

April 2018

Grace and Peace,



Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Upon this very statement hands our Christian faith. There are those who say Jesus' resurrection doesn't matter and that if he didn't rise from the dead then we could still be Christians. But that is simply not so.

St. Paul makes this clear in 1 Corinthians chapter 15 beginning at verse 12 ¹⁴*and if Christ has not been raised from death, then we have nothing to preach and you have nothing to believe....* ¹⁷*And if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is a delusion and you are still lost in your sins.*

Easter is the most Holy of days and even season in the church year. This is hope not only for the church, but for the entire world. Why would anyone not want to believe in Jesus? Jesus came to give us life now and most importantly eternal life.

²⁰But the truth is that Christ has been raised from death, as the guarantee that those who sleep in death will also be raised.²¹For just as death came by means of a man, in the same way the rising from death comes by means of a man.²²For just as all people die because of their union with Adam, in the same way all will be raised to life because of their union with Christ. 1 Corinthians 15: 14, 17, 20-22.

If we are raised from the dead in Christ, as we are in our baptism, then we are Easter people. We live in the power of the resurrection whereby sin doesn't have a hold over us. We don't have to sin. We are not captive to it. In Christ Jesus we are free from its grip. And we live in the power of the risen Lord as Jesus' representatives in this world as we wait for the coming day in heaven. Take heart today and every day. Jesus is alive. His life lives in those who believe. He's given us the power and love of the Holy Spirit to live as people of faith and hope in a messed-up world that needs the healing love of Jesus. Let's be the Easter people who have thrown off the grave clothes and live in the power of resurrection life. Christ is risen. So are you.

In ministry together, Pastor Pam



Scholarships available. Don't miss it!

WEEK	LUTHERAN HILLS
June 10-13 June 10-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Pilgrims (Gr 1-3) •Super Pilgrims (2-3) •Pioneers (Gr 4-6) •Reading Camp (Gr 3-6)
June 17-20 June 17-22	OPEN WEEK – Available for rent or design your own program
June 24-29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Pioneers (Gr 4-6) •Trailblazers (Gr 7-9) •Confirmation Camp I
July 1-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Pilgrims (Gr 1-3) •Parent/Grandparent Camp
July 8-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Performing Arts (Gr 5-10) •Guitar Camp (Gr 6-10) •Hiking & Caving (Gr 7-11)
July 15-18 July 15-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Trailblazers (Gr 7-9) •Confirmation Camp II • Sr High Servant (Gr 10-12)
July 22-27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Pioneers (Gr 4-6) •Trailblazers (Gr 7-9)
July 29-August 1 July 29-August 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Pilgrims (Gr 1-3) • •Super Pilgrims (Gr 2-3) •Pioneers (Gr 4-6)



**House of Prayer Evangelical Lutheran
Church Council Minutes Notes
March 19, 2018**



Rich Patterson opened the meeting at 6:40. Attendees: Pastor Pam Thorson, Cindy Lemons, Steve Klotz, Rich Patterson, Dan Hof, Robin Grega. Absent: Isaac Huggins, Bill Smith
Pastor pam led a devotion based on Hebrews 5:1-10
Minutes from February 19, 2018 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report: received

Financial Secretary's report: received.

Pastor's report:

- The mid-week Lenten services has been reinstated and well attended.
- This year for Holy Week services there will be a Palm Sunday service and not a Passion Sunday service. Maundy Thursday service has a foot washing and the Good Friday Service will be centered around the nails.
- On April 28, 2018 there will be Mission District Training on Tech and the Church.
- We had 1 Pilgrim attend the spring women's Via de Cristo weekend as a renewal. The Ultreya will be at House of Prayer on March 24.

Ministry Area Reports;

Property/Education:

- The bathroom floors will need to be redone. The Property Committee says they can do the work for approximately \$400. The committee will provide proposals for different options outside the church. The decision on whether to use tile, what type of tile or mosaic type concrete needs to be decided.
- The toilets will need to be fixed.

Board of Trustees/Stewardship/Finance: Rich has received the letter to take to the bank for the signature cards and will go to the bank to get the paperwork set up for Pastor Pam, Michele, and Steve to go and sign.

Worship/Outreach: A meeting was held to talk about the Easter party. Pastor Pam, Kevin Thorson, Tina Hof, Sarah Hof, and Robin Grega attended and discussed the events of the party. There will be a relay race, scavenger hunt, the Easter story, crafts, and an egg hunt. There will be snacks for the adults and the kids.

Unfinished and New Business

A. Audit: delayed until the end of April.

B. Ultreya: The Via de Cristo Ultreya (Reunion) is being held at House of Prayer on March 24, 2018 from 1:30pm to 4:30pm.

C. Holy Week: This year for Holy Week see pastor's notes.

D. Steve proposed we put money collect for Change for Change into Pastor's discretionary fund every month. Rich second. Unanimous vote.

