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THRU THE WINDOWS

St. John's Lutheran Church
Bennington, Nebraska

April 2008

He is Risen

ACOLYTES

Apr 6

8:30am Brian Jensen, Layne Laaker 11:00am Melinda Schmidt

Apr 13

8:30am Cody Bridgeford, Griffin Japp
11:00am Melinda Schmidt

Apr 20

8:30am Katie Iltzsch, Madison Pooley
11:00am Bailey Hartman

Apr 27

8:30am Drew Showers
Heather Showers
11:00am Bailey Hartman

Counters Jenny Hansen, Jim Pinegar, Mert Opfer

LECTORS/CANTORS

Apr 6

8:30am Lector/ Cantor: Fred Barnhard
11:00am Heather Goertz

Apr 13

8:30am Lector: Jane Frost

Apr 20

8:30am Lector: David Mills
Cantor: Jan Braden

Apr 27

8:30am Lector: Julie Dunn

ALTAR

Carole Cox
Deb Muhelka

GREETERS

Apr 6

8:30am Dick & Leanna Flynn

11:00am Deb Fuchser

Apr 13

8:30am Dick & Leanna Flynn

11:00am Deb Fuchser

Apr 20

8:30am Wade & Allison Junker

11:00am Deb Fuchser

Apr 27

8:30am Wade & Allison Junker

11:00am Deb Fuchser

Ushers

Apr 6

8:30am David & Mary Larsen

11:00am Jim & Micah Peterson

Apr 13

8:30am Tim & Kerry Clark

11:00am Jim & Micah Peterson

Apr 20

8:30am Dave Clark

11:00am Dana & Sonya Tompkins

Apr 27

8:30am Dave Clark, Tim Clark

11:00am Dana & Sonya Tompkins

Greetings Members and Friends of St. John's:

He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Easter has come but our celebration is just beginning. We get to enjoy the Season of Easter for more than a day, for more than 7 days. We now get to celebrate for seven times seven days plus one day for the Season of Easter lasts all the way to Pentecost Sunday which is 50 days. It is to be a time of great joy for all. The Easter Season is a time when we can again sing Alleluias to the Lord because of what He has done for us. He has freed us from our bondage to sin and brought us into fellowship with God and by that has given us a whole new way of life here on earth as God's people.

This New Life won for us by Christ is like the experience the Israelites had when they were freed from slavery in Egypt and given a new life in the Promised Land, a land flowing with milk and honey. As members of the Christian Church and part of the body of Christ, we now get to live in the Promised Land, especially here in America, where the Christian Church and its influence on our country, where we enjoy so many blessings from God.

As God's people through faith in Jesus Christ, we are members of the Church who now get to live lives of worship and praise to God. We get to learn about God through God's Holy Word and about God's plan of salvation for the whole world. We get to learn who we are in Christ and we get to learn about God's plan for our lives and how God as uniquely gifted us for ministry.

Finally, we get to use our gifts and talents in the church and out in the world in service to others in Jesus' name. In doing so, we are getting a foretaste of what life will be like in heaven.

So as we go through the Easter Season continue to greet one another with the words, "He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!," and everyday for the rest of your life because we are Easter People called to celebrate what God has done for us through Jesus Christ. So let us apply our faith towards living this New Life God has given us by following Jesus as our Savior and Lord and letting Him lead and guide us in all that we do.

He is Risen! He has Risen Indeed Alleluia! May Christ daily rise in you each morning and may He live his life in you as you, too, touch the world. See you in Church!
Blessings,

Pastor Jim Price

DID YOU KNOW...

Vacation Bible School will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church in the mornings of June 9-13. Watch the Sunday bulletin for more details to be released soon.



Save the date!
Come help Gretchen Mangold
celebrate her 100 birthday on **May 11 from 2-4pm**
St. John's Lutheran Church-Fellowship Hall-Bennington
Watch for further details in the Sunday bulletins
and the Gazette
Contact Julie at 238-2659 if you would like to be a helper for this event.

Operation Gretchen continues:

We are still coordinating volunteers to visit Gretchen sometime between 10AM and 4 PM every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. If you would like to participate in this opportunity to show your Christian love, let me know. Thanks in advance. Julie @ 238-2659

Kid's Kingdom Preschool News. Happy Spring!

