

# Hainesville Crossroads

Hainesville Lutheran Church ELCA Sturgeon Bay, WI

**Hainesville Crossroads — APRIL 2022 EDITION**

## Why Christ calls us to worship

Easter services are usually well attended, but what about other weeks? What draws you to worship on an "average" Sunday, and what might Jesus have in store for people in the pews?

## Monthly Musings

Consider this from Pastor Charles Aaron: "Did we come to church this morning thinking it was a safe thing to do? Did we come with some expectation of receiving a blessing, a bit of comfort, but no real challenge? Did we think about the possibility that encountering Jesus would rearrange our lives, explode our priorities, cause us to give more than we

ever expected? Did we think we could get a little something from Jesus, a dose of grace to help us through the week? Did we come for the fellowship, the music, the spiritual boost? No one can argue with those reasons."

He continues: "The risen Christ, however, may have had other plans for this worship service. Christ may want to come under our skins and transform us. Christ may see through us so that something we have well hidden comes to the surface. Christ may kick out from under us the things we use to prop ourselves up but that we don't really need. Are we ready for that? Did we bargain on that when we walked through the door today?"

—from *The Wired Word*



- **Sunday morning worship in sanctuary at 9:30** is also broadcast to parking lot on **92.3 FM** and is being livestreamed via **YouTube**.
- **BOOK CLUB: Tuesday April 5th at Noon; Girls in the Stilt House by Kelly Mustian**
- **Maundy Thursday and Good Friday worship available at Tanum-Forest Lutheran or Bay View Lutheran**
- **EASTER WORSHIP Sunday April 17th at 9:30 AM**
- **W-ELCA meets Tuesday April 19th at noon**
- **Church Council Tuesday April 19th at 6:00 PM**
- **Men's Bible study meets Wednesdays at 8 AM at church**
- **Quilters meet Tuesday April 26th at 9 AM**

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# A Love-filled Victory

It's tough to read about Jesus' agony on the cross, where he felt "forsaken" by God (see Matthew 27:46). But as Philip Yancey explains in *Where Is God When It Hurts?* the Father didn't desert Jesus — and doesn't desert us:

"God was not 'up there' watching the tragic events conspire 'down here.' God was *in Christ*, reconciling the world to himself," he writes. "If Jesus was a mere man, his death would prove God's cruelty; the fact that he was God's Son proves instead that God fully identifies with suffering humanity. On the cross, God himself absorbed the awful pain of this world."

"To some, the image of a pale body glimmering on a dark night whispers of defeat," Yancey continues. "But another sound can be heard: the shout of a God crying out to human beings, 'I LOVE YOU.' Love was compressed for all history in that lonely figure on the cross, who said that he could call down angels at any moment on a rescue mission, but chose not to — because of us."

He concludes: "Any discussion of how pain and suffering fit into God's scheme ultimately leads back to the cross."

## Upcoming Events at Hainesville

- Copies of the April, May, and June edition of Christ in Our Home devotional booklets have been placed in the church mailbox and are available for pick-up.
- Hainesville events are beginning to reappear!!! **The Salad Luncheon** is being planned for MAY 18TH from Noon until 1 PM. Tickets will be \$12 each. Come to the April W-ELCA meeting on Tuesday April 19th to help with planning this events and several other summer events.
- Summer will be the time for the Fish Boil Dinner ( Friday 3rd), the Goods and Goodies Sale in July and perhaps an outdoor worship service or two. Its good to be planning these enjoyable events so be sure to invite your family and friends to come back and enjoy the events this summer.

## MASKING POLICY

### BEGINNING SUNDAY MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>:

We are bringing music back to the congregation, including hymns and liturgy. To do this safely, masks are required to sing. You may speak the words if you are un-masked. Our current masking policy will have greeters being masked. We hope this compromise helps to restore a cherished part of the traditional service we all miss.

Frequent hand washing and social distancing are also encouraged. Please be mindful and respectful of our guests and our members who may be immunocompromised and may not enjoy the same level of protection as those who are fully vaccinated. If you are feeling sick, we ask that you stay at home and invite you to join us in-person again when your symptoms have subsided.



