

The Fisherman's Log

The Lutheran Church of the Galilean
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Minister – Todd LaGrange – AIM
Organists – Craig Kennedy
Colleen Marr – Secretary

Sunday School 9:15 AM / Worship 10:30 AM

February Schedule

Sunday Worship.....	02-04-07
Confirmation.....	02-07-07
Sunday Worship.....	02-11-07
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.....	02-11-07
Church Council Meeting.....	02-13-07
Confirmation/Valentine's Day.....	02-14-07
Sunday Worship.....	02-18-07
Mardi Gras (Have Fun/Be Safe).....	02-20-07
Ash Wednesday Services.....	02-21-07
Confirmation.....	02-21-07
Sunday Worship (CLOWNS).....	02-25-07
Covered Dish Luncheon.....	02-25-07
Confirmation.....	02-28-07
Lenten Services.....	02-28-07

Church Council Members

Carl Hilt – President	Linda Busfield - Member
Janice Church – Secretary	Mike Enault - Member
Bret Jacobs – Treasurer	Betty Coleman - Member
Bob Busfield – Financial Secretary	Buddy Lobell - Member
Wendy Migliore – Member	Don Loisel – Member
Colleen Marr – Member	

Our Special Prayers Go Out To

...Craig Kennedy – recovery from foot surgery;
...the LaRocca Family – the passing of Joe's mother;
...Cara Landry – recovery from surgery;
...those mourning the loss of loved ones;
...those suffering from all types of health problems;
...those in search of employment;
....those celebrating special occasions in their lives.

Church Council Meeting

Church council will meet on Tuesday night, February 13 at 7 PM in the fellowship hall. The meeting is open to all church members.

Congregational Meeting

Please mark your calendars for our February congregational meeting to be held on Sunday, February 11 immediately following worship. This meeting was rescheduled from January 21 due to the football playoff games. More details to follow.

'THE WORD' from the Treasurer

Our congregation will face two key challenges during 2007...

-we must find a way to finance our building. Your council is actively pursuing several solutions to this challenge.

-we must call a pastor to help direct our ministry and outreach in the community.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?

They Are Coming Back With A New Worship Service

Who, you ask - the 'HOLY MADNESS CLOWN TROUPE' are coming back with a new worship experience. When, you ask – Sunday, February 25 at 10:30 AM. This will be a great time to invite prospective members, relatives, friends, neighbors, etc. There will a covered dish luncheon immediately following worship on this date. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

Ash Wednesday Worship

Worship on Ash Wednesday, February 21 will be at 7:00 PM. Please invite prospective members, friends, relatives, neighbors, etc.

Lenten Worship

Starting Wednesday, February 28 we will be holding weekly Lenten worship services at 7:00 PM. Also, beginning on this date we will be having Soup & Sandwich Dinners before our worship experience...dinner will be at 6:00 PM. Volunteers will be needed for preparing soup and sandwiches –see Mona or Don Loisel or anyone on the Fellowship Team. Please invite prospective members, friends, relatives, neighbors, etc.

Team Meetings

Hey guys and gals...we have become very lacks when it comes to holding regular team meetings. Let's get back into a regular schedule again....the first Sunday of each month was originally designated as a time to hold meetings following worship. Please start the habit again. We're trying really hard to get the word out to the congregation about happenings. Get your team news to Carl Hilt or Colleen Marr.

Sanctuary Repairs

Thanks to everyone who gave so generously for the repairs to the sanctuary. We were able to raise \$1,980. Linda Busfield also applied for the matching funds of \$1,050 from Thrivent. We've created some temporary tapestries to hang on the walls until we get a contractor or whatever lined up.

Ministry of Care

The St. John Ministry of Care continues to need help with food drives and with individuals to work as case workers. Volunteers are asked to volunteer four hours per month. This is a great opportunity for retirees to keep busy and help those in a life crisis. Thanks to the members of the Galilean for your continued support of the MOC. Please see Sharon Hilt for any additional information.

'The Fisherman's Log' Newsletter

We are in the process of trying to continue some type of monthly newsletter. We are looking for someone who can volunteer a bit of time each month to help put this newsletter together. See Carl Hilt.

Minister Call Committee

The call committee is actively working to call a new minister. More details to follow.

Church Mortgage Process

As most of you know we have until the end of May to acquire a mortgage and insurance on our building and property. The finance committee and council are very busy working on this project.

