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## Pastoral Perspective



The word “triumph” has a very special meaning. It is a powerful term used to describe something more than just a single victory. It speaks of a decisive, overwhelming, and significant group of victories. It is the result of a culmination of many successful battles.

Graduation, for example, is a triumph. Passing an individual class is a victory. Graduation is the result of passing many classes. For some, that truly involves a number of battles.

On Easter Sunday, we celebrate the triumph of Christ. This triumph is the culmination of many successful battles, battles against the fearsome powers and formidable enemies of the devil, sin, and death.

These enemies had the whole world in their grasp. The successful temptation of the devil in the Garden of Eden had enslaved the world to sin and put it under the penalty of death. Christ fought many battles to undo the victories of the devil, sin, and death. He withstood the temptations of the devil. In His miracles, healing, and proclamations of forgiveness, He won victory after victory over the power of sin to enslave people. He broke the grasp of death, for it could not hold Him. Finally and decisively, He rose triumphant from the grave.

Christ did this all for you. He who was without sin was numbered among the transgressors and suffered the slashing claws and teeth of sin for you. When He said on the cross, “It is finished”, He meant nothing less than that your redemption had been won. You were there reconciled to God, who declared you to have right relationship with God for the sake of Jesus. All that remained to complete the triumph was the resurrection. And that happened on the first Easter morning. For now and always, the triumph is yours in Christ.

The fruits of the triumph are arrayed before you. There is the personal forgiveness of your sins, which Christ won for you once and for all. There is Christ’s loving presence in Word and Sacrament, which strengthens and upholds you. There is hope and joy of eternal life, which gives you confidence for the future. There is the whole armor of God, which protects and defends you, and gives you the Word you need to overcome the devil. There is Christ’s promise of continual intercession for you before the throne of His Father in heaven.

What a cause for rejoicing you have in Christ’s great triumph for you! Live abundantly in that triumph! “Christ has triumphed! He is living! Alleluia!”

Spreading, Serving and Sharing with You,  
Pastor Carl



## BAPTISM

Please join us May 19th at the 10:30 service for the Baptisms of Noella Sondrini, Lily & Ella Neidich, and Victor Jr. & Anthony Basquez. If you or anyone you know would like to receive the holy sacrament of Baptism, please contact Pastor Carl or the church office (916-421-5039 or [office@slelca.org](mailto:office@slelca.org)).

## Conference Room

Spring Cleaning



We cleaned and polished the sanctuary. We spent time beautifying our property. Now it's time to clear the clutter in the Conference Room. It's easy for the room to become cluttered – so many people use it. But who's in charge of keeping in clean? We all are.

For your next board meeting agenda: Take 10 minutes to go through the conference room. Is there anything there you no longer need? Get rid of it. Tidy the shelves and the cupboards. Need more than 10 minutes? Make a plan to return later in the week.

Please make the time to make our conference room one that creates a sense of hospitality and welcome.



## MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON

In May, W-ELCA is hosting the Annual Mother's Day Luncheon on Saturday, May 11th, at 11:30 a.m.

You are invited to join us, bring guests, and wear your favorite hat to celebrate mother's day! At the Mother's Day Luncheon we will collect packaged new underwear and socks for ladies, tampons, maxi pads, Depends for adults, toothpaste, mouthwash, floss, body wash, soap, shampoo, conditioner, face cleanser, loofas, combs, brushes, hair ties, duffle bags, body spray, mani/pedi sets, rubber flip-flops, drink tumblers/water bottles, bus/RT passes in support of Saint John's Program for Real Change. Saint John's Program for Real Change provides vital mental health services, supportive services, career education, on-the-job training, and respite Services to women and children living in crisis. For more information about the Program for Real Change.

Visit their website at:

<http://saintjohnsprogram.org/program>



In June we will be having our Annual Bunco Night hosted by the W-ELCA on June 1st. Doors open at 5:30PM and Dinner is at 6PM. Come and have some great fun. Tickets are now on sale!

Our Mission Gathering for June is the Sacramento SPCA.

## LOOKING FOR CARD TABLES

We seem to be missing some card tables from the room behind the Schultz Hall, if by chance you have borrowed any it would be great if they could be returned in May. We will be needing them for the Annual Bunco Night. Thanks in advance.



# MEMORIAL DAY



Our veteran's banners will be displayed for Memorial Day service on May 26th. If you or a member of your family have served in the military and are not represented on our veteran's banners, please contact the church office with their name, branch of service and dates of service so we can add their star to the banners.



We are blessed this year to honor our graduates on two Sundays. Please mark your calendars for June 2 and 9, 2019.

