

Attendance Last Week 10:00 am 98

This week at Lamb of God + February 24, 2019

Monday	1:00 pm 6:00 pm	Women's Bible Study LWML Meeting
Tuesday	10:00 am 7:15 pm	Quilters Choir practice
Wednesday	10:00 am 2:00 pm	"Y'all Come Bible Study Crafty Christians
Saturday		Hall in use.

HANDBELL CHOIR

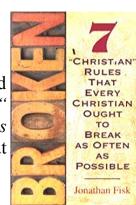


The Handbell Choir is hosting a BAKE SALE on Sunday, March 3rd. The monies collected from this sale will go to one of our ringers, Mike Payne, who fell on the ice and fractured his pelvis. The money will help him as he cannot work for about 3 months. We would be happy to accept

any baked goods to make our sale a success. Thank You.

LENTEN SERMON SERIES

Beginning Ash Wednesday March 6th
Join us on Wednesday Evenings here at Lamb of God during the Season of Lent as we focus on "7 "<u>Christian</u>" Rules that Every Christian Ought to Break as Often as Possible" Each Wednesday will begin with a light supper at 5:00 PM and then Worship at 7:00 PM.



ALTAR FLOWERS



The flowers on the Altar this morning were given to the glory of God, from Larry & Phyllis Schubring

FLOWER CHART

Help!! There are many dates available. March 3l, April 14 & 21, May 19. If you would like to sponsor a Sunday morning's Altar Flowers, please sign your name next to the week that you would like to have. Altar Flowers are \$30.00 for the two vases.

HEARTBEAT CRIB

Thank you to everyone for the donations for the Heartbeat Crib.

CRAFTY CHRISTIANS

Wednesday, February 27th at 2:00 pm. Join us with any craft you have to do.

LENTEN SUPPER

If you would like to host a Wednesday Lenten Supper, a sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway.

April 3 & 10th 5:00—6:30 pm

Lenten Suppers Wednesday March 13, 20, 27,



Ash Wednesday Service March 6th at 7:00 pm Sunday, February 24, 2019 LEAP OF FAITH

For every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything. Hebrews 3:4

SPRING CONCERT

Lamb of God is planning a SPRING CONCERT on Sunday, April 14th at 3:00 pm. Both Handbell Choirs will be playing popular songs, a couple of people will be playing the piano. If you have any talent and would like to share it with others, please see Linda Weston.

Bake Sale Sunday, March 3, 2019

The Handbell Choir is hosting this bake sale. Proceeds go to Mike Payne, one of the ringers, who fractured his pelvis so is unable to work. Donations of baked goods are also welcome.

- If you want something in the News & Notes, please put it in writing and give to the office by Wednesday of that week.
- Prayer List. After two weeks names will be taken off unless you have called the office. 810 234 2423.
- **Choir Practice**, Tuesday evenings at 7:15 pm,
- Woman's Bible Study, Monday, 1-2:30 pm.
- "Y'all Come Afternoon Bible Study", Wednesday 10-11:30 am.

Snow Removal Schedule

<u>February</u>

23-Mar 1 Steve Faculak and Fred Hill

March

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2-8	Austin Kindsvater and Steve Faculak
9-15	Chuck Rink and Jon Boerger
16-22	Fred Hill and Steve Faculak
23-29	Mike Boerger and Jon Boerger

Luke 6:30-31 – "Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them." Is it really possible to live like this? Would it really work to be so open-handed and generous? Our conscience often reminds us of our failures, and the Lord knows our frailty, that's for

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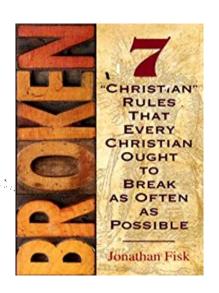
ELDERS SCHEDULE

Service	Date	Elder	<u>CELL</u> PHONE
10:00 am	February 24	Fred Hill & Jim Bur	Please be
10:00 am	March 3	Bill Kuehl & Kurt Nelson	sure to put
7:00 pm	March 6	Fred Wass & Ervin Glann	your cell
10:00 am	March 10	Fred Wass & Gerald Prosch	phones on vibrate or
7:00 pm	March 13	Gerald Prosch	turn them

Ash Wednesday Worship Service

March 6th 7:00 pm

Lenten Suppers 5 – 6:30 pm



Lenten Service Schedule Wednesday

March 13, 20, 27, April 3, & 10th

5:00 – 6:30 pm Lenten Supper

7:00 pm

Service



Open Letter to the Congregation.