The March 13 preschool open house/registration went very well. The MWF morning 4's class is filled. We are now offering a MWF afternoon class, 12:30-3pm, 4's class. The Tuesday/Thursday morning 3's class and the Monday through Friday afternoon 5's classes have a few spaces left. God has blessed this program and I thank him daily for the privilege of being here, enjoying all the children. I learn many things from them. They are so much fun. Please call 290-5014 for more information. Thanks, Diane Frizzell

Kingdom Quest Task Force will meet on Thursday, April 24 at 7pm in the lower level.

Bennington Community Blood Drive will be held at St. John's on Monday, April 14 from 2-6:30pm. To make an appointment, go online to www.givebloodgivelifelife.org or call Carol at 672-4718. If you have any questions, please call the American Red Cross at 341-2723.

Kingdom Quest Volunteer Recognition Breakfast We would like to thank you for the time you have given to help teach the children of our congregation about Jesus. Please join us for breakfast before Sunday School on Sunday, April 13th - 9:15 am in the lower level fellowship hall. You are greatly appreciated!!!!

THANK YOU Kingdom Quest Sunday School Volunteers - You're greatly appreciated!!!!

Wendy Andersen	Angie Knutson-Smith
Stacy Brown	Stacy (Pratt) Laue
Kris Carl	Roxanne Lenhart
Kaitlin Carl	Annette McClelland
Shelly Christensen	Kris Melvin
Katie Circo	Sarah Misfeldt
Kerry Clark	Michelle Pierson
Debbie Depperman	Scott Pierson
Carol DiMauro	Julie Rothermund
Nicki Flynn	Sarah Rothermund
Jeff Flynn	Jami Sass
Heather Goertz	Mary Pat Schmidt
Taylor Goertz	Chris Tomjack
Jodi Grothendick	Sonya Tompkins
Mary Carol Junker	Kelly Witt
Shawn Klabunde	Jim Witt
Merlin Kay	Ann Weidner
Lori Kuker	Donna VanBuren
Elizabeth Kuker	Sandra Kander
Cindy Giebelhausen	

Volunteer week is fast approaching-April 27-May 3. **April 4** is the **very last day** for nominations. If you would like to have an individual, group or family recognized: I must have the information and correct spelling of the names by 5 PM on Friday. Reception and recognition will be Wednesday April 30 at 7 PM. Julie @ 238-2659 or email juliedunn5@cox.net

PWP CHANGES NAME:

"People without Partners" has changed their name to more accurately reflect the group purpose and goals.

Our new name is **New Beginnings**

Our purpose is to provide support, fellowship and Christian care to individuals who have had a change in their living partnerships. (Widows, widowers, divorcees, spouse of servicemen or out of town workers, significant others.)

We meet on the first and third Fridays. Everyone in the community is invited. For more information contact: 203-2649 or leave a message at the church office 238-2483.

Spring cleaning time! Clothes too big? Clothes too small? Items no longer needed at your house? Well, we need them for Jakson's House. The Jakson's House committee along with the Social Ministry Committee of St. John's will be sponsoring a Garage Sale on April 19 at the St. John's parking lot as part of the Bennington Community-wide garage sale day. We will take any gently used items from housewares to clothes and toys. Great opportunity for those living outside of town and anybody who just needs to empty closets. Forms will be available for tax deductions purposes.

Please bring your items to the lower level of the church on April 17 and 18. Leftover items will be donated to local charities.

Food and Drinks will be for sale by the St. John's Women of the ELCA.

Scholarship applications for those attending an accredited college, trade school, community college, or other form of post secondary education in the Fall of 2008 on a full time basis (as defined by the institution college) and St. John's College Scholarship (for those attending an ELCA Church College) are available in the narthex. Look for the yellow and green folders. **Deadline April 30, 2008.**

Lincoln Lutheran Choir 30th anniversary seasons spring concert.

April 20 at Southwood Lutheran Church, 3:00pm Theme "Alleluia-Music for the Time after Easter" featuring: Music of Brahms, Bach and Gibbons.