### Birthdays in April

|            |                  |
|------------|------------------|
| April 1st  | Jeff Heindl      |
|            | April Mascorro   |
| April 2nd  | Jim Hanstad      |
| April 3rd  | MarJean Gutschow |
|            | Pam Peterson     |
|            | Peggy Odegaard   |
| April 8th  | Tom Angermeier   |
| April 10th | Bonnie Kohn      |
| April 11th | Eric Schmitz     |
| April 13th | Kristor Larson   |
| April 14th | Tiffany Schultz  |
| April 17th | Jordan Degrave   |
| April 18th | Ken Overland     |
| April 22nd | Sandra Pierre    |
|            | Kayla Houston    |
| April 23rd | Deb Kirsch       |
| April 25th | Patrick Markham  |
|            | Kathy Schmitz    |
| April 30th | Jan Shusta       |

### Wedding Anniversaries in April



|            |                           |
|------------|---------------------------|
| April 16th | Rick & Vicki<br>Hannemann |
| April 19th | Bob & Leslie<br>Petersen  |

"The very first Easter taught us this: that life never ends and love never dies."

—Kate McGahan



# Easter Fun to Share with your Family



## **Paper Plate Easter Egg with Cross**

1. Cut a cross, heart, and circle out of colored paper and glue to a small paper plate.
2. Cut an egg shape out of pastel colored paper.
3. use Q-tips to paint rows of design onto the egg shape, or use small stamps.
4. Glue the egg to a second paper plate
5. Cut the paper plate with the egg shape in half
6. Fasten the two halves to the cross plate with 2 brads



## **Dolly the Doily Sheep**

**TUESDAY APRIL 5TH AT NOON**

Book title: *The Girls in the Stilt House* by Kelly Mustian

Set in 1920s Mississippi, this debut Southern novel weaves a beautiful and harrowing story of two teenage girls cast in an unlikely partnership through murder—perfect for readers of *Where the Crawdads Sing* and *If the Creek Don't Rise*.

Ada promised herself she would never go back to the Trace, to her hard life on the swamp and her harsh father. But now, after running away to Baton Rouge and briefly knowing a different kind of life, she finds herself with nowhere to go but back home. And she knows there will be a price to pay with her father.

Matilda, daughter of a sharecropper, is from the other side of the Trace. Doing what she can to protect her family from the whims and demands of some particularly callous locals is an ongoing struggle. She forms a plan to go north, to pack up the secrets she's holding about her life in the South and hang them on the line for all to see in Ohio.

As the two girls are drawn deeper into a dangerous world of bootleggers and moral corruption, they must come to terms with the complexities of their tenuous bond and a hidden past that links them in ways that could cost them their lives.



**Books Belief  
Belonging**





## March 15, 2022 Church Council Un-approved Minutes

### Council Meeting – 3/15/2022

Present: Rick Hannemann, John Melland, Ellen Klister, Marie Weber, George Sincock, Gene LaPlante, Gordy Hughes, Linda Monahan, April Mascorro

Absent: Heather Haese

Guests: Paula Eggert, Luann Ferron

Opening prayer; Call to order by Rick @ 6:04pm.

Church historical records (Paula) – provided an overview of what has been accomplished.

Constitution overview (Paula) – will send council the document she was working on with Trent. Council will work on reviewing.

Pastoral next steps (Luann) – Synod approved presiding over weddings and funerals. Communion continues to be worked through.

Agenda accepted and approved, motion by John, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gene.

Worship, Music, Arts report (Gordy):

- Met with Paula and organists

- Palms for Palm Sunday have been ordered

- Easter lily order form is included in the bulletin

- Ongoing discussion about an amplifier/equipment for both indoor & outdoor use

- Confirmed downstairs keyboard belongs to HLC

- Gordy will provide council with recommendations of ways to begin reintroducing aspects of Sunday services that have been on hold due to COVID-19.

Social Ministry report (Marie):

- No update

Evangelism report (Linda):

- No update

Property report (Gene/John):

- Shelving was built downstairs

Education report (Heather Haese-not present):

- A sub-committee will develop requirement guidelines for confirmation students. Recommendations will be presented and reviewed at the April council meeting.

