

# The Parish Messenger

March 2019 Newsletter

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR

HADDONFIELD, NJ





# LCOS "Piggybacks" Bishop's Challenge to End World Hunger in Lent

At the 2018 Synod Assembly Bishop Tracie Bartholomew challenged congregations of the New Jersey Synod to participate in a campaign to end world hunger "one cow at a time." Every congregation that committed and raised \$500 toward purchasing a cow through ELCA Good Gifts would receive a plywood cow for the congregation to paint and bring to the 2019 Synod Assembly. Our Sunday school children's Noisy Offerings in 2018 have already enabled LCOS to make that donation and our cow is ready to be painted!

In Lent we want to go a step further and include the entire congregation in piggy-backing onto the Bishop's Challenge by raising a Family Farm worth of animals through our Lenten Self-Denial Offerings. Lenten piggy banks will be given out on March 3 as Ash Wednesday begins Lent on March 6. Families are asked to put their change in the banks during Lent. If you are giving up something that has a cost we ask you put that amount in the bank instead. Our goal is \$715, which enables a Family Farm of animals to be purchased. A cow, a couple of goats, a dozen chicks, two pigs, farming tools, seeds and agricultural training and support, for example, can help a family achieve a fresh start. With new tools and techniques, crops will grow stronger than ever. Eggs, milk and meat from the farm animals provide a lifetime of food to eat and sell on the market, helping a family escape the cycle of hunger and poverty – for good. If we exceed our goal we will purchase as many animals as the overflowing good gifts of generosity and grace allow. Hopefully we will get to "squeal" with joy when all the banks come in on Palm Sunday, April 14.



# "The Invitational Christian" is Theme for Lenten Soup Suppers; Mar 13-Apr 10 @ 6:00

"Across America congregations are finding their ministries entering uncharted territory. Many are doing good work and experiencing vibrant ministry. People who participate in these places are excited and spiritually renewed. Yet they still aren't sure how to invite new people in to be a part of it." Dave Daubert. Are you one of those people who struggle with how to invite people to worship or a ministry or service event that you find meaningful? During Lent we will read and discuss the chapters of Rev. Dave Daubert's book The Invitational Christian and discover how we can become a more invitational congregation.

Held every Wednesday in Lent from March 13 to April 10 participants are invited to gather for a soup dinner at 6:00

followed by discussion of that week's reading from 6:30-7:30. Copies of the book are available for \$10 each and can be purchased through the Church Office after Feb 24. The weeks and chapters we will discuss on Wednesdays in Lent are as follows:

March 13 Ch. 1: A Changing World and Ch. 2: Why Should Anyone Come

March 20 Ch. 3: Quality Matters, and Ch. 4: Knowing Our Story

March 27 Ch. 5: Address Their Fears April 3 Ch. 6: Give Them Tools

April 10 Ch. 7: The Importance of With, and Ch. 8: Following Up



The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Our Savior is a faith community that worships Jesus as our Lord, proclaims and shares God's Word, welcomes all people, serves human needs, and nurtures personal and spiritual growth through fellowship all to the glory of God.



# "Plan the Big Rocks First" By Pastor Wayne Zschech

An instructor gave the class a large empty jar, several rocks, smaller gravel, some pebbles, sand, and a glass of water. The class was instructed to fit ALL the objects into the jar with none left over. Many tried variations of filling the jar without success and said in exasperation, "It can't be done." The instructor then showed the class it could be achieved only if you put the big rocks in first. Once they were in the jar the

smaller gravel was added, filling in the gaps between the larger stones. Then the pebbles were added filling in between the gravel and rocks. While it looked full the instructor then added the sand that filtered in between the smallest crevices all the way to the top of the jar. Finally the teacher slowly added the water, which filled in between the smallest of spaces between the grains of sand. The point: We only have a limited amount of time in each day, week, or year with many tasks, events, and relationships that are important or necessary for us to complete in our lives. However, only when we plan the "big rock" roles, responsibilities and relationships in our time first and what is smaller after them will we ever accomplish what is most important and meaningful in our lives.

Lent is a good time of the church year to focus on the "big rocks" of our faith. When do I spend time in prayer each day? How will I worship this week? In what way will I study God's word? Which option(s) might I take in serving those in need? Who will I invite to join me for a worship, fellowship, education, or service event hosted by Our Savior? Who do I know who needs encouragement? How might I give of my time, talent, and treasure to the needs of others from what God has given me? Read through the entire newsletter this month as there are many opportunities to plan such "big rocks" of faith during the weeks of Lent.

