

News And Views



Pastoral Perspective



As we approach the summer, I would like to talk about congregational care.
Congregational care is especially important to consider when folks are traveling and taking opportunity for some weekend events and activities.

Congregational care, to me, is all about keeping connections strong and showing concern. When folks are away from worship for a while, as tends to happen in the summer, connections with the congregation can get somewhat strained. Individual and family concerns can come up that are unaddressed because caring people in the congregation are not aware of them.

To address this dynamic, I have established a ministry I will be referring to as "Two Con Contacts." Two Con Contacts will be a way of keeping Connections strong and showing loving Concern. (Note the two "cons" in *con*nections and *concern.*) I have trained a caring group of folks who are committed to connecting with members and friends of St. Luke's, high school age and above, who have shown interest in being a regular part of the St. Luke's worshipping congregation, but have missed worship for a couple of Sundays.

Please understand if you are contacted, it is to make sure we are keeping connections in the

congregation strong and showing concern for situations that might have come up. Those making contact will let me know if there are concerns or situations I need to respond to, and then I will do my very best to get to you as soon as possible.

This ministry will not address the needs of homebound members and friends of St. Luke's. They are served through visitation by members of the Evangelism Board and me. It also doesn't address the needs of members and friends who worship just every once in a while. To serve them, we will be sending invitations to special congregational events from the Evangelism Board. The next invitation will be for our special June 18th Father's Day service with ice cream sundaes after worship.

The group receiving Two Con contacts will, of course, be fluid. Worship attendance changes for folks for many reasons. There are times when folks are at worship every Sunday, and times when that isn't happening so much. My hope and prayer is that the Two Con Contacts ministry will assure you that we do notice and care about what is going on in your life.

This ministry has been going on just a few weeks now, but already some friendships and solid relationships are being formed through the contacts. If by chance you miss worship for a while and you are not contacted, please let me know right away. I do my best to keep accurate records of worship attendance, but I can certainly make mistakes. I wouldn't leave you out of this ministry on purpose—unless, of course, that is your desire. Also, if you worship almost every Sunday, or just every once in a while, but still would like to be contacted, let me know. I would be happy to make sure that happens.

Feel free to contact me anytime with comments or suggestions about the Two Con Contacts ministry. Please pray for those making the contacts. They are making a huge commitment to be a part of this ministry. The current Two Con Contacts group includes Laura Tice, Peggy Moser, Faith Thomas, and Carole Vance. Please pray with me that this ministry helps us keep our congregational connections strong and loving concern flowing among us.

Spreading, Serving, and Sharing with You, Pastor Carl

Father's Day Pie and Ice Cream Sunday June 18



Please join us to celebrate all the special men in our congregation! To let them know how much they are appreciated, we will be serving pie and ice cream following the services on June 18. A sign-up sheet for the pies will be available on the Opportunity Table beginning Sunday June 4th.





Graduation Sunday

Heartfelt congratulations to all our graduates! Graduation Sunday was held on May 28th. Please stayed tuned next month for the complete list of our 2017 graduates.

Pastor's 40th Anniversary in the Ministry



This year marks the 40th anniversary of Pastor Carl's ordination into the ministry, and we're going to celebrate! Join us on Sunday, July 23rd, for a potluck following the 10:30 a.m.

worship. We are asking that everyone sign up on the Opportunity Table so we know how many to set up for. To mark this special occasion, the congregational council has decided to give Pastor Carl a monetary gift to take a trip with Triss to Los Angeles for a few days and attend a baseball game at Dodger Stadium! If you would like to contribute an additional gift or card, please feel free to bring something to the potluck on July 23rd. We hope to see you there!



BUNCO

WELCA's next big event is MEGA BUNCO on June 3rd at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are available now; please contact Holly Hoppman or Peggy Moser if you are interested. Tickets are \$15, and you get a coupon for our St. Luke's fireworks booth! We will be collecting items for the Sacramento SPCA at BUNCO, so please bring new or gently used towels, blankets, pet toys, leashes, collars, pet food, or other supplies. We hope you will join us for a fun night of food, raffles, and games!

St. Luke's Lutheran Church - Women of the ELCA 7595 Center Parkway, Sacramento

Invite you to attend our 13th annual

MEGA BUNCO FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2017

Doors open at 5:30 PM
Dinner will be served at 6PM
BUNCO begins at 7PM

Limited Seating

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

it's easy and fun!

