

Lamb's Tale



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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Item: Fundraiser for Jake

Wow! We did it! Our Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for Jake (Feb 13) was a big success. It was the biggest team effort for our congregation since the 50th Anniversary celebration in 2010. I hope you were able to come and enjoy the event. The food was great – heaping plates of spaghetti with meat sauce and salad. We also enjoyed piano dinner music from Tyler Robinson (our music director), guitar and vocal compositions from Pastor Greg Ronning (a colleague of mine), and the Barbershop-style music of a quartet led by our neighbor Mark Logan. In addition Linda Percifield oversaw an opportunity drawing with many things she made for the occasion. This gave a nice boost to our overall receipts. Many people who could not attend gave generous donations. That is in part why we fell a bit short of the total meals we had planned to serve. But, even so, we *more than doubled* our financial goal receiving well over \$2400. Thanks to all who attended or gave a donation. These funds have now been given to Jacob's family. And that brings me to the highlight of the evening - Jacob himself and his parents and also several of his extended family members were able to join us. It was our delight to meet the brave young man we have been praying for and who is fighting a very serious disease. His parents could not have been more grateful and emailed me afterward to say:

"Dear Pastor Steve,

I want to thank you and your congregation again for the prayers and help you have given my family.

Words alone can't describe how much we appreciate it." – Dave Dickinson

I want to thank everyone who helped with this event. We had 15 volunteer helpers from our little fellowship including a couple of friends of LOG: Barbara, Suzanne, Kari, Olivia, Patricia, Dave, Bob, Mary, Irene, Linda, Raedene, Tyler, Myself, Jeanne C., Mary D. and Jennifer A. I hope all of you had fun doing this project. And we also had the generous support of the *Anaheim White House Restaurant* providing pasta and to *Thrivent Financial* as a financial sponsor (and also provided t-shirts and other stuff) through their Action Team Program. To be sure it was a lot of work and everyone pitched –in with a great spirit of generosity. I had fun working on this project and I wouldn't be surprised if we take on another project of some sort like this in the future.

Item: Holy Week and Easter

Easter comes early this year – March 27. We are now half way through Lent. Our Holy Week observance is pretty much the same as always including the Easter breakfast. The schedule is on the March Calendar

so be sure to check it.

See you in church,

Pastor Steve



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Links I Like - Pastor Steve



This piece came across my desk just after the Feb LT was finished. But it is an important story for all of us who work among the homeless community. Pastor Hugh unleashed a hornets nest with this one, but I think he is spot-on.

<http://www.lovewinsministries.org/2016/01/spiritual-molestation/>

This beautiful detergent commercial helps us start to seriously rethink our understanding of gender roles. It also describes what repentance is all about in a very practical way. Good to think about for Lent.

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/ariel-commercial-share-the-load_us_56cf1f5ee4b03260bf75a313?ir=Women§ion=us_women&utm_hp_ref=women

Occasionally church leaders need to speak out against legislative actions that threaten to harm others. Here is a note about the bold actions of one of our ELCA Bishops taking action against legislation that would put transgender students in South Dakota at risk. **Update:** This bill was vetoed by the Governor on March 1. Whether it will be overridden by the House remains uncertain. The Governor, at least, did the right thing. <http://www.reconcilingworks.org/sd-bishop-1008/>

LOG Financials

February	Actuals	Budget
Income	\$10,485.38	\$10,868.25
Expenses	\$10,087.84	\$10,213.40
Difference	\$397.54	\$654.85



LOG Community

Greetings,

Last fall my friend Mary Dickinson called me to ask for prayers for her nephew Jacob. As you know, he had been diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor. Tests showed that it is a very rare form of cancer, affecting a couple hundred children in the U.S. each year. I wanted to do more than prayers, so first I talked to Suzanne Bogner and together we talked to Pastor Steve about a fund raiser. He was on board immediately, suggesting a spaghetti dinner. So Suzanne and I started to make plans. Next thing we knew Pastor had contacted Thrivent, who agreed to fund the dinner. FANTASTIC! Then Pastor called the White House restaurant, telling Chef Bruno about the situation. Chef Bruno immediately said he would furnish all the pasta. SUPER! Pastor Steve wasn't done yet by any means....Soon he had lined up entertainment for the three hour event. Tyler, as usual agreed to play some soft dinner music, which of course was lovely. He was followed by a Barber-shop quartet and then Pastor Greg who played guitar and sang. Thank you Pastor Steve for your high contribution to a family, who fears for the life of their child. A family you don't even know. A family that is overwhelmed by your kindness.

