

ZION PROCLAIMER

April 2018

"Dose of Wisdom"

Blessed Easter! Even though this is being written and distributed before Easter, it covers the month of April. As we head into Easter this year, we have the whole month devoted to the season of Easter. It is a season where we look at the great readings from Acts as our First Lesson, then the Epistles are the typical lessons and then we have the Gospel Readings that focus on Jesus post-resurrection.

This month of April can be a time where we rejoice Jesus came suffered, died, and rose again. Yes there are times where we as Lutherans don't always show much emotion or joy. The season of Easter can be one of those seasons we can rejoice. We can be joyful because Christ has won the victory for us and we reap the benefits of forgiveness of sins, eternal life, and salvation.

These benefits give us courage to do things maybe we haven't done before. They give us courage to ask someone to come to church with us. They give us courage to talk to someone about their faith in Christ. They give us courage to ask for forgiveness from someone who has hurt us. They give us courage to gently and lovingly speak the truth in love to someone who has hurt us. The benefits Christ won for us on the cross and in the empty tomb give us a new life to live with courage and strength.

This April or Easter Season have courage and strength to do things you have never done before. Be bold and inspired by the Book of Acts and its' readings in the course of the Easter Season. Read through the 28 chapters in the book and take note of the courage and strength the disciples had facing many challenges and opportunities set before them. They were given courage and boldness by the message they believed and received and the Holy Spirit inspiring them all the way through.

Blessings in Christ,
Pastor Dose

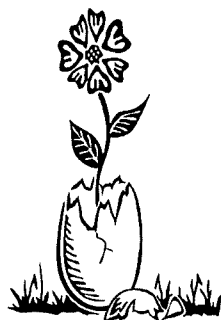


LADIES AID & EVENING CIRCLE

MEETINGS

LADIES AID: The Ladies Aid will be meeting on Thursday, April 5, at 1:30 pm. Hostess will be Karen Grundmeier with Christian Life being led by Shirley Ehlers.

EVENING CIRCLE: The Evening Circle will be meeting at 7 pm on Wednesday, April 4 at the home of Diane Witt.



CARROLL ZONE LWML Spring Rally

The Sewing Circle will be meeting on Monday, April 16th at 1:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come and join.



CHANCEL CIRCLE

Dawn Luetje
Alison Ehlers

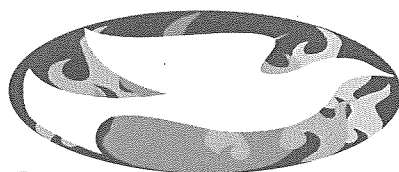
PARISH CIRCLE

Dawn Luetje
Sara Skinner



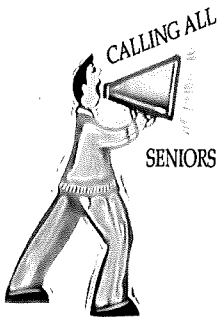
QUARTERLY VOTER'S MEETING

The Quarterly Voter's Meeting will be held on Sunday, April 8th following our worship service. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this meeting.



Confirmation 2018

The Rite of Confirmation was held on Sunday, March 25th. The following six students received the Rite of Confirmation: Jonathan Dose, Damon Ehlers, Jordan Hanson, Bret Hinners, Jaggar Luetje, and Will Ragaller



Just a reminder that Zion has 2 scholarships available. They are the Zion Memorial and the Violetta Anderson Scholarships. Applications for both scholarships are available from the church office and need to be returned by Sunday, May 6, 2018



Register @
vbsmate.org/events/zionarcadia

Plans are currently underway for our 2017 Vacation Bible School "Mighty Fortress"

Classes are open for children 4 years old (MUST be 4 by June 5th through 8th grade (grade you will be in next fall))

We ask that ALL persons interested in attending this year, please call the church office (689-2441) to register, or go on line at vbsmate.com/events/zionarcadia so that we can order materials accordingly.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: If you would be willing to help out with VBS this year, teaching, craft, snacks, etc, please contact the church office or sign up using the vbsmate.com website.

Please watch for more details as time gets closer to V.B.S.

V. B. S.
June 4-8, 2018
8:30-11:30



We are in need of teachers for our Vacation Bible School this year. VBS will be held June 4-8. If you would be willing to help teach or help in one of the classrooms, please contact the church office as soon as possible so that we can get materials ordered.



ITEMS NEEDED FOR
V.B.S.

White sheets to make bandages for 3rd World Missions.



ST. ANTHONY

Annual Volunteer

Appreciation Brunch

Please join us as we celebrate the hard work and dedication of our Hospital, Nursing Home, Spiritual Care and Hospice Volunteers.

Thursday, April 19, 2018

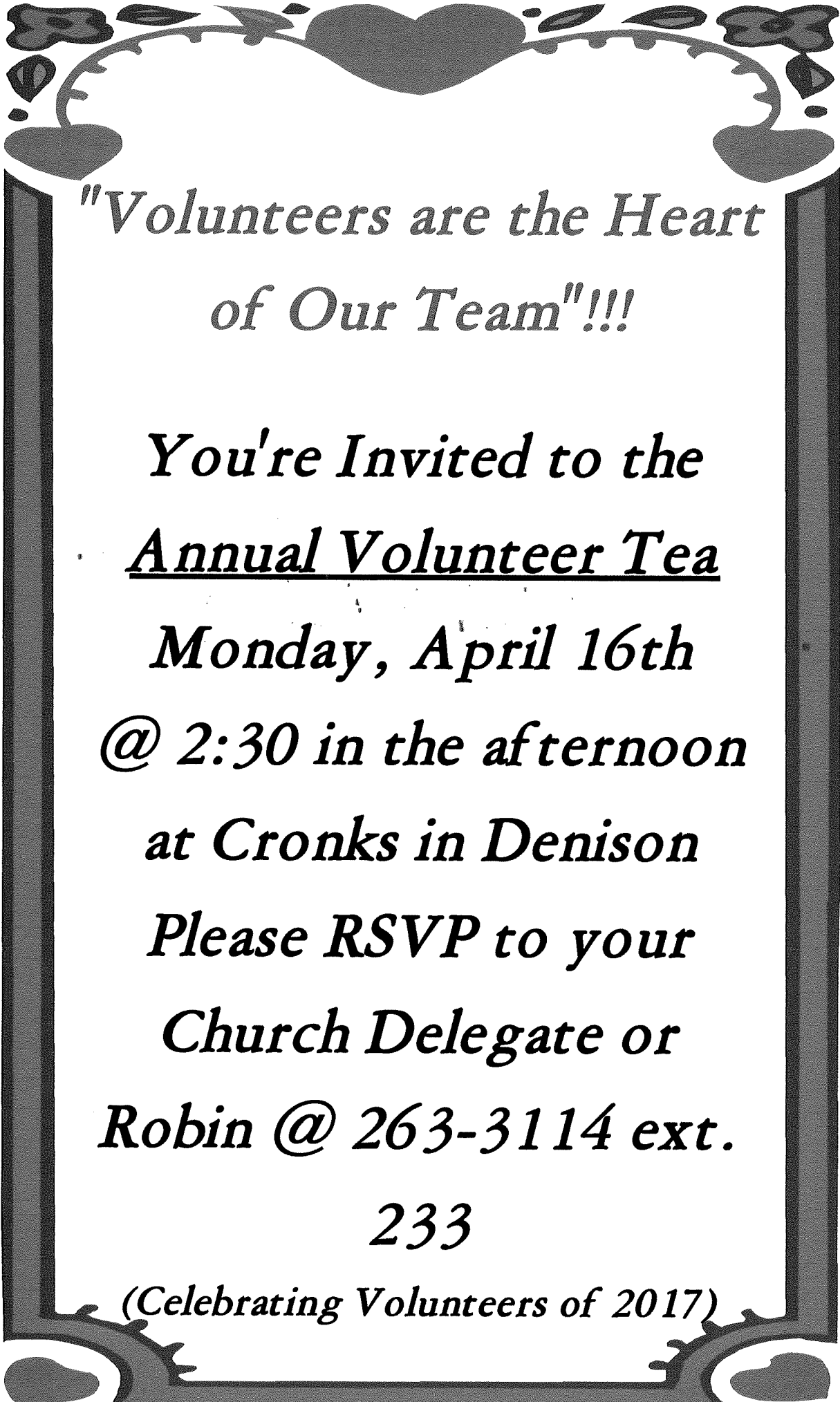
8:00-9:30 a.m.

