

ST. JOHNS MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

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Established 1893

As you read this we are past the resurrection. It's a time to celebrate that Jesus has defeated death for one and all times. It's a time to celebrate that we are not condemned because he took our sins from us and they were nailed to the cross. It's a time to enjoy spring and prepare for summer and warmer days. It's a good time but the danger is to move forward too quickly. The danger is to take our eyes off of Christ.

During Lent and the Easter season we tend to focus on Jesus and our brokenness a bit more. It's somber. We give up things and remember the price that he paid on the cross. Good Friday haunts us a little bit, as it should. So we are sort of eager to move past it. We naturally want to get to the good part. The victorious part.

As we bask in that victory keep your eyes on the victorious one. He did not just pay for your sins. He did not just pave the way for eternal life. He did not just do these things 2000 years ago, they are living and active now! Jesus is at the right hand of God interceding for you and upholding all things. The blood that he shed on the cross is still able to cleanse you of all unrighteousness when you come to him. Lean on him for everything because he is the one that God sent to us. He sent him to reconcile us to him and then to connect us to the Holy Trinity.

We are connected to the vine which is Christ and he has the same will, the same love, the same attributes as the Father. They are on the throne but when Jesus ascended to heaven he send the comforter, the Holy Spirit to us to live inside of us and bring us into all truth:

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. (John 16:13 NRSV)

So keep your eyes on Christ. As we move forward in the church calendar we celebrate the triumph of Jesus and our reconciliation to God but also the arrival of the comforter on Pentecost day. Jesus is the key to the trinity stay focused on him. Put your trust in him completely and receive the love of the Father and the dwelling of the Holy Spirit.



-Jeremy

FARMERSBURG

CHURCH COUNCIL
Pres: Bill Scherf III. (25)
V. Pres: Bruce Glawe (25)
Sec: Loretta Weipert (26)

Treas: Ryan Moon (24)

Council Members: Ken Erickson (24), Dave Hageman (25) & Linda Schoulte (26)

CHURCH SECRETARY:

Kelly Shaw

FINANCIAL SECRETARY:

Kelly Shaw

OUTSIDE JANITOR:

Loren Scherf

INSIDE JANITOR:

Mary Beth Tielbar

WELCA:

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

ST. JOHNS MINISTRY YOUTH

Pres: V. Pres:

Sec: Ashley Shaw Treas: Ethan Goltz

ST. JOHN MINISTRY TEAM

Chairperson: Tammy Muller (24) Secretary: Vicki Baade (24) Members: Janelle Smith (25) Becky Fuelling (25)

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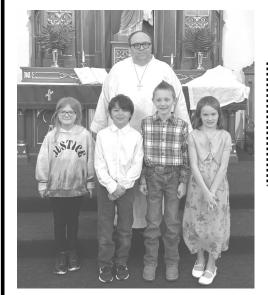
Remember to like St. John Facebook Page.

FARMERSBURG NEWS

Baptized on Sunday, March 17 was Kayden Loren Radloff, son of Derek and Tonya Radloff. Sponsors are Kayla Olson & Nathan Brinks.

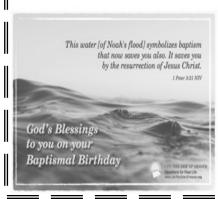


We welcome Kayden as a child of God.



Receiving 1st Communion on March 24, 2024

Scarlett Scherf Rylan Hoth Dominic Schoulte Annabelle Palmersheim



KNOWN April BAPTISMS

- 4 Ryan Moon
- 6 Becky Fuelling
- 8 William Robert Scherf V
- 10 Zachary Radloff
- 13 Cierra Weipert
- 15 Emery Jean Rodas
- 15 Wyatt, Martyn, Jay Geick
- 19 Dominic Schoulte
- 20 Kris Wikner

When you are garage sell shopping, remember to look for items for the Layette Kits. Our supply of items is gone. We need the following:

Bar Soap, Socks,

Small Dark colored Hand Towels

Cotton T-shirts or Onesies

Long or Short sleeve Gowns or Sleepers

Receiving Blankets

Cloth Diapers

Baby Cap

Jacket, Sweater or Sweatshirts Diaper Pins

Clothes should be size 6-24

Months

Thank you—Marlene, Nancy & Bev

FARMERSBURG NEWS

USHERS

April 7 & April 14

Captain John Fuelling Jeff Klinge Justin Fuelling Larry Friedlein

April 21 Combined Worship Luana April 28

Captain Ken Erickson Mike Reardon Rod Stagman Martyn Geick



ACOLYTES

<u>APRIL</u>

- 7 Carsen Kirby
- 14 Connor Kirby
- 21 Combined @ Luana
- 128 Brayden Hoth

GREETERS

April 7 Brianna Seronko & Kaylee, Brayden & Rylan Hoth

- 14 Justin & Stacy Fuelling
- 21 Combined Worship in Luana
- 28 Shirley Marmann & Diana Miller

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE Shirley Marmann & Velma Kuehl

April Altar Guild

Velma Kuehl, Cheryl Bossard & Becky Fuelling

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

April 7 Bruce Glawe

April 21 Combined Worship @ Luana





The **WELCA** quilts are on display on the back of the church pews. They are offered for sale for a free will offering. The money raised from these is then used to buy batting and other supplies for next year. Remember these quilts make a gift for bridal showers, weddings, graduations or just for you to use to cover your couch. There are many different colors and sizes to choose from. If you would like to buy a quilt, write a check to St.

John WELCA and in the memo part write how many Quilts you are purchasing. You can give the check to Becky Fuelling or place in her mailbox. Thankyou for your support. As you work on your spring cleaning, keep us in mind for your extra sheets, pillow cases, curtains, or new fabric. We are able to use most anything. If you have doubts, bring it to us and we will sort through it. We use it for tops, middles, and backs. Even though sheets may not be perfect, we can still cut squares from them. We appreciate any and all donations that we receive. Thanks.



APRIL

- 1 Lyvea Krambeer
- 2 Lee Klinkenberg Jamie Scott Tielbar
- 6 Mallory (Thornton) Randall
- 7 Ryan Pritchard Dalton Isaacs
- 8 Dillon Hope Deb Tidwell Rita Pritchard Addison Burgess
- 9 Breanna Hope
- 10 Garrett Lnenicka Kennedy Schmidt
- 11 Jerel Palas
- 14 Jamie Tielbar
- 18 Carol Lenth
- 19 Lucy Kessler
- 20 Steven Henning
- 25 Jeffery Palas
- 27 Majil Tayek Jeanette Vogt
- 28 John Klinge Lori Schoenfeldt Sophia Rose Dubberke
- 30 Layne Tielbar



<u>April</u>

15 Kenneth & Velma Kuehl

21 Mark & Beth Bries



April 28 bowling for Sunday School, confirmation students, their families and congregational members. Will leave Farmersburg after Worship. Plan to meet at Leisure Time Bowling in Prairie du Chien at Noon.

ST. JOHN FARMERSBURG COUNCIL MINUTES

Date: 3/17/2024

- *Motion to approve the minutes of February 11, 2024 meeting made by Ken, second by Linda. Motion carried.
- *Linda moved to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Dave. Motion carried.

Vicar's Report: *Becky Fuelling offered to provide communion bread for Maundy Thursday service instead of wafers. Council members agreed that we will use bread on Maundy Thursday.

*Asked about when to put up cross during Maundy Thursday service being Good Friday service will be in Luana this year. Council members agreed to set up the cross at the end of service on Maundy Thursday. Dave volunteers to carry the cross to altar, he will find another volunteer to help him.

Ongoing Business:

- *Ryan is in the process of setting up a new money market account at Luana Savings Bank. Linda motioned that Ryan Moon and Kelly Shaw to be authorized signers on account and both have the authority to write checks, seconded by Dave Hageman. Motion carried.
- *Approved for the 2 grants Deb Tidwell applied for through EWALU. One grant for Christmas Meal that will alternate between the two churches every year. The second grant will be used to start a Children's program at St John in Luana starting in the Fall on Mondays after school. Was a short discuss on possibly considering a children's program in Farmersburg in the future.