Thank you Tyler for always being available any time we say would you....? You are a joy and a blessing to me and to Lamb of God.

From the time Pastor Steve first announced our plans for a fund raiser for Jacob the members of Lamb of God became involved. Patricia Wehn called offering to help me make spaghetti sauce. Not only did Patricia make 16 quarts of sauce, she paid for all the ingredients, turning down our offer to pay for those ingredients, then she and Herman came to the dinner and paid for two dinners!!! AMAZING! Thank you Patricia.

Linda Percifield called and asked me about doing a raffle--call it what you want, it's still a raffle. I said great and Linda promptly bought enough material to make 8 lap blankets. Those blankets were a big hit! Thank you Linda.

I put the very capable Mary Williams in charge of our servers Bob Bogner, Dave Jarvis, Jeanne Cole, (who came in from Temecula to help) and one of our riverbed cooks, Jennifer. Everyone of them did a tremendous job. All guests were promptly fed and taken care of. The salad bar was tended by Kari and Olivia Haske. The servers would let Kari know how many salads they needed and Kari and Olivia got them ready, Olive Garden style, complete with black olives and croutons. Everything ran so smoothly, it was as if we did this sort of thing all of the time!

Once again Suzanne made her famous garlic bread, using her secret ingredients that none of us will divulge. Thanks Suzanne.

At one point I walked into the kitchen and there was Sheryl Hartman, Dave Jarvis, Mary Dickinson and Irene Murphy having way too much fun doing dishes. Thanks guys, helping with the clean-up got all us out of the kitchen sooner.

I think every member of Lamb of God contributed, some financially, and some both financially and manually. Your generosity was HEART WARMING. All for an eleven year old boy, you don't even know. GOD BLESS YOU ALL. YOU REALLY HIT IT OUT OF THE PARK THIS TIME!!!

Peace,
Barbara



Social Ministries

Social Ministries Project for 2016 Lutheran World Relief School Kits

Andrea Mathews

I would like to start this month collecting items for school kits. Due to the huge refugee problem, there is a dire need for them. You are asked to give one or more of each item each month for 5 months. Then I will pack them and ship them by the Fall.

Here is a list of items needed:

- 4 70 sheet notebooks wide or college ruled
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 blunt scissor
- 5 #2 pencils
- 5 black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 box 16-24 crayons
- 1 2 1/2 in eraser

Schedule:

January - notebooks

February - pencil sharpener and eraser

March - pencils and pens

April - scissors

May - crayons.

PLEASE make sure the items are of good quality.



LOG Activities

Midweek Lenten Series – Conversations about the Cross Wednesday Evenings at 7PM in Luther Hall (following the Soup Supper)

What does the cross mean? What does it mean to you? When asked we sometimes struggle with how to answer that question. Often we resort to very simplistic answers. This question is at the very heart of our faith and life. We need to know how to answer that question with depth and conviction. Our modern world context demands it. With the help of these world-class scholars, pastors, and teachers we'll follow their video presentations about what the cross means to them. As we do we'll explore the subject of the cross from a variety of different angles. I think you will find these presentations and the conversations we have that follow both enriching but also challenging. Some of the names of the presenters may be familiar – but others will not be. Come and meet them – sit at their feet – and deepen your understanding. I think you will find your own discipleship deeply transformed by their insights. Here's the list of 6 presentations and the presenters. The order is still being worked out so specific dates are not included.