Cost \$15.00 per person

PRIZES - RAFFLE - DINNER

For information and/or tickets contact



church office @ 421-5039

or send an email to welca@slelca.org

We will be collecting items for our local SPCA

(towels, blankets and pet food)

School Supplies Drive

Community Concerns is hosting our annual School Supplies and Backpack drive for Charles Mack Elementary and Parkway Elementary! WELCA has purchased 120 backpacks and pencil cases. Join us to fill them up on Sunday, August 6th! Meanwhile, we are collecting these items:

Binders

Book covers

Color paper

Color pencils

Construction paper

Crayons

Dry erase markers

Erasers

Glue

Glue sticks

Highlighters

Kleenex

Markers (washable)

Notebooks

Paint sets

Paper clips

Pencils (#2)

Pens

Pocket folders

Reams of copy paper

Rulers

Scissors

Sharpeners

Wide ruled paper

Many children can't afford basic school supplies, and our donations give them a fair chance to succeed. We can encourage them greatly by showing that they're not alone—someone cares about them and wants to support them. It's a wonderful, concrete way we can minister to our local community. Thank you for all your support!

Faith Thomas Community Concerns Chair



18th Annual Fireworks Sale June 28th – July 4th

It's time to start spreading the news – our annual fireworks sale is just around the corner! Our booth is again located at the corner of Mack Road and Valley Hi Drive in the Food Source parking lot. The funds we raise from the sale of fireworks are used for the many property board projects in and around the church.

We're looking for a lot of volunteers, so please consider all the ways you can help out this year. Here are some ways you can help: selling fireworks (sorry, you must be 18 or over), coming by and visiting, bringing snacks and drinks to share, helping to unload/load the truck each day, waving flags and banners to attract passersby to our booth, buying your fireworks from us, and encouraging your friends and family to do the same!

If you can volunteer to work in the booth, there will be a sign-up sheet soon on the Opportunity Table to reserve your favorite time(s). The booth opens at noon on June 28th, and then every day after that from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. through July 4th (we're open until 10 p.m. on July 3rd and 4th).

If you have any questions about the fireworks booth or about how you can help as a volunteer, just call or see me. We have a lot of fun every year (including Fireworks Booth Bingo), so don't miss out.

In His Name... Larry Dockter Fireworks Booth Committee Chair







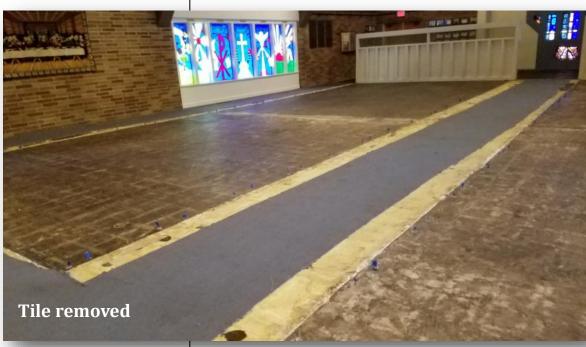


MEYER UPDATE

Many thanks go to everyone who was able to attend the congregational meeting on April 23rd! The priority list presented by the Meyer Memorial Committee was approved, and work has already begun on the projects listed. The sanctuary flooring projected started the week following the Congregational Meeting. With the help from our members, we moved basic pieces of furniture

out of the sanctuary to prepare for the work to be done and for us to be able to begin worshipping in Schultz Hall for the time being. Depending on a variety of factors, we are anticipating worshipping in Schultz Hall for the coming weeks. Led by our project leader Jack Fenske, we have had quite a few vendors on site completing a variety of specifically planned steps of the project. From movers, painters, and contractors, Jack has taken on a huge task of leading the charge, and we are very grateful!

In Christ's Service, Holly Hoppman Chair, Meyer Memorial Fund Committee









SYNOD ASSEMBLY

I wanted to take a moment to update everyone on this year's Sierra Pacific Synod Assembly. My father and I attended this year's assembly in Fresno, CA, May 4-6th. The work being

done around our synod is varied and exciting. The theme this year was "We are Church Together: Telling our Stories," and the inspirational speakers we got to hear shone a light on many of the issues that we face in our synod, in our conference, and in our own congregation. The theme was certainly present as well, as we heard reports about all the work being done across the synod and the church wide ELCA.