Vice President report (George):

- Need a volunteer for the Synod meeting

Secretary report (April):

- Accepted and approved February minutes, motion by Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marie

Treasurer report (Ellen):

- Accepted and approved February financials, motion by Gene, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gordy

President report (Rick):

- Wedding on track at HLC on 4/2/2022; LuAnn presiding
- Received \$10,000 stained-glass donation

- Work in progress regarding painting the hallway and replacing ceiling tiles due to smoke odor

- The Pulse ad sizing (from 3" down to 2") and wording will be revised. Annual cost for 3" ad is \$1878. The 2" ad cost will be less.

- When downstairs everyone must follow the county guidelines for group settings (not to exceed capacity for the space). Accepted and approved, motion by George, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ellen.

- Masking update – Accepted and approved, motion by Gordy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by George:

  - Optional in the sanctuary, except during congregational singing, they they're required

  - Required for ushers

- Office manager position to be filled for approximately 8 hours per week. Wording for the position will be included in the 3/20 bulletin, interested parties should speak to a council member after the service. A special council meeting will be held after the service to discuss.

- Rick will contact the synod regarding Paula's resignation letter

- A new office computer purchase will be researched

Closed with prayer; meeting adjourned @ 8:10pm, accepted and approved, motion by April, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gene.


Next meeting is 4/19 @ 6pm.

April Mascorro (Council secretary)



# APRIL

# 2022

| Sun   | Mon | Tue  | Wed                                     | Thu  | Fri   | Sat |
|---|-----|--|---|--|---|-----|
|   |     |  |   |  | 1<br>1 PM Memorial service for Linda Freier at Forbes Funeral Home  | 2   |
| 3<br>9:30 am In person worship as well as parking lot service<br>Confirmation class after worship                                     | 4   | 5<br>BOOK CLUB: meets at NOON: "The girls in the Stilt House" by Kelly Mustian | 6<br>8 AM Men's Breakfast/ Bible Study  | 7  | 8   | 9   |
| 10<br>9:30 am In person worship as well as parking lot service<br>Confirmation class after worship                                    | 11  | 12   | 13<br>8 AM Men's Breakfast/ Bible Study | 14<br>Services at Bay View or Tanum Forest<br> MAUNDY THURSDAY | 15<br>Services at Bay View or Tanum Forest<br> GOOD FRIDAY | 16  |
| 17<br>9:30 Easter Sunday Worship<br> EASTER SUNDAY | 18  | 19<br>NOON W-ELCA Bring lunch; dessert provided<br>6 PM Church Council         | 20<br>8 AM Men's Breakfast/ Bible Study | 21   | 22<br>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE   | 23  |
| 24<br>9:30 am In person worship as well as parking lot service<br>Confirmation class after worship                                    | 25  | 26<br>9AM—Noon "Crazy Comfort Creators" - Quilting for Lutheran World Relief   | 27<br>8 AM Men's Breakfast/ Bible Study | 28   | 29<br>NEWSLETTER PRINTED  | 30  |



## Keep Them in Your Prayers

"Pray in the Spirit at all times with all kinds of prayers" *Ephesians 6:18*

**Rusty** (Allen), **Lindsay** (A), **Tom** (Angermeier), **Shirley** (Brandt), **Karen & Del** (Brewer), **Eugene** (Clark), **Danielle** (Davis), **Ruth** (Grainger), **Vicki** (Hannemann), **Anna Lisa** (Jilburg), **Ellie** (Krull), **Judy** (Larson), **Larry** (Mallien), **Natalie** (Markham), **Joe** (May), **Francine** (Meyer), **Ken** (Overland), **Jodi** (P), **Matthew** (Roque), **Alice** (Roque-Angermeier), **Troy**, **Deanna**, **Lexi**, & **Laci** (Schiesser), **Eric** (Thorson), **Kari** (Uetz), **Aubrey** (W), **Bobette** (Watson), and **Jeanine**.



# April Newsletter



## Hainesville Lutheran Church –ELCA

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## [ Holy Week Schedule ]

### Bay View Lutheran Holy Week Schedule

- Maundy Thursday, April 14, 6:00 PM
- Good Friday, April 15, 6:00 PM •
- Easter Vigil, April 16, 6:00 PM •



**Hainesville Lutheran Easter Sunday**  
**Worship is at 9:30 AM with Pastor David**  
**Raben officiating**