Choir will be supported by a chamber commerce orchestra.

Audience participation hymn singing, reception to follow.

Free will offering will be taken.

Confirmation News

Spring has sprung for confirmation. We are in the home stretch of our class work. I want to remind families of our spring schedule. We have three more weeks of class work along with a Family Celebration Night on April 23. This evening is for parents and confirmation students to gather and celebrate the great year of classes. The Celebration Night will be held at St. John's with Pizza, Games, and a night of Fellowship.

Please make sure that you have your memory work completed by the 23rd and keep up the good work on the Sermon Notes. I have enjoyed reading how the Gospel is relating to you and your life. If you are not sure where you stand with the requirements left to meet, talk to Eileen or Jeremy on Wednesday Nights.

Our Seventh Grade Confirmation class has been studying the 10 Commandments this semester. As we returned from our Lenten break we started with the 6th Commandment. The students in their small groups wrote vows for a wedding depicting what it means to honor this commandment. Below are their examples:

I, name, take you, husband name to have and to hold, to be my husband. Now and Forever. I will take care of you when in need; I will be faithful to you as you are to me. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

I, name, take you name to be my wife, to respect and honor you, to be loyal and to love and cherish you as long as we shall live.

Great Job Seventh Graders! Keep up the good work.

Okoboji Recharge, April 11-13

All those attending the Spring Recharge, make sure that you are packed and ready to go by 4:00pm. If you have questions about the weekend, please call me at the church office, 238-2483.

Welcome to The BYG's Bennington Youth Group

BYG's, Bennington Youth Group is for all youth in 9th-12th grade. We meet every Wednesday Night, 7:30-9:00pm at the St. John's Youth Center. Each night starts with a gathering time for you and your friends to join in a game of pool, PS2, Xbox, or just relax with refreshments. Based on the night and the theme, we gather as a large group for varied activities; games, faith discussion, prayer, and/or videos (all depending on the night). BYG's is meant to be a place for you to gather and grow in friendship and faith.

ROCK ON! Jeremy and the BYG's Team

Youth Notes...

Christ Has Risen! Christ Has Risen Indeed! Alleluia! My favorite time of the year. Talk about a story that never gets old. Jesus comes and carries our sin to the cross, dies for us, but not even death can hold Him. Christ rises from the dead to conquer death for each of us. BAM! That is good.

The story continues after this. Jesus enters the room with the Disciples to share Peace, comforting them and their disbelief. Once again He comes and offers Peace. This time, Thomas believes and Jesus talks about how we are blessed, as we believe yet have not seen Him.

This makes me wonder if we are moving too fast to determine where God is present. That person that let's us in traffic. That unexpected letter or email stating you are loved. That friend that stands up for you, comforts you. We are living in God's presence, we are living with God daily. May the Holy Spirit help us be aware of this.

*St. John's Women
in Action*



*News and Information for all Women of St. John's
April, 2008*

Coming Events

Fair Trade Sales

April 13th

in Narthex between services
Coffee, Tea, Cocoa, Hot Chocolate, nuts
and Chocolate Bars

Spring Gathering

Resurrection Lutheran Church
Gretna, NE
April 12th

2008 Saved to Serve Events

Refresh and Refurbish Camp Tomah Shinga
Junction City, Kansas
April 18-20, 2008
Create Banners and a Bible Garden at the Welcome
Center
Wayne Campus Ministries, Wayne, NE
June 13-15, 2008

**Join us in Bible Study
All Women are welcome!**

Faith Circle Bible Study – April 8,
at 1:30 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Lesson Leader – Lorene Andersen

Refreshments – Doris Gottsch

Rejoice Bible Study – April 15, at 7:00 p.m.

Conference Room

Lesson/Refreshments – Cathy Price

Ex. Board Meeting

April 1 at 6:00 p.m.

Spring Gathering

Resurrection Lutheran Church

Gretna, NE

April 12th

Registration is \$15.00 due April 4.

See the hall bulletin board for a registration blank.

Young Women of the ELCA – BE BOLD!