If you're like me you may already be saying, "Pastor Wayne if you only knew how full my calendar already is you'd realize I don't have any more room to and another "rock" to my schedule." And that's my point. How many of the items on my weekly agenda are not really "rocks" the roles and responsibilities that are most meaningful and important, but actually more like gravel, pebbles, or sand? Be honest with yourself. When I am I realize there are certain time consuming habits I've allowed to fill the time-jar of my days and weeks that simply are not as important or meaningful as the important roles and responsibilities for which I complain I have no time.

So this Lent plan the "big rocks" first. Literally write them into your phone calendars, planners or wall calendars. And then honor them. Make those appointments with your faith life as important as any other commitment you write into those same devices of managing your time. You will be surprised how, when you plan the big rocks first, not only do you experience a greater sense of purpose and meaningfulness in the world but the smaller stuff often is accomplished as well. Let me know how it works out for you. I know I'll need to practice what I preach this Lent!

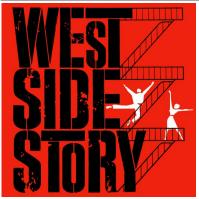
# Discover the Bible's Superheroes! Bible Discussion on "Judges" Begins Feb 25/27

Judges tells the story of God's people after the exodus from Egypt (Exodus), the wandering in the wilderness (Numbers), and the invasion of Canaan, or Promised Land (Joshua). For about two hundred years the people lived in the land without a king, under the leadership of individuals called judges. What sort of people were these judges? During the frontier time in North America (in the United States referred to as the "wild west"), independent leaders or heroes such as Buffalo Bill, Annie Oakley, and Davey Crockett stepped into leadership roles when needed. These were mostly young people doing wild and crazy things to help others in trouble. God's people, Israel, also had its wild and crazy heroes, especially in the early years in the land. Legends grew up around some of these heroes or judges. If you want to learn more about Samson, the Superman or Thor of his day, Deborah, the Wonder Woman of her time, and marksman who rival the Green Arrow or Hawkeye for accuracy then join us in discovering how their lives and the people of the Old Testament echo our lives as well.

This is not a Bible lecture but rather a discussion of how what we read in Scripture is applicable to our daily life and faith. Attend either Mondays from 7:30-9:00 in Room 112 or Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:00 at the home of Linda Powell (603 Crystal Lake Avenue in Haddon Township). **No prior attendance or scriptural knowledge is required to gain insight and value from the discussion.** Just drop on in. Bibles are available if you don't have one. See you beginning in February up through Holy Week. The following dates, reading, and topics are as follows:

Feb 25/27	Chapters 1-2	Cycle of Apostasy
Mar 4/6	Chapters 3-5	Deborah Leads Israel
Mar 11/13	Chapters 6-8	Gideon Defeats Midian
Mar 18/20	Chapters 9-11	Jephthah
Mar 25/27	Chapters 12-16	Sampson and Delilah
Apr 8/10	Chapters 17-18	Micah's Idols
Apr 15/17	Chapters 19-21	Levite's Concubine





# Join Sisters In Spirit for Lunch and West Side Story

Looking for ways to keep your spirit up during March's long, slow slog to spring? Sisters in Spirit invite the women of the church to gather after worship on Sunday, March 10 at 12:00 noon at Oriental Pearl, 215

Kings Highway East, Haddonfield for lunch. After that we'll move on to Haddonfield Memorial High School for the 2:00 p.m. matinee of this spring's musical production of *West Side Story*.

Doors open at the High School at 1:30 p.m.; seating is not assigned. Regular tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors. You can purchase your tickets ahead at the school, or SIS will purchase your tickets and distribute them at lunch. (Please bring cash to reimburse for the tickets.)

Please RSVP to Linda Nelson (<u>lnelson824@gmail.com</u> or 908-400-2413). Please let us know if you want us to buy your ticket, whether you want a regular or senior ticket, and if you would be interesting in carpooling from the church.



And start humming now! Something's coming, something great...