New Business:

*Ryan brought to council's attention that Ethan Goltz is listed on the Luther League banking accounts, which he will be graduating this year. Council members discussed options for members to be on accounts. Currently no active Luther League members. Linda made a motion that Ryan Moon and Kelly Shaw be listed on St John Farmersburg Luther League checking and savings account, seconded by Ken. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- *Evangelism No report.
- *Parish Education First Communion and Procession of the Palms during worship next Sunday. April 28 bowling for Sunday School, confirmation students, their families and congregational members.
- *Property Ken picked up lawn around the church. Bruce is going to check into spray for box elder bugs.
- *Stewardship No Report.
- *Worship Hannah Adney playing piano next Wednesday service in Theresa Rodas absence.
- *Memorial No report.
- *Men's Group October 27th will be the Men's Harvest Meal.
- *Women's Group Quilts will be showcased in church starting next week. Many quilts have already been delivered to local charities.

Motion to adjourn by Ryan, second by Linda. Motion carried. Next meeting is April 14 after worship. Mays meeting will be the 19th.

Respectively submitted by Loretta Weipert, secretary

Meeting

^{*}Present: Linda Schoulte, Loretta Weipert, Ken Erickson, Ryan Moon, Bruce Glawe, Dave Hageman, Bill Scherf and Jeremy Wolfe.

^{*}Meeting called to order by President Bill at 1130 am. Opening devotions given by Jeremy Wolfe.

^{*}Linda moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Loretta. Motion Carried.

FARMERSBURG NEWS

February, 2024 – Treasurer's Report

Income:

25.00 Thrivent Grant Money

1483.00 625.00 753.00

465.00

99.00 "Souper Bowl" offering

Missions:

NE Iowa Synod: 270.00 SOTH: 232.00

Food Shelf: 122.00 + 99.00 (Souper Bowl Offering)

St. Pt. Home: 35.00 LSI: 50.00 EWALU: 35.00

Staff Compensation:

Pastor: 1184.41 Inside Cust.: 215.48 Outside Cust.: 126.98 Organists: 161.61

Expenses:

 Black Hills (gas):
 125.40

 Alliant (elec):
 260.26

 NEIT:
 116.25

 Church Mutual
 597.67

Total Income: 3450.00 Total Expenses: 3433.06

General Checking Balance – February 1, 2024: 8576.15

February 29, 2024: 8395.09

Kelly Shaw Treasurer

| WORSHIP Attend | ance |
|----------------|-------|
| February | * |
| 4-37 | |
| 11-38 | |
| 18-41 | |
| 25-34 | 工厂工工工 |

WELCA March 20th Meeting Highlights

* received a thank you from SOTH for donations

*Do-Days-we worked 9 days total, made 120 guilts and 14 lap guilts, will have 93 for sale

*Spring gathering is at Luana on April 27th with Jim Langhus speaking

*LWR truck in Decorah May 4th

*Goodwill truck in Monona May 4th

*Senior recognition will be May 12 with group 2 serving. We have one graduate.

*Baccalaureate service will be in Farmersburg on Wednesday May 15th with the Interchurch council serving

*NEI synod meeting is June 1 at Waverly

*2024 SWO gathering is June 15th

*Triennial Convention is July 14-16 in Des Moines

*will be selling geraniums from Turkey River Greenhouse

*next unit meeting is June 19th at 1 PM

* offering donated to Camp Courageous



LUANA

CHURCH SECRETARY & FINANCIAL TREAS.:

Karla Schrader

CHURCH COUNCIL:
President: Neil Landt (24)
V. Pres: Aaron Smith (25)

Sec: Mel Lenth (24)

Cur. Treas: Diane Kraus (25) Bene. Treas: Sherri Johnson (24) Financial Counters: Council

DEACONS: Neil Landt (24) Jerry Schroeder (26) Tim Donlon (26) TRUSTEES:

Sherri Johnson (24) Mel Lenth (24) Diane Kraus (25) Aaron Smith (25) Heath Landt (26)

WELCA: Leaders:

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

Oct.—December Karla Schrader

ALTAR GUILD:

Pres: Sherri Johnson (26)
Sec: Darci Engelhardt (26)
Banners/Linens/Candles:
Mary Schroeder (24)
Lisa Meyer (25)

Special Services/Flowers:

Betty Handke (24)

Diane Kraus (25) **Bapt./Comm.:**

Sherri Johnson Darci Engelhardt

Seasonal Banners: Altar Guild

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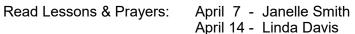
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St. John's Luana website www.stjohn-luana.org

LUANA NEWS

APRIL VOLUNTEERS

Greeters: Steege Family



April 14 - Linda Davis April 21 - Mary Schroeder April 28 - Neal Wikner

Acolyte: April 7 - Dayne Anderson

April 14 - Karsten Steege April 21 - Emme Wikner April 28 - Livia Steege

Communion Servers:

Easter Sunday March 31 – Neil Landt & Aaron Smith

April 7 - Tim Donlon & Diane Kraus

April 21 – Jerry Schroeder & Sherri Johnson

Altar Guild: Lisa Meyer Flowers: Betty Handke

Let Karla know if you are bringing Easter Lilies.