St. Anthony Education Center

4th Floor

For your convenience, park in the Parking Garage and take the elevator to the Fourth Floor of the Surgery Center.

**Thank you for lending
a helping hand at
St. Anthony!**



*"Volunteers are the Heart
of Our Team"!!!*

*You're Invited to the
Annual Volunteer Tea
Monday, April 16th
@ 2:30 in the afternoon
at Cronks in Denison
Please RSVP to your
Church Delegate or
Robin @ 263-3114 ext.*

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(Celebrating Volunteers of 2017)

#Go Higher!

Where Christian faith, life experiences and excellent academics intersect to equip you for life.

CUNE (Concordia University Nebraska) located in Seward, Nebraska is where excellent academics intersect with Christian beliefs and the Lutheran tradition in a supportive community. CUNE is a member of the Concordia system of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. This is what the CUNE website states; but how does that look in the real world? How does that look in the lives of students and professors?

First of all, from my personal experience as an alumni of CUNE, I have experienced the uniqueness of CUNE. When I attended, it was called CTC, Concordia Teachers College. Since its humble beginning in 1894, many students have been touched by the warm friendliness at a great college in the middle of farm country. One might think that the majority of the students are from Nebraska, but the facts show that students currently enrolled at CUNE are from 43 states.

CUNE offers undergraduate, graduate and online classes.

What do the students say about their college experience? I organized an opportunity for Iowa District West high school students to experience a college visit day on March 16. Nine high school youth and six parents took the opportunity to visit. We started the event at the Cobblestone Motel at Seward on Thursday evening. We had an informal get together for sharing information and an opportunity to ask questions. Five current CUNE students and Daisha Thomas, admissions counselor, shared their thoughts, impressions, experiences and advice for incoming students. Their main suggestions were:

- Work hard in high school and get good grades. Good grades in high school equates to larger scholarships.
- Apply for every scholarship that is available. Be sure to apply for the lucrative Iowa District West scholarship each year.
- Live broke. Work as much as you can during the summer and part time jobs in college so you don't go too far into debt.
- Take the ACT more than once. The higher your score, the more scholarships you can receive.
- Take AP (Advanced Placement) courses in high school. That saves money. One student shared that she graduated from high school with 31 college credits and started at Concordia University as a sophomore.
- Initially, the cost of attending a Christian college appears to be too expensive; but many students

shared that the final costs were similar to the costs at a state university after taking the financial aid packages into consideration.



On Friday, March 16, the Iowa District West parents and students spent the day exploring the campus, going to chapel, visiting with faculty and coaches, and discussing financial options. At the end of the day, I asked for their impressions of the college. Everything was positive except for the rainy and windy weather! The following was listed when asked what impressed them the most about the campus: chapel, noon meal at dining

hall, the people, the aesthetic campus, number of buildings, music and art buildings, perfect size, felt like home, soccer team, and friendly atmosphere.

The friendly atmosphere is genuine and many mentioned that. One comment made by a professor is that when alumni return to the campus for a visit, they feel like they came home. I agree with that. Once I get into Seward and turn north onto Columbia Avenue, the feeling hits me. It's a place where life-long friendships are made. On a personal note, even after all the many years since I graduated, I am still in contact with three of my roommates.

During our visit on Friday, I randomly approached five students, introduced myself and asked what they appreciate about Concordia and/or the community of Seward. Following are the responses:

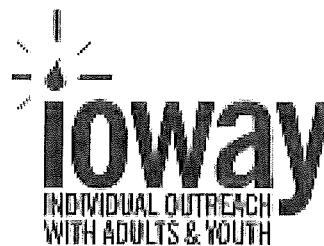
- Seward is like a small slice of home. Far enough from home, but close enough to still go home often. High school is so regimented and in college you have freedom to choose what you do and for some people it is a challenge because they don't know at first how to handle that freedom. Some students skip classes and others go to every class. It is up to you to decide what you want out of college and what you want for your life.
- In the work world you don't have the opportunity to skip. Show up or you don't have a job. College is training for the work world.
- Seward purposely strives to be a close knit community. They achieve it because the students, professors and community work together to make the students feel welcome.
- I love that Seward is a smaller town but has a lot to offer. Love the faith aspect of the community.
- The atmosphere is warm and welcoming. There is a smiling and welcoming feel at Concordia and Seward.



After the college visit activities, the Iowa parents and students headed home because of the rain and potentially icy roads. Rhonda Mohr, IDW Executive for Education, Youth and Family Life, and I were tough. We stayed to host a pizza party at Godfather's Pizza for

the current IDW students attending at CUNE. Pictured is part of the group who enjoyed the free pizza. We host this each year to let them know that we appreciate them. Iowa District West each year gives a significant scholarship to IDW students going into both church and non-church professions. I was told that IDW is known at CUNE as the district that generously supports their students with scholarships!

Each year it is special for me to make this opportunity available for high school students. This year was extra special because I learned that Professor Dr. Duensing (pictured) is living in Seward. I have not seen him since the day I graduated from college. In one of my classes as a sophomore, we were paired with a "special friend." Mine was Mike, Dr. Duensing's third grade son. I was often invited to join their family for a meal. It was great to visit with the Duensings and to learn that Mike is now a retired Navy Seal. Wow, I wonder if any of his life skills were learned as he and I shared bike rides, went out for ice cream, went bowling and just had fun together. CUNE, for me, truly was a place to make life-long friends.