As a member of Lamb of God Lutheran Church for the past 6 years and then previously as a member of Peace Lutheran Church for 40 years, I've seen many changes. It is so easy to take for granted what we have. Our blending of congregations has certainly been a wonderful experience, showing that it could, with the help of God, be a smooth transition.

But now we have a big challenge ahead of us, not only in funding our current ministry, but filling the building with new and younger members. Wouldn't it be wonderful if people would automatically rush in when the doors open for Worship? Sadly, they don't. But our Lord has given us the tools to call others to Faith, and we are those tools.

I was recently blessed to be able to attend the confirmation of one of my Great-granddaughter in a little town just north of Ann Arbor. My step-daughter, who belongs to and is a substitutes organist in a LCMS church in Haslett, drove us down to the town's lovely and impressive LCMS church on a gorgeous morning. We had never visited there before but were pleased to find special visitor parking spaces near the entrance. This made a good impression. As we entered the building and were searching for our other family members, it must have been obvious to all that we were strangers, rather lost. The narthex was crowded but we were completely ignored. Maybe that wasn't completely true since some made us feel that we were in their way. Our "good mornings" seemed to fall on deaf ears. Bulletins were finally given to us and we went to find our seats.

The service was interesting. We learned that the early service was a traditional service and the second, which we attended, was a modern service complete with a group of musicians; drums, piano, flute, guitars, and four voices. All of the hymns were backed by

this group ----loudly! The words to all the "hymns" were projected on the wall next to the alter, no music or notes provided. My daughter and I sat looking at the words the entire service, having no idea what the tunes were. I will say that they were good toe tapping tunes.

There was a "Peace Be With You" period during the service and Hallelujah! One person greeted me! The rest seemed to find us invisible.

Following the service was more of the same. The Pastor greeted us but seemed more interested in others around him. We followed people into the activities room as our family stayed for photos. Cake was there so we were brazen enough to help ourselves. We ate our cake and again were invisible.

Would we ever join a congregation like this? Of course, not! But don't we sometimes find ourselves doing the same thing? We haven't seen our friends since last Sunday and have so much news to catch up with! Someone we don't know? It would be embarrassing to welcome them if they are members who just hadn't been here for a while. A simple "Hi! My name is _____. I don't think I've met you before" would certainly get you safely over that!

It is so important to make visitors feel welcome!! This congregation has a wonderful reputation for just that but we all need to continue to work on it! This has certainly been brought home to me with my very negative experience! Thank you.

"This brings up an important perspective that we can all take to heart. In my experienced this is the most loving and welcoming congregation I have ever had the pleasure to worship with. I am proud to be your Pastor. Keep on doing what you do. And in addition-invite those you know and talk with outside of these



Lamb of God Sponsors a Room at Carriage Town Ministries:

Since 1950 Carriage Town Ministries has opened it's doors to the hurting and homeless men, women, and children in mid-Michigan. Their mission is to "provide help, hope, and the Good News to our community through the skills and means of God's people and the transforming power of Christ's love." Lamb of God is glad to announce that through a generous donation to our LWML, and other donations from members, we are able to sponsor a room that will be used for women and children who are in need of temporary housing. We have provided furniture, bedding, blankets and other necessities. The donation has come in memory of Louis Malik. Join us in prayer as we ask God to provide further ways and means we can help this local ministry. To learn more about them visit: www.carriagetown.org/