the last year of this term. Please contact Dan Prevedel if you are interested in learning more about this fun position. The first major Fellowship events are the Lenten Soup Suppers. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the Narthex for interested groups to indicate their interest in hosting Supper during the Lenten Season.

In addition, the Staff Care Committee has open positions. Additional discussion will be held with the Elders regarding the vacancies on this Committee.

- The Hands in Harmony Committee is continuing to work on an updated member directory and design of the photo board. The majority of members have returned the form to update their information and members are encouraged to submit a photo by March 1, 2019 or contact Betty Keeney to make arrangements to have a photo taken. Once all of the information has been updated and checked for accuracy, member directories will be printed and also available on the church website.
- Out of respect for our members and visitors, the Trustees have changed the threshold for snow removal in the parking lot. The parking lot will now be plowed any time there is 2" or more of snow.
- Council briefly discussed providing coverage during times when the Office Manager is off. Council agreed to

- continue the practice of seeking volunteers from the congregation to assist. Council requested that an operational handbook be created to assist the volunteers during the times they are helping.
- Council has asked Sara Buchleiter, Treasurer, to lead a small group who will develop a draft policy for financial gifts and other sources of income.
- The Financial Reports are provided in the Council Broadcast article to give Council members the opportunity to review and approve the monthly Financial Reports prior to providing the information to PWC members.

The 12/31/18 Year-end Financial Reports have been finalized and approved by Council. *(Please note that these figures include Preschool Income/Expenses through May 2018)*

Praise be to God for continuing to bless our congregation.

Income	\$432, 838.18
Expenses:	\$400, 717.28
Net Income:	\$ 32,120.90

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Carlson
Council Secretary

News and Announcements

Getting to know our new members:

Tammy Earl is a nurse and loves caring for patients at Collinwood in Fort Collins, where she has become acquainted with a couple of our PWC members. She has three daughters and three granddaughters. Originally from South Dakota, Tammy has been in our area for over a year. She enjoys going for walks, reading and a good cup of coffee. Perhaps she could recommend one of her favorite books/authors for your reading pleasure.

Kay Goeglein's smiling face may be familiar to many of you as she was a member a few years ago. She has four children and eight grandchildren ranging in age from six months to 18 years. Her "Grandparent Pass" to the Fort Collins Museum of Discovery offers her the opportunity for lots of adventure with her grandchildren. We have many "Preacher's Kids" in our congregation, but Kay is a "Preacher's Mom". You might ask her about it.

Joy Circle

Joy Circle will meet on Thursday, March 7th at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are welcome to join us. Joanne Dahmer will have devotions and hostesses are Millie Miller and Pat Stegner. We will have a Bible study. Hope to see you there.

Tuesday, March 5th at Noon -

TAG (Tuesday Afternoon Group)

Please join us for a potluck meal with everyone bringing a favorite dish to share. This will be followed by our continuing Bible study on the book of Jude led by Pastor Magruder at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome to come and enjoy the food and fellowship.

60th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Paul and Kay Rubel invite the congregation to help them celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary at an open house in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday March 30th. The open house will feature light snacks and will run from 2-5PM. No gifts please. Let your presence be your gift.

Holy Hog Dinner!!

On Sunday, March 10, an epic event is happening at Peace with Christ. Pastor Magruder, Mike Pollmann and Ray Kaiser will be providing a smoked pulled-pork dinner for you to enjoy following the 10:45 a.m. Divine Service. What is more, a very select panel of judges will determine which of the three “smokers” deserves the title of Holiest Hog! Please join us for a fun time of fellowship and a delicious meal! Contact Pastor, Mike (970-484-8689 or cell 314-277-8446), or Ray (970-219-1743) for more information.

Flower Chart in the Sunshine Hall (Library)

There are openings for many Sundays throughout the year. We can easily have up to three arrangements each Sunday to decorate the Chancel area. If you would like to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, remember a loved one, or provide flower to the Glory of God – sign up for a Sunday. It is your responsibility to provide the flowers. Traditionally, we do not have flowers during the Lenten and Advent Season.

Thank You!!

A huge Thank you to everyone who attended the Youth Valentine’s Dinner “ARE WE THERE YET?” in February. We had a wonderful evening of fellowship, good food and fun entertainment! We also raised over \$1000 in profit to help with the cost of Higher Things, LVR Catechism Retreat and other Youth events this coming summer. Your support is greatly appreciated!

