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A Brief Bio on Rev. Dr. Michael L. Kumm (Vacancy Pastor for Pastor Drebes during his Medical Sabbatical)

The Rev. Dr. Michael L. Kumm, is a retired LCMS pastor from Dakota Dunes, South Dakota. He currently serves as the Chairman of the LCMS Board of Directors, St. Louis, MO. Dr.

Kumm has served churches in South Dakota and Southern Illinois as well as on the professional staff of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri. While serving these local congregations, he has served his community as a law enforcement chaplain and has served as the District Pastoral Advisor for the Lutheran Layman's League; Circuit Counselor and as a delegate to Synod conventions. Due to his expertise in the broadcast media, Dr. Kumm also served as the Interim General Manager of the Synod-owned KFYO radio station. Additionally, Dr. Kumm serves as Chairman of the Supervisory Board of the International Lutheran Society of Wittenberg (ILSW), a joint corporation of the LCMS and our German partner Church, the SELK. Dr. Kumm graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri, where he also completed a Master of Arts degree in Practical Theology. He successfully defended his dissertation, "Pastoral Care and Theology in Strife-torn Congregations," and earned his Ph.D. degree in Pastoral Theology and Apologetics from Trinity Theological Seminary, Newburgh, Indiana. Dr. Kumm is a Vietnam Veteran and retired from the U.S. Air Force Reserve after 30 years as a Chief Master Sergeant. He is honored to serve with the Patriot Guard and the American Legion Riders motorcycle groups in honoring departed veterans and their families, by providing escorts and flag lines at times of funerals and burials. Dr. Kumm is married to Janet and has four children, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Church Events

Sunday	8:00am	Eucharist
	9:15am	Choir
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	Eucharist
	11:30 am	CYF Board
	12:00pm	Worship and Music Comm.
Monday	6:30pm	Quilters
Tuesday	9:00am	Tai Chi
	9:30am	Alanon
	4:30pm	Siena Francis House
	7:00pm	Directors Board
Wednesday	9:00am	Foster Care
	9:30am	Eucharist
	10:00am	Fellowship
	2:00pm	Worship
	7:00pm	Worship
Thursday	1:30pm	Preschool Board
	6:30pm	Tai Chi
	6:30pm	Trustees Board
	7:00pm	Gamblers-12 Step
Friday	7:30pm	Omaha Philatelic Society
Sunday	8:00am	Eucharist
	9:15am	Choir
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	Eucharist
	11:30am	Outreach Board

Sunday's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Harriet Moore in memory of her husband and in thankfulness for her Pacific Hills family.

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.

We have Pacific Hills coffee mugs! The 14 oz. mugs will be on sale for \$5 each in the narthex after each service Sunday. The money will go into the Outreach Board's account for future outreach efforts. We'll also give some to visitors. Check them out

The Bible Verse of the Week

"I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings."

Luke 13:34b

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.

The Social Ministry and Mission Board is again partnering with **Essential Pregnancy Services of Omaha** in making a difference in the lives of at-risk mothers and their babies. During March we are continuing the collection of diapers (newborn to size 5), baby wipes, shampoo, lotion, diaper cream, baby clothes (can be gently used), bottles, formula, and breastfeeding supplies. Please place the items in the bins in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity.

Events of Other Congregations and Agencies

Join us for a buffet dinner Thursday, March 14, 6:30pm to 8pm at Il Palazzo, 5110 N. 132 St, to learn about the 2019 FAITH BUILDS sites across the Nebraska Region, hear from locals that have been on international trips, and see how the Habitat affiliate is actively building homes in your community. **What's a Faith Build?** It's a chance for Christian churches to come together to raise roofs, walls, funds and prayers to help a local family achieve the dream of home ownership. Think of it as "the House that Christians Built. See <https://omaha-heartforhabitat2019.eventbrite.com>.

And We're Off...

Pacific Hills' capital campaign is underway

Although Pacific Hills kicked off its *Forward in Faith - Together* Capital Campaign just last week, we've already received more than \$500,000 in gifts and pledges. God is gracious and God is good. Campaign packets were mailed to all members with a specific request for support. Please answer the call when a volunteer contacts you to visit about the campaign.

A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed. -Proverbs 11:25