"Ashes" – Sara Miles

"All the Way Down" - Danielle Shroyer

"The Antidote" – Nadia Bolz-Weber

"Embracing the Cross" – Richard Rohr

"The Human One" – Richard Rohr

"Something New" – Miroslav Volf



LOG Child Care Center

Wow, it is a big month ahead at the Child Care Center!! We will be celebrating St Patrick's Day, Lutheran Schools Week, Easter, and this is our annual reading emphasis month. Not a week will go by that isn't full of surprises and activities. We will be joining you on Sunday, March 13th for some sharing of special music. The children have been practicing some songs and are now old pros at performing! It should be a treat. Then our attention turns to getting ready for Easter and reading as many fun books as we can fit into a month. This year we will pick one author a week, and have fun getting to know the characters they have created. Great children's authors like Dr. Seuss, Laura Numeroff, Eric Carle and Kevin Henke will be featured this month. We are inviting grandparents to come and read to the kids on Friday the 11th between 9 and 10. If you would like to come a share a story or two with the kids, we would love to have you!! Special Easter centers will prepare us for this holy time and get our hearts ready to welcome Jesus back. Our weekly chapels with Pastor Steve will help with this as well. We are so blessed with a full school, quality staff and supportive school board. We give thanks for this ministry at Lamb of God. Blessings to you, Lisa Cottrell-Murray and all the kids and staff



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Sunday Worship Services

9:00 AM - English

11:00 AM - Korean



Sunday, April 10, 6:30 PM
Dorothy's House
To Kill A Mockingbird



Orva Sodman	3/8
Autumn Alger	3/11
Steve Bieghler	3/13
Marian Erdmann	3/15
Linda Percifield	3/22
Scott Percifield	3/27
Pat Cadwell	3/31

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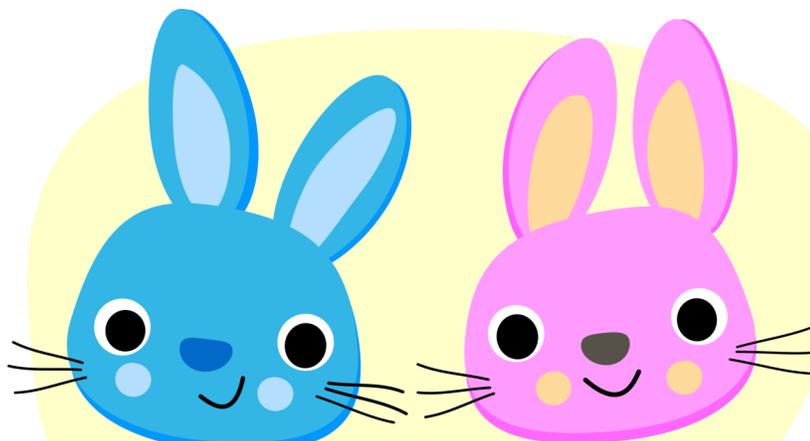


Add to
your
prayer
list

Dorothy Glass, Anita Gomberg, Stevie Fosnight, Joe Jordan, Hortie Perez, Marie B., Mia Grace, Torrie C, Bob Bogner, Fenton Smallwood, Rose, Jennifer, Jacob Dickinson, Jerry Ashby, Yvonne Messer, Michael, Judy, Steven Olmanni, Helen Suarez, Sharon Stonebridge, Brian Lune, Dan Jackson, Clara Caldwell, Maggie Trujillo, Dolores, Vickie Trujillo, Judy Creech, Gretchen Whitaker, Iris Bents, Sherrie Eggers, Marie Cadwell, Pat Cadwell, Jack & Evelyn Curtis, Jim Barker, Cheryl Lynn Gielow, Roy Onishi, AdventLane Bryant, Wanda Figueroa, Gilbert Percifield, Tony Nielson, Delanee Woods,

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The whole congregation is encouraged to remember these persons and families in their private prayers and devotions.



Happy Easter!