Parents, grandparents, and other proud family members, is anyone in your family graduating this year? This applies for any type of graduation, from high school onward - college, grad school, trade school, or professional school. Let us know so we can celebrate with you by including your graduate in our Graduation Sunday festivities! Contact the office (421-5039 or office@slelca.org) to let us know the graduate's name and degree, the name of the school, and the school's colors.

## 2019 SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER ARTS PROGRAM

This summer, June 9 through August 25, 2019, our Sunday School program will be transformed into an arts program culminating in a fundraiser for a local charity chosen by our Sunday School Children. We are in search of artists willing and able to help create an art project and then teach our Sunday School children to make the project to be auctioned off in the fall. There are 12 projects spots available to fill. Due to fluctuating class attendance we ask that all projects be able to be completed during one class of approximately 45

minutes. If you are interested in participating please contact Samantha Basquez for more information at basquezfamily916@gmail.com.



## Easter Breakfast

Our Easter Breakfast was celebrated on April 21st. We all had a great time. We want to give a big Thank You to Linda Ferguson and Sue Fechter as Co-Chair of the Breakfast this year. We have so many people to thank. First I want to Thank Ron & Pat Webb for doing all the Shopping. We had many people that came on Saturday to help prep the food set up Schultz Hall. A special Thank You to those that came in on Easter Sunday at 6:00 AM to cook all the wonderful Food: Linda Ferguson, Sue Fechter, Ron Webb, Carol Carney, Bob Behr, Marlene Kiser, Ron & Cheryl Franklin, Kelly Boyer, Jack and Micki Fenske. Thank you to our Evangelism Board and Paul Maki for helping in preparing the Fruit Salad.

We want to Thank everyone who brought Mini Muffins. We had a very nice selection. We had a great many people that stayed and cleaned Schultz Hall and the Kitchen. A special Thank You to Justin Tice for doing the Dishes again this year.



I would like to thank my church family for all of your thoughts, prayers, get well cards, kind texts and emails. Your kindnesses were so helpful in my recovery. God bless you all.

Judy Saxby

## Thank You



On April 13, the Property Board conducted an “All Members Work Day” to clean up the church grounds for the Easter celebration

and the summer months. Although the turnout was light, the workers that participated were eager and ambitious. Much was accomplished. Some typical tasks completed were obtained palm branches, assisted the ladies in placing the branches, sprayed Round Up on weeds in paved areas, weeded planter areas, trimmed shrubbery, removed excess debris in planters (a pickup load), cleaned walkways and courtyards, and replaced burned out bulbs.

The Board wishes to give a huge “thank you” to the participants – Bob Behr, Ben Briel, Carol Carney, Gaylen Everett, Jack Fenske, Bruce Kiser and grandchildren helpers Jacob and Adalyn, Duane Kiser, Jeff Kiser, and Clarence Korhonen. Their efforts were much appreciated and ensured that the planned tasks were completed. Thank you!

The next “All Members Work Day” is scheduled for November 9. Your assistance is needed and appreciated. The primary task will be to prepare the facilities for the winter months.

St. Luke’s Property Board

## Property Board Receives Donations

The Carney Donation: In mid-April, the Carney family generously donated a table saw, many hand tools, and lots of hardware (screws, nails, etc.) to the Property Board for the church. These tools and hardware will be extremely useful and much appreciated by those that work on church projects. And, the extensive collection of hardware will eliminate many trips to the local Home Depot.

The Property Board, on behalf of St. Luke’s, thanks the Carney family for this wonderful donation. The Board greatly misses Jerry. His expertise,

personal tools, and knowledge of the church facilities (historical and recent) cannot be replaced. But with this donation, Jerry will be with us in spirit every time we use the table saw or hand tools, or when the hardware saves a trip. Thank you again, the Carney family, for your gift.

Korhonen Donation: Recently, Board Member Clarence Korhonen donated a 12-foot step ladder and wheelbarrow for use around the church. Both are quality items. The ladder will be extremely useful to replace bulbs in room with high ceilings, such as in Schultz Hall. Thank you, Clarence for your donation.

St. Luke’s Property Board



May 5 **Linda & Michael Duffek**

For Mom’s Birthday

May 12 *Needed for Mother’s Day*

May 19 **Lizzy Lynch & Paul Edwards**

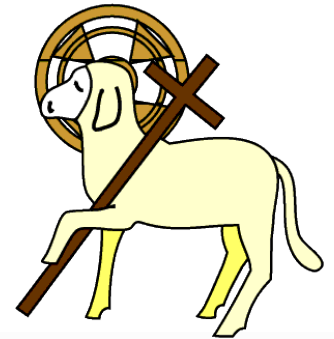
For Carole Edwards’ Birthday

May 26 **Marlene & Duane Kiser**

For Christina Kiser’s Birthday



Kelly Boyer	May 02	Alison Thomas	May 18
Ryan Edwards	May 04	Samantha Basquez	May 19
Jeremy Roberts	May 04	Carole Edwards	May 21
John Mansfield	May 08	Liza Petsch	May 22
Jennifer Petersen	May 08	Claire Kerian	May 23
Katie Iniguez	May 09	Nancy Minning	May 26
Lucy Orcutt	May 14	Kennedy Moser	May 27
Victoria Diaz	May 15	Carol Carney	May 30
Tracy Etchison	May 16	Dorothy Haney	May 30
Debi Lentsch	May 17	Justin Tice	May 30
Brenda Sulzmann	May 18		