Women of the ELCA – Bayou Cluster

There will be a meeting on Saturday, March 17 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Baton Rouge. Program led by Robin McCullough-Bate titled "Seasons of a Women's Life". Anyone interested contact Janice Matherne at 985-785-0368.

Thrivent Meeting and Training

Membership meeting – Sat., Feb. 17, 9 AM, at Christ the King.
Officer/Coordinator Training – Sat., March 10, 9:30 AM for officers and 1:00 PM for coordinators at Concordia School in Marrero.

Building / Property Repairs Needed

In one of our recent bulletins we noted various repairs needed around the church property. We really need someone to take charge of one or more of these repair projects and see that they get done. We're asking for families to take on these projects by actually doing them or paying to have them done. Please reference the listing on the bulletin board in the narthex. See Carl, Bret, or Bob for additional information.

What Are Your Favorite Hymns???"

Check the bulletin board in the narthex...the Music & Worship Team are asking for suggestions for songs...here's the chance to suggest some of your favorite hymns. If any questions, see Bret Jacobs or Linda Busfield.

Great Reading for the Children ...

'The Tale of Three Trees'...Angela Elwell Hunt

This is a wonderful book to help bridge that time from the birth of the Christ Child to his Passion. If you are interested in reading this book to your children, it is available – see Carl Hilt.

Minister For Special Need Or Emergency

Several local ministers have volunteered to provide their services in time of need by members of the Galilean. Please contact the Carl, Bret, or Bob and arrangements can be made.

Area Children/Youth Joint Effort

There is a movement in motion right now to form a joint program between the New Orleans area ELCA churches to do some serious programming for our children/youth. Currently a survey is being taken of all the churches to organize this effort. Jason Wilkinson from CTK has been hired by the synod to head up the effort. If you are interested in getting involved see Carl Hilt.

Epiphany Cake

What you will need to make a traditional Epiphany Cake...

1 cup brown sugar	large saucepan
1/3 cup shortening	measuring spoon
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg	measuring cups
2 teaspoons cinnamon	sifter and spoon
1 1/4 cups of water	round cake pan – 9"
1 cup raisins	oven
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves	3 gold foil wrapped chocolate coins
1 teaspoon baking powder	colored gumdrops
1 teaspoon soda	1 can white vanilla frosting
1teaspoon salt	
2 teaspoons water	
2 cups flour	

Directions:

1. put the first 7 ingredients in a saucepan and boil for 3 minutes
2. add the soda & salt and 2 tsp. of water
3. sift and blend in the flour and baking powder
4. pour batter into round pans
5. bake at 325 degrees for about an hour
6. when the cake is cool insert the gold foil wrapped coins into the cake
7. frost the cake and decorate with the gumdrops if you choose to make the cake look like a crown

There are two ways of looking at the idea of finding the coins in the cake...

- a. The children who find the coins will be crowned and be the three kings for the day. They are also responsible for retelling the story of the Magi to the class, and...
- b. The children who find the coins must tell what each of the gifts that the Magi brought was a symbol of.

Gold...it is one of the most precious things on earth and therefore can represent anything that is precious to us (for example family, love, etc)
Frankincense...represents the royalty of Jesus, because it was used in the temples for special kingly celebrations of the people.

Myrrh... this was given to the Christ child to remind us to preserve, save and keep the good that is in our lives. This person can then include all of the things in our lives that need to be preserved, saved, and cherished.

Worship Participants For February

Assisting Minister		Bret Jacobs / Carl Hilt
Ushers / Greeters	02-04	Ploger / Marshall
	02-11	Lobell / Marshall
	02-18	Youth Sunday
	02-25	Clowns
Readers	02-04	Joe LaRocca
	02-11	Deborah Stotzenthaler
	02-18	Youth Sunday
	02-25	Clowns
Offering Counters	02-04	Mona Loisel/Bob Busfield
	02-11	Paul Migliore/Bob Busfield
	02-18	Paul Migliore/Bob Busfield
	02-25	Mona Loisel/Bob Busfield
Alter Guild	02-04	Betty Marshall/Shirley Dorr
	02-11	Wanda Lobell/Cecelia Enault
	02-18	Mona Loisel/Colleen Marr
	02-25	Colleen Marr/Debra Johnson

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