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ST. JOHNS MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

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So Easter is in the rearview mirror and the weather is getting warmer after a long winter and a spring that was kind of weird. Now we enter into a time in the church calendar where it's easy to take our focus off of Christ. There is about a 225 day gap between Easter and the beginning of Advent. So we all love the church and we love our savior but our focus is best during Lent and Advent/Christmastime. It's just human nature.

We are also about 120 days past January 1st. On January 1st we tend to set goals and try to "reset" things. On January 1st we start diet plans, projects, new habits (we hope) and some people tackle a plan to devote more time to prayer, Bible reading, or devotions.

If you have something that works for you that's awesome! If it ain't broken then don't fix it as the saying goes. For most of us though we often have a lull in our relationship with God after Easter. Life gets busy, the weather gets nicer (thank God!) and the summer flies by and we can end up feeling a bit disconnected. The church has a solution for this!

Lots of churches (including our denominational partners) use the Revised Common Lectionary to create liturgy. That's where our readings from church come from. The lectionary is not just for Sunday though. The lectionary has readings every day. We are currently in Year C and if you use this link it will pull up the readings for the day that we are on:

https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/daily.php?year=C#id134

Monday May 1st 2022 for example has readings from Psalm 121, Ezekiel 1, and Acts 9. If you click on the day it will bring those readings up for you which is nice. If you are not a computer person and you like physical books or paper... don't forget "Portals of Prayer". There are lots and lots of different things out there but if you want something a bit more drastic I have another idea for you.

In another newsletter I'll talk about a more drastic way to dedicate yourself to prayer but I'll save that for another month. Probably towards the end of the year. In the meantime enjoy some warmth, sunshine, and always remember that Christ is our focus. If you ever feel a little unfocused or like something is missing, odds are you've been away from him for a bit. Spend some time with him and you'll find your way again.

Blessings to you,

Jeremy Wolfe

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FARMERSBURG

CHURCH COUNCIL

Pres: Tammy Muller (23) V. Pres: Ryan Moon (24) Sec: Loretta Weipert (23) Treas: Lindelle Scherf (22)

Council Members:

Bill Scherf III.(22) & Zach Radloff (22)

CHURCH SECRETARY:

Kelly Shaw

FINANCIAL SECRETARIES:

Kelly Shaw & Brenda Hoth

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Loren Scherf

INSIDE JANITOR:

Mary Beth Tielbar

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Pres: Shirley Marmann
V. Pres: Velma Kuehl
Sec: Nancy Moon
Treas: Becky Fuelling
Mission Action: Bev Moon,
Nancy Moon, Marlene Glawe

MEN'S GROUP:

Pres: Jason Klinge V. Pres: Brad Hoth Sec/Treas: Don Bossard

ALTAR GUILD:

Directress: Cheryl Bossard

Sec: Loretta Weipert Treas: Velma Kuehl

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Cheryl Bossard & Tammy Muller

Church Website:

http://www.stjohn-farmersburg.org

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FARMERSBURG NEWS



May 1st 10:30 am Worship/ Communion Adrianna Schoulte daughter of Josh & Megan Schoulte will be Confirmed.

The last day of Confirmation Class will be May 4th.

May 15th 10:30 am Worship/Communion Recognition of Seniors:

Dacia Schoulte daughter of Josh & Megan Schoulte

Declan Wolfe son of Jeremy & Melissa Wolfe
A Reception will follow the worship service in the basement.
All are invited to attend.

May 29 10:30 am Worship Service on the Patio weather permitting.

The following shared Easter Lilies for our Worship Services.

Clark & Kris Wikner & Family in memory of Brad Wikner & Loved Ones

Steege Family in memory of Rev. R. H. & Frieda Steege Marlene Glawe in memory of Verdine Glawe & Loved Ones Jerry & Dorothy Jennings in memory of Loved Ones

Ron & Gloria Tayek in memory of Loved Ones

Shirley Marmann in memory of Don Marmann & Loved Ones Ken & Heather Crogan in memory of Cheryll Howard.

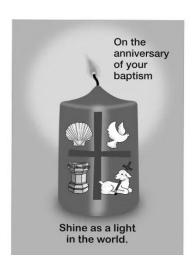
Mary Tielbar & Loved Ones

Julie Kurth & family in memory of Dale and Isabel Kurth, Larry Kurth & Loved Ones

Lendall Schievelbein & Family in memory of Fern Schievelbein and Loves Ones

Rod Stagman in memory of Sonya Stagman & Loved Ones Ethel Lenth in memory of Brad Lenth & Loved Ones Kenny & Velma Kuehl in memory of Loved Ones

Thank you for Sharing the Easter Lilies!