## PASSOVER LAMB DINNER





# EASTER FUN







Happy Easter







 Egg

 Hunt  Fun



# FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

March 2019

## Comments:

- March was a five-Sunday month.
- The contributions this March were good – somewhat better than last year.
- The year-to-date results (the first quarter of 2019) are on target when compared to the Budget. Excellent!
- Last year, Easter was on April 1.
- When making a special contribution, please clearly mark in large, bold letters what the contribution is for. Thank you.
- 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.

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General Fund (Only) Contributions		
Data	This Month	Year to Date
<b>Total Contributions</b>	\$17,832	\$52,297
<b>Compared to Budget</b>	\$437	\$2,137
	2.5%	4.3%
<b>Compared to 2018</b>	\$1,266	\$3,734
	7.6%	7.7%
No. of Contributors		
<b>2019</b> (Current Year)	78	77 avg.
<b>2018</b> (Last Year)	92	82 avg.
Other Special Gifts		
Sunday School	\$10	
Flowers	\$300	
Crab Feed Donations	\$100	
Memorials	\$1048	
Easter Lilies	\$72	
Soup Suppers	\$379	

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



# WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

## Altar Care

(8:15 a.m.) Cheryl Franklin  
(10:30 a.m.)  
May 5 Jennifer Connell, Rachel Kiser  
May 12 Faith Thomas  
May 19 Nancy Minning, Connie Reule  
May 26 Steven Lee

## Communion Servers

May 5 Karen Linfor, Shirley Prouty,  
Connie Reule  
May 19 Faith Thomas, Gail Weber,  
Howard Triebwasser,

## Counters

May 5 Nancy Minning, Connie Reule  
May 12 John Orcutt, Triss Hoppman  
May 19 Betty Englund, Barbara Manlapig  
May 26 Holly Hoppman, Marlene Kiser

## Greeters

May 5 Steven Lee, Pat Hamilton  
May 12 *Needed for Mother's Day*  
May 19 Merle & Ralph Zbrog  
May 26 Ofelia Ojeda

## Prayer Leaders

May 5 Larry Dockter  
May 12 Betty Englund  
May 19 Tracy Etchison  
May 26 Mary Frances Harris

## Psalm Leaders

May 5 Sierra Etchison  
May 12 Aiyana Tice  
May 19 Lucy Orcutt  
May 26 Lauren Richey

## Head Ushers

8:15 a.m. Ron Franklin  
10:30 a.m. Craig Eckels

## Readers (8:15 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.)

May 5 Sarah Madison; Holly Hoppman  
May 12 Phil Petersen; Triss Hoppman  
May 19 Ron Webb; Katie Iniguez  
May 26 Christiana Wilson; Kirsten Ireton

## Refreshments

May 5 Kirsten Ireton & Pat Lehman  
May 12 Marc & Alison Thomas  
May 19 Paul Maki & Chona Sison  
May 26 Kelly Boyer & Lois Sherrets

## Visitors' Gifts

May 5 Carol Carney  
May 12 Walt Arndt  
May 19 Pauline Arndt  
May 26 Joyce Jensen

## Acolytes

May 5 Darnell Osako, LaRayna Osako-Cain  
May 12 Noella Sondrini, Anthony Basquez  
May 19 Claire Kerian, Elizabeth Wilson  
May 26 Lucy Orcutt, Kimiya Ricciardi

## Welcome Leaders

May 5 Chet Madison  
May 12 Lois Sherrets  
May 19 Karen Linfor  
May 26 Merle Zbrog

## Sunday School Teachers

May 5 Lauren Orcutt, Christina Hisamoto, Peggy Moser  
May 12 Laura Tice, Samantha Basquez, Peggy Moser  
May 19 Alison Thomas, Lajuan Andrews, Peggy Moser  
May 26 Samantha Basquez, Laura Tice, Peggy Moser



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Return Service Requested



*Please join us for Mother's Day  
Luncheon on May 11th at 11:30 am.  
Wear a hat at the luncheon and at  
Mother's Day service,  
Sunday, May 12th.*