April Birthdays

1 – Sherri Johnson

4 – Jean Wolter

5 – Connie Schlein

7 - Cyrus Landt

14 - Janelle Smith

19 - Avrey Smith

28 - Myah Davis

APRIL 7

RAKE & JEANS DAY

Bring your rakes and gloves for lawn clean up!





19 – Robert & Betty Handke29 - James & Lisa Meyer

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

| | Att. | Comm |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| Feb. 25 | 32 | |
| Feb. 28 Lent | 41 | |
| March 3 | 38 | 36 |
| March 10 | 38 | |
| March 13 | 45 | |
| March 17 | <u>40</u> | <u>34</u> |
| | 200 | 70 |



WELCA Meeting, April 11, 2024 @ 5:30pm. Please plan to attend.

LUANA NEWS

FEBRUARY REPORT

| EXPENSES | | INCOME | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Black Hills Utilities –Nat. Gas | 406.74 | Feb. 4 | 1,754.00 |
| Alliant - Electricity | 446.71 | Feb. 11 | 911.00 |
| Karla Schrader –Secretary | 500.24 | Feb. 18 | 875.00 |
| Cindy Landt – Custodian | 461.50 | Feb. 25 | <u>759.00</u> |
| NEITEL | 119.37 | | $4,\overline{299.00}$ |
| Jeremy Wolfe- salary | 1,234.40 | Thrivent dep | 28.00 |
| IRS | 480.45 | Farm Bur. Dept | 1,152.59 |
| Main St Checks | 88.15 | St. John Ceme. | <u>1,179.71</u> |
| | 3,737.56 | | 6,659.30 |
| | | Bal. Jan 31, 2024 | 767.21 |
| | | Income | 6,659.30 |
| SPECIAL FUNDS | 5 | | 7,426.51 |
| Ruby Breitsprecher CD | 5,500.44 | Less Expenses | 3,737.56 |
| St John Scholarship Fund CD | 40,895.06 | Bal. Feb. 29. 2024 | 3.688.95 |
| Willard & Anne Kamin CD | 4,499.38 | | |

CURRENT FUND

| | Envelopes | Plate | Initial | Total |
|---------|------------------|--------------------|---------|----------|
| Feb. 4 | 1,750.00 | 4.00 | | 1,754.00 |
| Feb. 11 | 886.00 | 20.00 | 5.00 | 911.00 |
| Feb. 18 | 875.00 | | | 875.00 |
| Feb. 25 | 719.00 | 40.00 | | 759.00 |
| | 4.230.00 | $\overline{64.00}$ | 5.00 | 4.299.00 |

RENT/REPAIR FUND

| Bal. 01-31-24 | \$ 26,869.54 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| Interest | 57.48 |
| Bal. 29, 2024 | \$ 26,927.02 |

THRIVENT BALANCE

Bal. Feb. 29, 2024 \$287,300.45

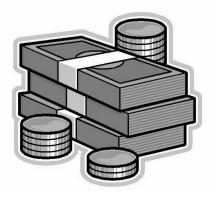
BENEVOLENCE REPORT

| DICOME |
|---------------|
| INCOME |

| Feb. 4 | Offering | 100.00 |
|---------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Feb. 11 | Offering | 40.00 |
| | Food Shelf | 10.00 |
| | Operating | 50.00 |
| | Souper Bowl | 320.00 |
| Feb. 14 | Ash Wednesday | 292.00 |
| Feb. 18 | Offering | 35.00 |
| | Food Shelf | 10.00 |
| | Souper Bowl | 10.00 |
| Feb. 21 | Lent | 95.00 |
| Feb. 25 | Offering | 30.00 |
| | Food Shelf | 20.00 |
| Feb. 28 | Lent | 262.00 |
| | | $1,\overline{274.00}$ |