KNOWN MAY BAPTISMS

- 1 Makenzie Corlett
- 4 Christina Klinge
- 7 Dorothy Kluth
- 8 Emily Palmersheim Erica Scherf
- 14 Elizabeth Crogan Dalton Isaacs
- 16 Kaylee Hoth
- 17 Shirley Henkes
- 24 Jacob Morley
- 26 Jamie Scott Tielbar
- 28 Brooklyn Scherf
- 30 William Scherf Jr.

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USHERS

May 1 & May 8

Captain Matt Goltz Brad Hoth Alan Feldman Brian Glawe

May 15, May 22 & May 29
Captain Jamie Tielbar Wyatt Geick
Wyatt Glawe Clark Wikner

We will need two ushers to help with serving The Continuous Serve Communion. If you are scheduled to usher and are unable to usher, please find a substitute on Communion Sundays.



COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

May 1 Ken Erickson May 15 Ryan Moon

MAY ACOLYTES

- 1 Adrianna Schoulte
- 8 Brayden Hoth
- 15 Olivia Kirby
- 22 Landon Goltz
- 29 Kaylee Hoth

GREETERS

- May 1 Brian & Susan Glawe
 - 8 Brad & Brenda Hoth
 - 15 Don & Chervl Bossard
 - 22 Marlene Glawe & Megan Glawe
 - 29 Bev Moon & Teresa Feldman

MAY ALTAR GUILD

Shirley Marmann Marlene Glawe

May Calendar

- 1 Confirmation
- 1 5:00 pm Secret Sister Potluck
- 7 Lutheran World Relief Truck—Decorah 7:30 –10:30 am
- 7 Good Will Truck—Monona 8:00 am—11:00 am Faith Lutheran
- 15 Senior Graduation Reception: Group 3 serves
- 18 7:00 pm Baccalaureate Host: McGregor Churches/First Lutheran @ | Faith Lutheran Monona
- 22 MFL MarMac Graduation
- 30 7:00 pm Interchurch council meeting



May 4 John Isaacs

- 10 Amy Klinge Christopher Pate
- 13 Kevin Radloff Jade Gerndt
- 14 Clark Wikner Nolan Lerch Weston Fuelling
- 16 Tessa Tielbar Kellian Kluth
- 17 Kaden Lindner
- 19 Heather Taylor
- 21 Pat Suhr Imogene Ihlenfeldt Axel Rodas
- 22 Dacia Schoulte Zachary Schlake Nicole Hall
- 23 Shirley Marmann
- 24 Linda Schoulte Larry Friedlein
- 26 Lindelle Scherf
- 28 Susan Glawe
- 30 James Muller

31 Dylan Scherf

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

John & Kathy Klinge

Birthday

May 21 Imogene Ihlenfeldt

Scripture Readers

Please sign the sheet in the narthex on the bulletin board to read lessons the next few months.



May 1st @ 5:00 pm will be the Secret Sister revealing party. It will be a Potluck hosted by Julie & Valerie Kurth.

If you would like to join this group contact Julie or Heather Crogan.



Leigh & Gloria Keehner shared a flowering plant in memory of Dale & Isabel Kurth. Thank You for sharing the plant for our Worship service.

FARMERSBURG NEWS



Baptized on March 28th was Bowie Lynn VanHauen daughter of Laney and Jarrod VanHauen. Her Godparents are Tori Tayek and Megan Beebe.

On March 29th Skylar Fischels Kessler was Baptized. Her parents are Kurt Christopher Kessler & Tiffany Ann Fischels. Skylar's Sponsor is Bridget Fischels.



Clayton County Food Shelf Box #48 – St. Olaf, IA 52072 Monday – Friday: 9-Noon 1 – 4:00 pm Ph #563-783-7794 Utoni Ruff, Director

FOOD ITEMS:

CURRENT NEEDS ARE:

Canned Fruit, Fresh Fruit, Ready to Eat Cereal, Tuna, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Individual wrapped Cheese, String Cheese

NON-FOOD - ALWAYS NEED:

Toilet paper, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Laundry & Dish Soap, Bar Soap

Daffodowndilly

by A.A. Milne

She wore her yellow sun-bonnet,
She wore her greenest gown;
She turned to the south wind
And curtsied up and down.
She turned to the sunlight
And shook her yellow head,
And whispered to her neighbour:
"Winter is dead."