# "Peace By Piece" Is Theme on Sundays in Lent – Pins & Puzzle Pieces Included!

During Lent Our Savior will be focusing on six qualities of Christian character that lead to the peace that passes all understanding. Each week, during the Children's Message at the 10:30 worship, Jaime Frazier-Baldwin will share what the theme word of the week is that is written on a purple puzzle piece given to the children present at worship. Each week a new piece of the puzzle will be given during the Children's Message and after six weeks the pieces form a puzzle cube. Lapel pins will also be available for adults to wear as a reminder of our theme through Lent and the sermon each week will reflect on the "piece of peace" shared with the children. The words and themes for each week during Lent are as follows:

March 10 Faith
March 17 Love
March 24 Hope
March 31 Peace
April 7 Grace
April 14 Together

LOVE PEACE

We hope families can make all six weeks to complete the cube and adults and children can share how they might focus on their piece of creating peace throughout Lent.

# Pantry Volunteers Through April

Thank you to our February Volunteers: Marianne Aponte, Steve & Debbie Cain, Jerry Murphy, Lynn Block, Millie King, Confirmation Class, The Deery Family

Week of Mar 3: Marianne Aponte, Steve & Debbie Cain, Jerry Murphy

Week of Mar 10: **The Hoffman-Bridges Family** Week of Mar 17: **Gralish-DiGirolamo Family** 

Week of Mar 24: The Deery Family

Week of Mar 31: The Hoffman-Bridges Family

Week of Apr 7:

Week of Apr 14: Marianne Aponte, Steve & Debbie Cain, Jerry Murphy

Week of Apr 21: \_ Week of Apr 28: \_

Please contact Lynn Block, Pantry Coordinator, if you have any questions, recommendations, or you can fill in the blank spaces:

blockstar59@ hotmail.com or 609-238-7419.



# **PANTRY NEEDS: MARCH**

All donations welcome! Special Needs: canned meat; chicken, ham (5 oz.) canned fruit (15 oz.), oatmeal packets, paper towels, Tuna Helper.

Through the congregation's generous donations we were able to serve 16 adults, 7 teens and 5 children with 777 bags of groceries in 2018.

We have received many thank yous for the Holiday Acme gift certificates and Advent Giving Tree gifts: "I want to express my gratitude to everyone at the Lutheran Church of Our Savior, the gift cards added a lot of cheer to my holidays. Many thanks for all you do to make my life a little easier and a little happier all year round. It means a lot." "Thank you so very much for my Christmas gifts. You brightened my holiday with your very kind generosity!"



A BIG Thank You to Kim Warren and members of the Confirmation Class, and Oasis for Pantry stocking and packing on MLK Day. The Pantry Families truly appreciate your service.

# **Sunday School**

On March 2nd and March 9th, Gary Visconti and myself will be hosting parents of Sunday School students. Both meetings will take place at 4:00 in Room 112. During this meeting we want to hear from the parents on how to better our Sunday School program. If you are able to attend one of these events, please let me know at <a href="mailto:jaimfraz@gmail.com">jaimfraz@gmail.com</a>. If you are unable to attend, but still would like to give us some feedback, please contact me, it would help us!



# Oasis/ Confirmation

We are in need of plastic eggs and candy for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please no candy with nuts in them. Thank you in advance for helping make our annual Easter Egg Hunt a great success!

I want to thank Kim Warren and Jen Smith for putting on an amazing Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service for our youth. It was a great

chance for the youth to help make a change in our community. There were a few different options for the kids to serve; some of the youth made a meal for My Father's House, cleaned the kitchen, worked in the pantry, made blankets for Cozies for Chemo, helped Pastor start the conversion of a shower for IHOC and cleaned up the 3rd floor classrooms. Thank you Sarah Smith, Hannah Stauss, Sidney Speas, Joe Poliafico, Ethan Roncace, Bobby Bridges, Luke Fabian, Emma Warren, Brooke Warren, Allison Baxter, Rachael Simpkins, Sophia Howard. Sarah Simpkins, Theo Howard, Grace Ewing, Abby Ryan, Peyton Rhodes and Sandy Hoffman. We are looking forward to next year!



Youth Sunday will be on May 12th. All 6th graders to 12th graders are invited to be a part of the Youth Sunday Choir. We will start having rehearsal right after 10:30 service on March 24th, 31st and April 14th, 28th. We will be having a dress rehearsal on May 5th at 12:30pm. If you want to be a part of the choir or be a part of Youth Sunday in any manner, please let Jaime know at <a href="mailto:jaimfraz@gmail.com">jaimfraz@gmail.com</a>.