For information about CUNE, contact Daisha Thomas, Admissions Counselor for Iowa (402-643-7329 or daisha.thomas@cune.edu). Also, contact her about coming to your school, church or home.

SAVE THE DATE! MAKE A DIFFERENCE! VOLUNTEER SATURDAY, APRIL 21!



YOU are invited to be part of an exciting IOWAY outreach to hundreds of children and parents at Moulton Elementary School on **Saturday, April 21, from 8 a.m. - Noon at 1541 - 8th Street, Des Moines**. Of the 515 elementary students (K-5) a large majority of them are refugees and immigrants from many countries. There are currently **27 languages** spoken in the school!



Be part of bringing a few hours of fun, food and games into their lives. **Bring your kindergarten age (and older) children and grandchildren and/or your youth group to be part of the adventure.** This will provide a unique opportunity for all ages.

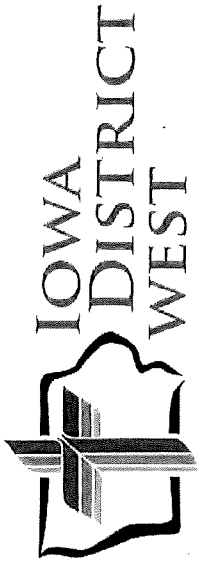
We need MANY ADULT VOLUNTEERS because we have no idea how many children and parents will come. Register online at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/moulton_elementary and let us know your volunteer preference of sports, music, crafts or food.

- 8 a.m. Volunteers arrive and set-up (come in northwest door)
- 9 a.m. Students arrive and are served a quick breakfast
- 9:15 a.m. – 11 a.m. Judy Newhouse and ISU music students will conduct a Music/Crafts Camp and Pastor Aaron Hannemann, the Sports Camp.
- 11:00 a.m. Serve lunch, clean up and finish by noon

- Food: Sponsored by Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Company American Church Group (through IDW Group Partnership Program)
- **Items needed by the students: hygiene items, mittens, sweatpants, socks and underwear** for ages K-5th grade. Please bring April 21.

Please register online at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/moulton_elementary or contact Pastor Aaron Hannemann at 515-554-4615 or Ellie Menz at 515-370-1159 or ellie@iowadistrictwest.org





THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

Planting Together

April 2018

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Contact email: sue@iowadistrictwest.org

On a Mission to Support Christ's Mission!



Dear Friends in Christ,

Christ has Risen, He has Risen indeed. Alleluia! I wish you all a very blessed and happy Easter.

To fully understand Easter Sunday we need to back to Good Friday. Jesus takes on Himself your sins and mine. That means all of us are there on Calvary. Think for just a moment how very intimate that connection is. Jesus dies a horrible and painful death so that He might exchange His righteous perfection for our sin.

Jesus wants this unity to be about Him. We are to be united with Jesus who comes to us in the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper offering His Body and Blood for the forgiveness of our sin and strengthening of our faith. We are united to Christ in the preaching of the Gospel. He comes to us in the words of absolution, "I forgive you." This takes place in your congregation, with your pastors and teachers. As fellow members of your congregation, join together to demonstrate Christ-like love and charity in your communities.

We celebrate Easter with new life. This is not just in our imagination. It is real and it is ours today. *"In his great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you"* (1 Peter 1:3-4). The new birth and new life is ours today through our relationship with Jesus Christ. Celebrating Easter is about the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. He lives and guarantees our victory over sin and death and points us to the eternal life that is ours in Christ Jesus.

Rev. Dr. Steve Turner, President
steve@iowadistrictwest.org

Ministry Safety and Security Seminar

April 23, 2018—9am-4:15pm at Zion Lutheran Church in Manning. Are you prepared to protect the people in your ministry? Plan to attend this conference presented by Brotherhood Mutual and hosted by American Church Group of Iowa/Nebraska. If you have questions, contact Roger Curtis (roger@iowadistrictwest.org or 515-576-7666).

Joy in Ministry Banquet

Mark your calendar for June 3, 5:30-8:30pm for our 2018 Joy in Ministry Banquet. It will take place at the Carrollton Inn in Carroll. Our 2018 Joy in Ministry Banquet desires to have a recruitment focus. Help the district identify students who should be encouraged to consider full time church work and be invited to attend this special event. Pray with us about this event - pray that young people would respond to the Holy Spirit's prompting to work in our churches and schools. More details will be shared in the coming months.

Church Worker Scholarships

Iowa District West offers substantial scholarships to students who are going in to fulltime church work or those attending one of our Concordia Universities. Applications for the 2018-2019 scholarship are located on our Iowa District West website under the tab "resources" — "forms and links." Applications are due by June 1. Rev. Tom Schlund, Senior Pastor at Trinity, Algona, is our new Director of Student Financial Aid.

Senior and Junior High Youth Gatherings

Save the dates for our Iowa District West Senior and Junior Youth Gatherings. It's not too early to begin making plans to attend. The Junior Youth Gathering will take place October 27-28 at the Sheraton in West Des Moines. Our theme is DELIVERED with the focus being on Baptism. Rev. Ben Johnson from Gloria Dei will be our main speaker, Swen and Dean will once again be our entertainment, and the inflatables will be back! The Senior Youth Gathering will take place November 9-11 at the Embassy Suites downtown in Des Moines. Our theme is Whatever! Based on Philippians 4:8-9. Tanner Olson, DCE from Austin, Texas will be our speaker. Encourage your youth to attend. The gathering teams welcome your prayers as they work to organize meaningful events for the young people of Iowa District West. If you have questions, contact Rhonda Mohr (515-576-7666 or rhonda@iowadistrictwest.org).

Calendar of Events

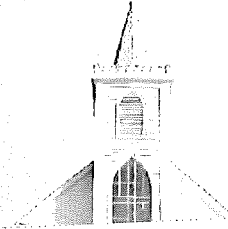
April 7...LLL Men's Network Breakfast and Bible Study, Grace-Le Mars
April 14...Structured for Mission Workshop, District Office-Fort Dodge
April 17...Kapfer Symposium on Preaching, St. Paul-Fort Dodge
April 23...Ministry Safety and Security Seminar, Zion-Manning

For more information on Iowa District West activities,
view *The Messenger* at www.idwlcms.org/publications.php



MINISTRY SAFETY AND SECURITY SEMINAR

SHOOTER RISK EMERGENCY TRAGEDY
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ARE YOU PREPARED TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE IN YOUR MINISTRY?

As public gathering places, churches are susceptible to a variety of safety and security situations, such as spillover from domestic violence. These one-day courses can show you how to recognize threats, build a safety and security team, deal with difficult people and situations, and protect your people from harm.