Our Sympathy to the family and friends of Sharon Kaye Henning who died March 20, 2022. Her funeral services were held on March 25th at St. John Church Farmersburg, Iowa Thank you to the family for sharing Altar flowers in her memory.

Our Sympathy to Erin (William) Scherf IV whose Step Dad, Daniel Arthur Berger passed away on March 21, 2022. A Celebration of Life will be held on a later date.

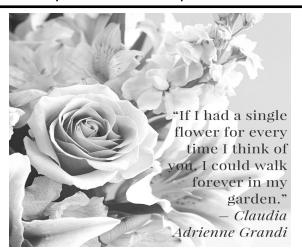
Our Sympathy to the family and friends of Russell Francis Pate who passed away on April 4, 2022. His funeral services were on April 9th at St. John Church in Farmersburg, Iowa.

Thank you to the family for sharing flowers in his memory for our worship services.



The family of Russell Pate would like to thank the members of St John's for the support we received with the passing of our Dad.

All the letters, calls, messages, flowers ect. we received were so appreciated. We are truly blessed to be a part of such a



ST. JOHN FARMERSBURG COUNCIL MINUTES

April 14, 2022 after Maundy Thursday Worship Service

Present: Lindelle Scherf, Tammy Muller, Loretta Weipert, Ken Erickson, Ryan Moon, Zachery Radloff, Bill Scherf and Jeremy Wolfe.

Meeting called to order by President Tammy Muller at 7:30 pm. Opening devotions given by Jeremy Wolfe.

Reviewed agenda, added internet booster and synod conference. Zach moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Lindelle. Motioned carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of 3/9/22 meeting made by Zach, second by Ken. Motion carried.

Zach moved to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Ken. Motion carried.

Lay Minister Report: Jeremy planning Ewalu day trip vs overnight for youth group. Outdoor wedding ceremony on Sept 9, 2023 for Elizabeth Crogan and Danny Forsythe. Chaplaincy course via Zoom.

Discussed issues with microphone he wears during services and possible solutions.

Ongoing Business:

- *COVID Restrictions Keep the same.
- *Photo Directory tabled related to haven't been able to find photographer and/or someone to organize putting together directory.
- *New church sign Loretta will attempt to add more vibrant color to possible photo option for new sign.
- *Landscaping on west side of church needed. Mark Bries will reslope to keep water away from church.
- *Congregational Reports (Form A & C) were due by March 1, 2022. Kelly was working on and should of been submitted.
- *Council meeting dates and time Decided that next meeting will be Wednesday 11 at 7:30 pm.

New Business:

- *Zach made a motion for internet booster if can find one for \$150 or less related to speed issues with videos at times. Ken second motion. Motion carried.
- *Lindelle made motion to accept resignation of Tracey Phillips from council. Loretta second motion.
- Motion carried. Zach made motion appointment of Bill Scherf III to complete Tracey's term. Lindelle second motion. Motion carried.
- *Basement refrigerator Individuals checked at Rockweilers in PDC, none available that are small enough for space. Shirley Marmann found a refrigerator at Olson Appliance in Elkader lowa for \$799. Other charges will be warranty \$20, delivery/ setup \$35-50, take old refrigerator \$25 and tax about \$60. Zach made a motion for refrigerator to be ordered and delivered, Loretta second motion. Motion carried.
- *May 22 Baptism for child of Sara Meisner-Nehl during service.
- *Scholarship Committees Fascher and Schoenfeldt scholarship applicant Dacia Schoulte. Probert committee meeting this week, have 7 applications.
- *Loretta made a motion to accept Dave and Heather Hageman as new members at St John, second by Lindelle. Motion carried.
- *Council members agreed to give Dave Hageman a \$25 Kwik Star card for his assistance with snow removal.
- *Synod Conference Becky Fuelling and Deb Tidwell need to register. Will be \$115 each.