– Check out this website! boldcafe.org

*Café is a free, monthly on-line magazine for young women
offered by Women of the ELCA Women of all ages are reading it!*

***Café stands for Community, Advocacy, Faith, and
Enlightenment***

St. John's Women of the ELCA
Mission Action Project for 2008

**100 School Kits for
Lutheran World Relief.**

A school kit may provide the only supplies for children returning to school after the disruption of war. We need your help!

The kits contain nine special items. There will be an emphasis each month asking for one of these special items. Please donate new items without any religious or patriotic symbols on them. If you are not able to go out and purchase the item you can make a cash donation to the Women of St John's and we will go out and buy the items for you.

Thank you for your support!

This month's item:

An Eraser

2 ½ inches long x 1 inch wide

Jesus Erases Our Sins



Spring Gathering Tangible Offering

The following items will be gathered in the narthex until April 11, and will be taken to Spring Gathering. They will be given to Mosaic Agency Homes and Vocational Centers.

For fun:

- ▣ Jenga
- ▣ Uno
- ▣ Jigsaw puzzles 50 – 100 pieces
- ▣ Wooden puzzles – large pieces with knobs on the pieces
- ▣ Rhythm instruments

For crafts:

- ▣ Coloring books
- ▣ Colored pencils
- ▣ Pencils
- ▣ Pencil sharpeners
- ▣ Markers
- ▣ Crayola modeling clay
- ▣ Elmer's glue sticks
- ▣ Glitter glue
- ▣ Construction paper
- ▣ Paint by number kits
- ▣ Pens, blue or black

Another Opportunity for Giving

Paper products such as paper towels, toilet paper, paper tissues, etc., as well as monetary gifts are being collected so that Emily Laaker can take them with her on the Saved to Serve Event at Camp Tomah Shinga on April 17. Keep this in mind if you see a bargain on paper products.

Quilters in Action

Give our King glory by your worship and deeds.

Again I tell you it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God. Matthew 19:24

On March 10 and 11, the following nine ladies met: Suzanne Kirby, Betty Deardoff, Doris Hoier, Addie Backhuus, Emily Laaker, Carol Iltzsch, Gloria Jacobsen, Doris Ostronic and Doris Gottsch. We were able to tie 3 full size quilts and continue to work on our Yo-yo quilt top. We have a great time with working on quilts and fellowship, we would like to invite others to come and join us. We meet always the second Tuesday of the month and all day the Monday that precedes it.

On Monday's we meet 9 am thru 3 pm and Tuesday 9 am until 12 noon.

The Binding Stitch: Loose me, Lord, from the fear of giving, adorn me with a generous heart, and anoint the work of my hands to bless the generations that will come after me.

*Don't forget to **support the Western Douglas County Pantry** with food items. You can place them in the shopping carts located in the entry to the lower level and to the fellowship hall. Also, **Campbell's Soup labels** may be left in the box below the mailbox.*

Fellowship Hall Kitchen

If you bring food to the fellowship hall for a reception, dinner, family gathering, etc., please remember to remove any leftover food items from the refrigerator and take them home with you. Food left in the refrigerator gets moldy and nasty after a few days. If you must leave food for any reason, please label it so that we know who is to use it. Thank you!



Mosaic in Omaha

Mosaic currently serves more than 240 people and employs almost 300, making it one of the largest providers in the Omaha metropolitan area and one of the largest Mosaic programs in the country.

Mosaic offers a wide array of services and prides itself in its commitment to vocational growth and independence for people with disabilities. Our goal is to provide quality services in order to reach the dreams, satisfy the interests, and meet the needs of the people we serve.

Volunteers are Valuable to Mosaic

There are many volunteer opportunities for individuals and groups on a one-time or on-going basis.

■ Volunteers at Special Events

- Serve on the day at a special event, such as the Heartland Hoedown, Sat., May 3.
- Serve on a committee to plan and facilitate fund-raising events such as the annual Golf Tournament, the annual Heartland Hoedown, or special events for individuals we serve and their families.

■ Administrative/Clerical Volunteers

- Assist with office-related duties at the agency office.

■ Maintenance Projects

- Semi-Annual Yard Cleanup
- Landscape Maintenance
- Interior Painting
- Odd Jobs/Repairs
- Spring/Fall Deep Cleaning



Heartland Hoedown...