EXPENSES

| Synod Food Shelf | \$ 75.00 \$370.00 |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| SOTH | \$180.00 |
| Lent held over | \$625.00 649.00 |
| | \$1,274.00 |



St. John/Luana Church Council Minutes March 10, 2024

Meeting called to order by President Neil Landt at 7:32am

Present: Vicar Jeremy Wolfe, Neil Landt, Stan Dull, Heath Landt, Diane Kraus, Jerry Schroeder, Aaron Smith, Tim Donlon and Melanie Lenth.

Absent: Sherri Johnson. Also, in attendance church secretary, Karla Schrader.

Devotions: Led by Vicar Jeremy with Psalm 51

Council minutes from the previous meeting were read by Melanie. Motion to approve the minutes from Tim and seconded by Stan. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Rent is current and the income from Farm Bureau deposit was from a donation.

Jerry motioned to approve the report and seconded by Diane. Motion carried.

<u>Old Business:</u> Jerry presented 2 bids for the water line from Vorwald and Bacon Concrete. Stan motioned to accept the bid from Bacon Concrete and Heath seconded. Approved by council.

Bacon concrete will begin immediately after notification.

*** The floor book stand will remain in the church basement.

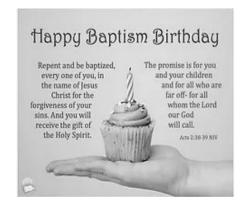
New Business: Jean and Rake Sunday is set for April 7th following church service.

- ***Carol Goettler discussed a new outdoor church sign from the money received from Ozzie's memorials with Melanie and Jerry. Melanie will follow up with Carol going forward.
- ***Karla discussed a memorial for Pastor Harold McMillin from our church. Council will either be looking at a new Baptismal Font (if the current one cannot be repaired) or a new Advent wreath stand. Jeremy will check out the cost for a new Font.
- ***Jeremy updated the council regarding the serving of the Christmas meal and logistics. More research will be conducted during the year. Jeremy discussed the live stream and its challenges with the sound system and wi-fi.

Next meeting: April 14, 2024

Adjournment at 8:11am concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectively submitted by Melanie Lenth, council secretary.



Baptism Birthdays

APRIL

- 2 Keisha Formanek
- 6 Erma Swenson
- 7 Tristan Meyer
- 13 Jay Schroeder
- 18 Candice Schlein
- 22 Connie Schlein
- 25 Sherri Johnson
- 27 Dwain Wolter
- 28 LuNida Landt

Both Churches News



WELCA Little Flock Cluster B Spring Gathering at St John's Luana Saturday, April 27, 2024

Registration 9-9:30 AM

Guest speaker: Jim Langhus director of the Monona Butterfly Gardens and Trails.

Bring in-kind donations for Clayton County Food Shelf

Lunch will be served,

please **RSVP by April 17** to Betty Handke (563-539-2947)

email handbett@neitel.net Cost \$5.00



April 21 - 10:00 a.m. @ Luana Combined Worship with Potluck. Game Day after.







Farmersburg WELCA will be selling geraniums again this year. Colors available will be Deep Red, Orange, and White. Cost will be \$3.50 each geranium. Order forms will be passed around at each church. Payment due at delivery which will be around Mother's Day. Last day to order will be Sunday, April 28th.

Geraniums will be delivered to each church. Any questions feel free to call Nancy Moon at 539-4562.



Our sympathy to the family and friends of Pastor Harold McMillian Jr. who passed away on March 2, 2024. His funeral service was on Saturday, March 9, 2024.