### March Events:

March 3rd-Sky Zone at 1:30pm, Jaime needs to know ASAP if attending. \$19 a youth

March 10th- Oasis Meeting at 1:00pm

March 17th- No meeting- Jaime out of town

March 24th- Youth Sunday Choir Rehearsal at 11:45. Oasis Meeting at 1:00pm

March 31st- Oasis Meeting at 6:30pm



# Two Options to Attend 1st Communion 1-Day Class for 2nd Graders

Anyone with a child in either the Second or Third Grade (who did not attend last year) is invited to participate in the First Holy Communion Instruction seminar to be held during Lent. There are two options to attend the three-hour class; **Sun-**

day, March 31, from 12:30-3:30 or Saturday, April 6 from 9:00-12:00. Participating children and parent need to contact Jaime Frazier-Baldwin (jaimfraz@gmail.com) if they plan to attend to insure proper set up and sufficient supplies. Since we will be using new materials this year we need to have an accurate count so please reply as soon as possible to the mailing that went out in February.

Participants will then receive their First Holy Communion at the 10:30 worship on April 7 with the bread used for Eucharist being made by one of the families whose child is in the class.

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# INTERFAITH HOMELESS OUTREACH COUNCIL

# IHOC Overnight and Meal Hosts Volunteers Needed Feb 24-Mar 10

Our Savior will be hosting the 12 homeless men in the Interfaith Homeless Outreach Council program of Camden County the last week of February and first week of March and we need your help! Here's what is needed as of Feb 8.

- 1. 7 men to serve as Overnight Hosts from 7:00 pm to 7:00 am, spending time with the men and sleeping overnight with them before they leave at 6:30 am.
- 2. 2 Saturday morning (7:00-noon) and 4 Saturday/Sunday afternoon (noon-4:00pm) hosts that spend time with the men. We are planning to take the men on an outing or two on the weekends as well as take them to the laundromat on Saturdays using the church van.
- 3. 5 Dinner Hosts from 4:00-7:00 pm to make dinner at home or at Our Savior and eat with the men who arrive back to Our Savior.
- 4. 7 Breakfast Supplies Providers who donate groceries for quick and easy breakfasts the men can make on their own. (Cereal, bagels, hardboiled eggs, milk, etc.)
- 5. 7 Lunch Supplies Providers who donate groceries for men to prepare a sack/bag lunch they can take with them when they leave for the day. (Lunchmeat, chips, fruit, etc.)

There is a sign up in the narthex outside the sanctuary or you can call to find out what volunteer options are still open that you can provide. Thank you in advance for all those who are able to help out as we expand our social ministry outreach ministry.



# Ash Wednesday Worship Mar 6 @ Noon & 7:30; Ash & Dash 7:30-8:30 at Westmont PATCO Station

Ash Wednesday worship has long heralded the beginning of Lent. On March 6 at both Noon and 7:30PM The Lutheran Church of Our Savior will hold this worship service of confession, reflection, and the imposition of ashes to begin the Lenten journey toward Holy Week and Easter. This ancient ritual is filled with spiritual significance for Christians. Here are the main ones.

"Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return." These are the words spoken by the pastor as an ashen cross is smudged on one's brow. Like the words spoken at a funeral committal,

ashes are a reminder of our mortality and finitude. They remind us we cannot escape death, no matter how hard we may try to keep it at arm's length or deny its reality in our lives.

Ashes remind us how at one time they were rubbed on one's skin to eliminate hard to remove dirt. Lent is also a time of cleansing and renewal. We pray along with the psalmist to "create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me", and are reminded of God's cleansing Spirit of renewal in our lives.

Finally, because the smudged cross is made with ashes mixed with oil, we are reminded of the mark with oil placed on our brow at baptism. We remember the promise we were given, "Child of God, you have been sealed with the Holy Spirit, and marked with the cross of Christ forever." In the waters of baptism we have been joined to both the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. And while the ashes remind us of our eventual death, the smudged cross reminds us death does not have the last word. As people "of the smudge" we are people who trust in the resurrection to new life it offers through faith in the risen Christ. In Lent we journey both toward the cross and the empty tomb. And this gives us hope.

In these days we need a reminder of hope as we rush from one place to the next. So **Pastor Wayne Zschech and** any who choose to join him will be offering the imposition of ashes at the Westmont PATCO station for an "Ash & Dash Experience" from 7:30-8:30 am on March 6. Contact Pastor Wayne if you want to join him on Ash Wednesday at the station.