A Fundraiser for  **MOSAIC™**

Saturday, May 3, 2008

**The Town Hall at Carol Joy Holling Center
Ashland, Neb.**

Tickets are \$75 per person

Silent and Live Auctions, Dining, Dancing, and more

The Best Barn Dance You'll Ever Go To!

Omaha Program Wish List

- Vacuum cleaners
- Elastic waist pants/sweat pants (S, M, L, XL, and 2X)
- Crumb Catchers (scarf or apron; <http://crumbcatcher.tripod.com/>)
- Cotton bath towels (30" x 54"; any color)
- Cotton washcloths (13" x 13"; any color)
- Terry cloth kitchen towels (any color)
- Cotton dish cloths (any color)
- Silverware (full set; spoons and forks)
- Non-stick pots and pans (full sets; large skillets; large pots)
- Non-breakable dinnerware (full sets; dinner plates; soup/cereal bowls; small plates)
- Gift cards (HyVee; Baker's; Target; Wal-Mart; Scheel's; Cabela's; Footlocker; JC Penney; Sears; Catherines (women's clothing); Best Buy; Kohl's; any grocery store)

Pennies Today... Open Doors Tomorrow

Mosaic in Omaha is asking you for the spare change in your pocket.
The change that can change somebody's life!

Please put your pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars in the jar (located in the church lobby) over the next few weeks.

The money collected will be used to provide "God's gift of wholeness of life" to the people Mosaic serves.

To make it more fun, Mosaic will take ALL of the "Pennies Today" jars (from participating churches) to the Heartland Hoedown. Come to the Heartland Hoedown on May 3rd, 2008 and guess how much money has been collected.



Therefore...walk as Jesus did

1 John 2:6

is the theme for the Summer 2008 Carol Joy Holling Camps.

Registration books are located in the narthex. The camp is located in Ashland, NE. Are your kids looking for fun and adventure this summer?

Check out the camp options for kids in 1-8 grade. St. John's will pay 50% of church members fees. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 238-2483 or Carol Joy Holling at 1-888-656-6254.



Flowers/Bulletins

March 3

Flowers were given in loving memory of Russell Logemann by his family. Russell passed away on February 24 at the age of 93. The funeral service was held at Zion Lutheran Church with interment at the Flower Hill Cemetery. Please keep Fred and Carol (Logemann) Roeth; Dale and Jeanie Logemann; Ray and Margaret Logemann; and sister and brother-in-law, Lorene and Alvin Andersen and their families in your prayers.

March 9

Flowers were given by David & Mary Larsen in honor of their 29 wedding anniversary on March 10.

March 16

We extend our sympathy to Nicki, Jeff, Cody and Cheyenne Flynn. Nicki's grandmother, Eleanor "Sis" Rosenkilde, passed away on Easter. Funeral services were held on March 26 at the Arlington Community Church with interment at the Arlington Cemetery.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Jacob & Tracy Lage and daughter, Emma; David & Kelly Sandstedt and children, Cassidy, Caitlin, and Cody; and Daniel & Andrea Witte. They were received into membership at the 11am service on March 16. New Members were treated to a Luncheon served by the last New Member's classes and the Evangelism Committee.



Crystal Blanchard, daughter of Sue and Dale Goedeker, would like to announce the birth of her daughter, Jaiden Marie on February 13. Jaiden weighed 6 lbs 13oz, 20 inches long.

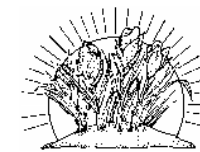
- 1 Dorothy Eipperle
Kelsey Carl
- 2 Cody Baty
- 3 Brad Almquist
Reece Tomjack
Michael DiMauro
- 4 Erica Morrison
Maxine McMurphy
Sarah Christensen
Floyd Thorell
- 5 Nicole Moeller
Gloria Sass
Vic Sass
Jacob Menard
Sarrah Newill
- 6 Micah Peterson
Judy Dorau
- 8 Linda Christianson
Shawn Schmidt
Emma Staats
Greg Stichler
Scott Pierson
Ryan Wesemann
Lucas Roth
John Mueller
Madison Pratt
Rosie Peters
- 11 Kerry Reker
David Reynolds
Mark Crom
- 13 Annette Madison
Steve Smith
Michaela Noble
- 14 Nicole Ellermeier
- 15 Karen Anderson
Tara Lich



