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Spring is in the air!

Spring is in the air! Can you feel it? The birds are singing, the trees are starting to leaf out, the daffodils and tulips are poking out of the ground. We have warm sunny days, but we still have cold rainy days. The calendar says spring, but the weather is still going back and forth. March is definitely an in-between month. We have sneak peeks of the warmth to come, and we wait in hopeful expectation for when winter is truly behind us. This reminds me of the kingdom concept of “now and not yet.” Jesus has died and risen for us and defeated death and the devil and has given us the victory now. But he has not yet come again in his full glory to take us to himself in heaven. So we wait. As we journey to the cross this Lenten season, may we remember that “while we were still sinners Christ died for us,” and “The water that I (Jesus) will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

Lamb of God Preschoolers will be singing in church this Sunday, March 24 at the 10:30am service. We will sing of God’s great love for us and His plan for our salvation. We hope you can join us!

Kay Storck
Director/Teacher
Lamb of God Preschool

Church Events

Sunday	8:00am	Eucharist
	9:15am	Choir
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	Eucharist
	11:30am	Outreach Board
Tuesday	9:00am	Tai Chi
	9:30am	Alanon
Wednesday	9:00am	Foster Care
	9:30am	Eucharist
	10:00am	Fellowship
	2:00pm	Worship
	5:30pm	Meal
	7:00pm	Concordia Concert
Thursday	6:30pm	Tai Chi
	7:00pm	Gamblers-12 Step
Sunday	9:00am	Eucharist
	10:00am	Fellowship

Special Offering for Flood Victims: We will be taking a special offering at both services Sunday for flood victims in our region. Our donations will be sent to the Nebraska District LCMS, which is administering the relief fund that will be distributed through local congregations affected by floods. Checks can be made out to “Disaster Relief – Nebraska Flooding.”

Sunday's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by the Paul Karl Family honoring Kristen's birthday.

We will have a "5th Sunday" service on March 31 at 9am, followed by an hour of fellowship. That will be the only service that morning.

Our Midweek Lenten Themes
The Trials Of Jesus

Like a courtroom drama, a series of witnesses comes forward to give testimony about their experiences with the accused—Jesus Christ. Through their accounts we come to know the truth, that Jesus came to take our place in the defendant's chair.

Ash Wednesday, March 6

"The Voice of Satan" • Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus faces the tempter in the wilderness.

Week 1, March 10

"The Voice of Judas" • Luke 22:1-6, 22-48, Matthew 27:3-10

Judas betrays Jesus

Week 2, March 17

"The Voice of Annas" • John 18:12-24

A chief priest discusses Jesus' arrest.

Week 3, March 24

"The Voice of Caiaphas" • Matthew 26:57-68

The high priest faces off with the Son of God.

Week 4, March 31

"The Voice of Peter" • Luke 22:54-62

The rock that crumbled.

Week 5, April 7

"The Voice of Herod" • Luke 23:1-12

One king of the Jews testifies against another.

The Bible Verse of the Week

"Unless you repent, you too will all perish."

Luke 13:5b

Usher/Greeter Training for all, Saturday, March 30, 9pm. Coffee and donuts.

The Concordia A Capella Choir from Seward will be here on Wednesday, March 27, for our Lenten Service. We are in need of families to help with the lodging of the students. It would also entail breakfast on the 28th and transportation back to church. If you are able to help, please contact Sara Thomas by email - saramthomas@cox.net or call 402-496-2165.

Children Youth and Family Events:

- Easter breakfast is coming. Once again the youth and CYF board are hosting the meal between services. Please be looking for a sign-up sheet for donations and help. The meal is a free-will offering that goes into an account that supports youth ministry activities.
- The board is helping to pay 50% of the cost for youth to attend summer Lutheran camps. Please keep your receipts and give them to Sandra Glissmann for reimbursement.
- The board is planning summer Bible study and mission activities for our youth, their families and the congregation this summer. One activity will be preparing a meal for the Ronald McDonald House on July 20. Be watching the Messenger for more activities and information.

Thank you! Questions? CYF Board: Alice Osborn, Cheryl Drebes, Sharon Irvin, Kay Storck, Pam Hafsaas, and Sandra Glissmann

Please Answer the Call...

...when a campaign volunteer reaches out to you.

Pacific Hills' campaign to address some long overdue renovation projects is underway. We're also supporting the Nebraska District's renovation projects. Please answer the call when a volunteer contacts you about visiting with you about the campaign.

The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. -Luke 10:2