During the business sessions, conference representatives were elected to the synod council, constitutional changes were approved, three resolutions were amended and passed, and the synod's annual budget for 2018-2019 was approved. The resolutions passed were: Resolution 2017-1, Regarding Sierra Pacific Compensation Guideline; Resolution 2017-2, Regarding Sanctuary Synod; and Resolution 2017-3, Regarding Creation of a Department of Peacebuilding in the U.S. Government. If you are interested in more information about any of these resolutions, you can go to the synod's website (http://spselca.org/index.php/resources) and click on "Synod Assembly."

Finally, this year marks the 40th anniversary of my dad's ordination into the ministry, and it was great to be there with him as he was recognized in front of his peers for his many years of service.

In Christ's Service, Holly Hoppman

Mother's Day Luncheon

The Women of the ELCA hosted our Annual Mother's Day Luncheon on Saturday, May 13th. We had just over 80 ladies and their guests in attendance at the Mother's Day Luncheon, where we collected items for the women and youth served by Saint John's Program for Real Change. Many thanks go to everyone who attended. I would like to specifically thank Pat Webb for coordinating the catering by Logan's Roadhouse in Elk Grove. Our thanks go out to Roger, the manager, and his team at Logan's that provided such a wonderful meal! I would also like to thank those who were able to help set up and clean up – especially our Hospitality Committee members.

In Christ's Service, Holly Hoppman President, W-ELCA





















Celebrating Kelly Boyer's birthday with some of the girls from St Luke's Lutheran after prepping Schultz Hall to be our new temporary church home for a couple of months! Photo submitted by Faith Thomas



We welcome a new member into the family of Christ:

Dax William Moser
Parents: Nick & Alicia Moser
Sisters: Brooklyn & Kennedy
Sponsors: Jesus Vanoye & Molly Hanrahan

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. By water and the Holy Spirit, Dax is a reborn child of God and made a member of the church, the body of Christ.



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Drafts of the minutes from the Council Meetings are available in the office, posted on the bulletin board. They will be updated every month after the council meets. They are also available on the church website at http://slelca.org/resources.

PRAYER CONCERNS

A prayer concerns sheet is now available in the Narthex on the Opportunity Table. Please feel free to write down any prayer requests you want to share with our congregation. Pastor Carl will include them in the prayers during the service.



June 04 Needed

June 11 Needed

June 18 Pastor Carl

Thanksgiving for $40\ years$ of ministry

June 25 Needed

Sign up to provide flowers for worship.
The flower chart is in the narthex. Select the date, write in your name and the name of the person you want to remember, the event, or to the Glory of God.



Karen Cagle	June 01
Paul Heaton	June 01
Phillip Connell	June 03
Phillip Petersen	June 03
Laura Sondrini	June 07
Elizabeth Wilson	June 08
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FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT April 2017

Comments:

- April had five Sundays and included Easter.
- The offerings for the **month** were good over Budget and over last year's April offerings.
- Although progress was made to decrease the year
 -to-date deficits, the 2017 offerings remain short, when compared to both the current Budget and the 2016 offerings.
- Please use numbered envelopes, when feasible. Thank you.
- If you need numbered envelopes, either see me or drop a note in the offering.
- When using pew envelopes, please write legibly. Thanks.
- If you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Jack Fenske St. Luke's Financial Secretary 916-714-3626 LRFenske@comcast.net

General Fund (Only) Contributions			
Data	This Month	Year t	o Date
Total Contributions	\$21,607	\$73,0	043
Compared to	\$1,569	-\$4,5	546
Budget	7.8%	-5.	9%
Compared to	\$675	-\$1,9	984
2016	3.2%	-2.	6%
N	lo. of Contribut	tors	
2017 (Current Year)	101	89	avg.
2016 (Last Year)	88	91	avg.
Other Special Gifts			
Sunday	School	\$2	24
Flowers		\$122	
Memorials		\$5 ₀	
Soup Suppers		\$120	
Easter	Lilies	\$3	30
Specia (Confirmation)		\$!	55



Note: Plus values are good; minus values are not.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

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June 18 John Orcutt Welcome Leaders
June 25 Alison Thomas June 04 Carol Carney
June 11 Carolyn Andrews
Psalm Leaders June 18 Al Moser
June 04 Amber Mansfield June 25 Peggy Moser
June 11 Angie Martinez
June 18 Lucy Orcutt Sunday School Teachers
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June 11 Laura Tice, Samantha Basquez
June 18 Alison Thomas, Lajuan Andrews
June 25 Samantha Basquez, Laura Tice



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SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2017



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