Committee Reports:

- *Evangelism- No report
- *Parish Education- May 8th last Sunday of Sunday school
- *Property- Waiting for response from Lynn Tielbar on when he can finish work to bell tower. Will monitor the floor to schoolhouse. Mark Bries will landscape to drain water away from schoolhouse. During landscaping will take closer look at floor.
- *Stewardship- No report
- *Worship- Good Friday service in Luana and Easter service at 9 am in Farmersburg. Outside patio worship service on May 29 & July 31. Starting in June church at 10 am. Fair weekend will be joint in Farmersburg. Acolytes to be wearing robes.
- *Memorial- Come with ideas of needs of the church.
- *Youth Group- Ewalu trip being planned, haven't decided date.
- *Mens Group No updates
- *Womens Group selling quilts

Motion to adjourn by Zach, second by Lindelle. Motion carried. Closed with Lord's Prayer. Respectfully submitted by Loretta Weipert, secretary

FARMERSBURG NEWS

March, 2022 – St John Farmersburg Treasurers Report

Income:

25.00 (Thrivent Grant 14.79 (CD Interest)

1800.00

1018.00 (Transferred from designated for piano tunes)

310.00 600.00 1194.00 614.00

Missions:

 NE Iowa Synod:
 270.00

 SOTH:
 215.00

 Food Shelf:
 100.00

 St. Pt. Home:
 60.00

 LSI:
 50.00

 EWALU:
 35.00

Staff Compensation:

Pastor: 1184.20 + 465.71

Portico:

Inside Cust.: 209.22 Outside Cust.: 120.05 Organists: 166.23

Secretary: 200.00 (G.C.)

Expenses:

Black Hills (gas): 649.11 Alliant (elec): 258.31

NEIT: 138.93 + 112.35 (phone & net upgrade + phone line service)

Clayton Co Treasurer: 777.25 (prop tax parsonage)
Marco Technologies 374.46 (copier contract)

Farmersburg PO 200.00 (mailings + 1 book stamps)

Merlyn Finley 888.00 (basement piano tune & fix up as per Feb council approve)

1517 Media 70.00 (CIOH quart 2) Dubuque Relig CNTR 198.70 (sanc lights)

Church Mutual 2973.50 (1 & 2 payment together)

Total Income: 5575.79 Total Expenses: 9716.02

General Checking Balance – March 1, 2022: 6810.47

March 31, 2022: 2670.24

Lindelle Scherf, Treasurer





LUANA

CHURCH SECRETARY & FINANCIAL TREAS.:

Karla Schrader **CHURCH COUNCIL:**

President: Jim Meyer (23) V. Pres: Duaine Davis (23)

Sec: Mel Lenth (24)

Cur. Treas: Mary Schroeder(22) Bene. Treas: Sherri Johnson (24) Financial Counters: Council

DEACONS:

Erv Bugenhagen (22) Janelle Smith (22) Doug Schrader (23)

TRUSTEES:

Mary Schroeder (22) Duaine Davis (23) Jim Meyer (23) Sherri Johnson (24) Mel Lenth (24) Neil Landt (24)

WELCA: Leaders:

January—March Vicky Baade April—June Lisa Meyer July—September Mel Lenth

Oct. — December Karla Schrader **ALTAR GUILD:**

Pres: Sherri Johnson (23) Sec: Darci Engelhardt (23) **Banners/Linens/Candles:** Mary Schroeder (24) Lisa Meyer (22)

Special Services/Flowers: Betty Handke (24) Diane Kraus (22)

Bapt./Comm.: Sherri Johnson

Darci Engelhardt

Seasonal Banners: Altar Guild

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Luke Steege (23) Jason Klinge (23)

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LUANA NEWS



Josh Schierholz will be Confirmed Confirmation on May 1st. His parents are Jason Schierholz and Dawn Zweibohmer.

The last day of Confirmation Class will be May 4th.

May 15 - 2022 High School graduates from St John, Luana. will be honored during 9 a.m. worship service and reception following to which the congregation is invited.



Our graduates are Amber Moellers daughter of Chad and Melissa Moellers & Karli Tilson daughter of Kevin and Katie Tilson

I MAY VOLUNTEERS:

Greeters: Jerry & Mary Schroeder

Read Lessons & Prayers: May 1 – Luke Steege May 8 – Vicky Baade May 15 – Jerry Schroeder May 22 - Linda Davis

May 29 - Mel Lenth

Acolyte: May 1 - Karsten Steege May 8 - Cayl Anderson May 15 -Emme Wikner May 22 – Josh Schierholz May 29 – Dayne Anderson

Communion Servers: May 1 – Erv Bugenhagen and Neil Landt May 15 – Janelle Smith and Mary Schroeder