- You will learn:
- Best practices for utilizing volunteer church safety and security teams
 - How to respond to an active shooter
 - How to help protect children from predators in the ministry setting
 - How to raise the bar in your volunteer screening process

April 23, 2018

9:00 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Doors open at at 8:15 a.m.

Zion Lutheran Church

1204 Center Street

Manning, IA 51455

REGISTER TODAY

www.americanchurchgroup-iowa-nebraska.com

(Deadline to register is Monday, April 16)

Free! \$50 registration fee is waived for IDW congregations and will be paid by the district office.

Please disregard the payment prompt when registering on the website.

For more information, please contact Amy Sherwood:

Phone: (515) 314-5567 | Email: asherwood@americanchurchgroup.com

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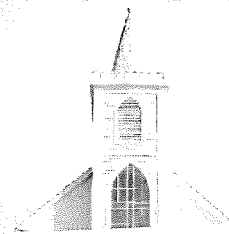
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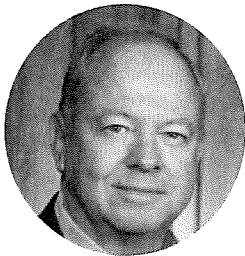


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ABOUT THE PRESENTERS



Bob Johnson served as the Director of Safety and Security for Christ's Church of the Valley in Peoria, Arizona from 2005-2017. His core responsibility was leading a team of more than 350 staff and volunteers, ensuring the protection of 9 campuses with a total of more than 30,000 in weekly attendance.

For the past 47 years, Mr. Johnson has been actively involved in both public and private sector security. Concurrent with part of this experience, he spent 20 years in the Arizona Army National Guard, reaching the rank of Command Sergeant Major. His military time culminated with assignment to the Arizona Military Academy overseeing leadership and management training for the State's Officers and NCOs.

For 10 of his 23 years with the Phoenix Police Department, Bob was a Detective with the Organized Crime Bureau. He became proficient in complex multi-agency investigations, working side by side with the FBI, IRS, Secret Service, DEA and other agencies to infiltrate and unravel money laundering, narcotics, gambling, prostitution, fraud, murder for hire and many other state and federal crimes. Bob also served as the Director of Security for Domino's Pizza's second largest franchisee and was responsible for 85 stores in Arizona.

In addition to his responsibilities at Christ's Church of the Valley, he actively assists other churches as they identify, recruit, train and deploy their safety and security teams. Since 2010, Bob has traveled the United States conducting safety and security seminars and threat/vulnerability assessments for churches. In more than 200 training events, Bob has instructed more than 15,000 people from all 50 states and Canada.

Bob has been married for 46 years and has two children and six grandchildren all living in the Phoenix area.



Bob Wild served as the Director of Finance and Administration and Risk Management for two mega churches in the Phoenix area for more than 25 years: Vineyard Christian Fellowship and Christ's Church of the Valley. He has served on several boards including the local Phoenix NACBA chapter, CCV Youth Sports Inc., the largest nonprofit youth sports program in Arizona, and Financial Planning Ministry, a national estate planning ministry to the local church.

Bob wrote and self-published an instruction manual for church planters called *Growing Your Church From The Ground Up: The Corporate Side*. Bob has been published in Church Executive Magazine, Christianity Today, and Group Publishing's professional edition for their Children's Magazine.

In 2009, Bob joined the team at Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Company as the Sr. Director of Strategic Alliances. He holds degrees in Criminal Justice and Psychology from the University of Wisconsin and a Master's Degree in Business. Bob has four children and three grandchildren.

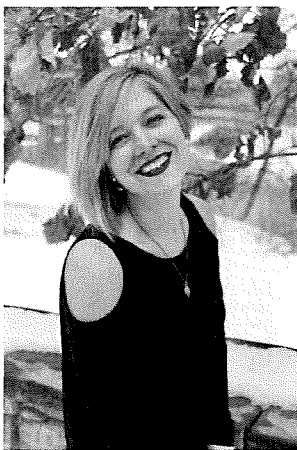
Camp Okobojo News!

Camp Okobojo
1531 Edgewood Dr
Milford, IA 51351
Phone: 712-337-3325

2018 Theme for Camp Okobojo is By Faith based on Hebrews 11:1 which says, "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see".

Youth camps will focus on their lives as God's children and how they live By Faith.

Registration is now open for all youth and family camps. You can register by going online to www.campokobojo.org and click REGISTER on the top ribbon of the home page! Any questions on **REGISTERING** can be resolved by calling the Camp Office at 712-337-3325.



2018 Spring Women's SPA Retreat

APRIL 20-23, 2018!

Cost: \$180 (includes linens, towels, meals, and lodging)

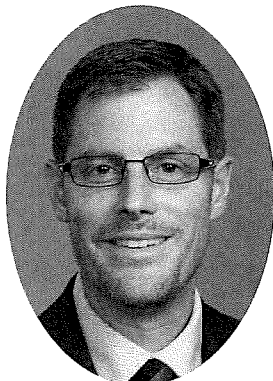
Our Bible study leader is Lauren Jensen. She is a wife and mother of 4. She has done a variety of ministries in the church which include writing and leading Bible studies, church planting with her husband Pastor Scott, and leading worship music. Her topic is "Strength in the Struggle," using the struggles in her life to remind women that their strength lies within the Lord.

NEW THIS YEAR!

Men's Spring Retreat
May 17-20, 2018

The retreat will include opportunities for various activities (shooting ranges, fishing, archery, and golf), Bible study, enjoying the campfire, and more!

Cost: \$180 (includes linens, towels, meals, and lodging)



The Reverend
Tom Egger

Continuing Education Workshop—May 20-23, 2018!

Participants may come in on Sunday May 20th. Sessions start on Monday morning at 9:00 AM

Presenter: Professor Tom Egger, Old Testament Professor at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, MO

Topic: The Book of Exodus as Story and Gospel

Cost: \$200 (includes linens, towels, meals, and lodging)

To reserve lodging, please call the Camp Office at 712-337-3325.

To register for the workshop, contact Erika Bennet at ce@csl.edu or by phone 314-505-7286.

Calendar of Events for April and May

For information on all events, go to our website www.campokoboji.org or call the camp office at 712-337-3325.