<u>REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS</u>: Sue Grotegot, Stacy DeSotel, Carolyn Middendorf, Tom Meuleman, Mary Zittergruen, Kent Seitz, Linda Bacon, Linda Hughes, Larry Doerring, Missy Adams, Julie Mohs,

Ryne Landt, Charlie Post, Lonnie Baade, Joy David, Rick Conley, Keith Lee, *Dallas Tielbar, Shelby Preston, Bram Byroade, Robert Pate, Melody Pate, Jim Fuelling.*

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

ELKADER CARE CENTER: LuNida Landt, Grace Doerring

GARDEN VIEW PLACE: Juanita Mohs, Darlene Moon TOWER LIVING CENTER: Lendall Schievelbein

ASSISTED LIVING ROCHESTER, MN 55901: Dorothy Kluth

KENSINGTON ASSISTED LIVING: Mary Russett

HOMEBOUND: JoAnn Meyer, Glenda Henkes, Lee Klinkenberg, Jeanette Krambeer, Jim Fuelling,

Shirley Wagner





April 2024 - From Sheep to Shepherd: An LSI Early Childhood Services Story

Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, a mother, recently released from treatment, found herself in her new empty apartment with her son. She felt lost and needed a shepherd to guide her. So, Hali contacted LSI's Early Childhood Services, and Gretchen O'Brien, a Family Support Worker, answered the call. Gretchen began virtual home visits using the Healthy Family America home-visiting model.

For the next three years, Gretchen connected Hali and her son to community resources, served as a support system and a shoulder to cry on, and celebrated Hali's sobriety milestones with her. Even when Hali doubted herself, Gretchen guided and believed in her.

"I just remember sitting in that empty apartment crying, but I had Gretchen on the phone. You guys believed in me when nobody else did," shared Hali.

Today, Hali serves on the Healthy Family America (HFA) National Parent Advisory Committee, the first of its kind. The group is composed of 10-12 parents from around the country who have graduated from their local HFA program, each participant with their own story to share.

Hali needed a shepherd in her time of trouble and self-doubt, and Gretchen answered that call. Now, Hali serves as a shepherd to thousands of parents through the National Parent Advisory Committee. The LSI Early Childhood team couldn't be more proud of Hali and Gretchen.

Shepherd of the Hills Ministries NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2024



Are you a Thrivent member?

Did you know that you can receive up to **2-\$250 action cards** to be used towards our events we host each year? This is a great way to support our projects like Back to School, Christmas for Kids and our Annual Hog Roast. Please reach out to me if you are interested in obtaining a card(s) to support these efforts.

We are starting to think...<u>Back to School.</u> (I know it's early) We filled 335 backpacks for the surrounding area students in 2023. I suspect that we will have an increase this year as well. We are looking for your support as our inventory was depleted due to the steady increases. If your church, organization, 4H group or business would like to host a fundraising event to help out, please reach out to me for more details of items in need. We will be collecting donations from June1-July 31. This will give you plenty of time to organize and host an event for BACK TO SCHOOL.

The best events are the ones that support our youth, especially their education.

Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today! -Malcom X

Clothing Center Updates:

We are currently in the spring/summer season of donations. (No winter items accepted) We appreciate all those who have scheduled their donations. This allows us to keep the store clean, safe and inventory rotated. When you call to schedule a donation, it reserves that day for your items to be accepted.

Thrifting is an increasing popular way of shopping. We hope to be open more Saturdays to support that trend. I will announce our Saturday open dates on Facebook so please follow us for more information.

Thank you for supporting the SOTH Thrift Store where almost everything is only \$1.00

Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-noon and 1-4 pm.

Shepherd Conference News:

Our heartfelt condolences go out to the family of Pastor Harold McMillian Jr. who passed away on March 2, 2024. Harold has been a staple to the SOTH Conference and the Synod-serving over 50 years in ministry. Pastor Harold served as Pastor to many of the churches in our Conference, lastly serving as Interim Pastor at St. Peter in Garnavillo and Peace in Clayton. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him. Thank you, Pastor Harold, for your generous dedication to the Lord, the Congregations and to SOTH.

The **Operating Fund** pays the utilities, insurance on the building, supplies, salaries and Lawn/Snow Care.

The <u>Crisis Fund</u> is used to help families with emergency rent or utilities and our sponsored events throughout the year Please utilize the <u>MEMO LINE</u>

on your check to specify

<u>Crisis</u> or <u>Operating</u> Fund!

Please indicate what church you are from as well to provide better bookkeeping.

IMPORTANT EVENTS/

DATES:

ConFest-

April 24, 2024 5:30-7:30
St. Paul Lutheran- Postville
RSVP by April 21
Open to all confirmation
students and leaders
Little Flock Spring Gathering.
April 27, 2024
Registration: 9-9:30 am

Registration: 9-9:30 am St. John Lutheran- Luana RSVP by April 17

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