MAY

1 – Doug & Connie Schlein

16 - Loren & Mel Lenth

21 – Adam & Jennifer Smith



MAY

4 – Betty Handke

5 – Cayl Anderson

6 – Luke Steege

8 - Susan Mohs

16 – Laverne Landt JoAnn Meyer - 85

18 – Travis Landt

20 - Dayne Anderson

23 - Chad Moellers

25 – Doug Schlein

Easter Lilies given:

Ozzie and Carol Goettler in Memory of Loved Ones Bob and Betty Handke in Memory of Loved Ones Vicky and Lonnie Baade in Memory of Loved Ones Loren and Mel Lenth in Memory of Loved Ones Doug and Karla Schrader in Memory of Loved Ones

Laverne Landt, Neil and Cindy Landt in Memory of Norma, LeRoy and Fran

LUANA NEWS



Condolences for the family of Bruce Anderson. Father of Chris Anderson, Grandfather to Cayl and Dayne and Brother to Karla/Doug Schrader

Condolences for the family of Karen Heins. Aunt of Becky Harnack.

St John Luana Council Minutes April 10, 2022

Meeting was called to order by President Jim Meyer at 7:48 AM.

Present: Lay Pastor Jeremy Wolfe, Jim Meyer, Duane Davis, Doug Schrader, Ervin Bugenhagen, Neil Landt, Mary Schroeder, Karla Schrader and Sherri Johnson

Absent: Melanie Lenth and Janelle Smith

Opening devotions were led by Jeremy.

<u>Secretary's Report:</u> Report was read. Motion by Erv to accept report, seconded by Doug. Motion carried.

<u>Treasurer's and Financial Reports:</u> Reports reviewed. Motion by Neil to accept reports, seconded by Mary. Motion carried.

<u>Old Business:</u> Jim had spoken with the renters of the parsonage and gave them notice that the church was looking into the possibility of selling the parsonage and that the renters would have first chance at purchasing if they chose to. Karla commented that it would be at least 3 months before anything would start happening if it was decided to sell the parsonage. Discussion is ongoing on whether to sell or not. It was suggested that the Building Committee put together a report on the financial aspect of keeping or selling the parsonage and present to the Council.

Monona Computer no longer can supply anti-virus and back-up service for the church computers. Jeremy looked into Anti-Virus protection and the cost was \$40/year for 1 computer/device and \$80 /year for up to 5 computers/devices. Jeremy can schedule the scan to run. Motion by Sherri to go with the \$80/year protection, seconded by Doug. Motion carried. Jeremy said the the back-up can be done through Google Drive for free. He will take care of this as well.

There was no news on the pictorial directory. Jeremy had said they were hoping to find a student or someone who would put together the pictures to create the directory after they are taken. He has not found anyone for this yet.

<u>New Business</u>: Jeremy is trying to put together a day trip for the youth since there will not be a Youth Convention this year. He was looking at Ewalu as a possibility.

Worship Committee met with Jeremy to go over the settings and how services were going. Dispersing of Lenten funds were discussed. Duane made a motion to disperse the money

<u>LUANA NEWS</u>

MARCH REPORT

EXPENSES		INCOME	
Black Hills Utilities –Nat. Gas	627.82	Mar. 6	2,021.00
Alliant - Electricity	531.16	Mar. 13	512.00
Karla Schrader –Secretary	330.91	Mar. 20	1,187.00
Cindy Landt – Custodian	307.83	Mar. 27	1,037.00
NEITEL	118.01		4,757.00
Jeremy Wolfe- salary	1,184.20	Thrivent	25.00
Jeremy Wolfe (Chaplaincy program)	2,200.00	Ukraine donations	623.00
Access (maintenance agreement)	145.97		5,405.00
IRS	297.87		
Greenlawn (prepay)	834.68	Bal. Feb. 28, 2022	7,487.32
City of Luana (w/s/g)	<u>266.61</u>	Income	5,405.00
	6,845.06		12,892.32
		Less Expenses	6,845.06
		Bal. Mar. 31, 2022	6.047.26

SPECIAL FUNDS

Ruby Breitsprecher CD	5,317.44
St John Scholarship Fund CD	40,672.40
Willard & Anne Kamin CD	4.276.79

FURNACE/RENT/REPAIR FUND

Bal. Feb. 28, 2022	\$ 52,453.52
Interest	49.01
Bal. Mar. 31, 2022	\$ 52.502.53

CURRENT FUND

	Envelopes	Plate	Initial	Total
Mar. 6	1,995.00	16.00	10.00	2,021.00
Mar. 13	497.00	15.00		512.00
Mar. 20	1,182.00	5.00		1,187.00
Mar. 27	1,032.00		5.00	1,037.00
	4,706.00	36.00	15.00	4,757.00