E. Steve proposed funds raised from the pancake breakfast go to the mower fund. Dan second. Unanimous vote.

D. Credit Card: Rich is going to talk to the bank about a business credit card for the church.

E. Confirmation Camp at Lutheran Hills will be from June 24 – 29.

F. Upcoming events:

- Pastor Pam and Kevin will be in Israel April 12th – 26. Welcome NALC Pastor David Smith to the pulpit.
- Pancake Breakfast – April 21.
- Council Meeting – Sunday April 29 after church
Sunday May 20 after church

Rich motioned meeting be adjourned at 8:30. Steve second. Closed with a service of Compline. Robin Grega, Secretary

Youth Fellowship Activities

12 May

Louisville Zoo

The Flower Chart is posted in the narthex. Sign up to provide flowers for a special Sunday in honor, memory, or a special occasion. Please designate "Altar Flowers" on your check in the amount of \$20 and place in the offering plate.



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Direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars(R) to House of Prayer. All Thrivent members receive dollars to distribute to charity. In March we received \$550.00. Go online and login to your Thrivent. If you don't have one, you'll need your #. In February we received \$137.

<https://www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-choice/submit-story.html>

**Join us for the 3rd Annual
Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction
8:00-11:00 a.m. - Saturday, Apr 21**



Suggested Donation: Adults: **\$6.00**
Children: **Free** (Age 5 and under)

We need all hands on-deck for this awesome event. See Joan and Steve.

Tickets, tickets... Get your tickets! Sell them to everyone you can.

Or, you buy them and give them away!

Sunday Christian Education

Adult class: for the next weeks the class will be studying "Real Living."

- My Response to Being Loved by God
- Experiencing Real Living

Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesday 10:30 AM Bible group begins a study on 1 Timothy beginning May 2.

Homeless Intervention Services (H.I.S)

Throughout 2018 we will be collecting items for the homeless shelter operated by the Homeless Intervention services. The items are listed below.

- April- Toilet Paper, Paper Towels
- May- Socks and shower shoes (Flip Flops) for men and women
- June- Toothpaste and toothbrush, mouth wash (adult and children)
- July – Laundry Detergent
- August - Body wash, deodorant (Men and Women)
- September - Combs, brushes, shave gel, razors
- October – Canned foods
- November – Blankets
- December – Towels and washcloths



We have been singing it in church lately, but what exactly does **Kyrie eleison** mean? A literal translation from 13th century Greek is, “Lord, have mercy”. It is a formal invocation used in the liturgies of the Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox, and Anglican Churches and a bit of its history follows.

Part of the introductory rites of the Roman Catholic Mass, the Kyrie eleison is a song by which the faithful praise the Lord and implore his mercy. The beginnings of the Kyrie eleison can be found in Holy Scripture, mostly in the book that served as the Church’s first prayer book, the Book of Psalms (“Have pity on me, O Lord ...” Psalm 123:3).

Written origins of the Kyrie can be traced to the fourth century. In 390 A.D. the Gallic pilgrim lady Aetheria tells how in Jerusalem at the end of Vespers one of the deacons read a list of petitions and “as he spoke each of the names, a crowd of boys stood there and answered him each time, ‘Kyrie eleison’ ... their cry is without end”. The Kyrie was finally incorporated into the Latin sacramentary in the sixth century for Matins, Mass, and Vespers, according to Canon 3 of the Synod of Vaison (529). In today’s Vatican II Church (*The popular name for the Second Vatican Council, an assembly of all the bishops of the Roman Catholic Church held from 1962 to 1965. The bishops ordered a large-scale liberalization and modernization of practices in their church.*) the Kyrie has been translated into English and is ordinarily prayed/sung by the assembly (which means everyone, ministers included) after the Penitential Rite, in keeping with the rubrics (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 30-31). As a rule, each of the acclamations is said twice (e.g. Presider: “Lord, have mercy.” Assembly: “Lord, have mercy.” P: “Christ, have mercy.” A: “Christ, have mercy.” P: “Lord, have mercy.” A: “Lord have mercy.”)

Why was the Kyrie in Greek? It harkens back to the earliest years of the Church, when the members of the Church in Rome themselves used Greek, and Greek was the language of worship until about the middle of the third century. During the days of the Latin Mass, it was the only remaining Greek prayer.

“And now,” in the words often used by Paul Harvey, “you know the rest of the story.”

Heartland Mission District Workshop

Tweet - Share - Save: Church And Technology

Saturday, April 28, 2018

9:00am -3:00pm

Bethel Lutheran Church, Noblesville, Indiana



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[Church and
Technology
Workshop](#)

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Technology is a huge issue, and every congregation and every pastor needs to take advantage of technology in order to enable the church's mission.

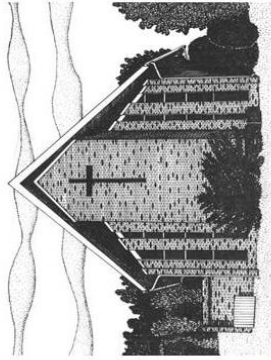
- Technology Enhances Worship - Bethel, Noblesville
- Technology Empowers Stewardship - St. James, Greenfield
- Technology Encourages Communication - St. Mark, Auburn
- Technology Energizes Discipleship - St. Mark, Auburn

There are unintended side effects of technology that are both dehumanizing and de-personalizing. This workshop addresses these issues and the wonderful benefits of technology through real examples in the Heartland Mission District congregations.



Register at www.heartlandnalc.org

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Sunday Schedule

Christian Education 9:15 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

Wednesday

10:30 AM Bible Study

Noon Eucharist 1st, 3rd, 5th

Healing 3rd Wednesday