April 6:	Camp Okoboji Board of Directors and Auxiliary Meeting
April 7:	Camp Okoboji Annual Meeting at 11:00 AM
April 20-22:	Spring Women's SPA Retreat
April 26-28:	Wittenberg Academy Family Retreat
May 3-5:	Spring Volunteer Weekend
May 6:	Omelet Brunch 9:30 AM-1:00 PM
May 9-11:	Iowa Emergency Management Conference
May 11-13:	Youth Volunteer Weekend
May 17-20:	Men's Spring Retreat
May 20-23:	Continuing Education Workshop
May 25-28:	Veterans Retreat



CAMP OKOBOJI SPRING VOLUNTEER WEEKEND MAY 3-5, 2018

Join your brothers and sisters in Christ for a fun-filled weekend,
Thursday, May 3 through Saturday, May 5

We will conclude Saturday, May 5 with a dinner. You are welcome to stay overnight and enjoy helping on Sunday, May 6 with an Omelet Brunch from 9:30 AM until 1:00 PM with a freewill offering going for Camp projects and the annual fund.

Please call ahead for reservations for housing and meals.
712-337-3325 or email Joy Wolfram at joy.campokoboji@gmail.com

We are still hiring for summer staff!

To apply, go to www.nloma.org!

Contact Information

Doug Kading, Executive Director

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712-260-3438 (C)

Kirk Warnke, Executive Director Elect

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Lori Gamble, Program Director

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Kellie Jones, Office Director

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E-Mail: camp@campokoboji.org
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Camp Okoboji Men's Retreat May 17-20, 2018

Calling all men! Men's Retreat at Camp Okoboji!

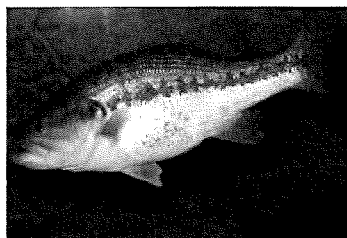
Full Package deal—\$160, includes lodging on Thursday; Friday supper and lodging; all meals and lodging on Saturday; Sunday Breakfast; towels, linens, and program fee.

Friday-Sunday Package—\$135, includes all of the above except Thursday lodging.

What to Expect: Options for indoor and outdoor shooting, fishing, archery and golf! Plus campfires, fellowship, and spiritual growth! Hanging out with other men, doing the things that men do! There will also be plenty of time to relax, play lawn games, canoe and other camp activities.

What to Bring (depending on the activities you choose to participate in): Fishing poles/ tackle, pistols or rifles, ammunition, golf clubs, etc. Many of these items can be shared or rented.

For more information and to register online, go to www.campokoboji.org.



Our Experts for the Weekend!

Luke Timm—Shooting, Ben Dose—Fishing, Marty Eby—Archery



Continuing Ed Workshop – Camp Okoboji, May 21–23, 2018

Participants may come in on Sunday evening. Workshop begins following breakfast at 9:00 am

To register for the workshop contact Erika Bennet at ce@csf.edu or by calling her at 314-505-7286
The cost for the workshop is \$140.00

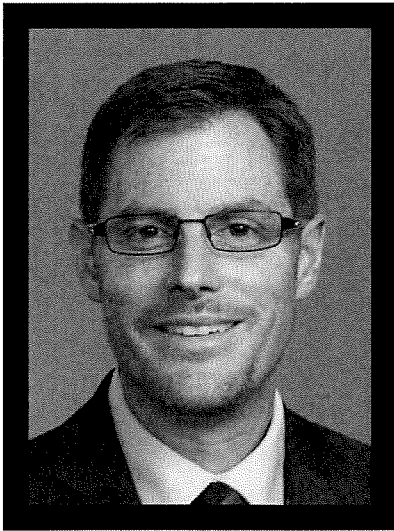
To register for housing at meals at Camp Okoboji go to the website, www.campokoboji.org Click on Attend Camps, Adults, the Continuing education.

Cost for all meals and lodging is: \$200 payable online or at the time of the class. For those in the area you make still pick which meals you would be needing on the registration link.

TOPIC

The Book of Exodus as Story and Gospel

The book of Exodus is foundational to the Bible's redemptive story which finds its climax and fulfillment in Jesus Christ. Its vivid episodes stand as an enduring revelation of the character of the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and as rich resources for reflecting on his typical works and ways. Bitter servitude; Moses the mediator and deliverer; burning bush; works of power and judgment; cloud and fire; dry path through the sea; manna and water from the rock; warring Amalekites and welcoming Jethro; meeting with God at Sinai; covenant and commandments; golden calf and near-disaster; and tabernacle with priesthood, altar, and ark. In lecture and discussion, Professor Egger will examine literary/narrative dimensions of Exodus with an emphasis on theological implications and Gospel proclamation.



PRSENTER

Reverend Thomas Egger has served as a professor of Old Testament at Concordia Seminary since 2005. His areas of expertise include biblical Hebrew, the book of Exodus, Old Testament Christ-typology, narrative and rhetorical analysis, and the nature and authority of Scripture. He has made contributions in the area of American Lutheran history, especially the history of the LCMS and its first president, Dr. C.F.W. Walther. He is interested in the theology of Luther's catechisms and the intersection of the catechism and the Bible in Lutheran teaching and piety. He currently serves on the LCMS Commission on Theology and Church Relations and on the Board of Directors for Providence Classical Christian Academy in St. Louis. A native of Muscatine, Iowa, Tom served as pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in rural Storm Lake, Iowa from 2000 to 2005.

Housing will be in Bethel Retreat Center. Towels and Linens will be provided.

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Website: www.campokoboji.org

Camp Okoboji's Spring Women's SPA Retreat! April 20-22, 2018



Bible Study Leader
Lauren Jensen

**Topic: Strength in the
Struggle**

Psalm 73:26

Cost: \$180 which includes all meals, snacks, lodging, towels, linens and program.

SCHEDULE

Friday

- 5:00-7:00 pm Check-in (Dinner will be served during this time at Ginny DeWall Dining Hall)
- 7:00 pm Welcome & Orientation
- 7:15 pm Opening Devotion & Sing to the Lord!
- 8:00 pm Spiritual Session 1
- 9:30 pm Relaxation & Social Time!

Saturday

- 7:30 am Wake up!
- 8:00 am Breakfast
- 8:45 am Sing to the Lord
- 9:00 am Spiritual Session 2
- 10:15 am Break
- 10:45 am Spiritual Session 3
- Noon Lunch
- 1:00 pm Spiritual Session 4
- 2:15 pm Spiritual Adjustment with Jesus AND Physical Adjustment Time
- 5:30 pm Sing to the Lord!
- 6:00 pm Dinner & Free time
- 7:00 pm Entertainment
- 8:30 pm Relaxation & Social Time

Sunday

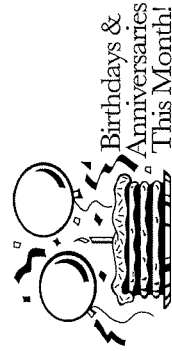
- 7:30 am Wake up!
- 8:00 am Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 am Spiritual Session 5
- 9:45 am Worship Time
- 10:45 am Brunch
- 11:30 am Closing/Good-byes/pack up and travel home!