BENEVOLENCE REPORT

	INCOME	
Mar. 2	Ash Wed	242.00
Mar. 6	Offering	20.00
Mar, 9	Lent	180.00
Mar. 13	Offering	105.00
	Food Shelf	45.00
Mar. 16	Lent	192.00
Mar. 20	Offering	43.00
	Food Shelf	10.00
Mar. 23	Lent	87.00
Mar. 27	Offering	62.30
	Food Shelf	45.00
Mar. 30	Lent	229.00
		1,260.30

EXPENSES

SOTH	\$130.00
FOOD SHELF	100.00
SYNOD	100.30
	330.30
LENT	930.00
	1.260.30

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May God
BLESS YOU
with abundant

Baptism birthday
& ALWAYS
& ALWAYS

MAY Known Baptisms

1 – Ervin Bugenhagen

3- Emme Wikner

12 – Janelle Smith

25 – Braden Landt

27 – Kyle Tilson

30 – Luke Steege

WORSH	ΙP	ATTENDANCE	
Att.		Comm	
Mar.	20	36	
Mar.	27	35	
Mar.	30	42	
Apr.	3	38	37
Apr.	10	40	
Apr.	15	32	
Apr.	17	<u>45</u>	45
TOTAL	ı	2 68	82

BOTH CHURCHES NEWS

<u>REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS</u>: Melanie Cahoon, Shaun Mohs, Norman Mueller, Joy David, Rick Conley, Keith Lee, Dallas Tielbar, Shelby Preston, Mickey Phillips, and Jerry Jennings.

MILITARY: Avrey Smith, Alex & Ali (Crogan) Moran, Andrew

Rodas & Beth Rodas

STONE BROOK VILLAGE: Elaine Gehring

ELKADER CARE CENTER: LuNida Landt, Nadyne Reardon

GARDEN VIEW PLACE: Shirley Henkes
GOOD SAMARITIAN SOCIEY: Juanita Mohs

GREAT RIVER CENTER MCGREGOR: Mae Mueller OELWEIN HEALTH CARE CENTER: Jim Fuelling

ASSISTED LIVING ROCHESTER, MN 55901: Dorothy Kluth

BICKFORD ASSISTED LIVING GURNEE, ILL 60031: Imogene Ihlenfeldt

HOMEBOUND: Mary Russett, JoAnn Meyer, Illa Mae Mueller, Glenda Henkes, Lee Klinkenberg,

Jeanette Krambeer, Gordon Peterson, Lendall Schievelbein



Mother's Day is a time to celebrate the strong, loving women in your life. At Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI), we see moms through their journey to build the brightest future for their children.

We see moms turning to LSI Behavioral Health Intervention Services to ensure their child is receiving the coping skills and behavioral supports they need to thrive. In our Early Childhood Services, we see first-time moms who are eager to join our parenting education classes and support groups. In 2021, LSI's Early Childhood programs provided support to nearly 500 families of young children. We are so inspired to hear their stories and see their hard work pay off as they raise our next generation.

As you celebrate Mother's Day this year, remember how many lowa moms are being empowered because of your support. If you are looking for a way to honor a mother in your life this year, please consider making a gift in her name to LSI. For more information, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI director of philanthropy and church relations, at Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org or 563-676-2065.

Education for Every Parent

As a parent educator for LSI, Lindsay spent every day visiting families in their homes and teaching parents how to meet their child's developmental needs and help them thrive.

When she left LSI and welcomed her new son, Patrick, into the world, Lindsay wanted some extra support for her family. And she knew just where to turn.

LSI Early Childhood Services provide evidence-based curriculum that builds on each family's individual strengths and ensures they have the education and resources they need to achieve their personal goals and keep kids on track with their developmental milestones.

Each week, Lindsay was able to meet with her LSI parent educator, Amy, and get a fresh perspective on the best ways to help her son succeed. Together, they worked on setting nutrition goals for Patrick, and Lindsay is now getting ready to help her son learn to walk and talk.

For years, Lindsay was able to educate and empower lowa families through LSI Early Childhood Services. Now, she gets to experience the programming from the other side, and it's given her a new outlook on how valuable the education and resources are to parents of young children.

"I want to thank everyone who has supported LSI," Lindsay says. "This programming is for everyone. Just having the opportunity for in-home visiting is awesome. I want to thank everybody for donating because I love this program."