# Lent Community Preaching Series Tuesdays Theme: "Gratitude"

The Haddonfield Council of Churches continues to host their annual Lenten Preaching and Lunch series each Tuesday during Lent from March 13 to April 10 at **Grace Episcopal Church, 19 Kings Highway East, Haddonfield, beginning at noon.** This year, the theme is based on the book "Gratitude" written by Dianna Butler-Bass as it explores how being grateful in an age of pessimism and rancor can change our perspective in how we perceive and live in the world. Following the 30 minute preaching service provided by a different Haddonfield pastor each week participants are invited to gather for an informal discussion of the sermon topic in Grace Church's Fellowship Hall. Bring a bag lunch if you like as the soup lunch previously provided will not be an option this year.





# Over 150 singers to perform in the Haddonfield Intergenerational Choir and Hymn Festival on March 24 at Haddonfield United Methodist Church

On March 24 at 4:00 pm at the Haddonfield United Methodist Church, the Haddonfield Intergenerational Choir and Hymn Festival will feature adult and children's choirs from several Haddonfield churches: First Baptist, First Presbyterian, First United Methodist, Grace Episcopal, and the Lutheran Church of Our Savior.

Over 120 voices in the combined adult choirs and over 30 voices in the combined children's choirs will sing a number of works accompanied by organ, and piano. All 150+ singers will perform *I Believe* by Mark Miller, an inspirational setting of a poem written during World War 2 on the wall of a cellar by a Jew at the Cologne concentration camp.

The audience will be encouraged to join the choirs in singing hymns such as *Great Is Thy Faithfulness, I Want Jesus to Walk With Me*, and others. A free-will offering will go towards Ed Hess, the community case worker in Haddonfield sponsored by the Council of Churches. This will enable him to help even more needy families in the Haddonfield area.

# Special Music during the 10:30 am service on March 10

With different styles of music come different expressions of faith. On March 10, the first Sunday in Lent, the Adult Choir will present an inspirational setting of *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* set in a New Orleans gospel style. Piano, clarinet, trumpet, trombone, drum set, and bass will help the meaning of the arrangement come alive. Some of those instruments will play throughout the service during hymns or liturgy in what will hopefully be a meaningful start to the Lenten season.



# Volunteer Expo

# God Needs You! Volunteer Expo in Narthex from 9:00-10:30 on Mar 24

The Volunteer Expo went so well in the fall we are holding it again this winter! The various ministry teams at Our Savior will have tables set up displaying the programs and events associated with that area of ministry as well as provide members and guests an opportunity to sign up as a regular member of the team or to participate in an upcoming event. Volunteers are vital to Our Savior continuing to provide a vibrant and thriving ministry and we hope you will plan to stay after or come early for worship to see how you might use your gifts this year through one of the many volunteer opportunities Our Savior's program ministry provides.





Did you know that Mark & Cathe Bare provide a Thanksgiving and a Christmas dinner for the girls at My Father's House? We all know how delicious the brunch is at the Annual meeting every year thanks to Mark and Cathe. They also take charge of receptions that occur after any concert that Our Savior hosts. Cathe is also the chair for the Worship and Music Committee, is a reader, a Communion Assistant, and both are active choir members. For all you two do, we thank you!

March 2019 Regular Events

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SUNDAYS	MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS	SATURDAYS
8:00 AM, 9:15 AM and	7:30 PM - 9:00 PM	10:30 AM Pastors'	9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	8:30 AM		10:00-12:15 Bilingual
10:30 AM Sunday	Bible Study –	Pericope	Bible Study Room	Handyman's Group		Families of SJ
Services	Room 112		112			
9:00AM Coffee Hour		3:30 PM Staff		7:00 PM - 8:00 PM		
9:00 AM Children's	5:30-8:30	Meeting	4:00 PM Tai Chi	Adult Bell Choir		
Choir	ChildrenSong					
11:40 AM Youth Choir	Ĭ			8:00 PM - 9:30 PM		
11:50 AM - 12:20	7-8:30 HP&P PH			Adult Vocal Choir		
Cherub Choir						
12:20 PM Youth Bell						
Choir						
6:30 PM						
Confirmation/Oasis						