- 16 Annette Backhuus
Evangeline Meyer
- 17 Keland Nelsen
- 18 Jim Pinegar
Jerry Roe
Nancy Schmidt
Ruth Schmidt
- 19 Trevor Bohn
- 20 Karalee Reinke
Samantha Japp
- 21 Joseph Trader
Jeffrey O'Connor
- 22 Nicholas Bolte
Jordan Mohr
Van Mohr
Travis Lank
Laura Gochenour
Jordan Loptin
Drew Showers
Heather Showers
- 24 Brooke Lurvey
MacKenzie Johnson
Jordan Johaneck
Kerry Clark
- 25 Ebba Johnson
Brent Sass
Mark Sukraw
- 27 Don Bergman
- 28 Jodee McDonald
Melissa Sass
- 29 Marie Williams
- 30 Kara Sorenson
Kari Micheel

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

- ❖ Rosie Peters, 86
- ❖ Evangeline Meyer, 89
- ❖ Floyd Thorell, 82



CELEBRATING THEIR ANNIVERSARY

- 2 Mike & Debbie Almquist
- 3 David & Patty North
- 4 Neal & Janet Finken
- 5 Terry & Debra Muhleka
- 6 Jeremy & Jenny Hansen
- 8 Steve & Delores Purdy
Troy and Debra Sass
- 9 Gene & Joyce Baldwin
- 11 Marvin & Norma Heise
Pastor Jim & Cathy Price
- 12 Ryan & Lori Moeller
- 13 Bill & Jennifer Welchert
- 14 Rollie & Gloria Wiedrick
- 16 Chris & Andrea Flesner
- 17 Mick & Deb Fuchser
- 18 Andy & Debbra Freeman
Michael & Carol Dimauro
- 20 Kenneth & Miriam Sukraw
- 21 Dave & Dee Clark
- 23 Jim & Kelly Witt
Brian & Melissa Sass
- 24 Tom & Julie Omer
- 27 Gerald & Doris Gottsch
- 28 Steve & Beth Nelson
- 30 Dan & Michelle Christensen
Dick & Kathy Sigler

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO

- ❖ Dave & Dee Clark, 35
- ❖ Jerry & Doris Gottsch, 51
- ❖ Rollie & Gloria Wiedrick, 56

MARCH CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES HIGHLIGHTS

The Church Council met on March 11.

Present: Bill Dunn, Mark Backhuus, Jim Pinegar, Grace Baty, Scott Pierson, Jim Peterson, Wayne Andersen, Jeremy Hansen, Mark Misfeldt, Pastor Price, John McClelland, Jenny Hansen

Absent: Mert Opfer, Dana Tompkins **Devotions:** Given by Grace Baty

Devotions for next month: Jenny Hansen

Correspondence: Discussed more structured council meeting from Roberts Rules of Order, purchasing a panel for the downtown Bennington wall, will ask for congregation assistance.

Unfinished Business: Discussion on restructuring of the finance committee. Executive committee will consist of Pastor Price, Mert Opfer, Mark Backhuus, Bill Dunn, Jim Pinegar, and Wayne Andersen. Executive committee will prepare and present the budget at the annual meeting. Discussed double number of simply giving for donations, council retreat, job description for bookkeeper.

New Business: Choir robes to be stored in the office conference room temporarily until a door can be constructed for access to the Sanctuary or make the office conference room a permanent storage for robes, the church will be polling place for Douglas County., Constitution and bylaws task group to look at cleaning up the membership roles (inactive members). Mark Backhuus, Bill Dunn, Mert Opfer, John McClelland agreed to serve. Annual task group will consist of Jenny Hansen, Scott Pierson and Jim Peterson. Deadline for council reports are due Thursday before council meeting and the agenda will be finalized the Friday before each council meeting or they will be addressed at the next meeting. Line of credit needs to be extended at Bank of Bennington for \$15,000 to pay current expenses. Jakson House would like to use the church parking lot for a garage sale.