**For more information and to register go to
the Camp Okoboji website**

www.campokoboji.org

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <i>Shirley Walde</i>	2 <i>Cassie Luetje</i>	3	4 <i>Jim & Myra Luetje</i>	5	6	7 <i>Kaleb Riesberg</i>
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 <i>Jaxson Cleveland Paul & Susan Ehlers</i>
15 <i>Dave & Mary Ann Musfeldt (67 years)</i>	16 <i>Jeff Vetter</i>	17	18 <i>Lisa McNelly Faith Neumann</i>	19 <i>Nicole Liechti Michael Rickers</i>	20 <i>Randy & Monica Neumann</i>	21 <i>Gene Liechti Denny & Sharon Maasen (55 yrs)</i>
22	23 <i>Jaggar Luetje</i>	24 <i>Kimberly Bauman Judy Gronau Macie Schrad</i>	25 <i>Kyler Bruch</i>	26	27 <i>Rich Hanson Beth Wittrock Ron & Bonnie Cornelius (50 yrs)</i>	28 <i>Makayla Schrad</i>
29 <i>Bob Erps</i>	30 <i>Jeff Schmitz Doug & Alison Ehlers</i>					





GROW BOLD WITH US

Seeking the interest, involvement and support of all who care about the future of our community and families.

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A Senior Living Community

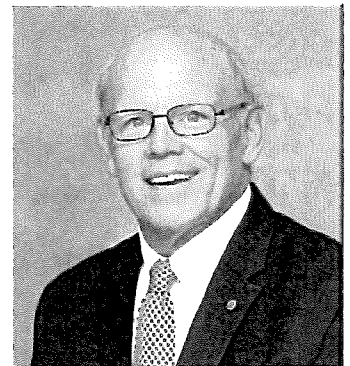
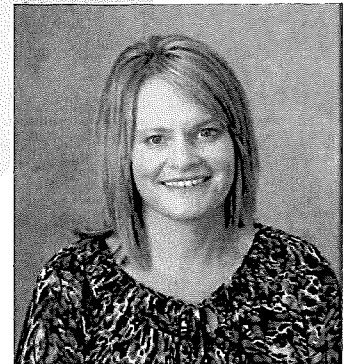
BOLD LEADERSHIP

Eventide Lutheran Home has been part of the fabric of this community for over 50 years and we are gearing up to show senior care organizations the way forward. We are engaging in our next and perhaps greatest challenge ever: to transform the way long term care services are delivered and to change the concept of a 'nursing home' forever. In response to the ever changing needs of seniors and their expectations as they age, we want to ensure the Eventide Campus has the best environments to take care of the people we serve.

Recognizing these changes, Eventide is looking to undertake its most significant redevelopment and transformation in its history. And, we do not take this journey lightly. Our board members, staff, and consultants have devoted substantial time and effort in planning for the transformation as we began this process nearly 15 years ago. We are accountable for the effective, efficient, and ethical utilization of financial, material, and staff resources. Our mission is at the forefront of each decision we make.

From our faith based founding in 1963, visionary leaders, compassionate caregivers, and a generous community have united in support of the Eventide Lutheran Home. We take pride in our non-profit difference, and we would not be where we are today without charitable giving and our dedicated volunteers.

Eventide will continue to boldly move forward by keeping faith in our past while positioning us for an ascendant future. We hope that you will all be able grow bold with us as we aim to develop a continuum of care that will be economically sustainable and viable for generations to come.



Mindi Baker, Eventide Campus CEO
Mark Gray, Eventide Board President

Companion Leadership

Deb Aldag
Mindi Baker
Scott Bus
Tonya Eler
Rick Franck
Mark Gray
Janice Henningsen
Jill Kierscht, ARNP, MSN
Christine Krigel
Pastor David Loeschner
Robin Schiltz
Pam & Doug Sorenson, DDS

OUR MISSION

We strive to be the Health Care Provider of Choice and the Employer of Choice by understanding and meeting the special needs of our Residents, Families, and Employees.

To provide services in a way that includes family involvement, promoting and maximizing the independence and dignity of every Resident.

BOLD VISION

Eventide has served residents requiring skilled nursing care or memory support in a setting that originated in models best described as "institutional medical model." Our current fifty-four year old nursing facility features over 50% of shared resident rooms, shared shower/bathing rooms, long corridors, very centralized space, with limited living space which were all among the standards of this once popular model of care. In response to the ever changing needs of seniors and their expectations as they age, the institutional model of care must be eliminated to create a more home-like setting where the care is directed by the specific needs of each resident.

Over the years, Eventide has set the standard for senior care. Now during our boldest move yet, our vision is to; **1- build a replacement Skilled Nursing Facility, 2- add to our continuum by building Memory Support Assisted Living, and 3- incorporating the Household Model of resident-directed care within both.**

MEMORY SUPPORT ASSISTED LIVING

The Household Model is a bold departure from the traditional medical model both in design of



the physical setting and in aspects of operations. This model is redefining senior living and much like the name implies, it brings with it elements that focus on a lifestyle and environment that is similar to the home they have always lived in. The evidence shows that people in households have a higher quality of life and there is a higher continuity of care between caregiver and resident.

In order to bring these new households to life, we will adjust to a new resident-directed staffing model. Our desire for resident-directed living and to empower our team members to make decisions at the level closest to the issues is at the heart of the decision to construct households on our campus. We will transform the life and work that happens within these buildings, bringing a true culture change that can be seen and felt by those in the facility. Positions such as dietary aids, laundry assistants and housekeepers for example will become a cross-trained team of people serving as "hosts". These changes empower our versatile workers to make decisions and allow our residents the freedom of "choice".