PWC Youth Members, Families and Marilyn

Thank You – From Marilyn

I would like to thank all those involved in helping make the Youth Valentine's Dinner such a success. Thank you to Hannah Walters for her hours of practice & helping to encourage our youth members to share their talents & in the many other ways she supported me (and for singing with me)! To Heather Ivers for helping during the Work Days with food & clean up! To Gerhard Hemmen for the wonderful skits – they were enjoyed by all. To Kay Rubel for her help with Work Days, costumes & prop. To Chuck Black & Toku Cerman for helping with the blue station wagon & other props. Thank you to the kitchen staff: Jane Pennington, Marcy Petago, Hannah Walters, Kay Rubel, Dan Prevedel, Joy Magruder, Natalie Boehnke, Heather Ivers, and Toku Cerman. Thank you to the “frozen” BBQ/Fry crew – Tom Lasich, Tim Seek, and Scott Boehnke! Thank you to Betty Keeney for the tasty strawberry topping. Thank you to Caleb French for doing audio & to Scott French for his help setting things up. To all the youth – THANK YOU!! To Skit performers – Emma Magruder, Iain Magruder, Aidan Magruder, Logan Mohr, Isaac Pennington, James Pennington, Lydia Pennington, Lauren Ivers, Ryan DuRant, and Christian Peterson. To all who helped with props & decorations – Emma, Iain, Aidan, Lauren, Logan M., Bridger Boehnke, Lydia, James, Isaac, Christian, Karly Petago, Ryan & Rylie DuRant, Soren & Kai Olsen. To all our servers: Emma, Iain, Aidan, Lauren, Logan M., Bridger, Lydia, James, Isaac, Christian, Ryan, Soren, Kai, Caleb, Garrett Peterson, Grace & Josie Zweifel, our friends from Mount Olive!

Calling All Ladies!

First Annual Northern Colorado Ladies' Retreat

Please join us May 3 -5, 2019 for a theological retreat held at beautiful Fall River Lodge just outside of Estes Park, CO. Rev. Steven Cholak will be our speaker and he will present on the topic of The Three Estates.

Fall River Lodge is a large, beautiful home with nice amenities including a large sunroom housing an 8-person hot tub and game tables. Accommodations will be family style; sharing bedrooms, bathrooms and kitchen duties. Our

schedule will include worship, study, and fellowship time to get better acquainted.

Anyone of confirmation age and above is welcome.

Registration is \$150 and includes all meals and lodging.

Look for information and registration forms in your church narthex or ask your pastor.

Feel free to contact Noreen Linke, retreat chairman (member of Peace With Christ Lutheran Fort Collins) if you have any questions.

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Happy Anniversary

Ray & Rhonda Kaiser	March 7, 1992
Dan & Sarah Krueckeberg	March 12, 1983
Paul & Kay Rubel	March 20, 1959
Mark & Dorothy Leising	March 23, 1975
John & Vicki Farnam	March 29, 1986

Happy Birthday

Julie Chevront	March 1
Terry Fox	March 3
Marilyn Lasich	March 3
Jesse Flanscha	March 5
Pat Juchartz	March 5
Stephen Yeldell	March 5
Tina Nierman	March 7
Ed Jurischk	March 8
Angela Withouse	March 8

David Drage	March 9
Jill Johnson	March 9
Betty Keeney	March 9
Jason Lechman	March 9
Shawna Prevedel	March 9
Sue Sisko	March 12
Ida White	March 14
Hunter Bernhardt	March 15
Jack DuRant	March 16
Steve Spanjer	March 16
Katrina Jenkins	March 17
Kyle Lehman	March 17
Tyler Lehman	March 17
LaVonne Armstrong	March 18
Eric Petago	March 18
Aaron Peterson	March 18
Evangeline Peterson	March 18
Noreen Linke	March 20
Eugene Boortz	March 21
Jodi Holthouser	March 23
Karly Petago	March 25
Benjamin Pichel	March 25
Peter Fagan	March 26
Dan Krueckeberg	March 26
Justin Lehman	March 28
Arv Witt	March 28
Susan Dumke	March 29
Anne Foster	March 30
Abbie Johnson	March 30
Cathryn Zeigler	March 30

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