March 2019 Special Events

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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					Austen at ACDA	Workshop until 3-2
3 Huddle 11:45 W&M Mtg. Confirmation Play Event	4	5 6:00-7:30 Daughters Without Mothers 7:00 PM Toastmasters-3 <sup>rd</sup> fl	6 Ash Wednesday 7:00 AM Ash & Dash 12:30 & 7:30 Ash Weds. Worship 8:30 Adult Choir	7 9:30 AM Mission Quilts No Adult Choir Rehearsal	8	9 8:00-12:30 ChildrenSong
			Rehearsal			
IHOC	HOSTS	March 3 – March 10				
10 Daylight Savings Time Begins 11:45 Sunday school Staff Appreciation 12:00 S~I~S at Oriental Pearl and HMHS Musical	11	12 11:00 HGC 2:00-4:00 Local Vocal-Choir Room 6:00-7:30 Last Daughters Without Mothers 7:00 Church Council 7:00 PM Toastmasters	13 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Singing Angels 6:00 Lenten Meal/Discussion	4 Messenger Deadline	15	16 10:00-12:30 Adult/Children's Choir Festival Rehearsal at UMC DeDonatis in Parish Hall
IHOC	Jaime	Vacation	March 11-18			
17 St. Patrick's Day 7:00 Lenten Ecumenical Service	18	7:00 PM Toastmasters	20 6:00 Lenten Meal/Duscussion	21 Messenger Mailing	22 7:00 S~I~S Book Discussion-Parlor	9:30-12:30 First Holy Communion Class
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24 9:00 Ministry Expo 4:00 Adult/Children's Choir Festival-UMC 12:30 Richards's Party Parish Hall	25 2:00-4:00 Local Vocal	26 12:00 PM Senior Game Day	27 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Singing Angels 6:00 Lenten Meal/Discussion 7:00 MGB	28	29	30
31 12:30-3:30 First Holy						

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**Communion Class** 

Huddle

The monthly calendar is subject to change. Please check the weekly calendar posted in the Sunday bulletin.

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# Cooks (and Drivers) Wanted!

Every Tuesday for the past 20+ years volunteers from Lutheran Church of Our Savior have prepared and delivered meals for 15 women participating in a substance abuse counseling and treatment program at My Father's House in Gloucester City. Director Miriam Broderick says when she first started My Father's House she approached all the churches in Haddonfield to help out. Only LCOS responded, and has continued to so do for two decades.

The women look forward to and greatly enjoy their weekly communal meal provided by LCOS. For some, Broderick says, it may be the only home-cooked meal they have all week. For LCOS to continue this uplifting social ministry, cooks and drivers are needed to fill out the 2019 calendar. Ideally, the person cooking will deliver their meals to MFH, an easy 15-minute drive from LCOS, but if that is not a possibility, delivery arrangements will be made (that's why a pool of drivers is needed; drivers will have at least a week's notice).

We're hoping to expand the pool of cooks in 2019 to share the joy, so, how about you? Consider contributing your famous chili, secret-recipe casserole, or award-winning chicken dinner. A "meal" consists of an entree, a side (such as a salad or veggie) and a dessert. Meal deliveries can take place any time Tuesday 9 am-4:30 pm; the folks at MFH will help unload your car. If delivery is needed, cooks should have their ready-to-go meal, labeled "MFH," in the LCOS kitchen by noon Tuesday so someone can deliver it.

# Sign Up Today!

Become a part of this fulfilling effort by signing up today on the sheets in the Narthex (cooks and drivers) or online (cooks only) using SignUpGenius, at <a href="http://bit.ly/MFHdinner">http://bit.ly/MFHdinner</a>. Contact Michele DiGirolamo by email (<a href="michele245@gmail.com">michele245@gmail.com</a>) or phone (856-905-5098) with any questions or for more information. Thank you!

# **Deodorant & Socks Collection for Caring Hearts**

LCOS Social Ministry Committee is sponsoring a deodorant and socks collection for Caring Hearts Ministries. We have been asked if we could collect deodorant for men and women, several dozen of each. Also needed are new pairs of socks for men, women and children. A collection box is available on the shelves outside Parish Hall thru March 31, 2019 for your donations. On Friday April 5, 2019, Caring Hearts will be hosting the Spring Fling, which includes a healthy meal, party, and needed items for these children and their families. For more information, contact Jane Evans at 429-2899 or jbenjee@msn.com, Betsy Kuehn at 429-3355 or betsy406@comcast.net, or Eva Shaw at 428-9434 or eslohboy@verizon.net. Thank you in advance for your donations.