SKILLED NURSING FACILITY

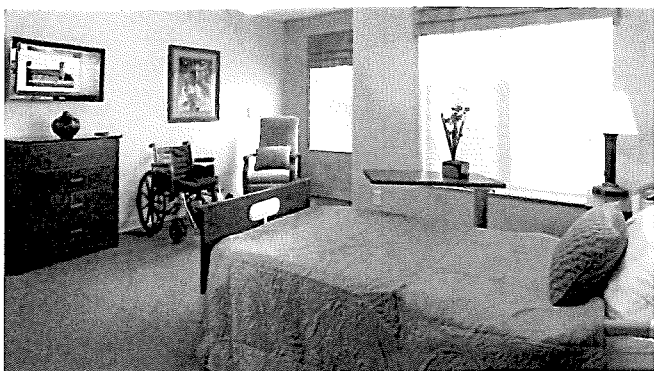
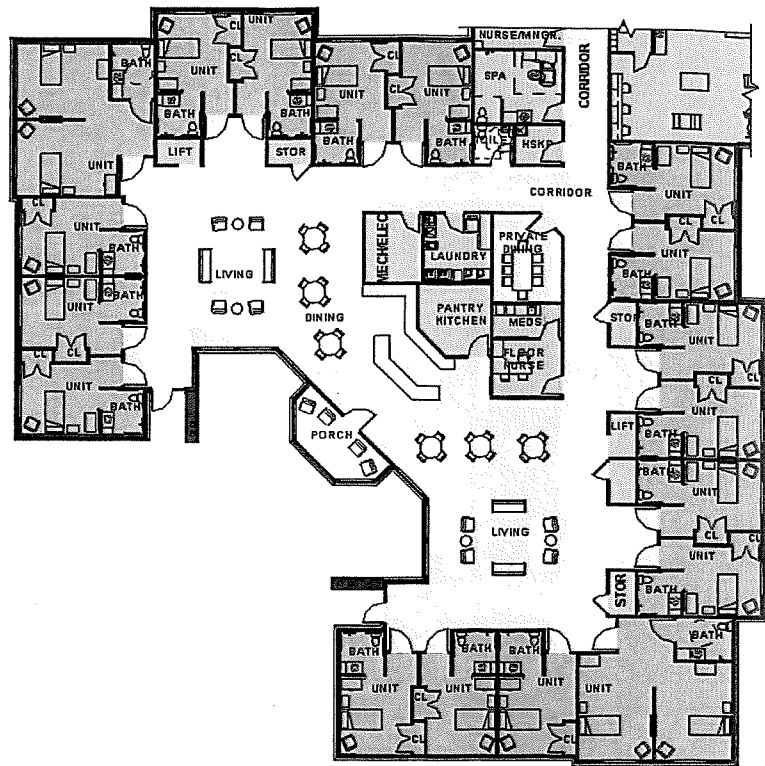


BOLD DESIGN

Senior Living design is changing to bring greater individuality, community, dignity and respect to our residents. An Eventide transition to fully capture the household design is dependent upon the creation of new facilities for skilled care and memory support. The following are the most critical design elements of each:

- private resident rooms
- households dedicated to memory care
- private outdoor courtyards
- family spaces
- kitchen within household
- shorter distance in household
- greater resident dignity and privacy
- resident and staff empowerment
- increased socialization

SKILLED NURSING FACILITY HOUSEHOLD



Outside of the residents' households one can stroll 'to town' when they need something not normally find in a home. Our town, or as we call it, Main Street, will be the connecting piece to all of the households. Here you will find services such as a Beauty Shop, Library and Rehabilitation Therapy. For greater family and visitor interaction, the Lounges or Snack Bar provide a space to socialize. The highlight of Main Street would be in the Activity Center where residents can attend church services, watch a movie, or hear their favorite entertainer.

As a local leader in Rehabilitation Therapy, it is important to strengthen our services by allowing for more space and additional equipment. Instead of going to a city to receive these services, a resident or community member will have access to top of the line therapy in their own backyard.

**Some elements of the proposed design may be altered.*

BOLD FUNDING

Eventide leaders are taking bold steps to create facilities that will adequately serve multiple generations of future residents. A substantial financial investment in facilities, programs and people is required to transform our community's health care future.

Eventide proposes to construct an 80-bed skilled nursing facility and a 16-bed memory support assisted living. The skilled nursing facility would be built on Eventide's current campus, on land formerly occupied by the Crawford County Hospital; and the 16-bed memory support assisted living would adjoin Silveridge Assisted Living facility.

THE ENTIRE COST FOR THE TWO NEW FACILITIES IS APPROXIMATELY \$17 MILLION. TO MAINTAIN EVENTIDE'S SUSTAINABILITY, A FUNDRAISING GOAL OF \$2 MILLION MUST BE MET.

WHAT IT TAKES

<u>Gift Range</u>	<u># Donors</u>	<u>Cumulative Gift Total</u>
\$250,000	1	\$250,000
\$150,000	2	\$550,000
\$100,000	4	\$950,000
\$50,000	8	\$1,350,000
\$25,000	12	\$1,650,000
\$10,000	16	\$1,810,000
\$5,000	20	\$1,910,000
\$2,500	24	\$1,970,000
\$1,000	30	\$2,000,000

GIVING ALTERNATIVES

SECURITIES: including stocks, bonds or mutual funds that have been owned more than one year and have increased in value (and which are NOT in an IRA or other retirement account).

My/Our INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT (IRA): for those age 70 ½ or greater, an opportunity to avoid income taxation on required withdrawals from your retirement account.

UNPRODUCTIVE ASSETS: a long list of possibilities generally defined as anything you no longer want or need. Life insurance, real estate, farm equipment, personal property all are possibilities.

GRAIN: For those involved in production agriculture, a way to share a portion of a crop and continue to deduct the input costs.

The Eventide Community is working with charitable gift planner, Doug Lockin, CPA. For a free consultation on the opportunities and benefits of using the assets listed above, you may contact Doug directly at 515.210.6603 or lockin.dr@msn.com with any questions or to arrange a conversation.

BOLD LEGACIES

This kind of change cannot be accomplished by just our organization. It takes a community. Your investment will mean a better community in which to live in and an enhanced quality of life for you and your loved ones.

NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

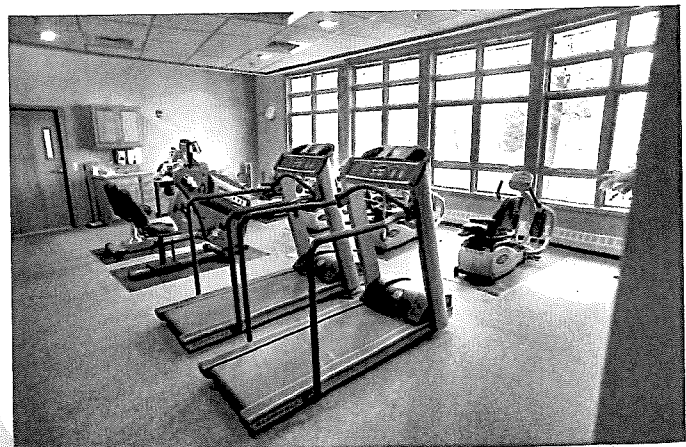
<u>Area</u>	<u>Value</u>
Nursing Facility	\$1,000,000
Memory Support Assisted Living	\$500,000
Therapy	\$250,000
Activity Center	\$150,000
Silveridge Connecting Sunroom	\$150,000
Household (4)	\$100,000
Courtyard (5)	\$50,000
Beauty Salon	\$50,000
Snack Bar	\$50,000
Conference Room	\$50,000
Chapel	\$25,000
Exam Room	\$25,000
Lounge (2)	\$25,000

Eventide understands the priceless value of a name. To hear a name evokes memories and reminds us of special times with loved ones. If you are considering a special gift, Eventide extends the opportunity to families and friends to honor their loved ones or establish a family legacy in a special and lasting way with commemorative naming opportunities.

Businesses can also be recognized through naming opportunities. There is no better marketing tool than showing the community the values and mission strength of your company by supporting local non-profits and the seniors of our community.

