

## Cross Lutheran Church Proclamation April 2022

Pastor Doug Andersen

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Dear friends in Christ,

As our journey through Lent nears its end and we approach Holy Week I would like to share a poem with you. I like this poem because it speaks of the *truth* of the cross. Whereas, too often, the cross is glorified this poem speaks of pain and hurt that is often more the truth of our lives. However, it also speaks to the hope of the cross that was revealed at the empty tomb. May you find it meaningful as well.

### At the Foot of the Cross

At the foot of the cross, I lay it all down  
Everything in my life, that's hidden deep inside  
I give it away, for my Savior to heal  
These fears that I have, that I've buried for years  
At the feet of Jesus, my heart pours out tears  
As I kneel and pray, my thoughts become clear  
And I finally see what's so very dear

At the foot of the cross, I cry out in pain  
Anguishing thoughts pour out like rain  
But, amidst these tears, I find a peace so calm  
As Jesus scurries in, the darkness fades away  
My heart is freed, my mind once again sane  
And the past torments I've had are forever washed away  
My life burns brighter, like the dawning of a new day

At the foot of the cross, I'm loved and not lost  
Where the Holy drops of blood, have paid off sin's costs  
And the Savior was taken, now risen once more  
Through the grace of God, the veil was torn

And the world was cast a new rope of hope  
Dangling freely from Heaven, climbable by faith alone  
To an eternal place, where sin and death are dead

At the foot of the cross, life can be found  
On your knees draped in blood, on Calvary's sacred ground.

by Steven

**Sunday School:** This month's Sunday School will be April 24<sup>th</sup>, to accommodate for Easter. Otherwise, Sunday School will be hosted once a month in the fellowship hall after Worship on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month. All are welcome!!!

**Adult Education:** Adult education will meet Wednesday Morning at 10:00am at Zion the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month. All are welcome! This month we are meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

### **Serving:**

**Ixonix Food Pantry:** Thank you to all who donated as part of our Souper Bowl! We collected quite a few items for the food pantry. As always remember to donate goods when you can, it's a much-needed resource in our community. Also, Please remember to check the dates on items donated. The food pantry will not except expired food. Thank you!

**Directory Audit and Volunteer Worksheets: Reminder:** Please fill out and return your directory pages as soon as you can. We are looking at re-organizing our volunteer lists and updating our directory. So, we need your help! Hand in your forms to the Office mailbox marked Forms:Office. Thank you!

**Church Choir:** Choir will be singing on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. The Practice time has been moved! We will now be practicing after worship on April 6<sup>th</sup>. We ask that all who are planning on singing arrive 15minutes early to each service to run through the music beforehand. Our song selections are "Hosanna Loud Hosanna" for Palm Sunday and "Thine is the Glory" for Easter.

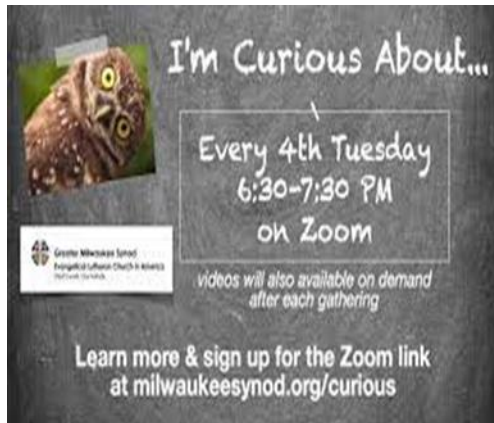
### **Leadership:**

**Church Council:** Council will meet next on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. Council meetings are usually open meetings. If you are interested in attending, please let Pastor or Barb Nyland know ahead of time. Thank you!

### **Fellowship:**

**Fellowship Time:** Coffee Hour! We have resumed fellowship after worship the third Sunday of the month and are looking for volunteers to bring in treats to share. Sign-ups are available in the Narthex.

**Coffee Shop conversations:** Pastor won't be at Whelan's during the Lenten season. Coffee time will resume after Easter.



Our synod's Mission Table will host an hour-long, monthly gathering on Zoom for Christians who want to dream together about where God is leading the Church.

New topics each month, every 4th Tuesday from 6:30 - 7:30 pm, via Zoom. Come, hear inspiring reflections from others. No experience is needed. All voices are welcome.

Contact Rev. Matthew Short at [matt@milwaukeeesynod.org](mailto:matt@milwaukeeesynod.org) with questions.

## **Maintenance:**

The Decorating Committee is comprised of Elmo Wendorf, Cathy Stein, and Terri Watermolen.

Please contact Kurt or Brian if you can help with maintenance work on the parsonage or church.