# BE BOLD

# Delaware Mission District Assembly Meeting on Mar 31 at 3:30 at Temple LC Pennsauken

The Lutheran Church of Our Savior is a member congregation of the Southwestern Mission Cluster that is a member of the larger Delaware Mission District that includes Lutheran congregations of predominantly Gloucester, Camden, and Burlington Counties. On Sunday, March 31, at 3:30 in the afternoon the congregations of the Delaware Mission District will meet for our annual spring assembly at Temple Lutheran Church in Pennsauken located on Route 130. At the assembly the congregations' pastors and those voting lay members who will be attending the June Synod Assembly in June, as well as other interested members, will vote on nominees for various synodical election vacancies

as well as discuss the vision of ministry for our District and synod in anticipation of the election of a bishop at the June Synod Assembly. If you are interested in being Our Savior's voting member to the June Assembly or if you simply want to attend the District Assembly please contact Pastor Wayne at your earliest convenience to make travel arrangements as needed.



# LA Rams Win Souper Bowl! \$335 - \$33

Well the New England Patriots may have won the sleeper of a Super Bowl but the Las Angeles Rams won the Souper Bowl of Giving at Our Savior by an overwhelming majority of donations. Thank you all who contributed toward this little fundraiser that will benefit the Peace Center located at our mission partner congregation, Bridge of Peace Community Lutheran Church in Fairview. These funds will greatly help them keep the shelves stocked as they feed the poor and homeless in their community of Camden.



# Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange



We are creating a jigsaw

puzzle exchange in the library. Like doing jigsaw puzzles? Take a puzzle. Have jigsaw puzzles at home that you would like to share? Donate a puzzle. The Library Ladies are looking for jigsaw puzzle donations of 300 pieces or more.



Thanks to all who contributed to Ice Cream Sundae Night at Bridge of Peace! As you can see from the picture, it was a big hit! The kids loved the meal (it always amazes me how much they can eat!) and we celebrated 6 January birthdays with the ice

cream sundaes! Thanks to Beth Hill, Millie King and Sandra Guaglione for their ministry at BOP!

Amidst the joy, there was sadness as one of the kids came telling us that he had just had to call the ambulance for his sister who passed out. As we gathered to pray for her, a girl with special needs asked if she could say the prayer. Her prayer made me cry-she definitely knows that God loves her and is with her in good times and bad. The message and value of the youth ministry at Bridge of Peace shone through clearly!

I know that this is way too many exclamation points in one email, but it was a wonderful night.







A New Sign for Our Times Comes This Spring

You may have noticed our church sign erected at the corner of Wayne Avenue and

Wood Lane has been looking rather beat up over the last year. While we have attempted to repair it in the past it is clear the time has come for a new sign and one that suits our purposes. We are currently waiting for the Borough of Haddonfield's approval of a new sign we've purchased that allows us to change the message below our name when we have special worship times or events at church. It will be in the same location as the old one but quite larger with brick mounting columns on each side. Look for it to be installed once the weather gets warmer.

# March Worship Leaders & Volunteers

Altar Guild: Joan Johnson, Deb Hartigan Bread Baker: Eva Shaw

Communion Assts.: 8- Sandy DeDonatis 10:30- Peaches Larro Counters: Eva & Stacey Shaw, Janie Braccio, Jeannette Jelonek Ushers: 8- Pat Stewart, Kate Zschech

10:30- Peaches & Carol Larro

## March 3

Coffee Hour: Worship & Music & Communications
Readers: 8- Dan Picker 10:30- Danny Cook
Greeters: 8- Sandy DeDonatis
10:30- Deb Hartigan, Nancy Frazier
Acolytes: 8- Rob LaBarge, Libby DeMichele
10:30- Ben Hintz, Hannah Stauss, Sophia & Theo Howard,
Hailey Melcher, Julia Kiewel
Pantry: Marianne Aponte, Steve & Debbie Cain,

Jerry Murphy

# March 10

Coffee Hour: Congregation Resources & Counters
Readers: 8- Tom Cheney 10:30- Suzanne Trevena
Greeters: 8- Pat Stewart
10:30- Paul Knauer, Stacey Shaw
Acolytes: 8- Rob LaBarge, Luke & Allison Baxter
10:30- Luke Fabian, Peyton Rhodes, Christina Schaffer,
Amelia & Grayson Wright
Pantry: Hoffman-Bridges Family

### March 17

Coffee Hour: Memorial Gifts Board
Readers: 8- Juhan Runne 10:30- Gene Haag
Greeters: 8- Jim & Jane Evans
10:30- Kate & Wayne Roberts
Acolytes: 8:00- Rob LaBarge, Logan Gebhart, Jack Turner
10:30- Collin Duckett, Seba Miller, Luke Riley,
Brooke & Emma Warren
Pantry: Gralish-DiGirolamo Family