Both the nursing facility and memory support assisted living have naming opportunities available. Donors have a variety of choices with these naming opportunities, and we will be happy to discuss which opportunity would be the best option for you or your business.

Eventide is a non-profit charitable organization and is a tax exempt entity under section 501(c)(3). Your contribution to the Grow Bold with Us campaign will be tax deductible.



THE EVENTIDE FOUNDATION DEDICATES \$1 MILLION TO THE GROW BOLD WITH US CAMPAIGN!

Funds collected by the Eventide Foundation are used to supplement the increasing cost of personal care and to provide amenities to residents that would not otherwise be available. Gifts given to the Eventide Foundation make a great difference in the comfort and quality of care delivered to the residents.

The Eventide Foundation continues their charitable legacy by dedicating 1 million dollars to support the replacement skilled nursing facility and the addition of memory support assisted living to the campus. With this support, we can minimize our original community asking of 3 million, to a more manageable 2 million.

"The Eventide Foundation exists to support Eventide. I can think of no better project the Foundation should support than this. This project will be a giant step toward making certain that Eventide remains a leader in senior care and housing for the foreseeable future. The Foundation is proud to be part of this transformation," said Eventide Foundation President, Jim Lohman.

"Eventide is an important part of our community - we have a responsibility to maintain it for the present and future.

Within the hours spent at Eventide, I have seen first hand the amazing care that is provided here.

However, I have also witnessed the limitations they experience due to lack of space, especially with the higher levels of resident care.

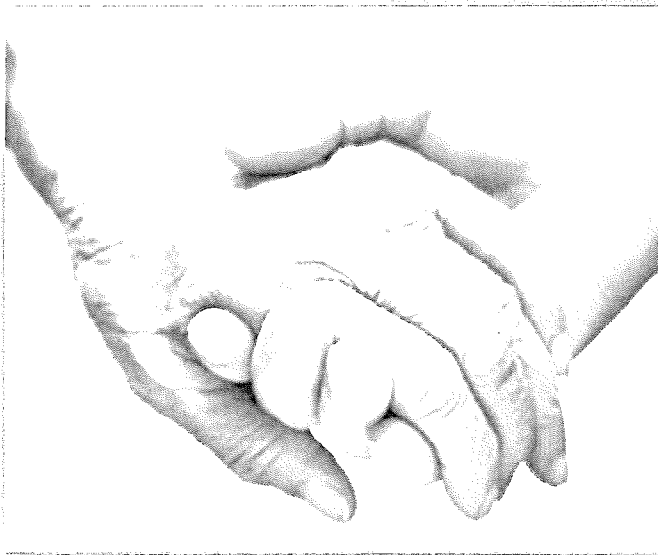
I look forward to a more homelike nursing home for residents and a more functional work space for the employees. Including the Memory Support Assisted Living is a fitting addition to our healthcare community."

-Jill Kierscht, ARNP, MSN

"Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much"

- Helen Keller





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EVENTIDE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mark Gray, President
Todd Schultz, Vice President
Tonya Eller, Secretary
Deryl Hennings
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FOR CAMPAIGN INFORMATION

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April 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 7:00 Easter Worship/HC Breakfast 8:00	2	3	4 9:30 Bible Study 7:00 Evening Circle	5 1:30 Ladies Aid	6	7
8 9:00 Chr Ed 10:00 DW 11:00 Voter's Meeting	9	10	11 9:30 Bible Study	12	13	14
15 9:00 Chr. Ed 10:00 DW/HC	16 1:00 Sewing Circle	17	18 9:30 Bible Study	19	20	21
22 9:00 Chr Ed 10:00 DW	23	24	25 9:30 Bible Study	26	27	28
29 9:00 Christian Ed 10:00 DW/HC	30					

USHERS

Doug Schuette
Dan Wittrock
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Derrick Cornelius
Merle Witt

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Paul Ehlers

PARISH CIRCLE

Dawn Luetje & Sara Skinner

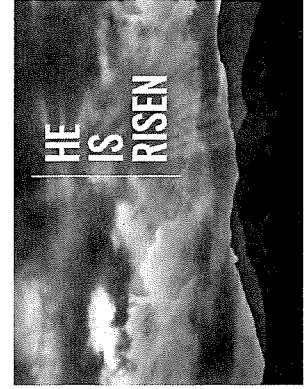
CHANCEL CIRCLE
Dawn Luetje & Alison Ehlers

ACOLYTES:

1st Karlie Muhlbauer & Delaney Schurke
Crucifer: Ty Muhlbauer
8th: Jonathan Does & Abby Klink
15th: Damon Ehlers & Devon Ehlers
22nd: Jordan Hanson & Allison Skinner
29th: Bret Himmers & Ty Muhlbauer

VOTER'S MEETING3

Sunday, April 8th following worship service

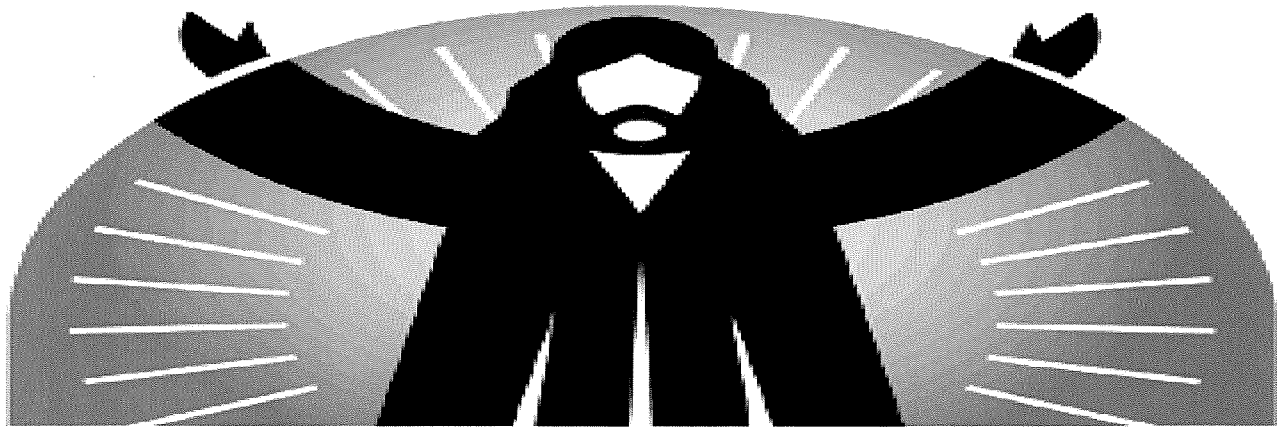


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FRIENDS WHO CARE

Christian Education	9:00 am
Divine Worship	10:00 am



ALLELUIA!
He Is Risen!