Kurt: 262-490-2362 or [kketcham@wi.rr.com](mailto:kketcham@wi.rr.com) or Brian: 920-988-4949 or [trs@netwurx.net](mailto:trs@netwurx.net)

## **Upcoming Events:**

- **April 6<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Night Lenten Worship**
- **April 10<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday**
- **April 14<sup>th</sup> Maundy Thursday Worship at Cross 7pm**
- **April 15<sup>th</sup> Good Friday Worship at Zion 7pm**
- **April 17<sup>th</sup> Easter**

**Usher Schedule: April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Phil and Mary Jo Dobberfuhl  
April 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Tod and Tammy Ninmann**

**Ushers please note: When lighting candles, all of the candles are lit on holidays and special Sundays. On "normal weeks" light only the Altar Candles. Thank you!**

**Communion Assistant/ Reader Schedule:**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>: Jeff Campbell/ Mary Jo Dobberfuhl**  
**April 10<sup>th</sup>: Tammy Ninmann/ Cathy Stein**  
**April 17<sup>th</sup>: Cindy Kuehn/ Elmo Wendorf**  
**April 24<sup>th</sup>: Cathy Stein or Cindy Kuehn / Barb Nyland**

**Altar Guild for April: Cindy Kuehn**

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Pastor Doug's office hours: Tuesday mornings and all day on Thursdays

Adeline will be in the office on Thursday mornings

**2022 council members:**

(President) Barb Nyland: [bnylandtuss@gmail.com](mailto:bnylandtuss@gmail.com) Cell: 920-390-9054

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**February Attendance**

6	27
13	37
20	
27	26



**CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**Financial Report -February 2022**

			<b>General Fund Amount</b>
<b>General Fund Collections:</b>		<b>Memorials</b>	
	<b>Includes Rental Income and Memorials</b>		
February 2, 2022			\$5,376.00
February 6, 2022			\$1,009.00
	Rental Income		\$2,800.00
February 13, 2022			\$2,954.00
	Noisy Sunday		\$146.93
February 20, 2022			\$1,264.00
February 27, 2022			\$1,389.00
	<b>Total</b>		<u><u><b>\$14,938.93</b></u></u>
 <b>Bank Accounts</b>			
<b>General Fund Checking:</b>		<b>Balance @ 02/28/22</b>	<b>\$94,732.85</b>
Outstanding Checks			\$0.00
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Balance @ 02/28/22</b>	<u><u><b>\$94,732.85</b></u></u>
<b>Bank Holding Account - Endowment Fund:</b>		<b>Balance @ 2/28/22</b>	<b>\$1,615.70</b>
Add: Contributions & Interest			\$0.04
		<b>Balance @ 2/28/22</b>	<u><u><b>\$1,615.74</b></u></u>
 <b><u>Behling Estate Bequest:</u></b>			 \$25,000.00
2019:	Painting & Carpeting	\$17,840.00	@ 50%
			(\$8,920.00)
2020:	New Banners	\$786.00	@ 50%
			(\$393.00)
2021:	New Banners	\$2,913.09	@ 50%
			(\$1,457.00)
		<b>Balance Available</b>	<u><u><b>\$14,230.00</b></u></u>
 <b><u>Gotthilf Bartel Bequest:</u></b>			 \$9,673.12
Since 2018:	Allocate- Cemetery Upkeep % of grass cutting		(\$4,894.00)
		<b>Balance Available</b>	<u><u><b>\$4,779.12</b></u></u>
 <b><u>Organ Repair:</u></b>			
Prior Year's Memorials and Donations -		Balance @ 1/31/22	\$1,495.00
Add: Contributions & Memorials			
		<b>Balance Available</b>	<u><u><b>\$1,495.00</b></u></u>

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Janice Bartel, Treasurer**

Cross Lutheran Church  
Council Meeting Minutes  
February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Present: Pastor Doug, Barb Nyland, Angie Thrane, Janice Bartel, Barb Butschke, Cindy Kuehn, Val Scott

Barb N. called the meeting to order. A quorum was established.

Devotions: Barb N. led us in a devotion. Olympics and pressure.

March – Pastor Doug

April – Val

May – Janice

June – Angie

July – no meeting?

August – Barb N.

September – Cindy

October – Barb B.

November – Elmo

December – Val

January – Barb B.

February – Val

Approval of the agenda, January minutes, Financial report and Pastor's report. Discussion on Financial report led by Janice. After discussion Angie motioned to approve, Val seconded. Motion passed.

#### Team Reports

- A) Worship Team – Lenten schedule will be March 9, 23 and April 6<sup>th</sup> at Cross and March 16, 30<sup>th</sup> will be at Zion. Decided to bring fellowship back once a month February 20, March 20 and April 17<sup>th</sup> if all goes well will do the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays after worship starting in May.
- B) Sunday School – Lilly Mireau will be leading the children in song and they will sing for us February 27<sup>th</sup>
- C) Decorating team – Elmo has contacted Kurt Ketchum with want all can be done with the front of the church.
- D) Maintenance team –
- E) Mission team – Needs to reconvene
- F) Cemetery team – Needs to reconvene

#### New Business

- a. Renters now would like to stay. Would need an updated contract, a 1 year lease signed for \$1500 and automatic payment plan.
- b. Mailboxes were completed after meeting, and Church Directory Update is in the works.

- c. Jeff Blank – Memorial: Janice will contact Allison Airport in Iowa to find out if they have a charitable foundation we could donate to in memory of Jeff Blank. Would members also like to donate?
- d. Annual meeting minutes/review still needed from Terri

Determine next meeting date: March 8 at 6:45pm

We closed with the Lord's Prayer

Barb N. called the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb B.