# March 24

Coffee Hour: Ministry Expo
Readers: 8- Peggy Hartmann 10:30- Betsy Kuehn
Greeters: 8- Laura Oakes
10:30- Peaches & Carol Larro
Acolytes: 8:00- Rob LaBarge, Joseph Poliafico,
Caroline & Emily Asselin
10:30- Rex Cottone, Grace Ewing, Abby Ryan,
Olivia & Ethan Roncace
Pantry: The Deery Family

# March 31

Coffee Hour: Altar Guild
Readers: 8- Kristine Monsen 10:30- Sidney Speas
Greeters: 8- Sandy DeDonatis
10:30- Jim & Nancy Frazier
Acolytes: 8:00- Rob LaBarge, JoAnna & Jessica Howley
10:30- Sarah & Brian Bogina, Elena Bovell,
Bobby Bridges, Emily Demers

**Pantry:** Hoffman-Bridges Family

# 2019 Coffee/Fellowship Hour Schedule

Mar. 3 – Worship & Music & Communications Committees

Mar. 10 – Congregation Resources & Counters

Mar. 17 - Memorial Gift Board

Mar. 24 – Ministry Expo

Mar. 31 – Altar Guild

Apr. 7 – First Holy Communion – Cake

**Apr. 14** – Ushers & Lay Readers

**Apr. 21** – Easter, No Coffee Hour

**April 28 -** Mission Quilts

May 5 - Outreach & Fellowship Committees, Greeters

May 12 – Muffins With Moms

May 19 - Personnel & Property Committees

May 26 - Social Ministry

June 2 - CONFIRMATION RECEPTION

June 9 - Sisters~In~Spirit

June 16 – Donuts With Dads (Last Official Coffee Hour)

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# Haddonfield Child Care Based at LCOS

Are you an early riser..... Do you like working with children.....Haddonfield Child Care has an opening for the Before

School Program at Central School. The hours are 7:15 am to 8:45am Monday through Friday. If interested, please call Donna Marie Clancy at 856-429-1603.



# Every Sunday at 9:00

# Moving? New Phone Number? New E-mail Address?

Please keep the church office updated with any changes. Thank you!



# SHHH! Please Respect Those Quietly Preparing for Worship

Prior to worship and during the Prelude there are those who practice quietly preparing their hearts and minds for worship while seated in the pews. Please respect their need for a hushed environment and engage in fellowship conversations in the narthex outside the sanctuary

prior to entering for worship or waiting until worship is over rather than in the pews.



# SAMARITAN GRIEF SUPPORT TO CONTINUE AT LCOS IN 2018

Healthcare & Hospice Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice Center for Grief Support will continue to offer professional facilitating for sessions in 2019 to help those who are grieving.

Daughters Without Mothers group for adult women grieving the loss of their mother will be eight consecutive Tuesdays from January 22 to March 12 from 6-7:30 p.m. in the Parlor, unless otherwise indicated.

The sessions are open to all. There is a \$40 fee to cover all eight sessions. LCOS members are encouraged to attend and share their experiences that may help others. Pre-registration is required through Samaritan's toll free at **800-596-8550**. Samaritan was named a 2015 Deyta Hospice Honors Elite recipient, the only hospice in New Jersey and one of only 39

nationwide, to receive that recognition. Deyta is a national data collection company.

Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice offers a wide range of services to support patients and families dealing with end-of-life issues. Many of those services are not eligible for insurance reimbursement.

Through generous donations, Samaritan has been able to sustain a 35-year promise not to turn away anyone due to inability to pay.

# HELP WANTED

The Handyman Group is in need of reliable, weekly volunteers on Thursday morning from 9:00 AM - 12:00 noon. We are a weekly men's fixit group dedicated to keeping the church in good working order. Please call the church office if you would like to volunteer,



856-429-5122 or just come by any Thursday morning to help out. snacks, coffee and fellowship provided. **It will be greatly appreciated!** 



# **Mobile Giving**

# Attention Seniors! Senior Game Day

MARCH DATE IS: Tuesday, March 26 at 12:00 noon

~ Bingo, Pinochle, Bridge, Mexican Train ~

Come out and Have Fun! Food and drinks (soda) served

RSVP: Peg Hartmann 856-745-2459



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