Youth Ministry: Posted on bulletin board located in the office hallway

Evangelism: Posted on bulletin board located in the office hallway

Pastor's report: Posted on bulletin board in the office hallway.

Complete Church Council Meeting Minutes are posted on the bulletin board in the office hallway.

The next church council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 8.

Church Office Hours, Deadlines & Other Important Information

Please help our church office to be as efficient and helpful as possible by keeping the following in mind:

Monthly Publication

The deadline for information for the monthly newsletter, "Thru the Windows," is the 15th of each month. Any articles or information after that date will go into the next month's newsletter.

Office Hours

Keep in mind the posted hours of the church office: Monday through Friday are 8:00am-4:00pm. The church staff meets at 9:00am on Tuesdays. Usually there are volunteers that will answer the phones during that time. If not, the phone will go to voicemail. Occasionally, the staff will have lunch offsite on Tuesdays so please call before coming to make sure we are here. If you need access to the church at other times, please call and we will work with you to make other arrangements.

Voice Mail & E-mail

All voicemail & email messages will be answered as soon as possible. Messages left after 4:00pm on Friday will be returned on the next business day.

MARCH WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

	<u>8:30am</u>	<u>11:00am</u>
Mar 2	90	94
Mar 9	73	79
Mar 16	155	183
Mar 30	81	78

Lenten Services

Mar 5 74

Mar 12 76

Mar 20 29-10am Maundy Thursday

Mar 20 140-7pm Maundy Thursday

Mar 21 89 Good Friday

Easter

6:30am Sunrise Service 72

8:30am 187

11:00am 188

KID'S KINGDOM CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL
322 NORTH MOLLEY STREET
BENNINGTON, NE 68007
(402) 290-5014

DIRECTOR - DIANE FRIZZELL

We offer an age appropriate Christian program for 3,4, and 5 year olds. Each child is recognized as an individual. Social and cognitive skills are taught by experienced professional teachers

Classes offered

Children turning 3 by October 1

T.Th. - 8:30-11:00 - \$80.00 per month

Children turning 4 by October 1

M.W.F. - 8:30-11:00 - \$100.00 per month

M.W.F. - 12:30-3:00 - \$100.00 per month

Children turning 5 by November 1

M.T.W.T.F. - 12:30-3:00 - \$165.00 per month

Fill out the information below and return asap

A \$50.00 registration fee guarantees your space
cut here.....

Parent's name _____ Date _____
 Child's name _____ BD _____ M/F _____
 Phone # _____ Cell _____
 Address _____ Zip _____
 Class choice _____ 2nd choice _____
 Date registration paid _____ Ck# _____
 Received by _____

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St. John's Lutheran Church
 322 North Molley Street
James M. Price, Pastor
 238-2483 (Church)
 238-2958 (Home)

WWW.STJOHNSBENNINGTON.ORG (website)
 STJOHNSOFFC@msn.com (Email)

Worship Services

8:30am Traditional with Holy Communion

11:00am Contemporary*

*Holy Communion will be celebrated on the
 First and third Sunday of each month

2008 Church Council

- Mert Opfer..... President/Special Funds Treasurer
- Bill Dunn..... Vice President/Music/Worship
- Mark Backhuus..... Co-Treasurer/Mutual Ministry
- Deb Almquist*..... Co-Current Fund Treasurer
 /Mission Share Treasurer
- Wayne Andersen..... Financial Secretary
- Jim Pinegar..... Secretary/Property
- Jim Peterson..... Evangelism/Property
- Grace Baty..... Evangelism
- Mark Misfeldt..... Music/Worship
- Dana Tompkins..... Stewardship
- Scott Pierson..... Stewardship
- John McClelland..... Christian Education
- Jenny Hansen..... Mutual Ministry

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- Youth & Family Director..... Jeremy Hansen
- Secretary Debbie Misfeldt
- Organist..... Michael Bauer
- Choir Director..... Kerry Frey
- Junior Choir Director Kerry Frey
- Custodians..... Tom Koziol/Cindy Koziol